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One of the Washington Posts' "The 5 best science fiction and fantasy novels of 2017"! A B&N Sci-Fi and Fantasy Blog "Best SFF of 2017" pick! From debut author Maggie Shen King, *An Excess Male* is the chilling dystopian tale of politics, inequality, marriage, love, and rebellion, set in a near-future China, that further explores the themes of the classics *The Handmaid's Tale* and *When She Woke*. Under the One Child Policy, everyone plotted to have a son. Now 40 million of them can't find wives. China's One Child Policy and its cultural preference for male heirs have created a society overrun by 40 million unmarried men. By the year 2030, more than twenty-five percent of men in their late thirties will not have a family of their own. *An Excess Male* is one such leftover man's quest for love and family under a State that seeks to glorify its past mistakes and impose order through authoritarian measures, reinvigorated Communist ideals, and social engineering. Wei-guo holds fast to the belief that as long as he continues to improve himself, his small business, and in turn, his country, his chance at love will come. He finally saves up the dowry required to enter matchmaking talks at the lowest rung as a third husband—the maximum allowed by law. Only a single family—one harboring an illegal spouse—shows interest, yet with Mayling and her two husbands, Wei-guo feels seen, heard, and connected to like never before. But everyone and everything—walls, streetlights, garbage cans—are listening, and men, excess or not, are dispensable to the State. Wei-guo must reach a new understanding of patriotism and test the limits of his love and his resolve in order to save himself and this family he has come to hold dear. In Maggie Shen King's startling and

beautiful debut, *An Excess Male* looks to explore the intersection of marriage, family, gender, and state in an all-too-plausible future.

**An Excess Male** Image Comics  
War has engulfed the Known World, and Maika Halfwolf is at its epicenter. As she and her friends grapple with the consequences of their actions, long-buried secrets and long-awaited reunions threaten to change everything. Join MARJORIE LIU and SANA TAKEDA in the newest volume of this Eisner, Hugo, Harvey, and British Fantasy Award-winning series. Plus, learn about the happier childhood days of Kippa and Maika in *MONSTRESS: TALK-STORIES 1 and 2!* Collects *MONSTRESS: TALK-STORIES #1-2* and *MONSTRESS #31-35*  
[The Tangleroot Palace: Stories](#) Image Comics

Set in an alternate matriarchal 1900's Asia, in a richly imagined world of art deco-inflected steam punk, *MONSTRESS* tells the story of a teenage girl who is struggling to survive the trauma of war, and who shares a mysterious psychic link with a monster of tremendous power, a connection that will transform them both and make them the target of both human and otherworldly powers. About the Creators: New York Times bestselling and award-winning writer Marjorie Liu is best known for her fiction and comic books. She teaches comic book writing at MIT, and leads a class on Popular Fiction at the Voices of Our Nation (VONA) workshop. Ms. Liu's extensive work includes the bestselling "Astonishing X-Men" for Marvel Comics, which featured the gay wedding of X-Man Northstar and was subsequently nominated for a GLAAD Media Award for outstanding media images of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community. Prior to writing full-time, Liu was a

lawyer. She currently resides in Boston. Sana Takeda is an illustrator and comic book artist who was born in Niigata, and now resides in Tokyo, Japan. At age 20 she started out as a 3D CGI designer for SEGA, a Japanese video game company, and became a freelance artist when she was 25. She is still an artist, and has worked on titles such as "X-23" and "Ms. Marvel" for Marvel Comics, and is an illustrator for trading card games in Japan.

**Monstress #25** Image Comics

The next volume in the best-selling Eisner, Hugo, Harvey & British Fantasy Award winning series by MARJORIE LIU and SANATAKEDA! The long-dreaded war between the Federation and Arcanics is about to explode. Maika must choose her next steps: will she help her friends, or strike out on her own?

Collects MONSTRESS issues #25-30

*A Novel* Image Comics

In a world rife with monsters known as Grimm, the prestigious Beacon Academy trains the next generation of hunters. Tying in with the hit Rooster Teeth web series RWBY, follow the adventures of team RWBY, comprising bruiser Yang Xiao Long, elegant Weiss Schnee, stealthy Blake Belladonna, and courageous leader Ruby Rose as they protect the world from all manner of Grimm! Collects RWBY #1-7.

**Monstress Vol. 2** Image Comics

They're an elite group of teenage girls with magical powers who have sworn to protect our planet against dark creatures . . . as long as they can get out of class! Known as the Zodiac Starforce, these high-school girls aren't just combating math tests. They're also battling monsters--not your typical afterschool activity! But when an evil force from another dimension infects team leader Emma, she must work with her team of

magically powered friends to save herself--and the world--from the evil Diana and her mean-girl minions! From Kevin Panetta (Bravest Warriors) and Paulina Ganucheau (TMNT: New Animated Adventures, Bravest Warriors), this super-fun and heartfelt story of growing up and friendship--with plenty of magical-girl fighting action--delivers the most exciting new ensemble cast in comics! Collects Zodiac Starforce #1-#4

**Monstress Book One** Image Comics

Eisner-nominated MONSTRESS is back! Maika, Kippa, and Ren journey to Thyria in search of answers to her past and discover a new, terrible, threat.

