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Graphic Novel and Comics Recommendations

Note: many of the following items are serialized comics with multiple volumes. In these cases, we have listed the publication date of the first volume, the first volume translated to English, or a recent republication date of the first volume. Many of the works listed here contain mature content.

History

The Complete Maus by Art Spiegelman (1997)
Barefoot Gen by Keiji Nakazawa (2004)
Boxers and Saints by Gene Luen Yang (2013)
From Hell by Alan Moore (2000)
Nat Turner by Kyle Baker (2008)
Pride of Baghdad by Brian K. Vaughn (2008)
My Friend Dahmer by Derf Backderf (2012)

Memoir

Blankets by Craig Thompson (2003)
The Complete Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi (2007)
Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic by Alison Bechdel (2007)
Our Cancer Year by Harvey Pekar (1994)
Stitches by David Small (2009)

Journalism

The 9/11 Report: A Graphic Adaptation by Sid Jacobson and Ernie Colon (2006)
After 9/11: America's War on Terror by Sid Jacobson and Ernie Colon (2008)
A.D. : New Orleans after the Deluge by Josh Neufeld (2010)
Footnotes in Gaza by Joe Sacco (2010)
Palestine by Joe Sacco (2001)
Safe Area Goražde by Joe Sacco (2002)
Pyongyang: A Journey in North Korea by Guy Delisle (2007)

Superhero

Batman: The Dark Knight Returns by Frank Miller (1997)
Batman: The Killing Joke by Alan Moore and Brian Bolland
Black Orchid by Neil Gaiman (2012)
Hellboy by Mike Mignola (1993)
Saga of the Swamp Thing by Alan Moore (2012)
Watchmen by Allen Moore (1995)
V for Vendetta by Alan Moore (2008)

Fantasy

Bone by Jeff Smith (1991)
Hatter M: The Looking Glass Wars by Frank Beddor (2008)
Fables: Legends in Exile by Bill Willingham (2002)
Sandman: Preludes and Nocturnes by Neil Gaiman (2010)
Usagi Yojimbo: The Ronin by Stan Sakai (1988)

Apocalyptic

Habibi by Craig Thompson (2011)
The Walking Dead: Days Gone by Robert Kirkman (2006)
Y: The Last Man: Unmanned by Brian K. Vaughn (2002)

Manga

Bleach by Tite Kubo (2004)
Dragonball by Akira Toriyama (2013)
Naruto by Masashi Kishimoto (2003)
Vampire Knight by Matsuri Hino (2007)

Adaptations

Beowulf by Gareth Hinds (2007)
Hamlet by Neil Babra (2008)
Madeleine L'Engle's A Wrinkle in Time by Hope Larson (2012)
The Odyssey: A Graphic Novel by Gareth Hinds (2010)
Ray Bradbury's Fahrenheit 451: The Authorized Adaptation by Tim Hamilton (2009)

Other

American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang (2006)
A Contract with God by Will Eisner (2006)
The Book of Genesis by Robert Crumb (2009)
Daytripper by Gabriel Ba and Fabio Moon (2011)
Ghost World by Daniel Clowes (2001)
In the Shadow of No Towers, Art Spiegelman (2004)
Jimmy Corrigan, the Smartest Kid on Earth by Chris Ware (2000)
Robot Dreams by Sara Varon (2007)

Comics Criticism

Comics and Sequential Art by Will Eisner
Making Comics: Storytelling Secrets of Comics, Manga and Graphic Novels (2006) by Scott McCloud
Reinventing Comics: How Imagination and Technology are Revolutionizing an Art Form (2000) by Scott McCloud
Understanding Comics: The Invisible Art by Scott McCloud (1993)