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QUALITY GRAPHIC NOVELS

Quality Comics and Graphic Novels for Educational and Public Libraries

Welcome to Sealight Books' Quarterly Brochure for the months of September to November. As of 18 June 2007 Sealight Books began a new phase with Jon and Gai Bath taking the helm. Selling Sealight for me is akin to watching a child grow up and leave home and I could not have contemplated letting go happily unless I had absolute faith in the new owners. I wish to thank you for supporting graphic novels and Sealight Books over the last 6 years. Expect Sealight to get better and glow brighter. I know I'll be watching from shore with a big grin on my face and a comic book tucked under my arm.

- Inger Fountain.

It is with a sense of great excitement and responsibility that Gai and I take the helm of Sealight Books. We would like to thank Inger for her kindness and ongoing guidance, for her passion and vision that created Sealight and for the confidence she has in us. Over the next 12 months we look forward to getting to know you and your needs in order to take the quality of Sealight's products and services to the next level.

- Jon and Gai Bath - Sealight Books

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NEWLY RELEASED POPULAR TITLES



Justice League of America Vol 1 HC [YAF-MATURE]
ISBN:1401213499 Hardcover \$49.95 Full Colour 207p
 New York Times best-selling author Brad Meltzer, author of Identity Crisis, one of the most talked-about and successful graphic novels of 2005, redefines the World's Greatest Super Team for a new generation. Superman, Batman and Wonder Woman decide to reform the Justice League and must choose the new roster of members. Moments of violence but a great story.



Flight Vol 4 [YAF]
ISBN:0345490401 Softcover \$49.95 Full Colour 352p
 A full-color graphic anthology of short stories by some of the hottest creators in the field, FLIGHT, Volume Four is the newest addition to a great success story in graphic novel publishing. Each contributor's story in the anthology represents a labor of love, and that fact shines through in the overall quality of the series.



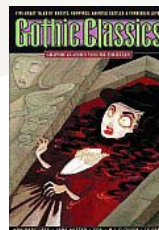
Anita Blake Vampire Hunter Vol 1 [YAF-MATURE]
ISBN:0785127232 Hardcover \$39.95 Full Colour 68p
 Anita Blake is an "animator" — a profession that involves raising the dead for mourning relatives. But Anita is also known as a fearsome hunter of criminal vampires, and she's often employed to investigate cases that are far too much for conventional police. But as Anita gains the attention of the vampire masters of her hometown of St. Louis, she also risks revealing an intriguing secret about herself — the source of her unusual strength and power.



Dragonlance Vol 2 Dragons of Winter Night [YAF]
ISBN:1932386572 Softcover \$37.95 Full Colour 192p
 They won their first real battle in the war for Krynn, but the war has only just begun for the Companions! Friendships born in conflict will be torn apart. Hope will rest on the shoulders of a disgraced Knight and his two inexperienced companions. Worlds long divided by hatred and prejudice will either band together in a last struggle against darkness - or perish for all time.



Transformers Movie Graphic Novel [YAF]
ISBN:1600100678 Softcover \$35.95 Full Colour 104p
Transformers Movie Prequel Graphic Novel [YAF]
ISBN:160010066X Softcover \$39.95 Full Colour 120p
 Our world. Their war. The Transformers bring their brutal war to our world, putting all of mankind at risk. Our salvation depends on the burgeoning friendship between a robot from beyond the stars and a young boy who just might hold the key to ending the war forever.



Graphic Classics Gothic [YAF]
ISBN:0978791908 Softcover \$21.95 B&W 144p
 Mystery, terror, imprisonment, death: the great gothic themes are explored in these five well-chosen, seminal tales. Gothic Classics presents Ann Radcliffe's archetypal gothic novel The Mysteries of Udolpho, adapted by Antonella Caputo and Carlo Vergara. Plus: Jane Austen's gothic parody Northanger Abbey by Trina Robbins and Anne Timmons; and Poe's "The Oval Portrait" and more.

