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A Complete History of American Comic Books

2008

this book is an updated history of the american comic book by an industry insider you ll follow the development of comics from the first appearance of the comic book format in the platinum age of the 1930s to the creation of the superhero genre in the golden age to the current period where comics flourish as graphic novels and blockbuster movies along the way you will meet the hustlers hucksters hacks and visionaries who made the american comic book what it is today it s an exciting journey filled with mutants changelings atomized scientists gamma ray accidents and supernaturally empowered heroes and villains who challenge the imagination and spark the secret identities lurking within us

The American Comic Book

2014

the popular american comic book is considered in this volume of critical insights from their creation in the 1930s to the widespread popularity of comic book heroes today this literary form continues to delight and entertain readers this volume offers a collection of original essays that will establish for students and their teachers an exemplary representation of american comics as a field of study within american literature

Stan Lee and the Rise and Fall of the American Comic Book

2004-09-01

based on interviews with stan lee and dozens of his colleagues and contemporaries as well as extensive archival research this book provides a professional history an appreciation and a critical exploration of the face of marvel comics recognized as a dazzling writer a skilled editor a relentless self promoter a credit hog and a huckster stan lee rose from his humble beginnings to ride the wave of the 1940s comic books boom and witness the current motion picture madness and comic industry woes included is a complete examination of the rise of marvel comics lee s work in the years of postwar prosperity and his efforts in the 1960s to revitalize the medium after it had grown stale

Icons of the American Comic Book [2 volumes]

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this book explores how the heroes and villains of popular comic books and the creators of these icons of our culture reflect the american experience out of which they sprang and how they have achieved relevance by adapting to and perhaps influencing the evolving american character multiple generations have thrilled to the exploits of the heroes and villains of american comic books these imaginary characters permeate our culture even americans who have never read a comic book grasp what the most well known examples represent but these comic book characters and their creators do more than simply thrill they make us consider who we are and who we aspire to be icons of the american comic book from captain america to wonder woman contains 100 entries that provide historical background explore the impact of the comic book character on american culture and summarize what is iconic about the subject of the entry each entry also lists essential works suggests further readings and contains at least one sidebar that provides entertaining and often quirky insight not covered in the main entry this two volume work examines fascinating subjects such as how the superhero concept embodied the essence of american culture in the 1930s and the ways in which comic book icons have evolved to reflect changing circumstances values and attitudes regarding cultural diversity the book s coverage extends beyond just characters as it also includes entries devoted to creators publishers titles and even comic book related phenomena that have had enduring significance

The American Comic Book

2014

this book explores the authors and literary works that identify with the american comic book one of the most important entertainment forms of the twentieth century in america this volume examines the prominent themes and stories of the genre

Demanding Respect

2009-04-07

from pulp comics to maus the story of the growth of comics in american culture

Comic Book Century

2008-01-01

uses newspaper articles historical overviews and personal interviews to explain the history of american comic books and graphic novels

American Comics: A History

2021-11-16

the sweeping story of cartoons comic strips and graphic novels and their hold on the american imagination comics have conquered america from our multiplexes where marvel and dc movies reign supreme to our television screens where comics based shows like the walking dead have become among the most popular in cable history to convention halls best seller lists pulitzer prize winning titles and macarthur fellowship recipients comics shape american culture in ways high and low superficial and deeply profound in american comics columbia professor jeremy dauber takes readers through their incredible but little known history starting with the civil war and cartoonist thomas nast creator of the lasting and iconic images of uncle sam and santa claus the golden age of newspaper comic strips and the first great superhero boom the moral panic of the eisenhower era the marvel comics revolution and the underground comix movement of the 1960s and 70s and finally into the twenty first century taking in the grim and gritty dark knights and watchmen alongside the brilliant rise of the graphic novel by acclaimed practitioners like art spiegelman and alison bechdel dauber s story shows not only how comics have changed over the decades but how american politics and culture have changed them throughout he describes the origins of beloved comics champions neglected masterpieces and argues that we can understand how america sees itself through whose stories comics tell striking and revelatory american comics is a rich chronicle of the last 150 years of american history through the lens of its comic strips political cartoons superheroes graphic novels and more featuring american splendor archie the avengers kyle baker batman c c beck black panther captain america roz chast walt disney will eisner neil gaiman bill gaines bill griffith harley quinn jack kirby denis kitchen crazy kat harvey kurtzman stan lee little orphan annie maus frank miller alan moore mutt and jeff gary panter peanuts dav pilkey gail simone spider man superman dick tracy wonder wart hog wonder woman the yellow kid zap comix and many more of your favorites

