

Comic Books Guide

The bible of the comic book industry is updated for 2002 with Web site information, tips about grading and caring for comics, and more than 1,500 black-and-white photos.

As the demand for new and vintage comic books soars, Standard Catalog of Comic Books delivers an unparalleled volume of comic book history and up-to-date prices (in US dollars). Now in its 4th edition, this reference features more than 5,000 new issues and over 50,000 new facts about comic books published in North America in the last 70 years. Each listing provides collectors and dealers with original price, cover date, creator names, story titles, character appearances, original print runs, sales figures and more. This edition gives enthusiasts something they won't find in any other comic book guide.

With more than 30,000 updated prices and over 650 photos and illustrations, "Comics Values Annual" provides an indispensable reference for dealers and collectors of all types of comics. Malloy offers reader-friendly grading and pricing charts, arranged by publisher, plus regional market reports from the nation's top experts and interviews with comics illustrators and writers.

Visually amazing, this critical history of comic books, manga, and graphic novels is a must-have for any comic buff or collector. Over the centuries, comic books and their offshoots, such as graphic novels, manga, and bandes dessinées, have evolved into a phenomenally popular, influential, and unique art form with which we can express our opinions, our fantasies, our nightmares, and our dreams. In short: comics are emphatically no longer just for kids. This diverse, constantly evolving medium is truly coming into its own in the 21st century, from Hollywood's blockbuster adaptations of super-powered caped crusaders to the global spread of Japan's manga and its spinoffs, and from award-winning graphic novels such as Maus and Persepolis to new forms such as online webcomix. This volume is the perfect introduction to a dynamic and globally popular medium, embracing every graphic genre worldwide to assess the very best works of sequential art, graphic literature, comics, and comic strips, past and present. An international survey, this engaging volume is organized according to the year of first publication in the country of origin. An opening section acknowledges pioneering pre-1900 masterpieces, followed by sections divided by decade, creating a fascinating year-by-year chronicle of the graphic medium worldwide. The material includes the very earliest one-off albums to the latest in online comics and features some series and characters that have run for decades. Packed with fantastic reproductions of classic front covers and groundbreaking panels, this book is visually stunning as well as a trove of information--perfect for the passionate collector and casual fan alike.

Learn how to press and clean comic books professionally or for yourself! This how-to guide will show you the long-kept secrets of the pros, and guide you through the easy process step by step. Also included is a special chapter on washing, a method that is gaining traction as an unrestorative technique that can remove stains, tanning, foxing, and other defects long thought to be impossible without restoration! These techniques can also be used on collectible Baseball cards, Magic, Pokémon Cards, and old documents and artifacts.

No other guide on the market covers the volume of comic book listings and range of eras as Comic Book Checklist & Price Guide does, in an easy-to-use checklist format. Readers can access listings for 130,000 comics, issued since 1961, complete with names, cover date, creator information and near-mint pricing. With super-hero art on the cover and collecting details from the experts as America's longest-running magazine about comics in this book, there is nothing that compares.

The 50-year history of The Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide is documented and celebrated in this lush history of book collectors and dealers alike have called "The Bible" of the comic book industry. Veteran collectors, historians, dealers, and Bob Overstreet himself detail the story of the Guide's early days and its importance to the vibrant comic book market that exists today. Includes vintage concept art, ad materials, a cover gallery spanning five decades, the complete Overstreet Hall of Fame, and more.

This critically acclaimed desktop publishing how-to guide gives instructions on computer coloring, lettering, and comic production. "Recommended for anyone working in comics! Four stars."QComputer Publishing Magazine.

A lavishly illustrated guide for collectors and fans provides a thorough look inside the world of comics from Marvel to DC, describing its many characters and creators, and relating its unique and cultural history.

A practical guide for beginner and advanced comic book writers that outlines the steps needed to successfully craft a story for sequential art. With this latest book in the SCAD Creative Essentials series from the esteemed Savannah College of Art and Design, comics writer and instructor Mark Kneece gives aspiring comic book writers the essential tools they need to write scripts for sequential art with confidence and success. He provides a practical set of guidelines favored by many comic book publishers and uses a unique trial and error approach to show would-be scribes the potential pitfalls they might encounter when seeking a career in comics writing. Supported by examples of scripting from SCAD's students, faculty, and alumni, The Art of Comic Book Writing strips away the mysteries of this popular artform and provides real-world advice and easy-to-follow examples for those looking to write for the comics medium.

