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FRENCH COMICS NEW RELEASES  
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## SCIENCE FICTION

### THE INCAL: DYING STAR

Jodorowsky & Moebius  
(Original work)  
Dan Watter (Writer)  
Jon Davis Hunt (Art)

A MUTANT COMMANDER LEADS A DESPERATE MISSION OF REVENGE. A MILLENNIUM AWAY, A SISTER OF ENTROPY FACES CERTAIN DEATH. WILL LOVE TRIUMPH... OR WILL ALL FALL TO THE ROT AND THE WORM?

Things are not going well for Commander Kaimann. Luz, the love of his life, is dead, his home of Tortuga destroyed, his crew ghostly apparitions, and his crocodilian mutation taking over more and more of his body -- Kaimann is fighting for his life on multiple fronts. Just when it seems like despair may overtake him, a chance encounter with a strange violin connects him to Aurora, a woman living in a future where she is staring down almost certain destruction... With his passions renewed, Kaimann hatches a bold plan to find a cure for his mutation and a future with his newfound love. However, Kaimann's past is catching up with him, and Aurora's future.

#### KEY POINTS :

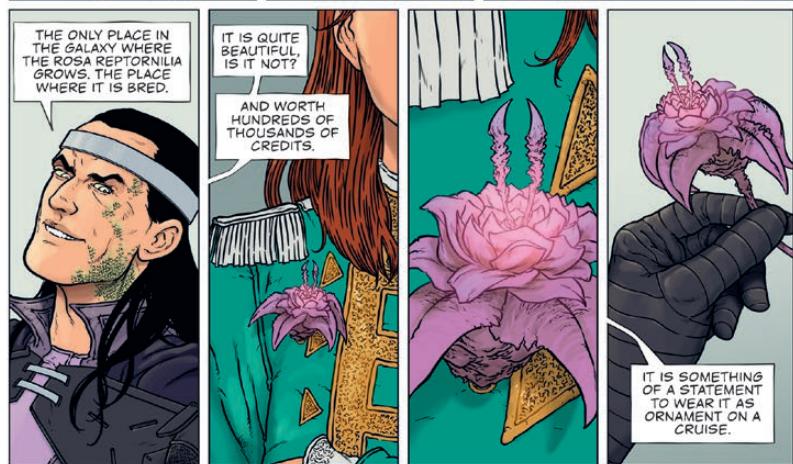
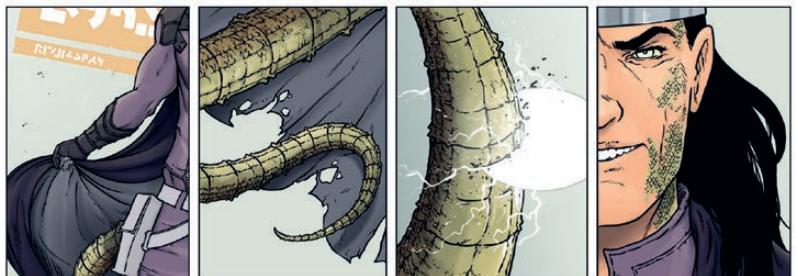
- Part of the expanding universe of *The Incal*, soon to be a major motion picture from Taika Waititi (*Thor: Ragnarok*, *Our Flag Means Death*).
- Written by Dan Watters (*Sandman: House of Whispers*, *Home Sick Pilots*), with art by Jon Davis-Hunt (*The Wild Storm*, *Shadowman*)
- Sci-Fi swashbuckling adventure in the spirit of *Star Wars: Solo* and *Firefly*
- High stakes action and epic romance provide thrills for readers of all sorts

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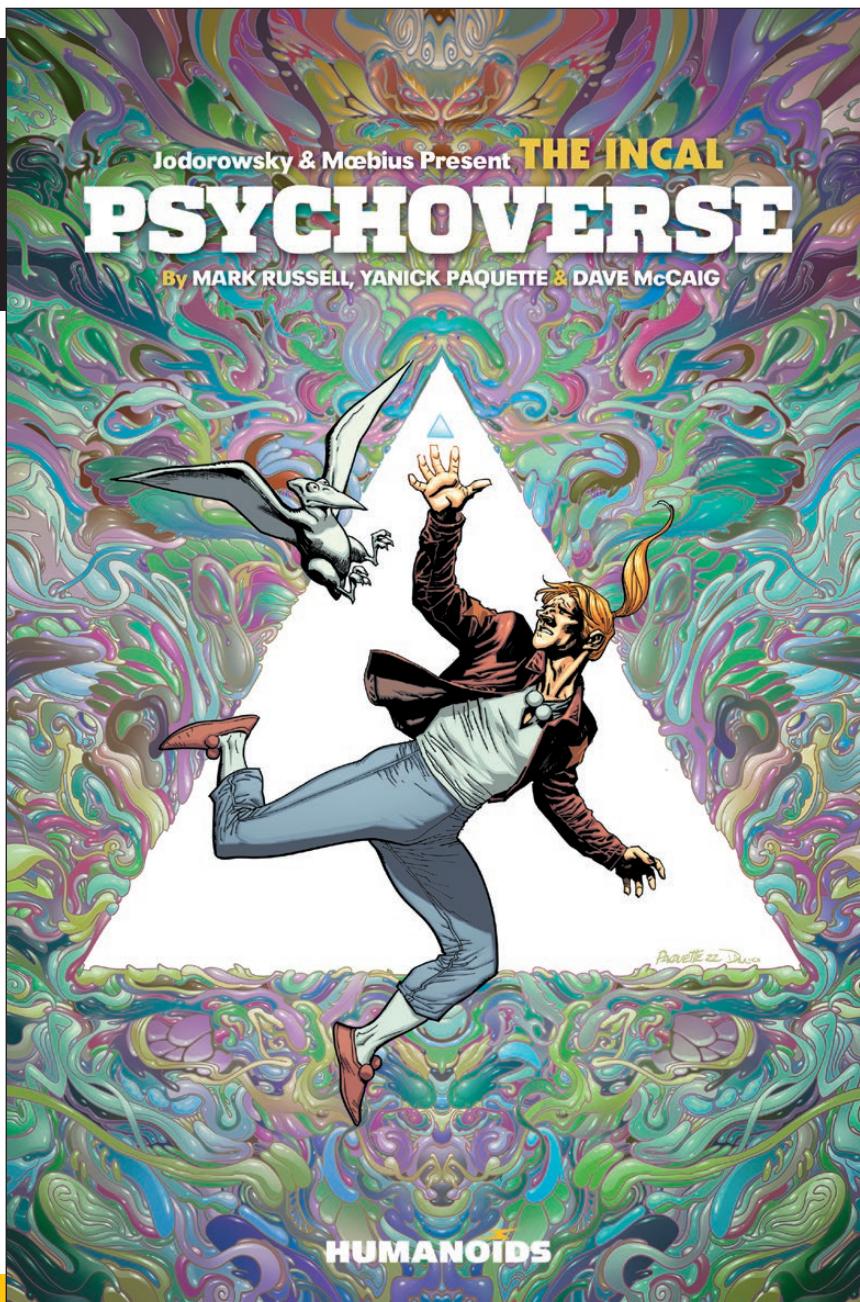
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## SCIENCE FICTION



### THE INCAL: PSYCHOVERSE

Jodorowsky & Moebius  
(Original work)  
Mark Russell (Writer)  
Yanick Paquette (Art)

**IN A SHOCKING AND EXPLOSIVE PREQUEL TO THE INCAL SAGA, PREPARE TO ENTER THE PSYCHOVERSE!**

The world of the Incal, the Matterverse, is full of strange technology, astonishing worlds, and extraordinary creations. But where do these things come from?

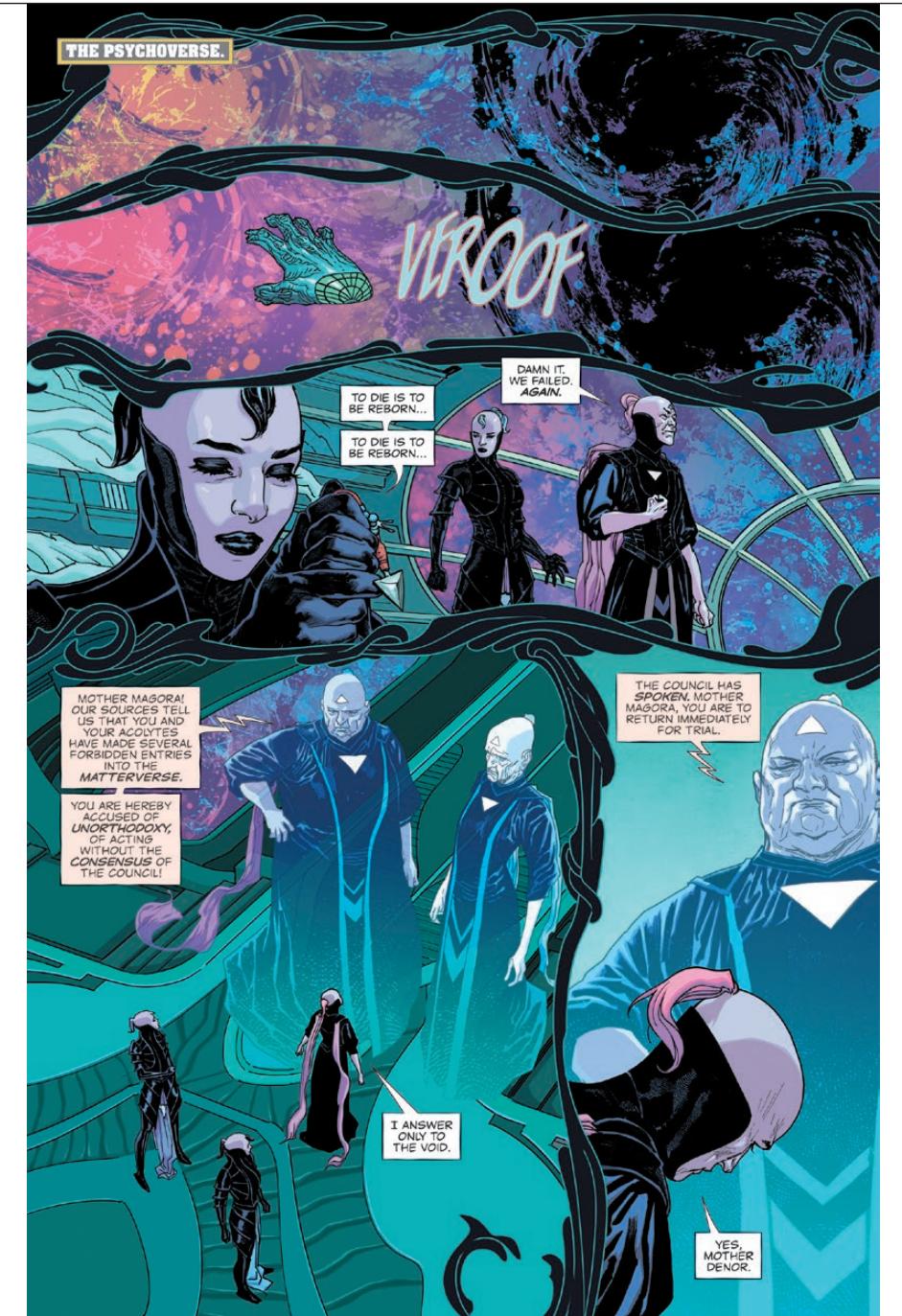
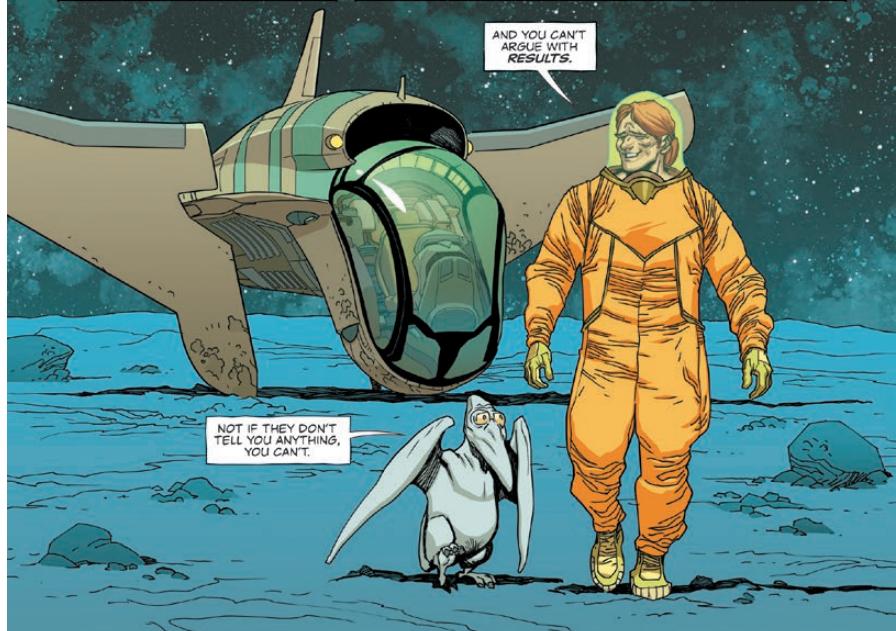
Answer: the Psychoverse, a reality of infinite possibility where everything that can be dreamed of exists.