The Rise of the American Comics Artist

2010-11-11

contributions by david m ball ian gordon andrew loman andrea a lunsford james lyons ana merino graham j murphy chris murray adam rosenblatt julia round joe sutliff sanders stephen weiner and paul williams starting in the mid 1980s a talented set of comics artists changed the american comic book industry forever by introducing adult sensibilities and aesthetic considerations into popular genres such as superhero comics and the newspaper strip frank miller s batman the dark knight returns 1986 and alan moore and dave gibbons s watchmen 1987 revolutionized the former genre in particular during this same period underground and alternative genres began to garner critical acclaim and media attention beyond comics specific outlets as best represented by art spiegelman s maus publishers began to collect bind and market comics as graphic novels and these appeared in mainstream bookstores and in magazine reviews the rise of the american comics artists and

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contexts brings together new scholarship surveying the production distribution and reception of american comics from this pivotal decade to the present the collection specifically explores the figure of the comics creator either as writer as artist or as writer and artist in contemporary us comics using creators as focal points to evaluate changes to the industry its aesthetics and its critical reception the book also includes essays on landmark creators such as joe sacco art spiegelman and chris ware as well as insightful interviews with jeff smith bone jim woodring frank and scott mccloud understanding comics as comics have reached new audiences through different material and electronic forms the public s broad perception of what comics are has changed the rise of the american comics artist surveys the ways in which the figure of the creator has been at the heart of these evolutions

Of Comics and Men

2013-03-25

originally published in france and long sought in english translation jean paul gabilliet s of comics and men a cultural history of american comic books documents the rise and development of the american comic book industry from the 1930s to the present the book intertwines aesthetic issues and critical biographies with the concerns of production distribution and audience reception making it one of the few interdisciplinary studies of the art form a thorough introduction by translators and comics scholars bart beaty and nick nguyen brings the book up to date with explorations of the latest innovations particularly the graphic novel the book is organized into three sections a concise history of the evolution of the comic book form in america an overview of the distribution and consumption of american comic books detailing specific controversies such as the creation of the comics code in the mid 1950s and the problematic legitimization of the form that has occurred recently within the academy and in popular discourse viewing comic books from a variety of theoretical lenses gabilliet shows how seemingly disparate issues creation production and reception are in fact connected in ways that are not necessarily true of other art forms analyzing examples from a variety of genres this book provides a thorough landmark overview of american comic books that sheds new light on this versatile art form

Tales to Astonish

2004-07-02

the spectacular life and times of jack kirby the legendary forefather of american comic books for fifty years jack kirby drew more pages than any other comic book artist as talented as he was prolific kirby was responsible for many of the most well known and beloved superheroes in popular culture with his first writing partner joe simon he created captain america dc comics s sandman and the lucrative genre of the romance comic in the 1960s kirby paired with stan lee to develop a pantheon of heroes that included among others the fantastic four the incredible hulk the x men the avengers the hulk and the silver surfer

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surfer and the inhumans together with lee this artist and writer forever changed the american comic book by introducing angst ridden heroes sympathetic villains and a dynamic visual style that has influenced every artist who followed the inspiration behind the amazing adventures of kavalier and clay jack kirby has been hailed by wizard magazine as without any doubt the single most important creator in the history of american comic books in tales to astonish ronin ro chronicles kirby s poverty stricken origins in the lower east side his early commercial triumphs and failures his renowned partnership with stan lee his continuing artistic innovations the production department hated him for pasting photographs into his pages and his lengthy legal battles with marvel comics over the ownership of his original art an insightful portrait of one of its most enduring and overlooked artists tales to astonish is also a lively novelistic account of the comic book industry from its inauspicious origins to its sensational successes