**Isola Vol. 1** HarperCollins

2017 British Fantasy Award, Best Comic/Graphic Novel 2018 Eisner Award winner, Best Writer 2018 Eisner Award winner, Best Painter/Multimedia Artist 2018 Eisner Award winner, Best Continuing Series 2018 Eisner Award winner, Best Publication for Teens 2018 Eisner Award winner, Best Cover Artist 2018 Harvey Award winner, Book of the Year 2018 Hugo Award winner, Best Graphic Story 2018 Hugo Award Winner, Best Professional Artist 2018 British Fantasy Award winner, Best Comic/Graphic Novel 2018, 2016, 2015 Entertainment Weekly's The Best Comic Books of the Year" 2018, Newsweek's Best Comic Books of the Year 2018, The Washington Post's 10 Best Graphic Novels of the Year 2018, Barnes & Noble's Best Books of the Year 2018, YALSA's Great Graphic Novels for Teens 2018, Thrillist's Best Comics & Graphic Novels of the Year 2018, Powell's Best Science-Fiction, Fantasy, Horror, and Graphic Novels of the Year 2019, Hugo Award nominee Maika and Corvin make their way through a warped and lethal land in search of Kippa, who is faced with her own terrible monsters. But

when Maika comes face-to-face with a stranger from her deep past, startling truths are uncovered, and at the center of it all lurks a dangerous conspiracy that threatens the Known World. Maika is finally close to getting all the answers she ever wanted, but at what price? With war on the horizon—a war no one wants to stop—whose side will Maika choose? Collects *MONSTRESS* #19-24.

**Saga: Compendium One** Image Comics

Who will win this crucial first battle between the Federation and Arcanics? And whose side is Maika on, anyway? *Barnes and Noble Exclusive Edition* *Monstress* Vol. 2

A teenage girl struggles to overcome the trauma of war in an alternate, matriarchal 1900s Asia that's brimming with arcane dangers. This task is made all the more difficult by her mysterious psychic link to an eldritch monster of tremendous power—a connection that will transform them both, and place them in the crosshairs of both human and otherworldly powers. Creator/writer MARJORIE LIU (who made history as the first woman to win an Eisner Award for Best Writer) and creator/artist SANA TAKEDA present a deluxe, oversized hardcover edition of their beloved breakout comic in *MONSTRESS*, BOOK ONE. This massive edition features a striking new cover and includes never-before-seen sketches, script pages, and more for over 500 pages of award-winning content.

*Victor LaValle's Destroyer #1* Image Comics

The long-dreaded war between the Federation and Arcanics is about to explode as secret peace negotiations are threatened and the Old Gods conspire. Now, Maika must choose her next steps: will she help her friends, or strike out on

her own?

*12 Things I Learned from Talking to Internet Strangers* Image Comics

Trapped in the labyrinth of her mind, Maika begins to unravel the horrific secrets she and Zinn have long kept buried in their memories—secrets that will change her life forever.

**Monstress: Book One** Image Comics [STARRED REVIEW] "Liu's mastery of so many different subgenres astounds, and her ear for language carries each story forward on gorgeously crafted sentences. This is a must-read" --

*Publishers Weekly* [A Top-10 SF/F/H 2021 upcoming title] *New York Times* bestseller and Hugo, British Fantasy, Romantic Times, and Eisner award-winning author of the graphic novel *Monstress*, Marjorie Liu leads you deep into the heart of the tangled woods. In her long-awaited debut collection of dark, lush, and spellbinding short fiction, you will find unexpected detours, dangerous magic, and even more dangerous women. Briar, bodyguard for a body-stealing sorceress, discovers her love for Rose, whose true soul emerges only once a week. An apprentice witch seeks her freedom through betrayal, the bones of the innocent, and a meticulously plotted spell. In a world powered by crystal skulls, a warrior returns to save China from invasion by her jealous ex. A princess runs away from an arranged marriage, finding family in a strange troupe of traveling actors at the border of the kingdom's deep, dark woods. Concluding with a gorgeous full-length novella, Marjorie Liu's first short fiction collection is an unflinching sojourn into her thorny tales of love, revenge, and new beginnings. *Monstress* Vol. 6: *The Vow* Dark Horse Comics

Can Maika survive her own power and

what will she unleash upon the world?  
*Monstress, Volume 6* Image Comics  
 Maika has spent most of her life learning how to fight, but how will she fare when the only way to save her life...is to make friends? Collects issues 13-18 of the Hugo Award and British Fantasy Award series.

**Monstress Volume 4** Image Comics  
 Humans and Arcanics are at war once again, but battles of the heart and soul are the most dangerous of all. Caught in the calculating grip of the Dusk Court, Maika and Zinn uncover painful secrets of the past while Tuyu fights to preserve her future -- and young Kippa might be the Known World's only hope for the present. Collects MONSTRESS #36-41

**Monstress Volume 5** Image Comics  
 "The hit fantasy series from powerhouse creative team JEFF LEMIRE & DUSTIN NGUYEN continues! After a bruising attempt to escape from the planet Sampson, Andy finds himself in the clutches of the Militia, which means the murderous Mother can't be far behind.

Meanwhile, his daughter Mila has booked passage on a ship piloted by none other than the irascible Captain Telsa. And while Vampires may rule this strange galaxy, they're no match for Kanto, the Blood Scrapper—the most badass vampire hunter in the universe! Collects ASCENDER #6-10 "

**Monstress #37** Image Comics  
 The smash-hit series from BRIAN K. VAUGHAN and CLIFF CHIANG continues with a bold new direction, as intrepid young newspaper deliverers Erin, Mac, and Tiffany find themselves launched from 1988 to a distant and terrifying future...the year 2016. Collects PAPER GIRLS #6-10

*Paper Girls Vol. 2* Image Comics  
 The Eisner-nominated MONSTRESS is back! Maika, Kippa, and Ren journey to Thyria in search of answers to her past...and discover a terrible new threat. Collects MONSTRESS #7-12.

**Monstress Vol. 1** Boom! Studios  
 A betrayed Maika hovers near death, and Kippa must navigate the intricate politics of the Dusk Court on her own.

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