The Latest Star Wars Graphic Novels

Star Wars Knights Of the Old Republic Vol 1 Commencement ISBN:1593077165 \$37.99 Full Colour 160p [YAF]
Star Wars Knights Of the Old Republic Vol 2 Flashpoint ISBN:1593077610 \$37.99 Full Colour 144p [YAF]
Star Wars Rebellion Vol 1 My Brother My Enemy ISBN:1593077114 \$29.99 Full Colour 160p [YAF]
Star Wars Legacy Vol 1 Broken ISBN:1593077165 \$35.99 Full Colour 160p [YAF]
Star Wars Clone Wars Aventures Vol 7 ISBN: 1593076789 \$13.95 Full Colour 80p [JF]
Star Wars Clone Wars Aventures Vol 8 ISBN: 1593076800 \$13.95 Full Colour 80p [JF]

Even though the last Star Wars movie has been and gone enthusiasm for the series is at an all-time high. The comics have expanded to include three new series: Rebellion is set between the events of the second and third movies, at the height of Darth Vader's power. Knights of the Old Republic is set before the movies began and Legacy after the destruction of the empire in Return of the Jedi. The Clone Wars Aventures are a series of short stories aimed at younger readers and all earlier volumes are still available.



QUALITY ENJOYMENT ETHICS

FEATURED TITLES



NEW MANGA

Manga, for those who haven't heard of the term, are comics created in Japan, or more broadly in Asia. So that may include titles from China or Korea for example. There are also a number of "Manga" being written and illustrated in Western countries (including Australia and the USA). These are comics drawn in the "Manga-style" that are also referred to in the broad definition of the medium.

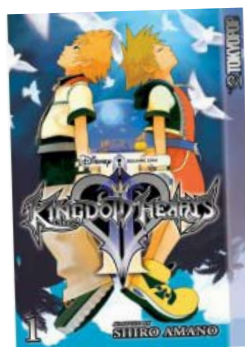


Town of Evening Calm, Country Of Cherry Blossoms by Fumiyo Kouno [YAF-13 years and up]
ISBN:0867196653 Softcover 103 pages B&W \$19.99

What impact did World War II and the dropping of the atomic bomb have on the common people of Japan? Through the eyes of an average woman living in 1955, Japanese artist Fumiyo Kouno answers these questions. This award-winning manga appears in an English translation for the first time. Fumiyo Kouno's light, free style of drawing evokes a tender reflection of this difficult period in Hiroshima's postwar past. As the characters continue with everyday life, the shadow of the war and the atomic bombing linger ghostlike in the background. Kouno's beautiful storytelling touches the reader's heart but is never overly sentimental. A widely embraced best seller in Japan, where the work was also controversial, Town of Evening Calm, Country of Cherry Blossoms is the winner of several prestigious awards including Grand Prize at the 8th Japan Media Arts Festival (2004), New Life Award at the 9th Osamu Tezuka Cultural Prizes (2005). Town of Evening Calm, Country of Cherry Blossoms is made up of interconnected short stories; the first is a love story entitled Town of Evening Calm; followed by the two-part story Country of Cherry Blossoms.

Barefoot Gen Volumes 1-4 by Keiji Nakazawa [YAF-13 years and up]
Volume 1 Cartoon Story of Hiroshima ISBN:0867196025 Softcover 286 pages B&W \$29.99
Volume 2 The Day After ISBN:086719619X Softcover 240 pages B&W \$29.99
Volume 3 Life After the Bomb ISBN: 0867195940 Softcover 260 pages B&W \$29.99
Volume 4 Out of The Ashes ISBN:0867195959 Softcover 286 pages B&W \$29.99

This harrowing story of Hiroshima was one of the original Japanese manga series. New and unabridged, this is an all-new translation of the author's first-person experiences of Hiroshima and its aftermath, is a reminder of the suffering war brings to innocent people. Cartoonist Keiji Nakazawa was seven years old and living in Hiroshima in the early days of August 1945 when the city was destroyed by an atomic bomb dropped by the U.S.A. Barefoot Gen is the powerful, graphic story of the bombing of Hiroshima, seen through the eyes of a young boy growing up in a Japanese anti-militarist family. Of particular interest is Barefoot Gen's focus on the ethical dilemmas facing a peace-loving family in a militarized culture, and the special problems which they encounter. Barefoot Gen brings home the reality of an event in our history which we must never allow to happen again.