Essential Comics Values! From the authoritative stuff at Comics Buyer's Guide, the world's longest running magazine about comics, Comic Book Price Guide is the only guide on the market to give you extensive coverage of more than 150,000 comics from the Golden Age of the 1930s to current releases. In addition to the thousands of comic books from such publishers as Marvel, DC, Dark Horse, and Image, this collector-friendly reference includes listings for comic books from independent publishers, underground publishers, and more! This indispensable guide features: • Alphabetical organization by comic book title • Thousands of detailed photos • An exclusive photo grading guide to help you determine your comics' conditions accurately • Current values for more than 150,000 comics Comic Book Price Guide is the reliable reference for collectors, dealers, and anyone passionate about comic books!

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Offers collectors detailed guidelines on how to grade the conditions of comic books, explaining a new ten-point grading system and offering close-up photographs of comic books of every grade and condition.

From Heather Corinna, founder and director of *Scarleteen.com*, and Isabella Rotman, cartoonist and sex educator, comes a graphic novel guide that covers essential topics for preteens and young teens about their changing bodies and feelings. Join friends Malia, Rico, Max, Sam and Alexis as they talk about all the weird and exciting parts of growing up! This supportive group of friends are guides for some tricky subjects. Using comics, activities and examples, they give encouragement and context for new and confusing feelings and experiences. Inclusive of different kinds of genders, sexualities, and other identities, they talk about important topics like: - Bodies, including puberty, body parts and body image - Sexual and gender identity - Gender roles and stereotypes - Crushes, relationships, and sexual feelings - Boundaries and consent - The media and cultural messages, specifically around bodies and sex - How to be sensitive, kind, accepting, and mature - Where to look for more information, support and help A fun and easy-to-read guide from expert sex educators that gives readers a good basis and an age-appropriate start with sex, bodies and relationships education! The perfect complement to any school curriculum.

The comic book universe is adventurous, mystifying, and filled with heroes, villains, and cosplaying Comic-Con attendees. This book by one of *Wired* magazine's art directors traverses the graphic world through a collection of pie charts, bar graphs, timelines, scatter plots, and more. *Super Graphic* offers readers a unique look at the intricate and sometimes contradictory storylines that weave their way through comic books, and shares advice for navigating the pages of some of the most popular, longest-running, and best-loved comics and graphic novels out there. From a colorful breakdown of the DC Comics reader demographic to a witty Venn diagram of superhero comic tropes and a Chris Ware sadness scale, this book charts the most arbitrary and monumental characters, moments, and equipment of the wide world of comics. Plus, this is the fixed format version, which includes high-resolution images.

The highly collectible world of lost universes gets a brand-new specially focused edition of *The Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide* that also serves as a Photo-Journal of all the books listed. From in-depth looks at the original Milestone and Valiant to Tower's T.H.U.N.D.E.R. Agents and Charlton's superheroes, and from Topp's Kirbyverse and the MLJ/Archie heroes to Malibu's Ultraverse and Marvel's New Universe, this full-color book dives deep into Atlas-Seaboard, Comics Greatest World, Continuity, Defiant, Future Comics, Triumphant and more. Not only is packed with images and prices, but it also includes creator and collector interviews and insights.

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A step-by-step guide for novice comics creators covering the tools, techniques, and resources for writing, drawing, publishing, and marketing creator-owned sequential art, for traditional comics, webcomics, or manga. For the first time in history, those looking to break into comics have an enormous number of realistic, proven options for doing so all by themselves, without having to rely on big comics publishers. It's an exciting time, but a confusing one for neophytes overwhelmed by numerous options. *The Complete Guide to Self-Publishing Comics* is the first book of its kind to help readers make sense of it all and take control of their comics-making destinies. It provides would-be creators with a definitive guide to the tools needed for breaking into modern comics via self-publishing. Comic book self-publishers and instructors Comfort Love and Adam Withers cover every step of the creative enterprise from idea development to pencilling and inking to marketing and branding. For those looking to create comics on their own terms, this book provides a road map to success.

As *The Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide* kicks off its sixth decade, the Bible of serious comic book collectors, dealers and historians returns with its 51st edition. In addition to the latest prices, the Guide will feature an extensive array of market reports that break down the marketplace's incredible boom during COVID-19! We take a look at Dick Tracy's 90th anniversary, how disabilities have been portrayed in comics, the latest inductees for *The Overstreet Hall of Fame*, and more. Static/Hardware cover by Denys Cowan & Bill Sienkiewicz.