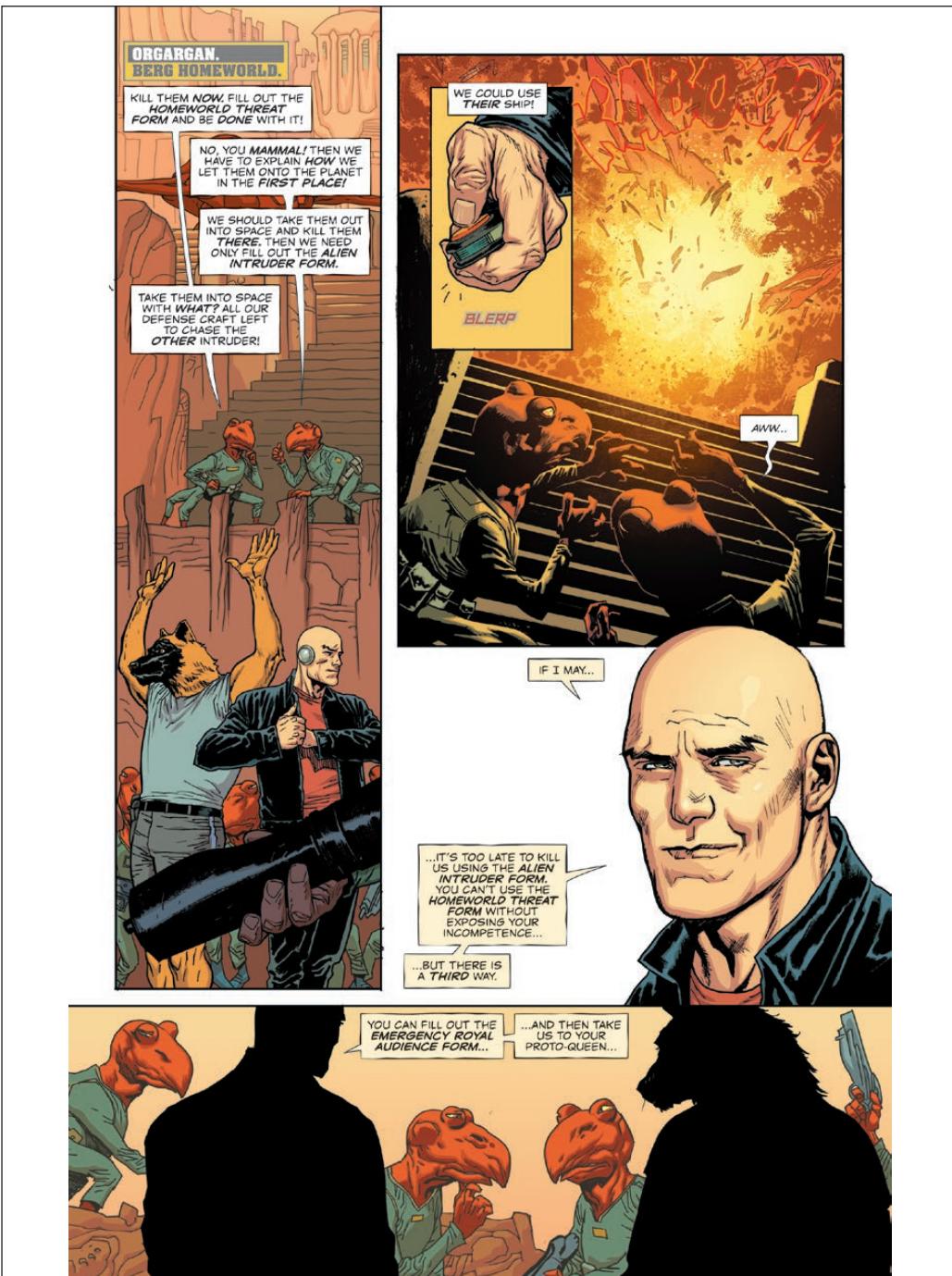
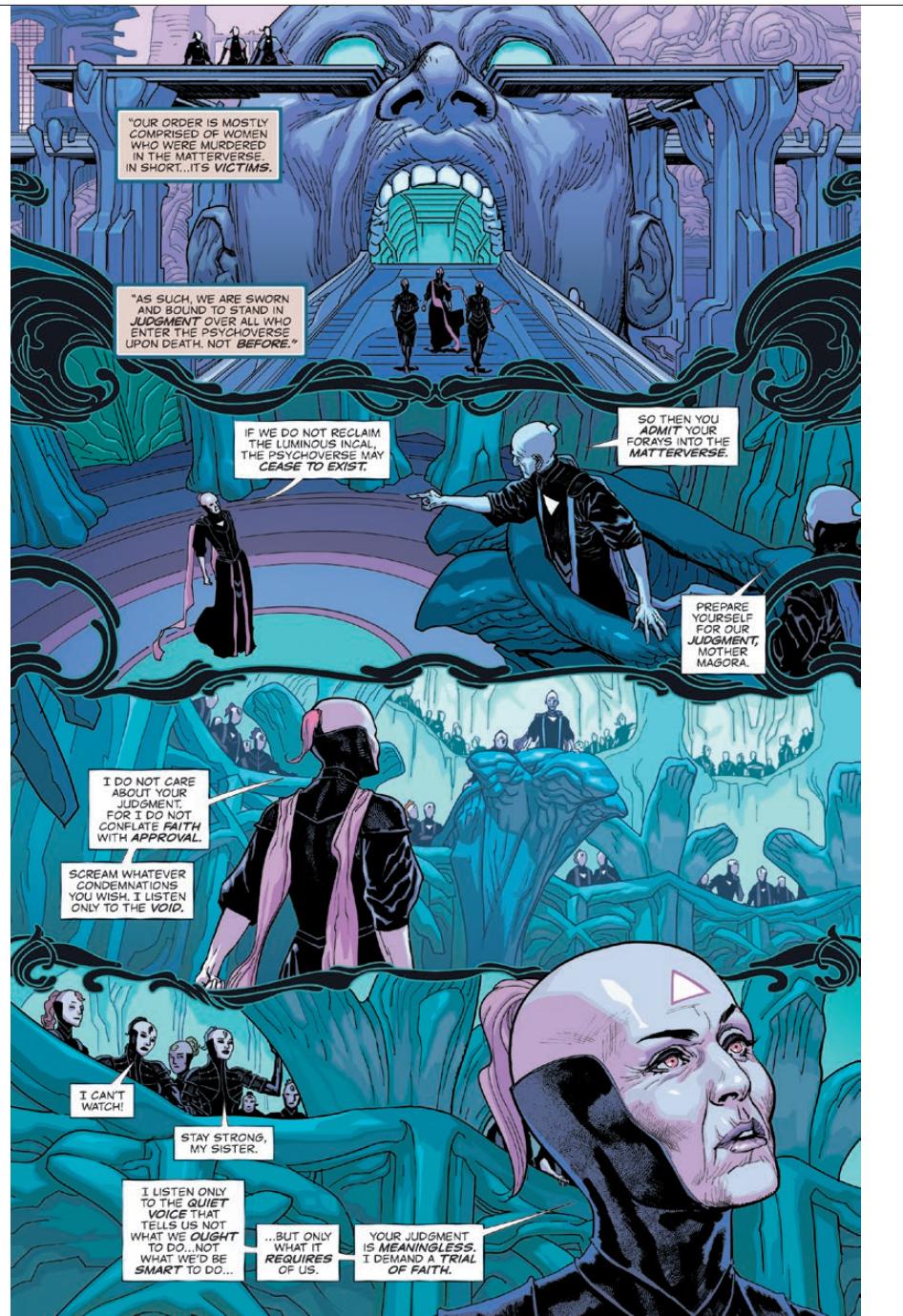
Tired of having their wondrous creations stolen by the Matterverse, agents of the Psychoverse breach the barrier between realities to reclaim their property by force, threatening the destruction and reclamation of nearly the entire Matterverse. It's up to John Difool, the Metabaroon, Kill Wolfhead, and others to stop the obliteration of their entire reality. If only any of them knew the most powerful, primordial force in either universe lay just within their grasp... the Luminous Incal.

#### KEY POINTS :

- Part of the new, expanded World of *The Incal*
- Written by Mark Russell (*Not All Robots*, *Second Coming*), with art by Yanick Paquette (*Swamp Thing*, *Wonder Woman: Earth One*)
- An extension of the classic Incal story, with flavors of *Doom Patrol* and the films *Samsara* and *The Holy Mountain*
- A shot of pure creative adrenaline straight to the heart

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LAURENT GENEFORT • ALEXANDRE RISTORCELLI

# SAP HUNTERS

SCIENCE FICTION

## SAP HUNTERS

Laurent Genefort  
(Original work)  
Alexandre Ristorcelli  
(Writer & Art)

**THROUGH THE BRANCHES OF THE GIGANTIC WORLD TREE, PIERIG SEARCHES FOR THE SOURCE OF THE MALEVOLENCE THAT POISONS THE SAP.**

The colossal branches of the World Tree are home to many diverse clans of people, each living among their tier. When Pierig, a Sap Diviner, is captured by the Bellicose clan for his rare skills, he learns that the World Tree is dying and its nourishing sap, the fuel for each of these communities, is being poisoned... Accompanied by three warriors, Pierig is forced to trace the origin of the evil that is eating away at the plant titan through each of its levels, and down to the very base if necessary. But along his journey, issues deeper than the root of this sickness begin to surface, putting everything Pierig knew to be true into question.

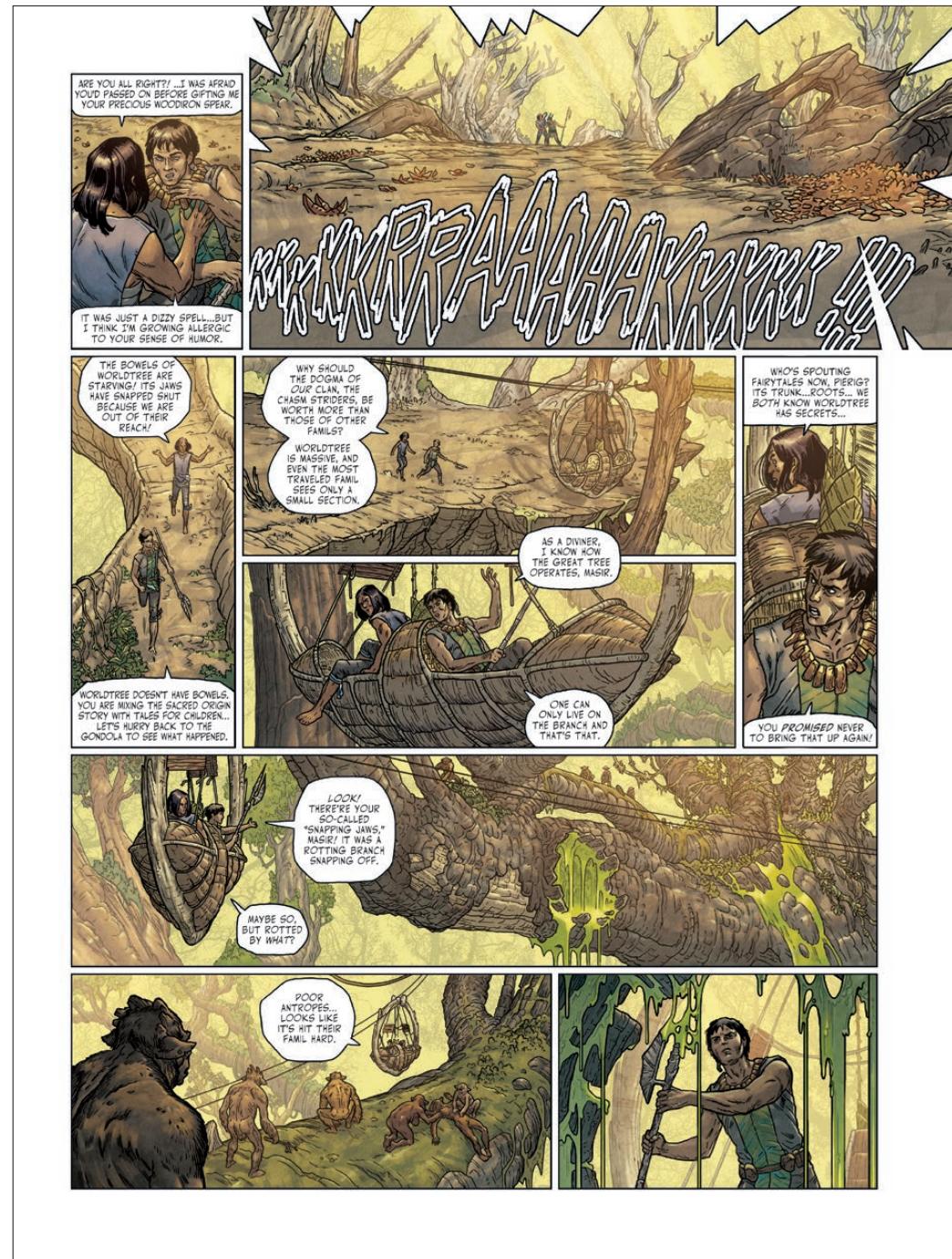
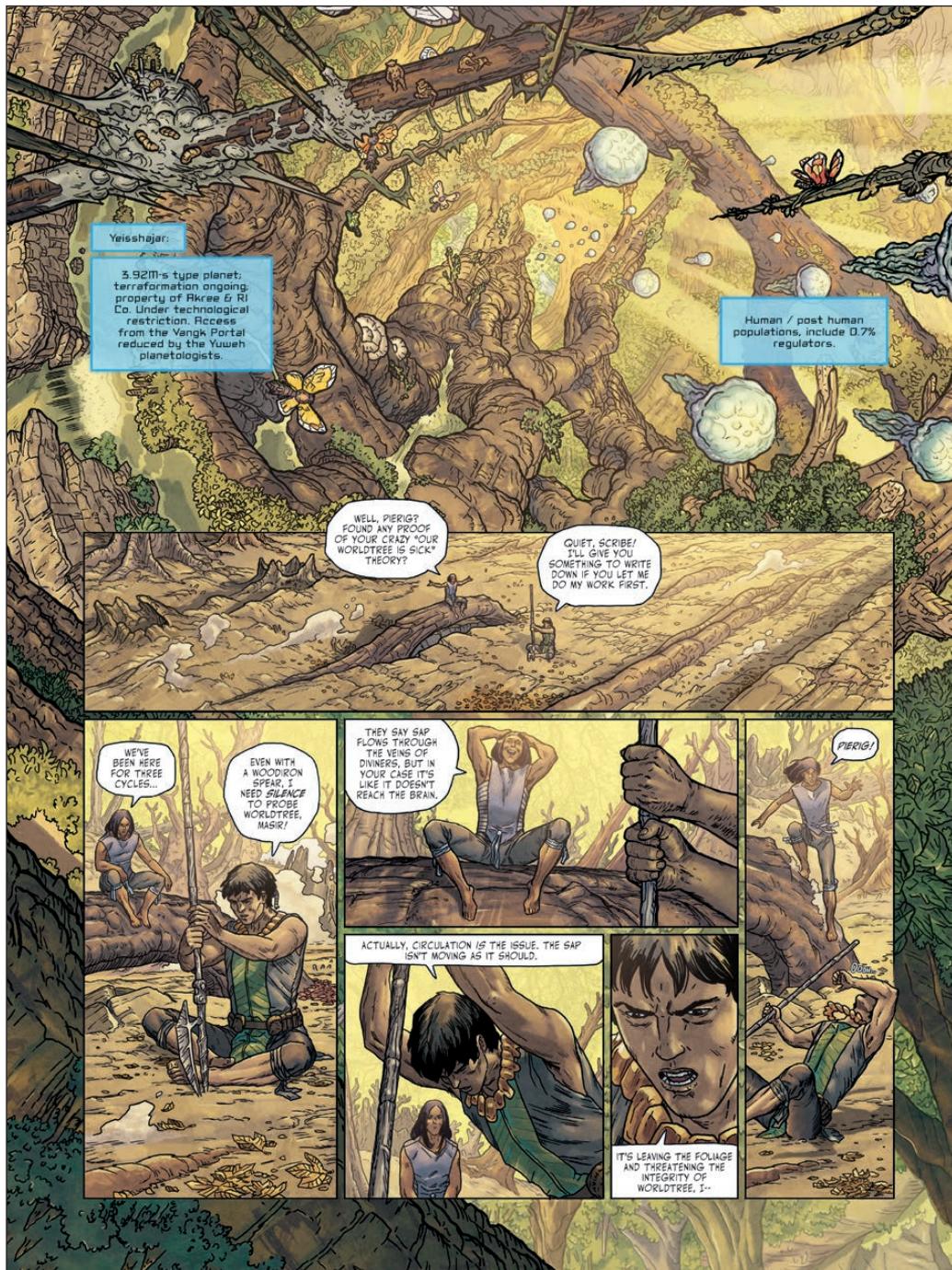
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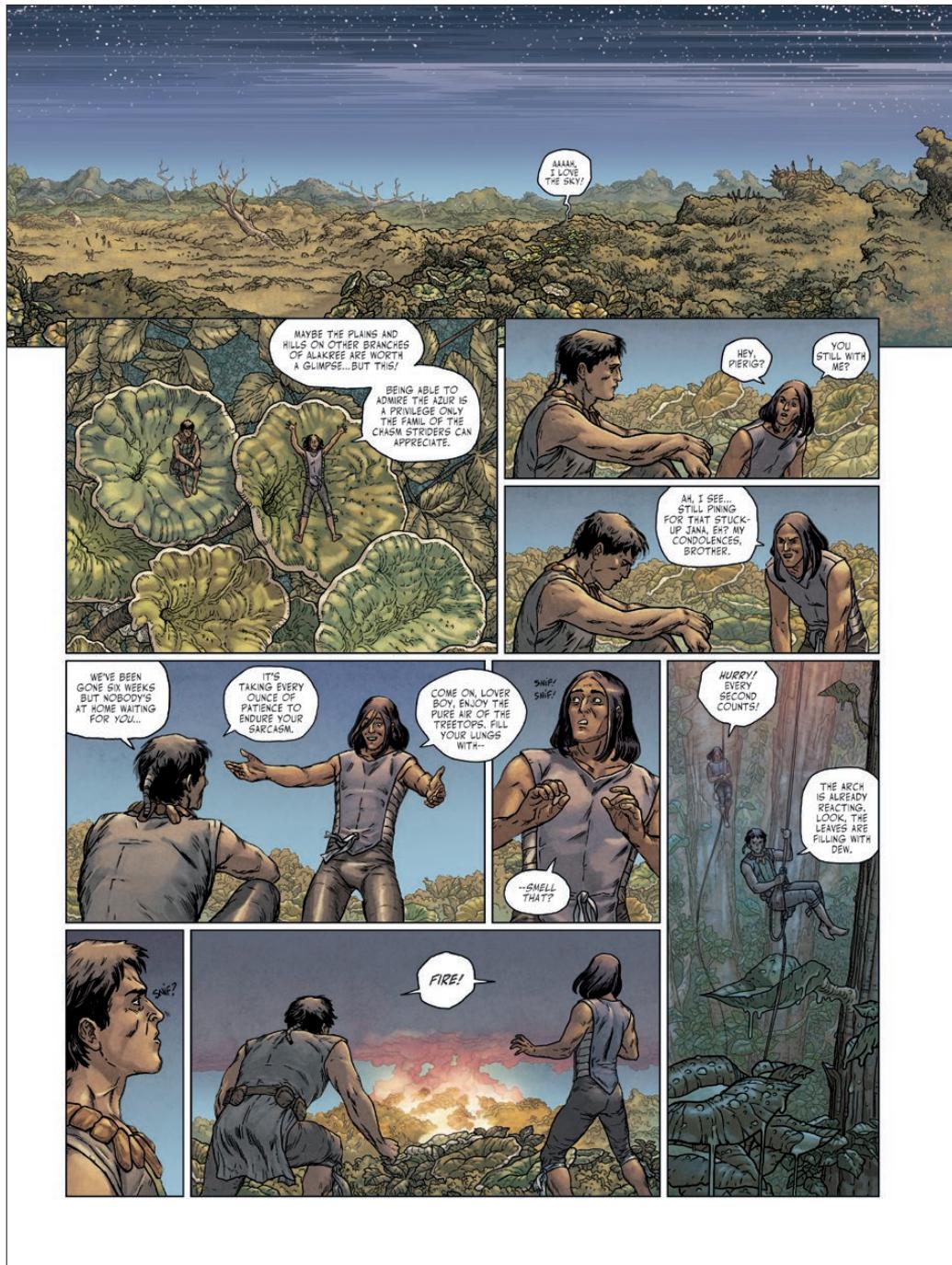
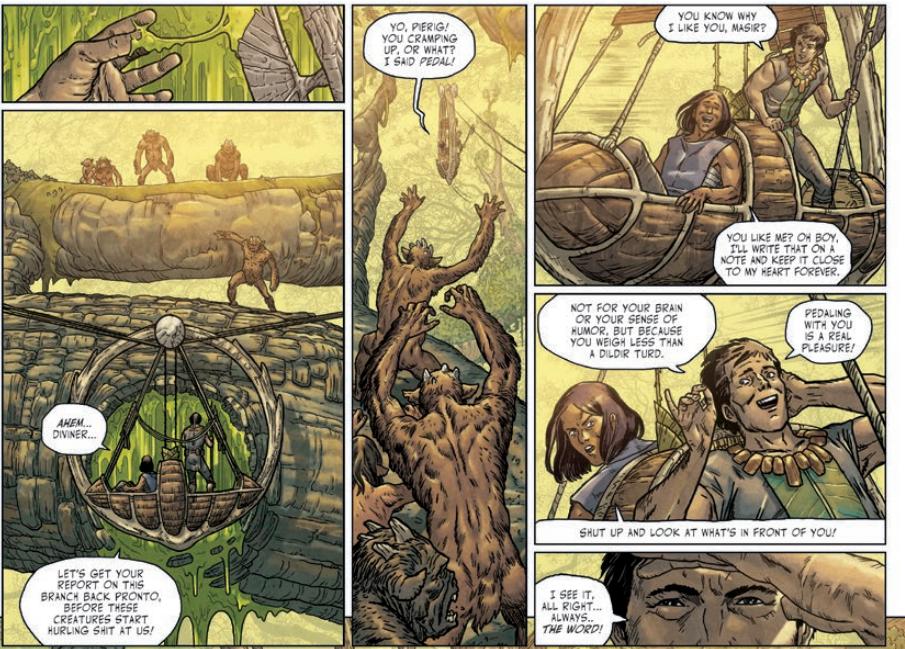
- A rich and extensively developed world: aboriginal clans, fantastical fauna and flora.
- The expressive and detailed line of Alexandre Ristorcelli's pencil, in the artist's first graphic novel.
- The most recent adaptation of a novel by Laurent Genefort in the Critic collection, following *Blood of the Immortals* and *Thick Skins*.
- The series has been translated into English, German, Dutch, Italian, Spanish, Polish, Swedish and Serbian.