Kingdom Hearts 2 Volume 1 [YAF-13 years and up]
ISBN:1427800588 Softcover 193 pages B&W \$19.99

Based on the mega-popular video game and expanding on earlier manga volumes. In the quiet little hamlet of Twilight Town, there lives a boy named Roxas. He and his friends Hayner, Pence and Olette are trying to enjoy their final days of summer vacation, when strange things begin to happen. First the group is falsely accused of stealing photos from all over town. Then they are attacked by bizarre, white creatures. But the oddest occurrences are the recurring dreams Roxas has of a boy named Sora, and the presence of a girl named Namina, who has a mysterious secret to share with Roxas. What began in Kingdom Hearts and Kingdom Hearts: Chain of Memories continues in Kingdom Hearts II. Previous Volumes Listed Below:

Kingdom Hearts Vol 1 ISBN:1598162179 Softcover 96 pages B&W \$11.95
Kingdom Hearts Vol 2 ISBN:1598162187 Softcover 96 pages B&W \$11.95
Kingdom Hearts Vol 3 ISBN:1598162195 Softcover 96 pages B&W \$11.95
Kingdom Hearts Vol 4 ISBN:1598162209 Softcover 96 pages B&W \$11.95
Kingdom Hearts Chain of Memories Vol 1 ISBN:1598166379 Softcover 192 pages B&W \$19.95
Kingdom Hearts Chain of Memories Vol 2 ISBN:1598166387 Softcover 192 pages B&W \$19.95

Megatokyo Vols 1-5 [YAF-13 years and up]

Piro, an obsessed anime/manga fan, and Largo, a hard core American gamer and I33t h4x0rm4573r, fly to Japan on a whim and find themselves stranded, unable to afford the trip home. In their struggles to find places to crash and money for tickets home, we experience Tokyo from their unique -- and drastically different -- points of view. Megatokyo is one of the most successful, funny and highly regarded web-comics and has been updated regularly for the last seven years. The site can be found at <http://www.megatokyo.com/>

Megatokyo Vol 1 ISBN:1593071639 Softcover 160 pages B&W \$19.99
Megatokyo Vol 2 ISBN:1593071183 Softcover 184 pages B&W \$19.99
Megatokyo Vol 3 ISBN:1593073054 Softcover 224 pages B&W \$19.99
Megatokyo Vol 4 ISBN:1401211267 Softcover 240 pages B&W \$19.99
Megatokyo Vol 5 ISBN:1401211271 Softcover 240 pages B&W \$21.99



COMICS FOR GIRLS

Ok I know that I am treading a pretty thin line with the title here as many girls and women read comics in all genres and enjoy them as much as men. The titles below however were created specifically with the female market in mind and have proven to be successful at drawing female readers to the medium.

MINX

DC Comics has released a new series of graphic novels called MINX which is aimed squarely at the female teen corner of the market. Attracting popular young adult authors who know how this generation of youth speak and utilising illustrators who are dynamic and edgy they have created a winner of a series which will continue to grow through the latter half of 2007 and into 2008.

Clubbing by Andi Watson (Author) and Josh Howard [YAF-13 years and up] ISBN:1401203701 Softcover 172 pages B&W \$19.99



A spoiled, rebellious London girl takes on the stuffy English countryside in CLUBBING. The crime: Getting caught with a fake I.D. at a posh London nightclub. The punishment: Spending the summer at her Grandparent's stuffy country club. But Charlotte "Lottie" Brook, best known for her mile-high platforms, an expendable wi-fi account and an unbridled passion for classic lit, will end up doing more than just serving time in country boot camp. In between avoiding the strange locals and cake decorating contests, Lottie will narrowly escape romance and end up solving a murder mystery on the 19th hole of her Grandparent's golf course.

Re-Gifters by Mike Carey [YAF-13 years and up] ISBN:140120371X Softcover 174 pages B&W \$19.99

Meet Jen Dik Seong -- or "Dixie" as she's known to her friends. Korean American, dirt poor, and living on the ragged edge of LA's Koreatown, Dixie's only outlet is the ancient martial art of hapkido. In fact, she's on the verge of winning a championship -- until she falls for fellow hapkido fan/California surfer boy Adam and gets thrown spectacularly off her game. As she struggles to win the tournament -- not to mention Adam's affections -- Dixie learns that in love and in gift-giving, what goes around comes around.