From storm-battered castles to secret laboratories, the golden age supernatural anthology *Adventures into the Unknown!* had every spooky setting audiences could desire! Eminent illustrators Ogden Whitney, Bob Lubbers, John Celardo, Lin Streeter, and others deliver some classic pre-Code horror stories. Collecting issues #9-#12, this deluxe hardcover also includes an introductory essay by Michael T. Gilbert.

Since 1970, the name "Overstreet" has symbolized a vast knowledge of American comic books and *The Overstreet Guide To Grading Comics* sets the standard for comic book grading. It includes everything you need to know about the 10-point grading sys

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COMICS PACK PUNCH! Comic book values are soaring. Superman's debut, *Action Comics #1*, sold for \$3.2 million. The first appearance of Batman in *Detective Comics #27* fetched \$1 million. Exceptional examples? Certainly, but you don't need X-ray vision to see everyone from collectors to savvy investors covets vintage comic books. Discover for yourself what insiders have long known with this hands-on, how-to guide to picking comic books. You'll uncover: • The best comics to hunt, from the 1930s-1980s and beyond • Where to find hidden treasures • Practical strategies for buying and

selling comic books • How to flip comics for profit and fun • Common reprints and facsimiles • Restoration and repair
Whether for pleasure or profit, the Picker's Pocket Guide is a real find.

Award-winning comic book letterer, and founder of BlamBot.com, NATE PIEKOS, provides you with the most in-depth tips and techniques ever published on the subject of digital comic book lettering . . . from creating your own lettering templates, emotive dialogue, and dynamic sound effects . . . to developing design skills and building a lettering career in the comic industry.

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A guide for aspiring comic book collectors contains an overview of the history of comic books, tips on starting or adding to collections, and valuable advice on preservation and storage.

The Bible of serious comic book collectors, dealers and historians marks its Golden Anniversary with The Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide #50, complete with new prices, new feature articles, new additions to the Overstreet Hall of Fame, new market reports and more. Find out why the Guide has been trusted for five decades! Spawn/Spider-Man crossover cover by acclaimed artist Todd McFarlane, recently recognized by the Guinness Book of World Records!

This practical guide to writing comic books covers all the essentials--from crafting an effective outline and formatting a script to composing a winning synopsis when pitching the product to publishers. The author also provides commentary on real-world examples of outlines, scripts, and synopses from the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) faculty, alumni, and staff, showing what does and doesn't work.--From publisher description.

Offers advice on building a collection and assesses the investment value of comic books

Batman's 80th anniversary, Zorro's 100th anniversary from Toth the McGregor, and a remembrance of Stan Lee are included in the highlights of The Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide #49 as the Bible of serious comic book collectors, dealers and historians returns with its newest edition! The Guide has been your source for new prices, new feature articles, new additions to the Overstreet Hall of Fame, new market reports and more. Cover features The Joker and some of Batman's deadliest foes.

Written by the ultimate authority on comic book values, this expanded and updated guide lists over 80,000 prices for all mainstream comic books published in America--from 1901 to the present day. Includes photos, a listing of comic book shops, marketing tips and publication dates. Illustrated. (Antiques/Collectibles)

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Covering genres from action/adventure and fantasy to horror, science fiction, and superheroes, this guide maps the vast and expanding terrain of graphic novels, describing and organizing titles as well as providing information that will help librarians to build and balance their graphic novel collections and direct patrons to read-alikes. • Introduces users to approximately 1,000 currently popular graphic novels and manga • Organizes titles by genre, subgenre, and theme to facilitate finding read-alikes • Helps librarians build and balance their graphic novel collections

The questions of who, what, where, when, and why are the basic foundations of journalistic and research endeavors. The Access Guide To the Black Comic Book Community is a new sourcebook to provide answers for comic book fans, old and new. This handy reference guide is more than a directory of Black comic book creators and the stories they produce. It is a road map for the uninitiated and the veteran comic book reader alike, to find the publishers, stores and conventions that provide kinship, safe spaces, and promote an imaginative variety of experiences through comic books!

For any writer who wants to become an expert comic-book storyteller, The DC Comics Guide to Writing Comics is the definitive, one-stop resource! In this valuable guide, Dennis O'Neil, a living legend in the comics industry, reveals his insider tricks and no-fail techniques for comic storytelling. Readers will discover the various methods of writing scripts (full script vs. plot first), as well as procedures for developing a story structure, building subplots, creating well-rounded characters, and much more. O'Neil also explains the many diverse formats for comic books, including graphic novels, maxi-series, mega-series, and adaptation. Of course, there are also dozens of guidelines for writing proposals to editors that command attention and get results.

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