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## PROJECT ARKA (ARCA)

Romain Benassaya  
(Writer & Original Work)  
Joan Urgell (Art)

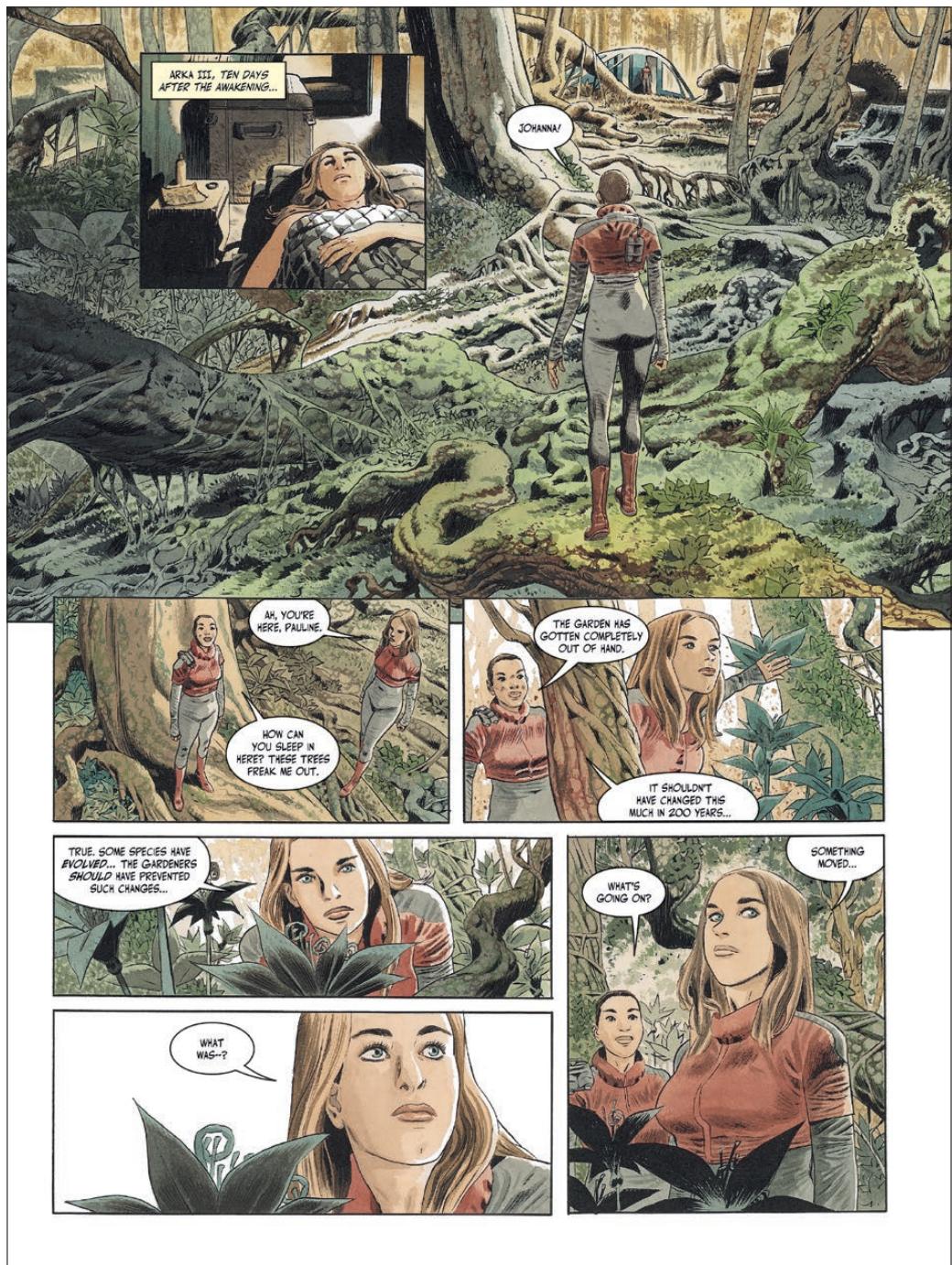
**IN THE YEAR 2182, CITIZENS OF A DYING EARTH FLEE TO A DISTANT PROMISED LAND IN MASSIVE VESSELS: THE ARKA. THEY DO NOT REACH THEIR INTENDED DESTINATION...**

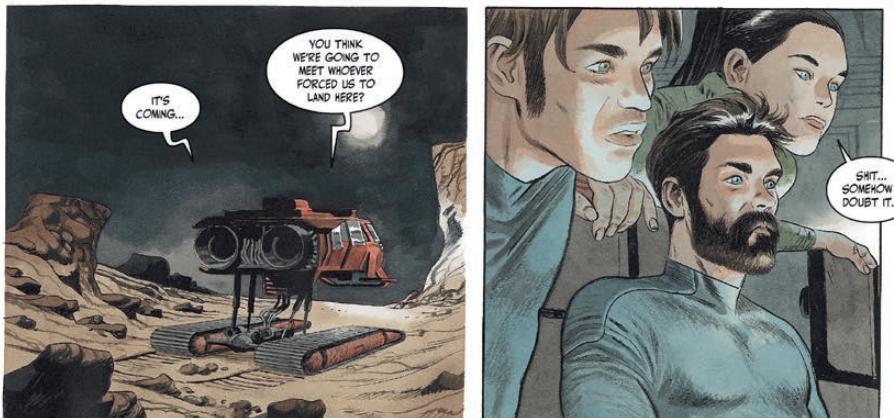
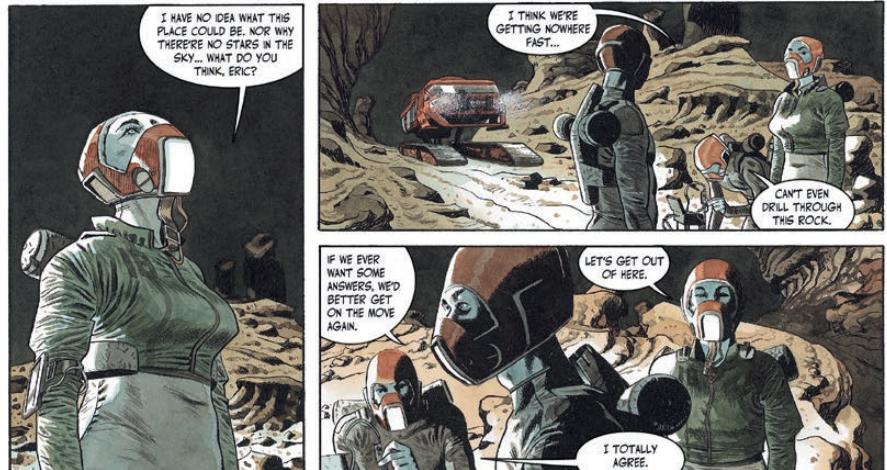
In the not-too-distant future, the planet Earth has been destroyed, its orbit withering and its citizens desperate to escape to the stars. The solution? The Arka, massive vessels bound for the distant promised land of Leonis. When the passengers of Arka III awaken from their long intergalactic journey, they realize they're not in Leonis. Not only that, their journey has taken much longer than the planned two hundred years, and has landed them in a starless, seemingly endless place. Eric Rives, the ship's second-in-command, and his partner Jia Tang are sent on an exploratory mission to investigate the dark labyrinth that surrounds them... but what they find is beyond belief.

### KEY POINTS :

- Adaptation of the eponymous novel published by Critic editions
- Featuring the thorough, realistic drawings of Joan Urgell (detailed sets, deeply human characters, original creatures, direct coloring in masterfully controlled watercolors)
- Complex characters and real human issues at stake

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# LES ENFANTS DE BELZAGOR

ÉPISODE 2/2



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SCIENCE FICTION

Robert Silverberg  
(Original work)

Bruno Lecigne & Sam Timel  
(Writers)  
Adrien Villesange (Art)

## CHILDREN OF BELZAGOR

**COME BACK TO BELZAGOR, AND EXPLORE THE PLANET  
OF A THOUSAND MYSTERIES.**

**B**elzagor is a beautiful and mysterious planet, a former colony of Earth returned to its two native species. Eddie Gundersen, a former settler familiar with some of the planet's secrets, thinks he can live a quiet life there. But when he is threatened with expulsion, he is forced to accept a dangerous quest that will take him to the Ice Lands, at the edge of the unexplored parts of Belzagor... During this journey, he will have to face the secrets that the planet still holds as well as some old enmities.