Good As Lily by Derek Kirk Kim (Author), Jesse Hamm (Illustrator) [YAF-13 years and up] ISBN:1401213812 Softcover 176 pages B&W \$19.99

What if your biggest competition was...yourself? Following a strange mishap on her 18th birthday, Grace Kwon is confronted with herself at three different periods in her life, ages 6, 29 and 70. The timing couldn't be worse as Grace and her friends desperately try to save a crumbling school play. Will her other selves wreak havoc on her present life or illuminate her uncertain future?



The Plain Janes by Cecil Castellucci (Author), Jim Rugg (Illustrator) [YAF-13 years and up] ISBN: 1401211151 Softcover 176 pages B&W \$19.99

When transfer student Jane is forced to move from the confines of Metro City to Suburbia, she thinks her life is over. But there in the lunch room at the reject table she finds her tribe: three other girls named Jane. Main Jane encourages them to form a secret art gang and paint the town P.L.A.I.N. -- People Loving Art In Neighborhoods. But can art attacks really save the hell that is high school?



The Baby-Sitters Club Graphic Novels [JF]

No doubt most school and public librarians will be overly familiar with this series by Ann M. Martin. Graphix (an imprint of Scholastic) have taken the ever-popular and prolific books and begun to turn them into an appealing graphic novel series which will no doubt continue to expand. The text has been trimmed to suit the format and the look of the characters updated but the stories remain as appealing as they ever were to younger audiences.



The Baby-Sitter's Club Volume One: Kristy's Great Idea ISBN:0439739330 Softcover 192 pages B&W \$17.99

Witness Kristy's eureka moment, when she gets the idea for a "baby-sitters club" and enlists her best friends, shy Mary Anne and artistic Claudia, in an exciting new venture. But the baby-sitting business isn't the only thing absorbing their attention: Kristy is having a hard time accepting her stepdad-to-be, and the newest member of the gang, Stacey, seems to be hiding a secret.

The Baby-Sitter's Club Volume Two: The Truth About Stacey ISBN:0439739365 Softcover 144 pages B&W \$17.99

Poor Stacey. She's moved to a new town. She's still coming to terms with her diabetes. She's facing baby-sitting problems left and right. And her parents are no help. Luckily, Stacey has three new, true friends -- Kristy, Claudia, and Mary Anne. Together they're the BSC -- and they will deal with whatever's thrown their way... even if it's a rival baby-sitting club!

The Baby-Sitter's Club Volume Three: Mary Anne Saves The Day ISBN: 0439885167 Softcover 144 pages B&W \$17.99

When the Baby-sitters Club girls get into a HUGE fight, Mary Anne is left to her own devices. She has to eat by herself in the school cafeteria, figure out how to make new friends, and deal with her overprotective father. But the worst thing to happen is a baby-sitting emergency where she can't turn to her friends for help! Can Mary Anne solve all her problems and save the Baby-sitters Club from falling apart?

NOTABLE INDEPENDENT TITLES

Each month, along with the plethora of manga and mainstream super-hero titles there are an increasing number of titles released from smaller, more independent publishers. The following is a diverse selection of the most notable releases over the past year.



American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang [YAF-13 years and up]
ISBN:1596431520 Softcover 240 pages Full Colour \$35.95

All Jin Wang wants is to fit in...

When his family moves to a new neighborhood, he suddenly finds that he's the only Chinese-American student at his school. Jocks and bullies pick on him constantly, and he has hardly any friends. Then, to make matters worse, he falls in love with an all-American girl...

Born to rule over all the monkeys in the world, the story of the Monkey King is one of the oldest and greatest Chinese fables. Adored by his subjects, master of the arts of kung-fu, he is the most powerful monkey on earth. But the Monkey King doesn't want to be a monkey. He wants to be hailed as a god...