Icons of the American Comic Book [2 Volumes]

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The American

2005

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he s the ultimate american hero since the fifties he has been a symbol of hope and courage for the entire nation an indestructible one man army standing tall for freedom justice and the american way but what about truth when reporter dennis hough is assigned to cover a story about his boyhood hero he begins to see the cracks in the legend does the american have feet of clay or is he himself a victim of a larger conspiracy created by screenwriter mark verheiden the mask smallville the american wowed comics critics with it s savvy mixture of gritty realism cultural commentary and dark humor set against the all too real backdrop of an america polarized into ideological camps standing off across an ever widening gulf of mistrust and media distortion now collected in its entirety for the first time including hard to find american short stories the american rises again a cautionary tale perhaps even more relevant in today s politically divided america

The American Comic Book Industry and Hollywood

2021

the american comic book industry and hollywood is the first book to provide an industry perspective on the resurgence of comic books and their hugely successful hollywood adaptations it provides an accessible overview including interviews with industry professionals and detailed case studies such as batman the walking dead and marvel

American Comic Book Chronicles

2012

the american comic book chronicles is an ambitious new series of full color hardcovers where twomorrows top authors document every decade of comic book history from the 1940s to today john wells leads off with the first of two volumes on the 1960s covering all the pivotal moments and behind the scenes details of comics in the jfk and beatles era you ll get a year by year account of the most significant publications notable creators and impactful trends including dc comics rebirth of green lantern hawkman and others and the launch of justice league of america and multiple earths stan lee and jack kirby s transformation of superhero comics with the debut of marvel fantastic four spider man hulk x men avengers and other iconic characters plus batman gets a new look the blue beetle is revamped at charlton comics and creepy 1 brings horror back to comic book form just as harvey s kid comics are booming these are just a few of the events chronicled in this exhaustive full color hardcover taken together the series forms a cohesive linear overview of the entire landscape of comics history sure to be an invaluable resource for any comic book enthusiast

Comics' Second City

2012-06-01

the history of the american comic book as seen from the vantage point of st louis missouri second only to new york as the most influential city in the early story of the comics this profusely illustrated book reflects a decade of research and the author s interviews with jerry bails roy thomas dennis o neil gary friedrich bob schoenfeld jim steranko and dozens of local comic book fans and professionals

Leaping Tall Buildings

2012-06-05

some are mild mannered geeks others mad geniuses or street smart city dwellers driven to action these are the men and women behind the masks and tights of america s most beloved superheroes but these aren t the stories of the heroes hidden alter egos or secret identities these are the stories of their creators leaping tall buildings the origins of american comics gives you the truth about the history of the american comic book straight from the revolutionary artists and writers behind them from the founders of the popular comics website graphic nyc writer christopher irving and photographer seth kushner comes the firsthand accounts of the comic book s story from its birth in the late 1930s to its current renaissance on movie screens and digital readers everywhere kushner s evocative photography captures the subjects that irving profiles in a hard hitting narrative style derived from personal interviews with the legends of the art all of which is accompanied by examples of their work in the form of original art sketches and final panels and covers the creators profiled include captain america creator joe simon marvel guru stan lee mad magazine s fold out artist al jaffee visionary illustrator neal adams batman underground paragon art spiegelman maus x men writer chris claremont artist writer director frank miller sin city 300 comic analyst scott mccloud understanding comics american splendor s harvey pekar painter alex ross kingdom come multitalented artist and designer chris ware acme novelty library artist jill thompson sandman and more leaping tall buildings like comics themselves uses both words and images to tell the true story of the comic s birth and evolution in america it is a comprehensive look at the medium unlike any other ever compiled covering high and low art mass market work and niche innovations it is the story of an art form and an insider s look at the creative process of the artists who bring our heroes to life