### KEY POINTS :

- The world of multi-award winning American sci-fi novelist Robert Silverberg.
- A stand-alone sequel to *Return to Belzagor* (more than 20,000 copies sold).
- Concludes the new diptych.

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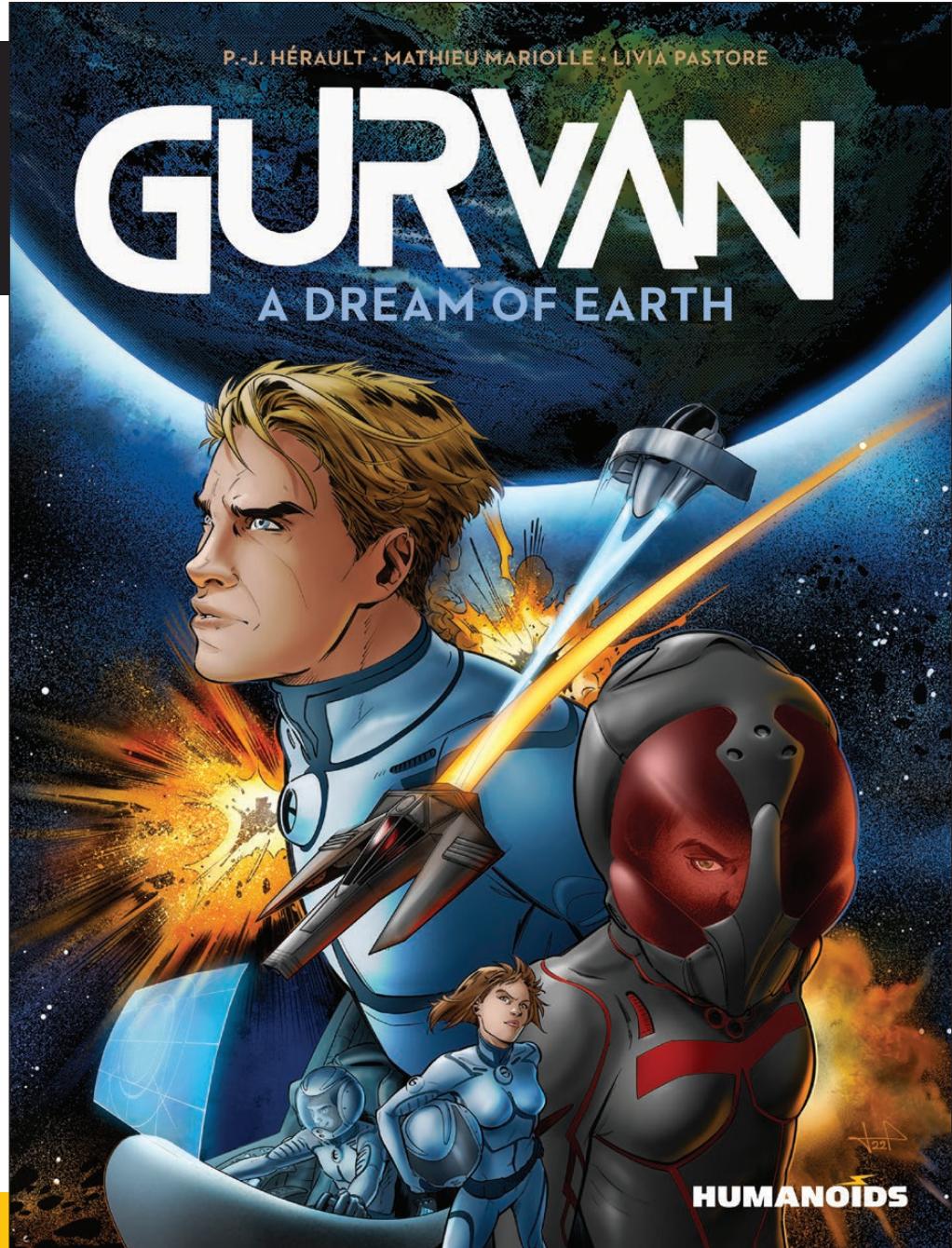
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N'AYEZ CRANTE,  
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SCIENCE FICTION

## GURVAN

P-J Héault (Original Work)  
Mathieu Mariolle (Writer)  
Livia Pastore (Art)

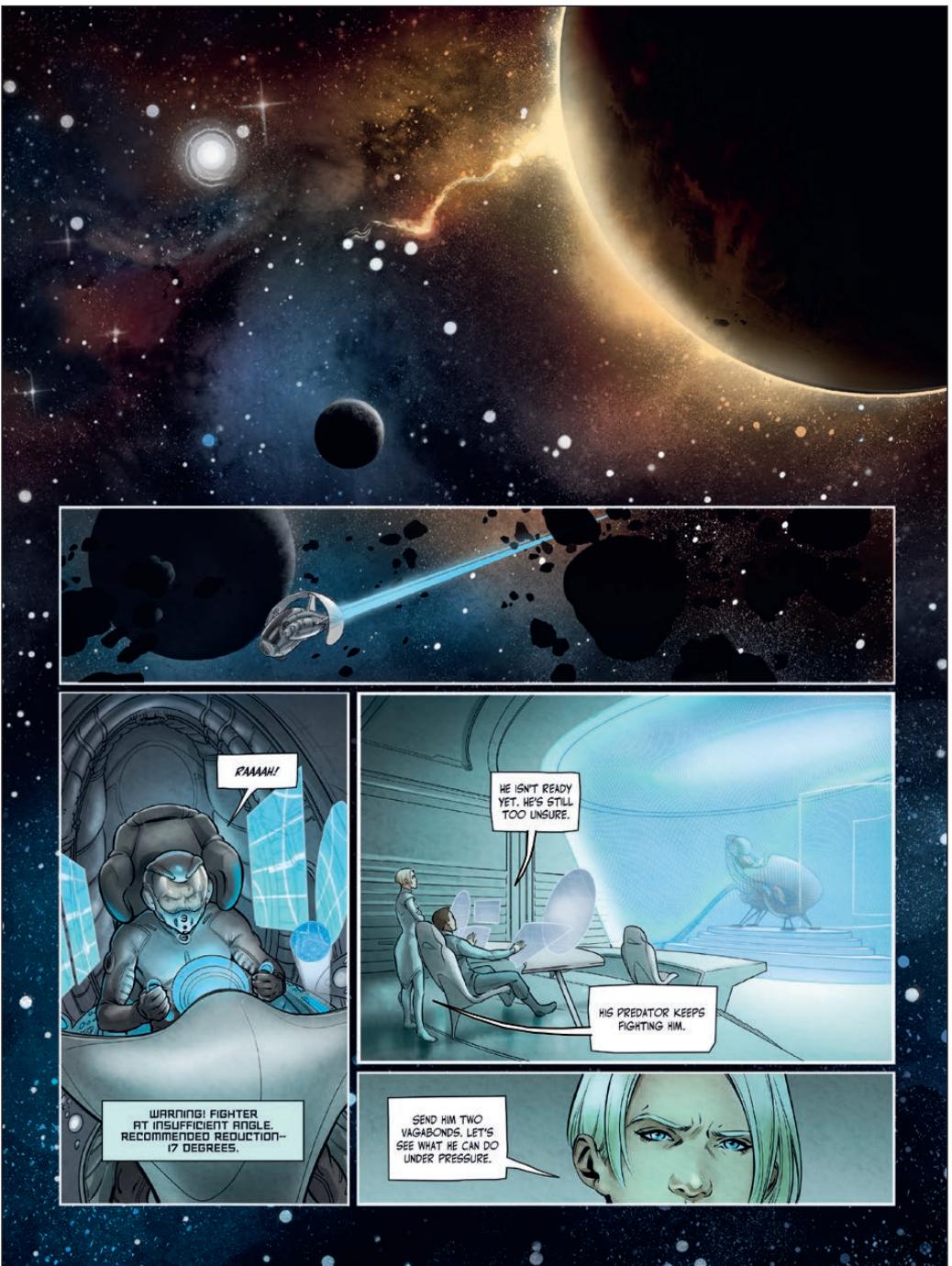
**GURVAN, A CLONE SOLDIER OF THE TERRAN COALITION, WAS DESIGNED TO PARTICIPATE IN AN AGE-OLD SPACE CONFLICT... THE ORIGINS OF WHICH HAVE BEEN LONG FORGOTTEN.**

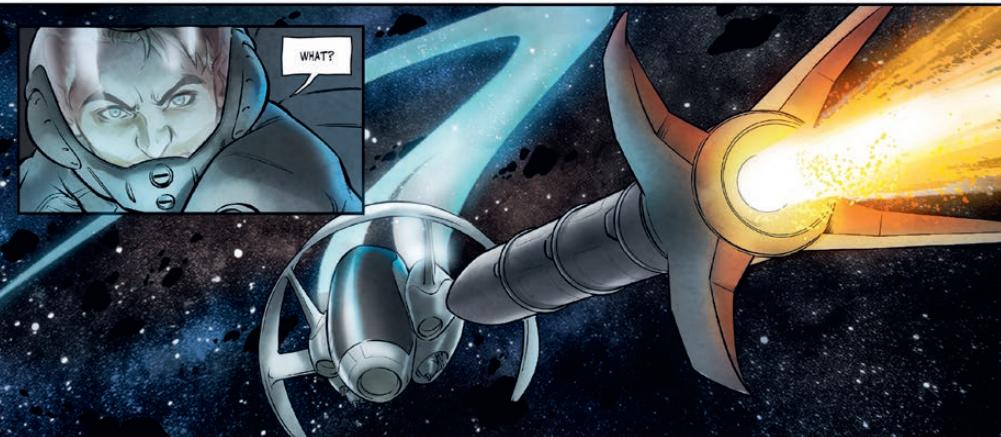
Deep in space sits The Materedu, where the soldiers of the Terran Coalition are cloned from the best who came before them, and trained under an artificial sun to fight in the endless conflict with a fearsome foe. Among them, average combat pilot Gurvan dreams of surviving the seven years each Coalition fighter must serve, so that he may retire to the distant peace of Earth. But when Gurvan crosses paths with an opposing soldier, he begins to wonder if he knows his enemy... or even his allies. Explore the distant stars in this rare translation and adaptation of legendary French science-fiction writer P.-J. Héault's *Gurvan*, in English for the first time!

### KEY POINTS :

- Full story
- Lots of action, and spectacular space combat scenes.
- Written by P.-J. Héault, a successful author from the legendary Fleuve Noir Anticipation collection.
- A new book in partnership with Critic editions.

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SCIENCE FICTION

## ATTRACTION

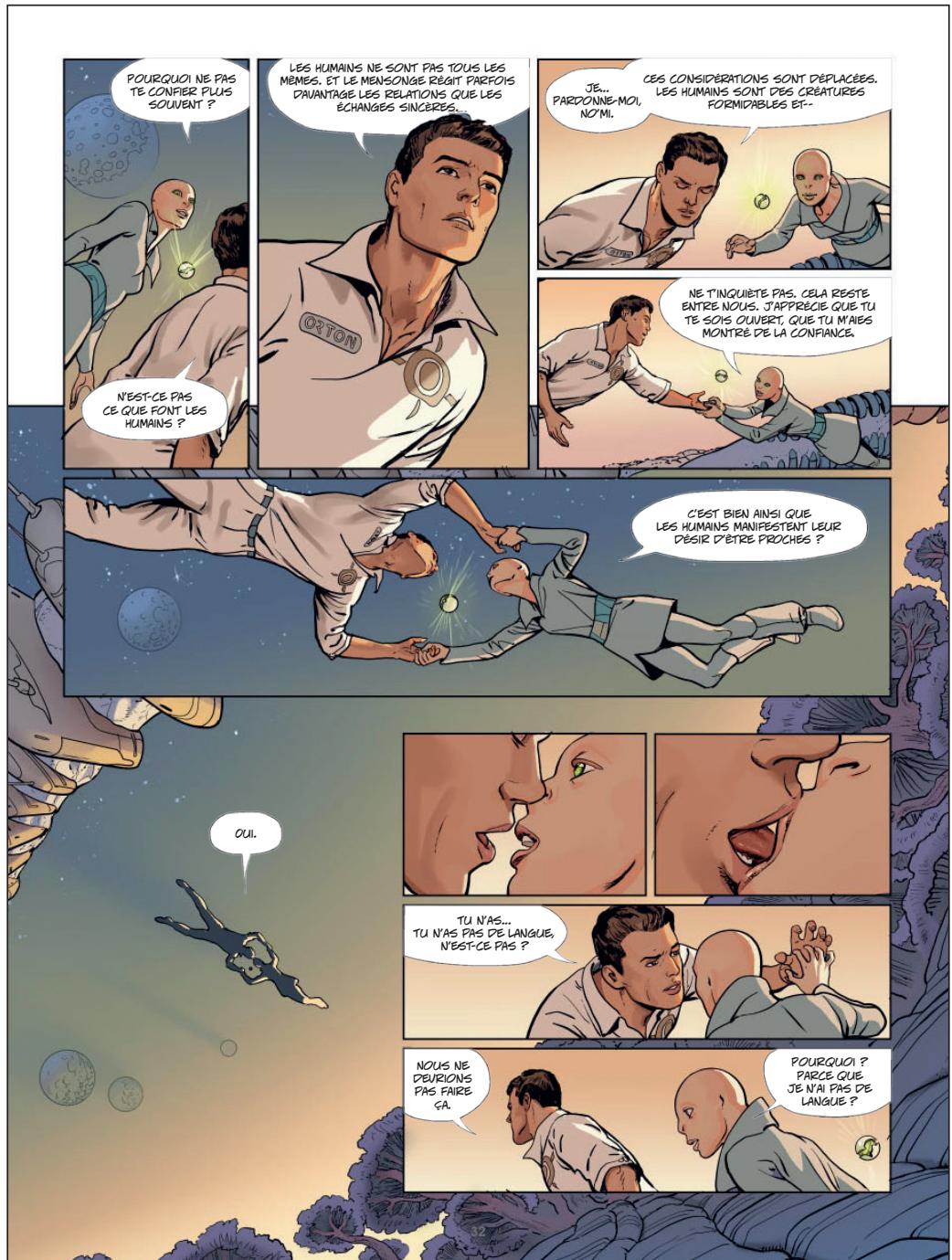
Jerry Frissen (Writer)  
Roberto Zaghi (Art)