Chin-Kee is the ultimate negative Chinese stereotype, and he's ruining his cousin Danny's life. Danny's a basketball player, a popular kid at school, but every year Chin-Kee comes to visit, and every year Danny has to transfer to a new school to escape the shame. This year, though, things quickly go from bad to worse...

These three apparently unrelated tales come together with an unexpected twist, in a modern fable that is hilarious, poignant, and action-packed. Multiple Award Winner including the American National Book Award, and American Library Association.

Inverloch by Sarah Ellerton [JF-10 years and up]

Volume One ISBN:1933164131 Softcover 160 pages Full Colour \$29.95

Volume Two ISBN:1933164271 Softcover 160 pages Full Colour \$29.95

Volume Three ISBN:1933164530 Softcover 160 pages Full Colour \$29.95

The story of Inverloch centers around a young man named Acheron, from a horned wolf-like race called the da'kor. After a chance encounter with an elf, he finds himself setting out on a seemingly innocent mission - that of trying to locate Kayn'dar, another elf who has been missing for the past twelve years. Meeting up with new friends and companions along the way, he quickly begins to learn that the world is not quite the peaceful place he believed it to be - embroiled with prejudice, racial segregation, and hidden danger. And the truth behind Kayn'dar's disappearance is something none of the party would ever expect... Like Megatokyo, Inverloch is a webcomic with a huge international following and the author and illustrator is an Australian. The comic's website can be found at www.seraph-inn.com

Oddly Normal by Otis Frampton [JF-8 years and up]

Volume One ISBN:097778830X Softcover 112 pages Full Colour \$23.95

Volume Two ISBN:0977788393 Softcover 112 pages Full Colour \$23.95

Oddly Normal is a coming of age story about a 10-year old girl with the most unfortunate name and the luck to go with it. Her green hair and pointed ears haven't made life easy for her in the real world. On her 10th birthday, Oddly's parents mysteriously disappear and she is left in the care of her great Aunt, a citizen of a place called Fignation. Unfortunately for Oddly, her experiences there will not be any better than they were on Earth. A great story for readers of all ages - volume 1 was listed on Booklist's Top 10 Graphic Novels for Youth. The first chapter of each book can be read online at the publisher's website www.vipercomics.com

Sardine In Outer Space by Emmanuel Guibert (Author), Joann Sfar (Illustrator) [JF-All Ages]

Volume One ISBN:1596431261 Softcover 128 pages Full Colour \$25.95

Volume Two ISBN:159643127X Softcover 128 pages Full Colour \$25.95

Volume Three ISBN:1596431288 Softcover 112 pages Full Colour \$25.95

Volume Four ISBN:1596431296 Softcover 112 pages Full Colour \$27.95

The evil Supermuscleman, chief executive dictator of the universe, is determined to make every kid in the galaxy obey him. Who can outwit him and his wicked plans? Only Sardine, a little girl aboard the spaceship Huckleberry with her cousin Louie and her pirate uncle, the gruff Captain Yellow Shoulder. As they travel across the universe they encounter cosmic squids, masters of the universe, space leeches, talking clouds, and many other strange and sometimes evil beings. This is the first book in an exciting new series by two of Frances most talented comics authors. With rambunctious, high-energy artwork and a clever, swashbuckling heroine, Sardine in Outer Space is a feast for the imagination of young readers. Crazy fun from a couple of renowned French comic creators (some characters may smoke and drink).

Perhapanauts by by Todd Dezago (Author), Craig Rousseau and Rico Renzi [YAF-13 years and up]

Volume One: First Blood ISBN:159307607X Softcover 128 pages Full Colour \$31.95

Volume Two: Second Chances ISBN:1593077971 Softcover 128 pages Full Colour \$31.95

There are places in this world where the fabric of reality has worn thin, where strange and terrible creatures have crossed over to lurk in the shadows and the night. There is an organization dedicated to finding these creatures and sending them back from whence they came, sealing the rift behind them and maintaining the integrity of those borders. The organization is called BEDLAM. Its agents are... The Perhapanauts! That they are unique and mysterious creatures themselves doesn't make things any easier. A sasquatch, a ghost, a chupacabra and a telepath head up this team of unlikely protectors and where their adventures might take them is anybody's guess.



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