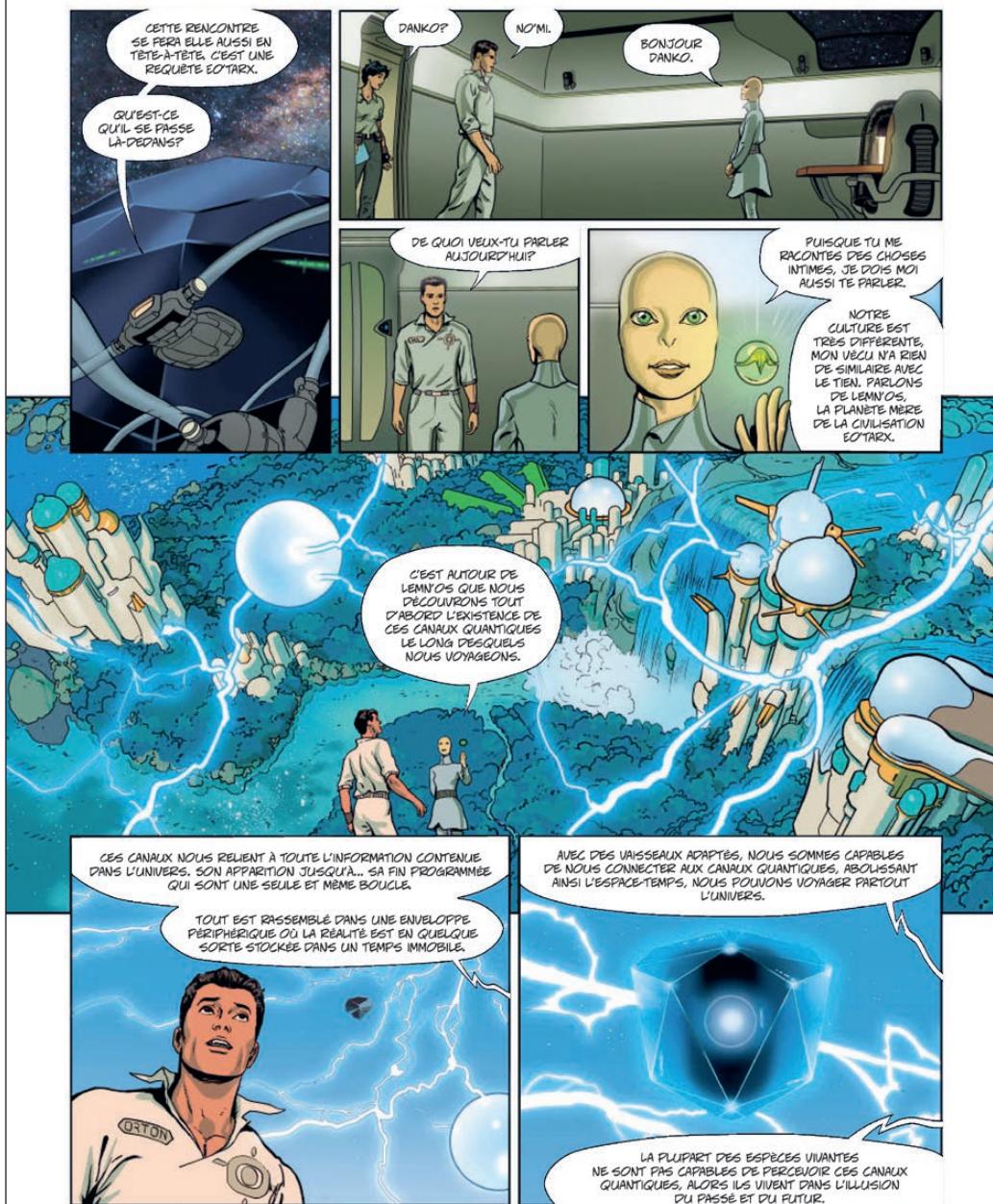
It's the dawn of a new era for humanity: the first contact with an extraterrestrial civilization, the Eo'Tarx, has been established. Danko Orton, a linguist hired by the CIA, is responsible for studying communication with this people, working with No'mi, his alien counterpart. But their work is quickly disrupted when No'mi and Danko become attracted to each other, at the cost of compromising the talks between their two civilizations...

### KEY POINTS :

- A Shakespearean drama that unfolds in two different galaxies.
- A unique encounter in the third dimension.

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YANN BÉCU • FRANCESCO TRIFOGLI

# MORPHEUS



SCIENCE FICTION

## MORPHEUS

Yann Bécu (Writer)  
Francesco Trifogli (Art)

Ever since the appearance of the Morpheus virus, humanity has been doomed to sleep twenty hours a day. In an attempt to survive this chaos, the main capitals have declared their independence in a Europe on the verge of implosion. In Prague, a mercenary named Juliette tries to give her daughter a decent life by accepting one dangerous mission after another and taking drugs to stay awake. Meeting Professor Ivanov gives her hope, and she agrees to help him eradicate the virus. Thus begins an epic journey for the two as they embark on a frenetic race through the European no-man's land, with several armed groups on their heels...

### KEY POINTS :

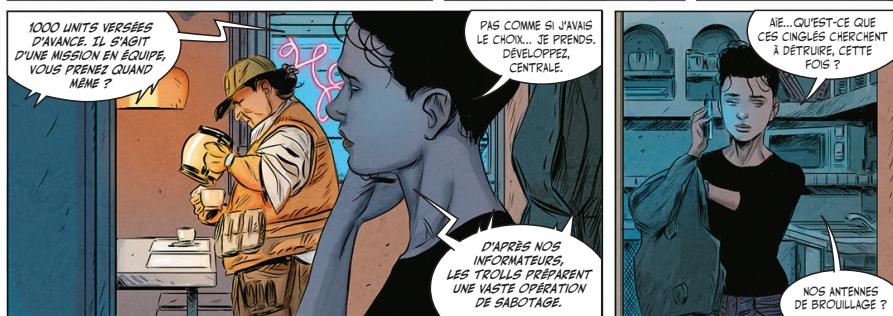
- Adaptation of the Arms of Morpheus from French publisher L'Homme Sans Nom
- Firmly grounding in reality: a realistic vision of Europe and futuristic political issues that resonate with our current world
- An original post-apocalyptic journey in the vein of the Book of Eli or Mad Max.

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## SCIENCE FICTION



## METAL HURLANT N°7 MONSTER PARADE

Neyef, Laurent Siefer, Elène Usdin, Yann Damezin, Jorg De Vos, Jim Bishop, Pim Bos, Chantal Montellier, Elie Huault, Corbeyran, Antoine Dodé, Sagar, Yann Bécu, Alex Ristorcelli, Nikola Pisarev, Derf Backderf... et bien d'autres !

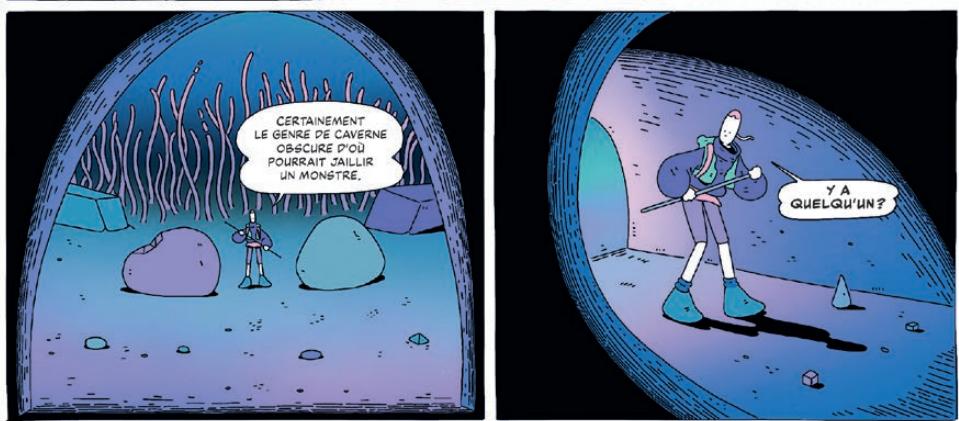
A NEW ISSUE DEVOTED TO THE MONSTERS THAT LIE DORMANT WITHIN US, GUARANTEED TO MAKE YOU SHIVER!

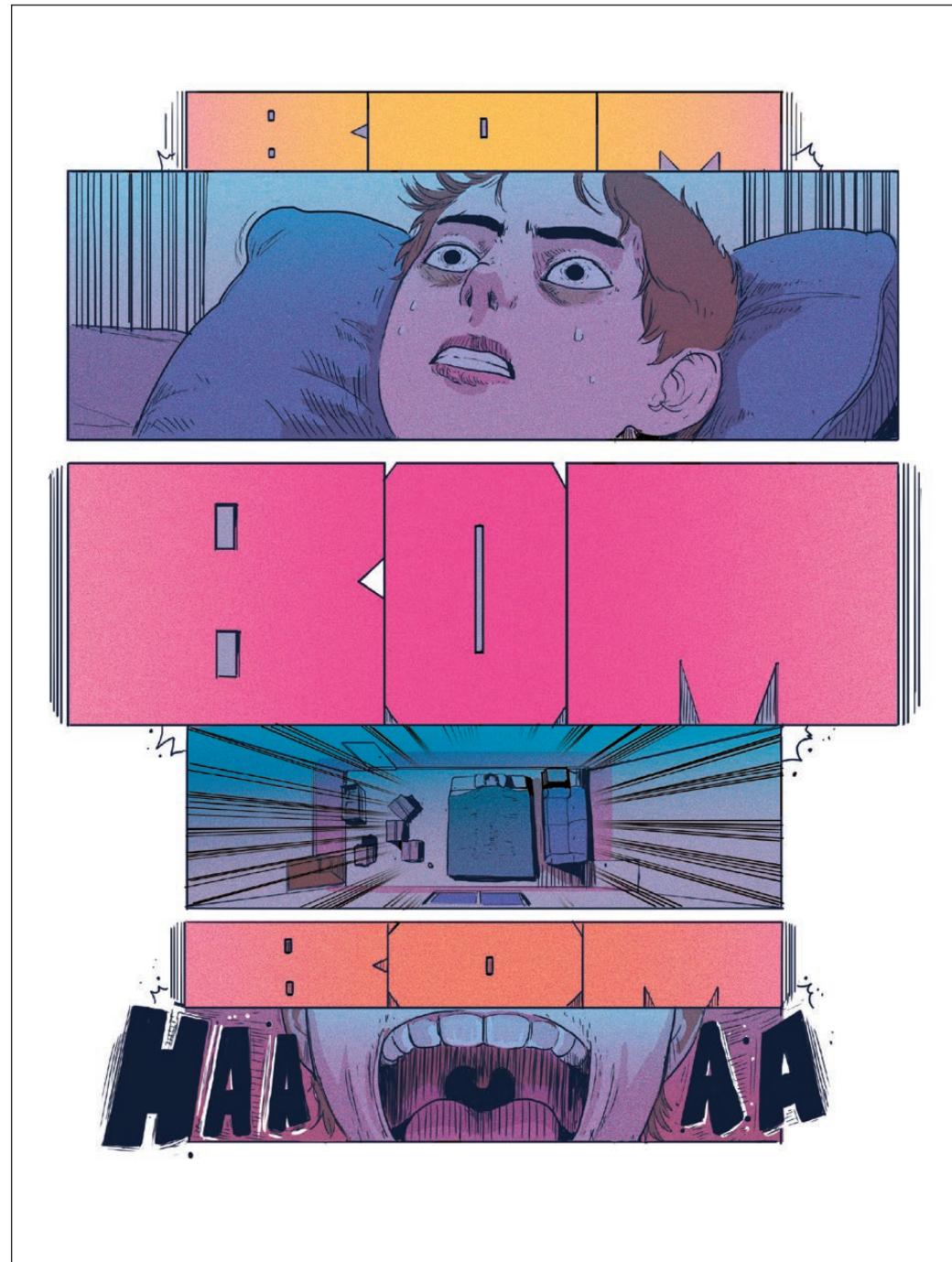
Who are those monsters that lie dormant within us? This seventh issue of *METAL HURLANT* provides answers by unearthing secrets that we thought were deeply buried. Through more than twenty short stories, all of them previously unpublished, the authors of *METAL* reveal the horrors that haunt their thoughts: anguish, greed, manipulation...sometimes murder, or worse... The list is long because nothing is too terrible for both a disturbing and addictive *METAL HURLANT* issue!

### KEY POINTS :

- Four issues per year, two of which are devoted to new material and feature unpublished stories and articles, while two others are devoted to the "first *METAL* generation."
- The editorial staff works under the direction of Jerry Frissen and under the aegis of Jean-Pierre Dionnet, founder of the review and guardian angel of this new version.
- New authors for each new material issue (some of whom are not generally found in the sci-fi genre).
- From renowned authors to the first published stories of emerging young talents.

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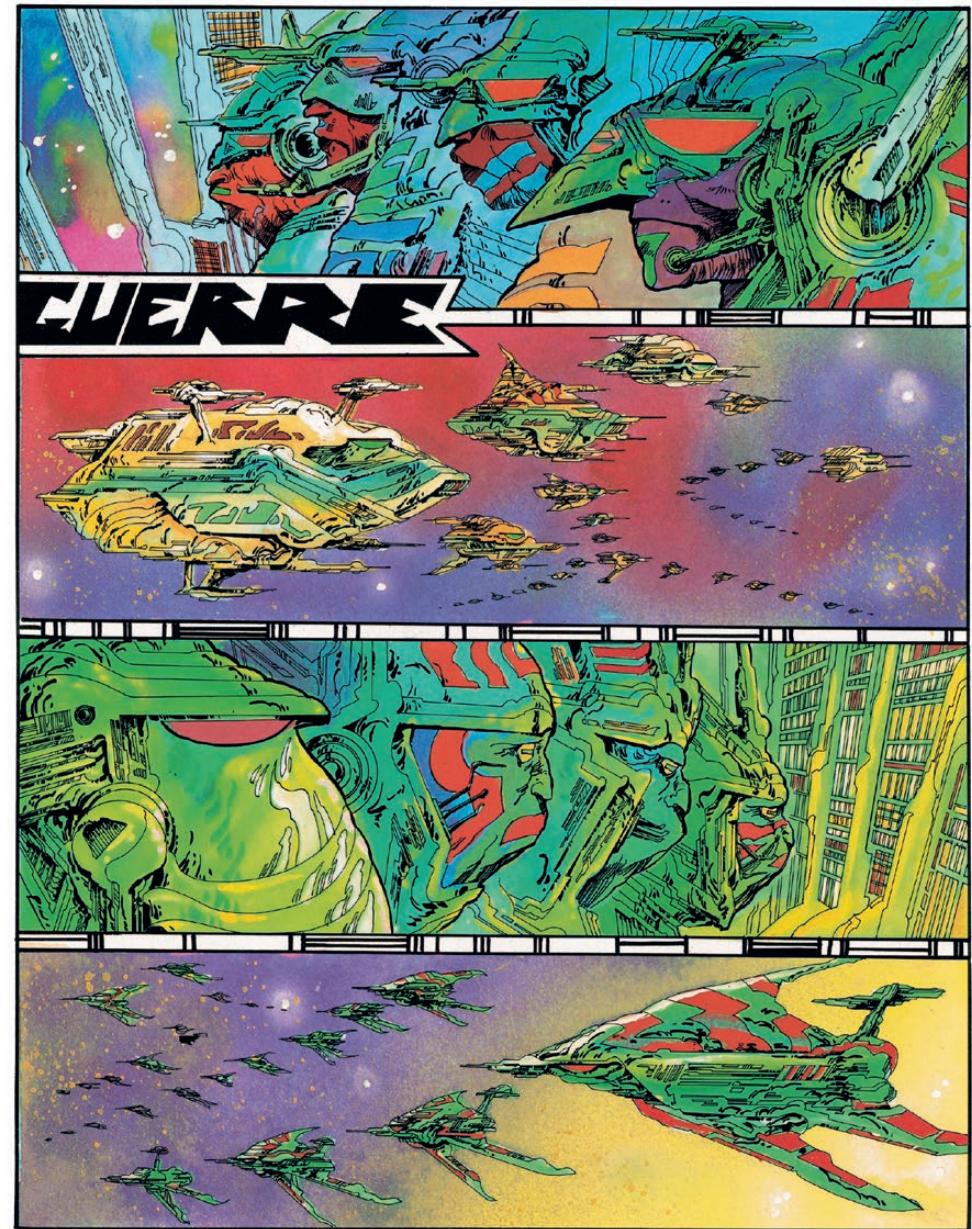
## METAL HURLANT N°8 THE 500-YEAR-OLD HOUSEWIFE

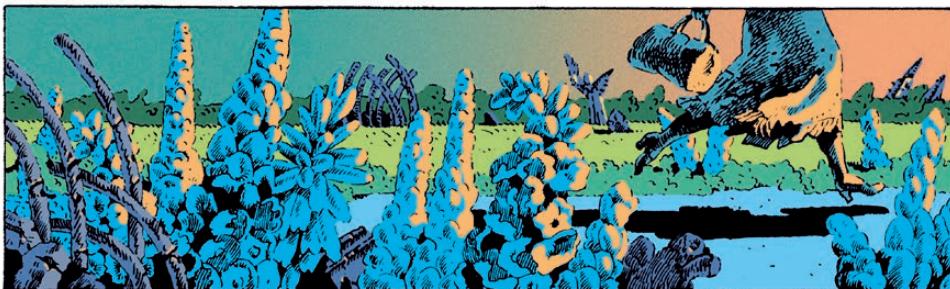
Bilal, Tardi, Margerin, Drillet, Moebius, Montellier, Beb-Deum, Caza et bien d'autres. bien d'autres.

TAKE AN IMMERSIVE JOURNEY BACK INTO THE  
1970S-1980S WITH ISSUE NO. 8!

Rediscover the mythical tales that marked the world of sci-fi comics and made the magazine famous, accompanied by critical documentation concocted by editors who are experts and passionate fans when it comes to *METAL HURLANT*. In this new issue, Philippe Manoeuvre talks about «his Metal years» in an exclusive interview. To echo this, a good part of this issue is devoted to rock comics. Enki Bilal is also in the spotlight via an in-depth interview, and pages of *Exterminator 17* have been published in their original colors

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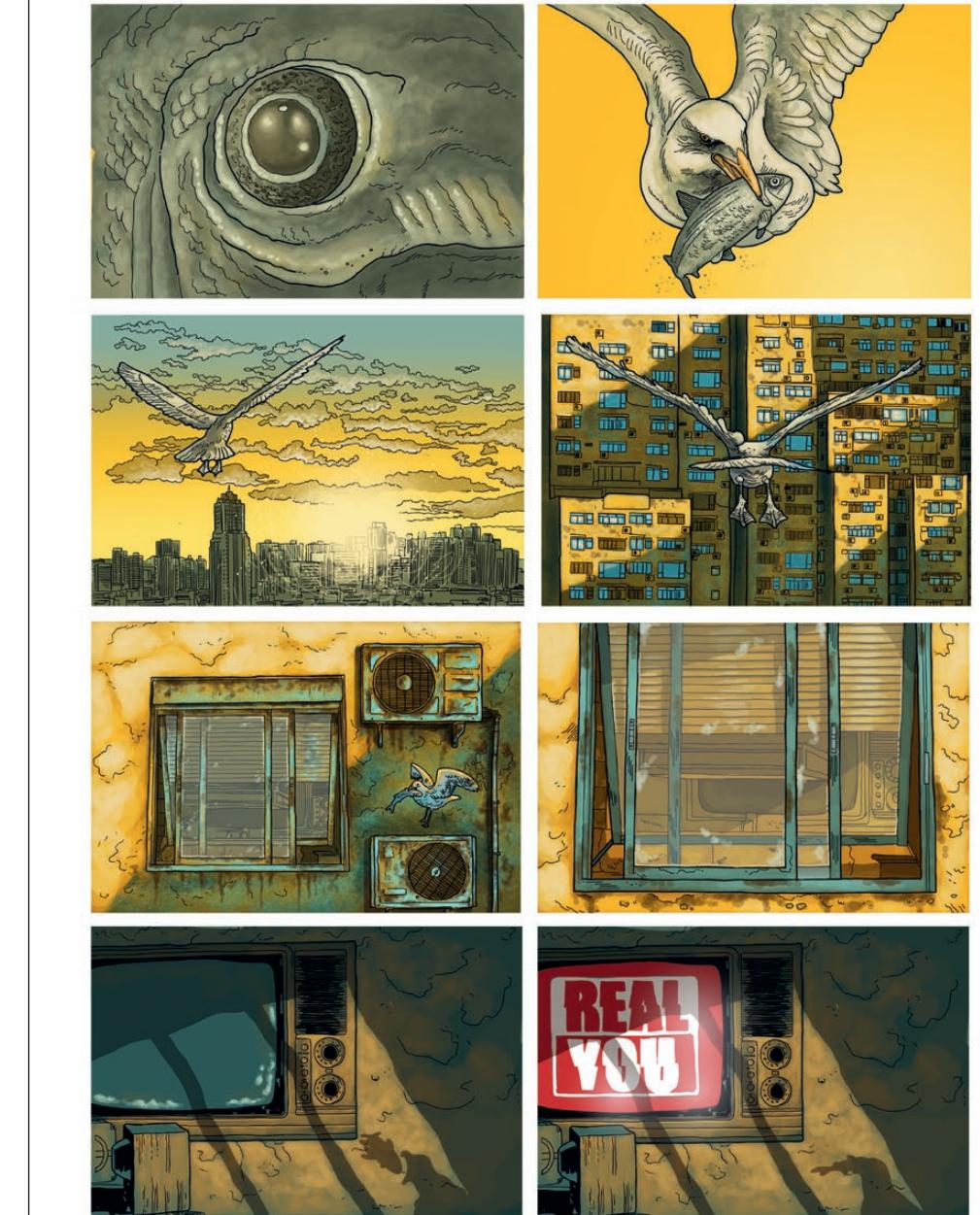
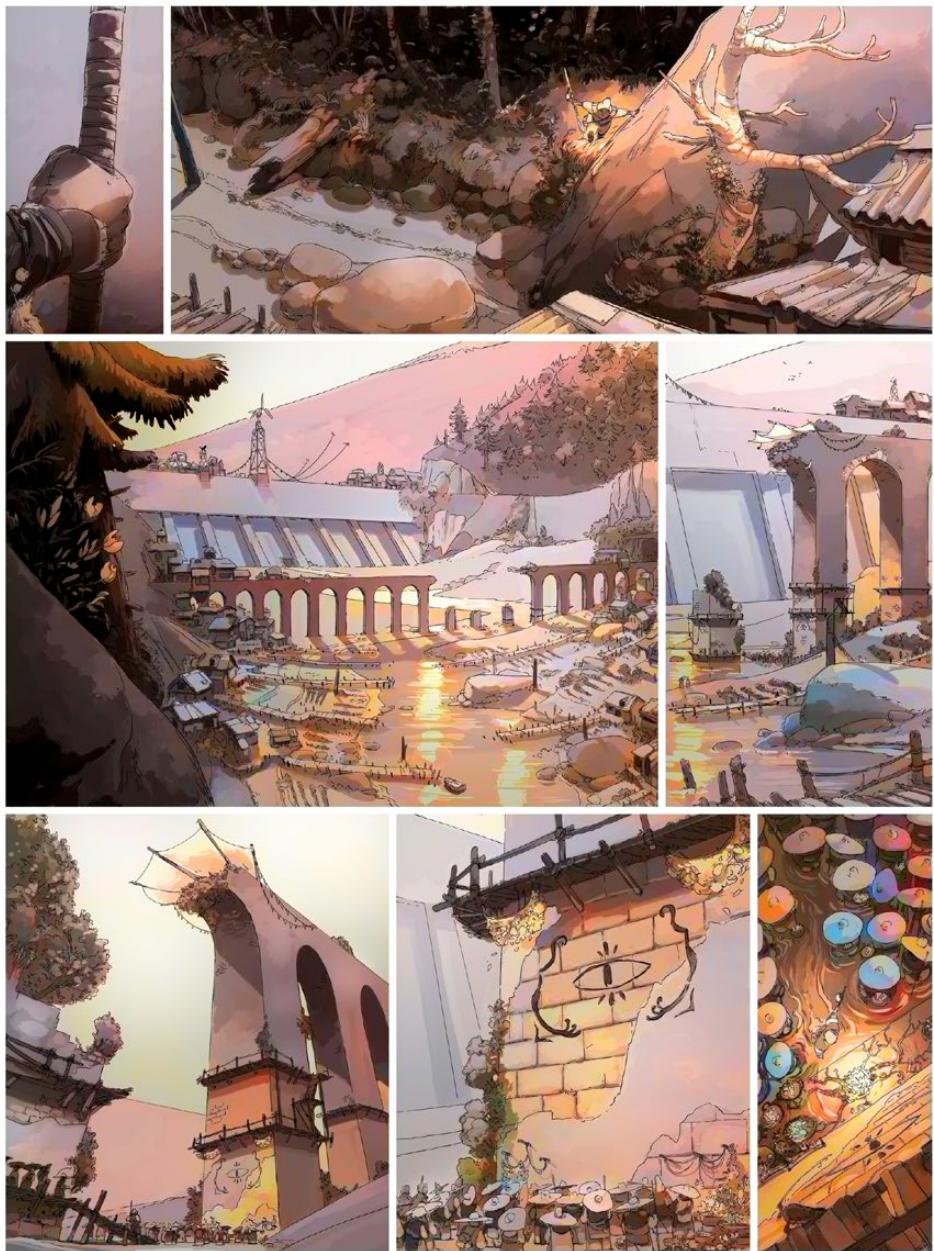
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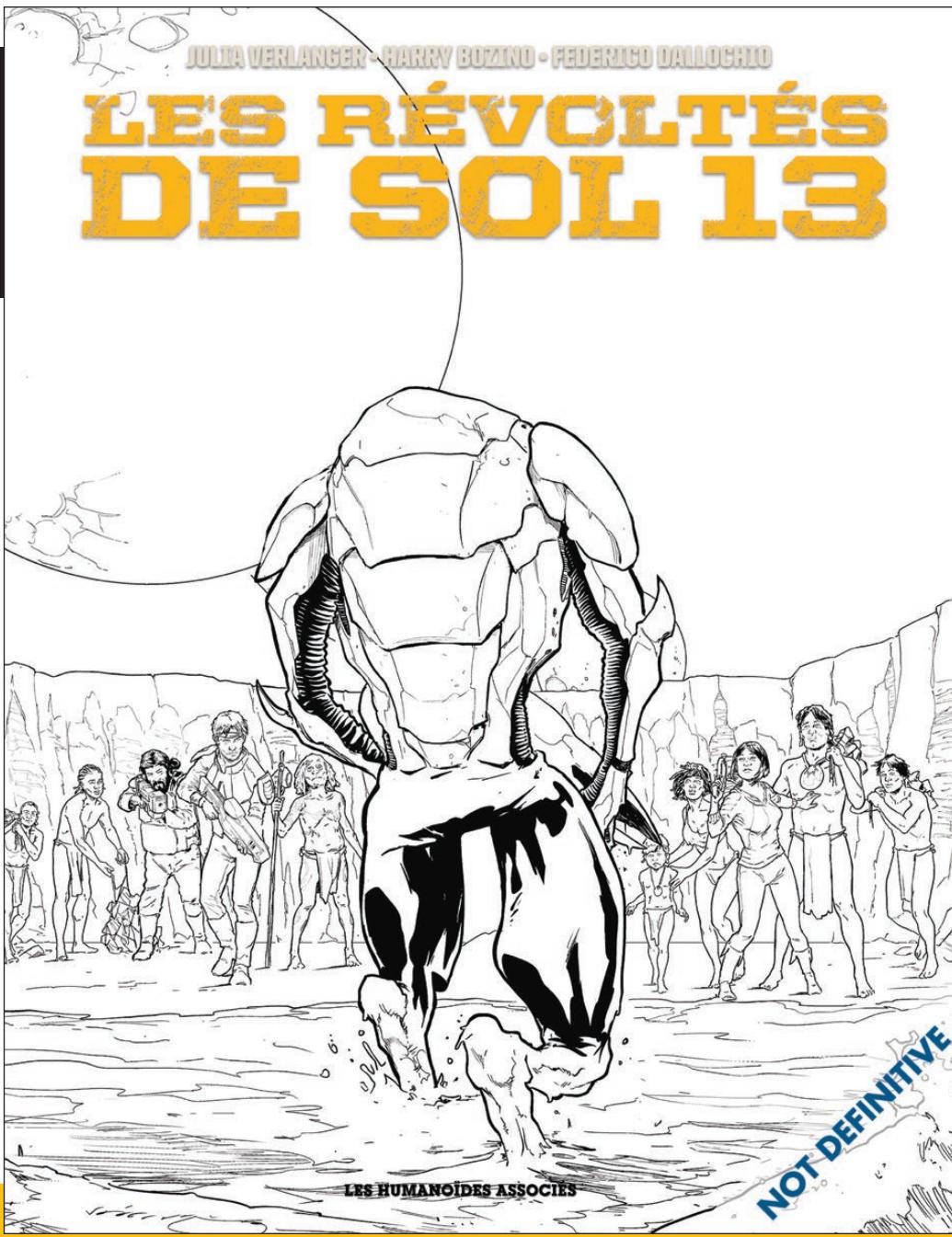


**METAL HURLANT N°9  
UTOPIA: EITHER THE FUTURE  
IS A HAPPY ONE, OR THIS IS NO  
FUTURE AT ALL**

**I**t is high time for the world to accept reality: the threats of nuclear war, global warming, energy problems, the return of authoritarian regimes and with them the slow disappearance of democracy, mass unemployment, etc. But none of that matters, we don't give a crap. Here at the headquarters of *METAL HURLANT*, we laugh as we watch the news because we have faith in the future. We don't believe everything will be fine, we know everything will be fine. We have known this for a long time, in fact, since *METAL* was already announcing a bright future way back in March 1981. We remain steadfast in our convictions and, as such, have prepared an issue dedicated to the happiness that awaits us.







JULIA VERLANGER • HARRY BOZINO • FEDERICO DALLOCCHIO

# LES RÉVOLTÉS DE SOL 13

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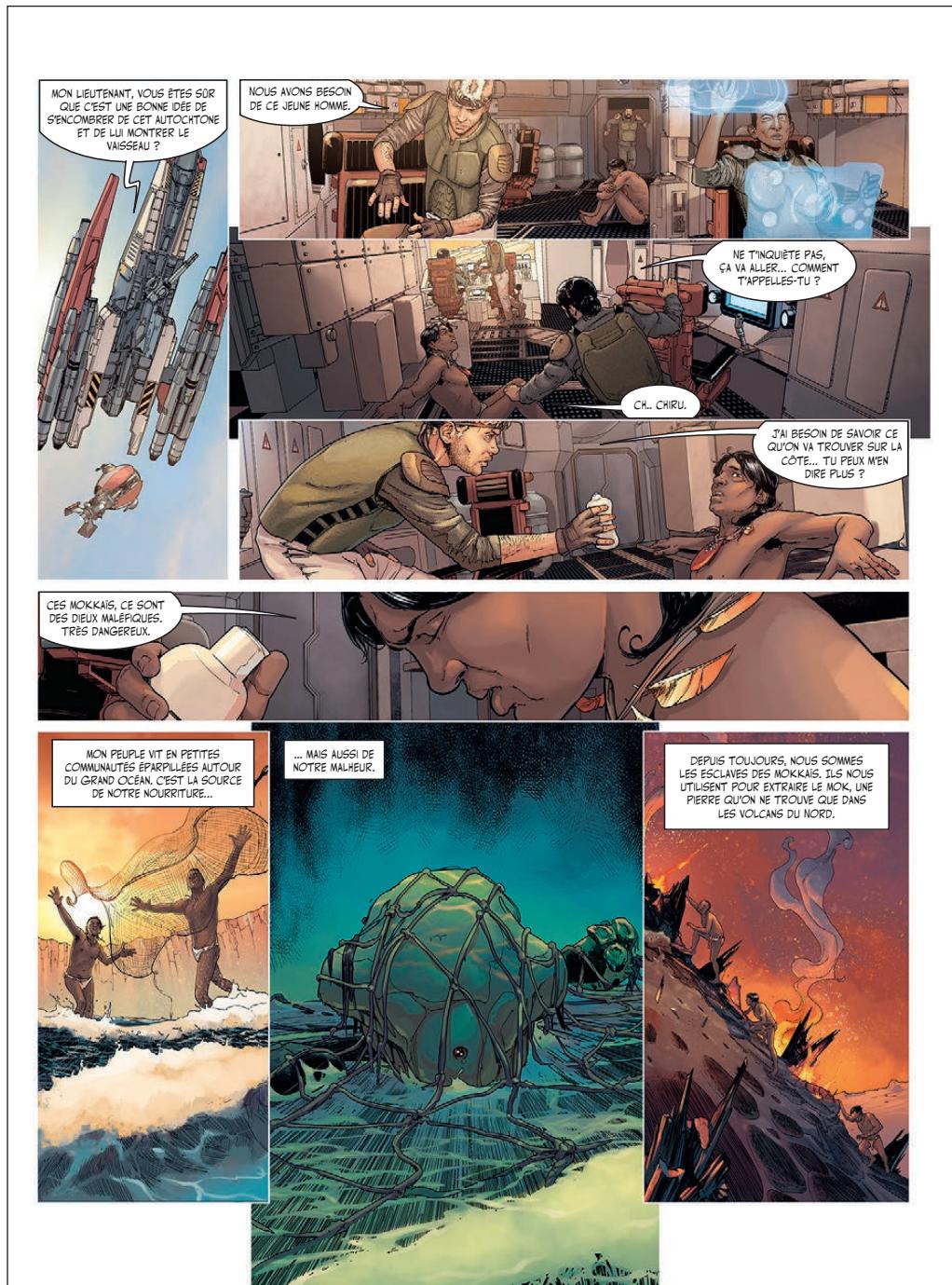
## THE REBELS OF SOL 13

Part of the Retroworld shared universe  
Adapted from the work of Julia Verlanger

Julia Verlanger  
(Original work)  
Harry Bozino (Writer)  
Federico Dallocchio (Art)

When Lieutenant Jatred is dispatched to Sol13 to search for Eiko, who's on a mission there to study the indigenous peoples, he discovers a system of enslavement there that nobody knew existed. The Terrois people have been enslaved by monsters from the ocean. Jatred's mission now takes on a whole new dimension: should he just bring Eiko back to a safety or should they come to the aid of the Terrois, even if it means defying the orders of the Brotherhood of the Stars?

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LOLITA COUTURIER

# DÉTOUR PAR EPSILON



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SCIENCE FICTION

## DETOUR PAR EPSILON

Lolita Couturier  
(Writer & Art)

**BRUTALLY BANISHED FROM HER HOME, TOM WILL HAVE TO LEARN TO SURVIVE ON HER OWN. THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO DO THAT: REACH THE CITY OF EPSILON.**

After Tom is banished from her fortified city without explanation, she has to learn to survive in a world once devastated by war and now teeming with infected humans. Accompanied by a mysterious mute child named Lélé, Tom embarks on a journey to a new city where they hope to find safety. But they have to hurry...because Tom is pregnant.

### KEY POINTS :

- A contemplative and captivating story imbued with real dramatic tension.
- An unsettling, poetic and tender post-apocalyptic story.
- A refined and colorful graphic style.
- A talented new artist that marks a real graphic and editorial revival in the catalog of Humanoids.
- The sequel is scheduled for spring 2024.

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PATRICK MALLET & LIONEL MARTY

# THE SHADOWS OF THULE



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## SHADOWS OF THULE

Patrick Mallet (Writer)  
Lionel Marty (Art)

IN AN ANCIENT SCOTLAND WHERE MAGIC HAS NOT YET DISAPPEARED, AN ANCIENT PLAGUE HAS BEEN SEALED AND KEPT AT BAY. BUT NOT FOR MUCH LONGER.

**S**cotland, 2nd century A.D. Beyond the Antonine Wall, the war between the Roman invader and the Gael and Pictish peoples is at a standstill. Manipulated by a witch, the Roman general Horatius unleashes an ancient plague on the land of his enemies: the Shadows of Thule. To face this threat, the king of the Picts will have to unite enemy peoples and call upon long-forgotten powers. They will have to wage a final battle against these titanic forces; nothing less than the survival of their world is at stake.

### KEY POINTS :

- An original dark fantasy story by Patrick Mallet (Achab) and Lionel Marty (*The Dream of Jerusalem*).
- Forgotten Norse Myths

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## PIXIES OF THE SIXTIES

VOL. 1: THE DISAPPEARANCES OF IMBOLC

Jul Maroh (Writer)  
Giulio Macaione (Art)

**IN THE 1960S U.K., WITH SWINGING LONDON UNDERWAY, FAIRIES ENTER THE LIGHT OF DAY! TWO FABLES OF MODERN FOLKLORE FROM CONTEMPORARY COMICS MASTERS!**

When she arrives in London to investigate a case of missing persons linked to a strange rite, Ailith gladly accepts help from her childhood friend, Elliot, a police officer who expresses clear Anti-fairy opinions and blames them for all the major problems in London. When the investigation entrusted to Ailith leads her to the heart of the forest, she makes a most disturbing discovery, uncovering with it a deeply buried wound.

### KEY POINTS :

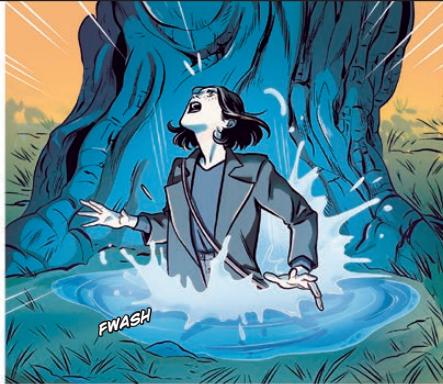
- The series will feature four stand-alone stories.
- A new universe of hyperfiction that mixes thriller and fantasy.
- An immersive journey into Swinging London, a movement led by young Londoners who value modernity and hedonism, with a special emphasis on music and fashion.

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## PIXIES OF THE SIXTIES

VOL. 2: MANCHESTER'S ANGEL

Gihef & Christian Lachenal  
(Writers)  
Alberto Zanon (Art)

**IN THE 1960S U.K., WITH SWINGING LONDON UNDERWAY,  
FAIRIES ENTER THE LIGHT OF DAY! TWO FABLES OF  
MODERN FOLKLORE FROM CONTEMPORARY COMICS  
MASTERS!**

The story of a young fairy who, drawn by the lights of Swinging London, leaves her forest to pursue her dreams of becoming a singer. She meets Stella, a human with whom she quickly falls in love. But her lover's disappearance will make Anann realize that beneath the glitz and glamour of the city, rejection is only a tiny part of what awaits her...

### KEY POINTS :

- The series will feature four stand-alone stories.
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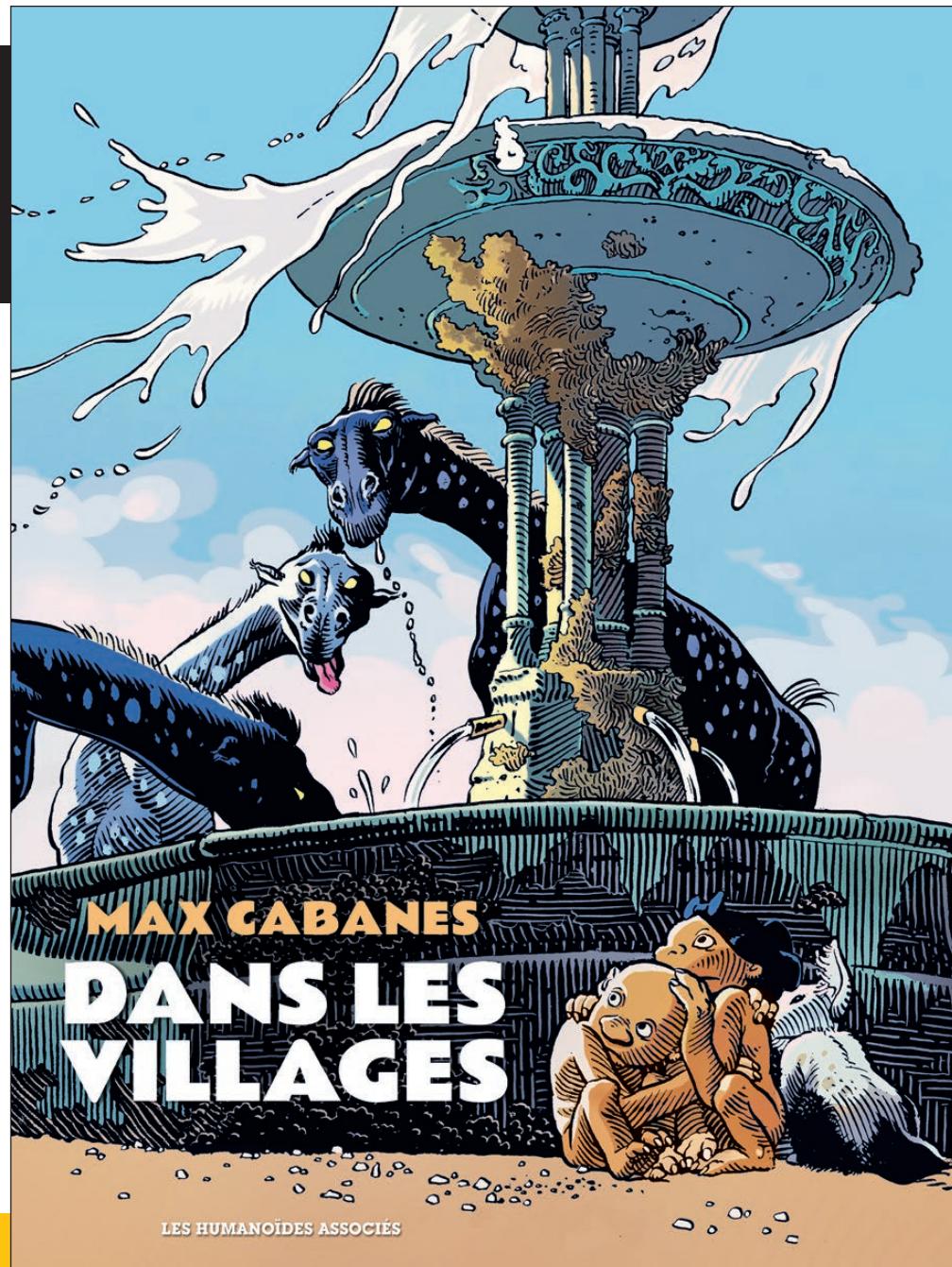
Max Cabanes  
(Writer & Art)

A MAGICAL QUEST IN A WORLD POPULATED BY FANTASTIC CHARACTERS, TOLD WITH HUMOR BY MAX CABANES.

Life flows peacefully in the village of Merdouzills. Accompanied by their friends, Julienne and Jean-Marie go in search of corniflure, a substance that develops an extraordinary intelligence in anyone who consumes it. But it's a whole vast magical world that they will discover, as well as the threat hanging over their village: the Anti-Joles. These new heroes will then have to find the Laughing Crognote, the only being who can save all the Merdouzills. An offbeat story, full of twists, humor and tenderness.

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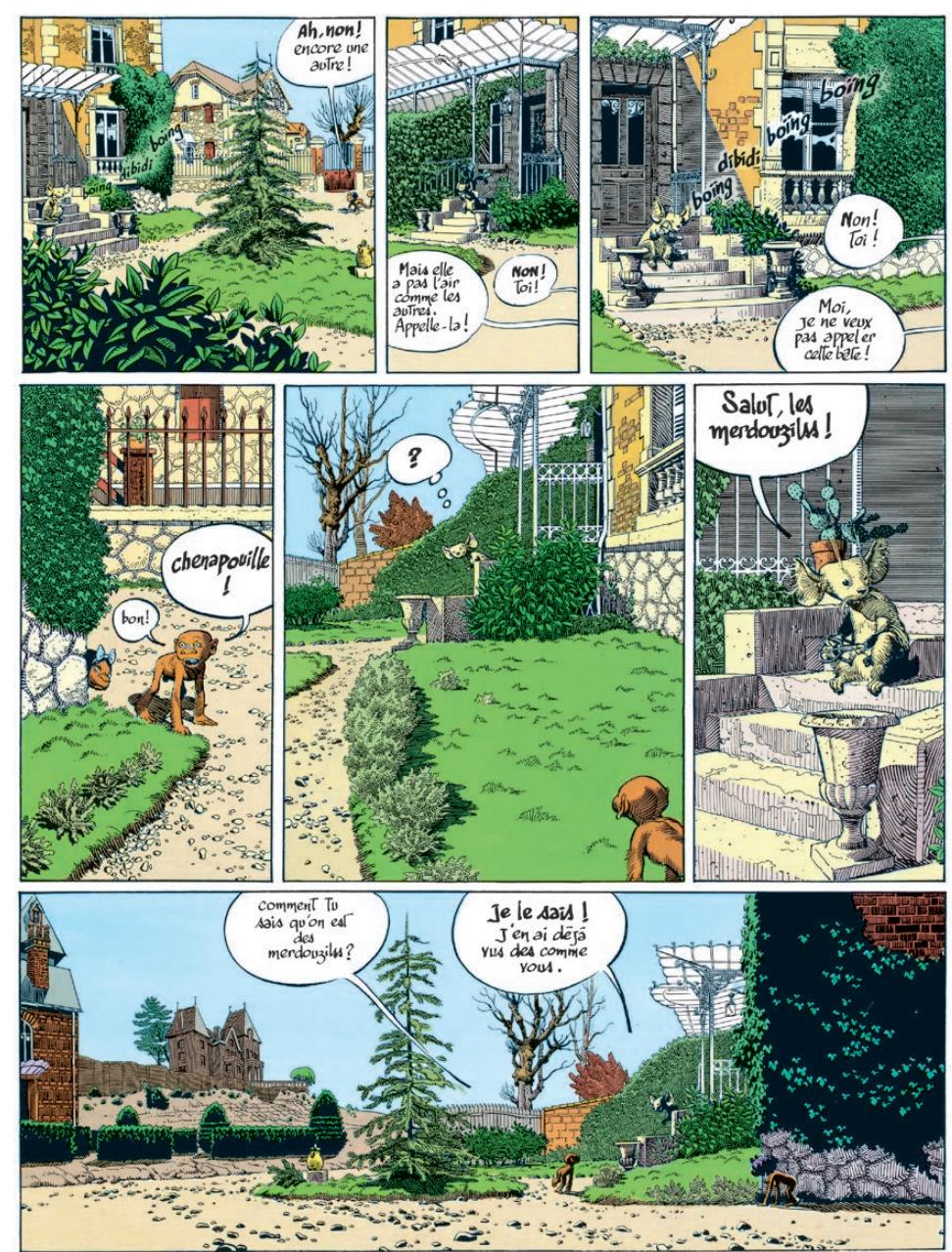
- Max Cabanes: Angoulême Grand Prix 1990
- A complete edition that brings together the four volumes of the series, almost forty years after the publication of the first episode by Fluide Glacial.
- A poetic and wacky universe.
- A true throwback to the 1970s and the golden age of comic book monthlies.

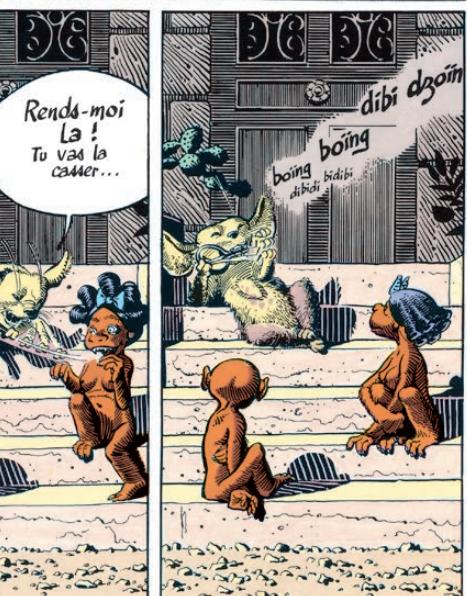


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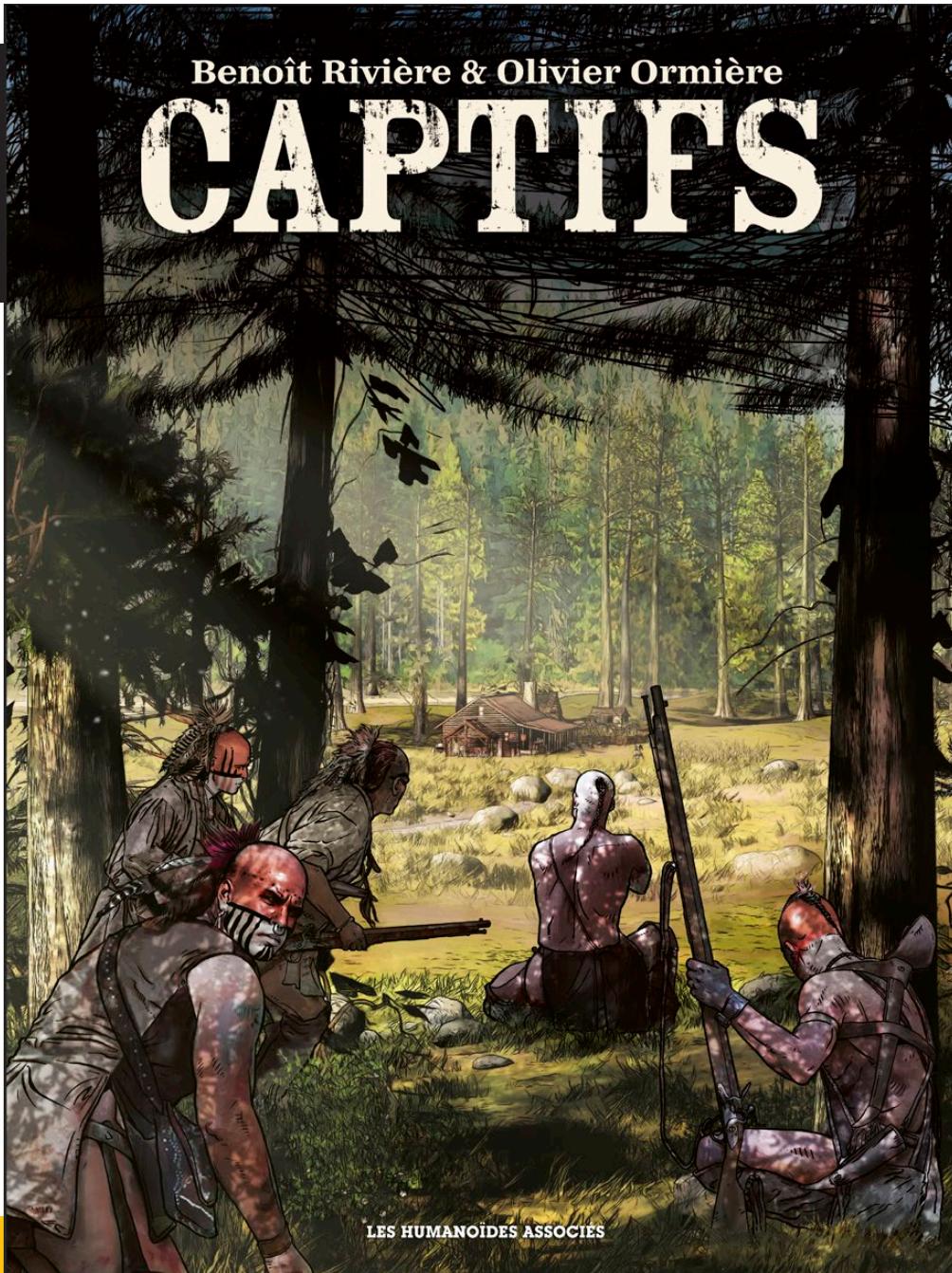
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Benoît Rivière & Olivier Ormière

# CAPTIVES



HISTORICAL FICTION

## CAPTIVES

Benoît Rivière (Writer)  
Olivier Ormière (Art)

A LITTLE-KNOWN AND HEARTBREAKING ADVENTURE IN 18TH CENTURY NORTH AMERICA, INSPIRED BY A TRUE STORY.

**A**ugust 1754, New England. An English farming family, the Johnsons, is attacked by Abenaki Indians who enslave them. The family has three children and Susannah is pregnant with the fourth. They are all captured, embarking on a long journey that pushes them to the limits of what humans can endure, and which only the strongest will survive. Their nightmare is far from over when they are sold as slaves to the French who occupy Montreal, during the conflict raging between the English and the French in Quebec...

### KEY POINTS :

- The full story of a family tragedy.
- A richly documented and immersive journey into 18th century North America.
- Based on Susannah Johnson's memoir, *Narrative of a Captive in New France, 1754-1760*.

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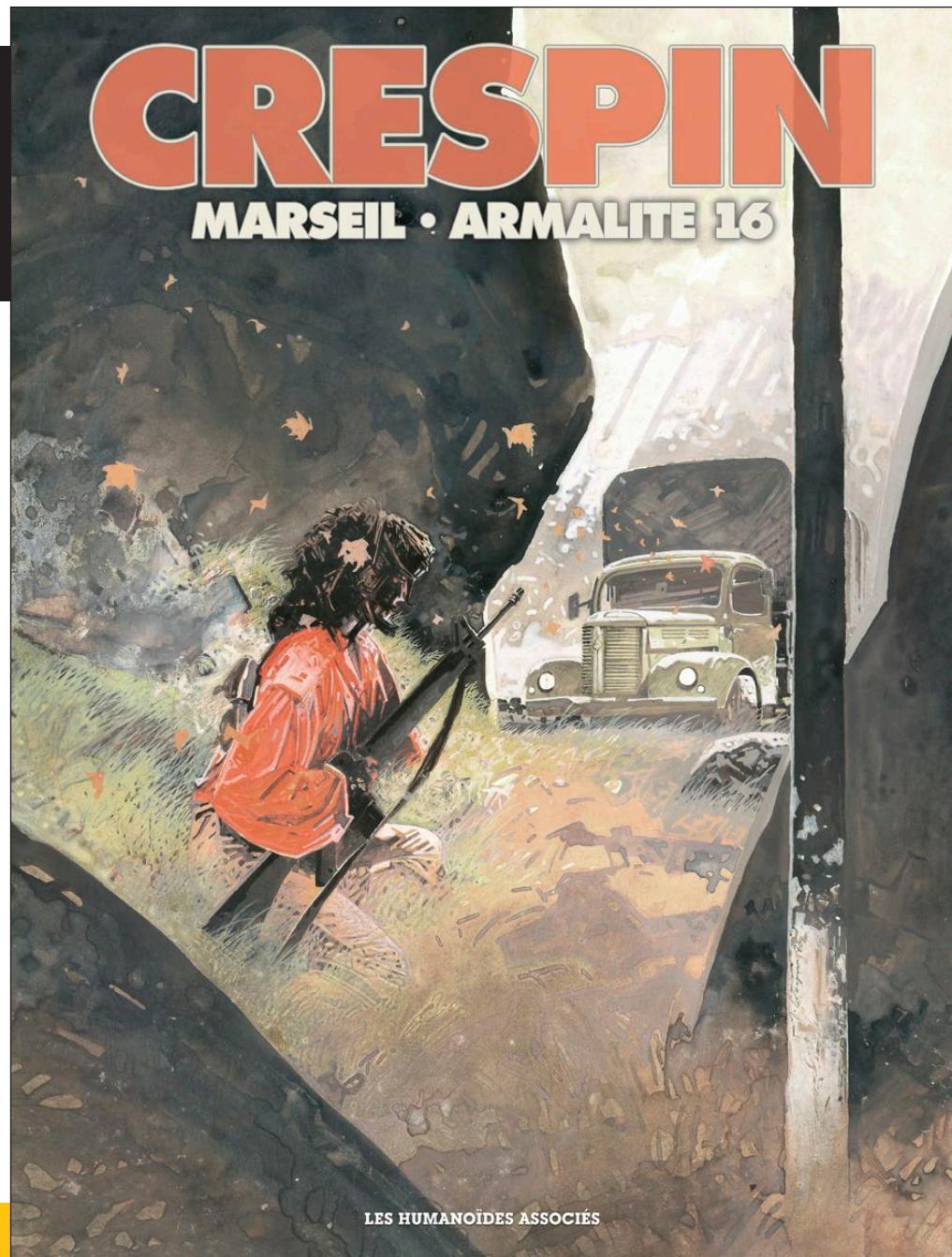
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## **ARMALITE 16**

(New Edition)

Michel Crespin  
(Writer & Art)

**PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED IN PART IN MÉTAL HURLANT,  
HERE IS MICHEL CRESPIN FULL STORY ABOUT A POST-  
APOCALYPTIC FUTURE THAT RESONATES WITH OUR  
PRESENT...**

Imagine.... Imagine a village in the Alps, surrounded by mountains and trapped by the approaching winter. Imagine... men hitherto kept out of a war that was so sudden that they took no part in it. These survivors now have to face a new threat: the onslaught of the "greens," soldiers from the North determined to subjugate the mountain community by force. Resistance, an emerging environmental awareness, melancholy and friendships made deep in the mountains are the ingredients to be found in this post-nuclear saga that remains a must-read in Michel Crespin's body of work.

### **KEY POINTS :**

- This complete edition contains five episodes, the first two of which were originally published in black and white in *MÉTAL HURLANT*, starting in 1978: *Marseil*, *Armalite 16*, *White moon*, *Dorianne*, *The Infernets*.
- Featuring Crespin's inimitable style, which evolves over the episodes to combine fine inking and stunning watercolors.
- Featuring Hélène "The Tomboy", considered at the time as "the first real living woman among all the comic book heroines" (Marjorie Alessandrini in *Rock & Folk* in 1980).

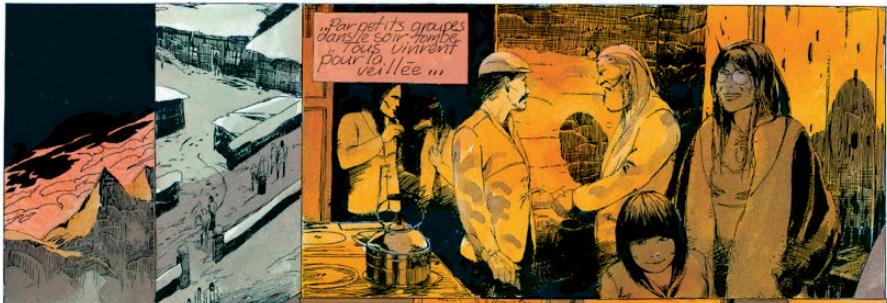
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CHRISTOPHE BEC & PAOLO ANTIGA

# MEGALODON



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## MEGALODON

Christophe Bec (Writer)  
Paolo Antiga (Art)

**RECONNECT WITH YOUR ANIMAL INSTINCT WITH THE BIGGEST PREDATOR IN THE PREHISTORIC OCEANS: THE MEGALODON!**

**D**uring the Miocene era, a young megalodon tries to reclaim his position as the dominant meg, which is now occupied by «the scarred one.» But the latter is violent and cunning, and the young megalodon quickly finds himself excluded from his group. He must now learn to survive on his own, in an ocean fraught with dangers of all kinds.

### KEY POINTS :

- A book written by a megalodon expert: Christophe Bec.
- A highly mastered immersive visual style.
- Remarkable narrative tension despite the absence of human characters.
- A new, previously unexplored subject in the world of comics.
- A spin-off of best-selling Carthago series with half a million copies sold, 13 volumes published already and translated into 10 languages worldwide.

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