Society Is Nix

2012-08-01

mit dose kids society is nix so said the inspector about the katzenjammer kids but he could have been speaking of all health

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strips in their formative years at the turn of the last century from the very first color sunday supplement comics were a driving force in newspaper sales even though their crude and often offensive content placed them in a whirl of controversy sunday comics presented a wild parody of the world and the culture that surrounded them society didn't stand a chance these are the origins of the american comic strip born at a time when there were no set styles or formats when artistic anarchy helped spawn a new medium here are the earliest offerings from known greats like r f outcault george mcmanus winsor mccay and george herriman along with the creations of more than fifty other superb cartoonists over 150 sunday comics dating from 1895 to 1915

Comics' Second City

2013-06-24

new full color edition the history of the american comic book as seen from the vantage point of st louis missouri second only to new york as the most influential city in the early story of the comics this profusely illustrated book reflects a decade of research and the author's interviews with jerry bails roy thomas dennis o neil gary friedrich bob schoenfeld jim steranko and dozens of local comic book fans and professionals

The Classic Era of American Comics

2009-01-01

the world had never seen the like of the american comic book the best of the comics attracted superb artists who could create characters and tell stories as memorable as those in any movie or popular novel there were superheroes with bulging biceps and superheroines with buxom bosoms funny men and funny animals war comics comics that retold the classics and comics that revelled in crime horror the supernatural and sex eventually attracting the censorious eye of the social reformers taking us from the 1930s right through to the 1950s in the classic era of american comics nicky wright tells the fascinating story of the publishers the artists and the industry itself he describes its successes and its disasters its worth as an art form and the decline that set in once congress and the churches began to impose censorship

Icons of the American Comic Book

2013

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the evolving american character

Beyond Bang! Pow! Zap!

1997

faster than a speeding bullet more powerful than a locomotive able to leap tall buildings in a single bound it s superman bending steel examines the historical origins and cultural significance of superman and his fellow american crusaders cultural historian aldo j regalado asserts that the superhero seems a direct response to modernity often fighting the interrelated processes of industrialization urbanization immigration and capitalism that transformed the united states from the early nineteenth century to the present reeling from these exciting but rapid and destabilizing forces americans turned to heroic fiction as a means of explaining national and personal identities to themselves and to the world in so doing they created characters and stories that sometimes affirmed but other times subverted conventional notions of race class gender and nationalism the cultural conversation articulated through the nation s early heroic fiction eventually led to a new heroic type the brightly clad super powered pro social action heroes that first appeared in american comic books starting in the late 1930s although indelibly shaped by the great depression and world war ii sensibilities of the second generation immigrants most responsible for their creation comic book superheroes remain a mainstay of american popular culture tracing superhero fiction all the way back to the nineteenth century regalado firmly bases his analysis of dime novels pulp fiction and comics in historical biographical and reader response sources he explores the roles played by creators producers and consumers in crafting superhero fiction ultimately concluding that these narratives are essential for understanding vital trajectories in american culture

Bending Steel

2015-07-16

the american comic book chronicles continues its ambitious series of full color hardcovers where twomorrows top authors document every decade of comic book history from the 1940s to today at long last this 1945 49 volume covers the comic book industry during the aftermath of world war ii when scores of writers and artists returned from foreign battlefields to resume their careers it was a period when readers began turning away from the escapist entertainment offered by super heroes in favor of other genres like the grittier more brutal crime comics it was a time when joe simon and jack kirby created young romance inaugurating a golden age of romance comics and it was during this five year period that timely and national comics capitalized on the popularity of westerns that bill gains plotted a new course for ec comics in the wake of his father s death and that jerry siegel and joe shuster first sued for the rights to superman these are just a few of the events chronicled in this exhaustive full color hardcover further documenting the acbc series cohesive linear overview of the entire landscape of american

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history by richard j arndt and kurt f mitchell with keith dallas

A History and Analysis of the American Comic Strip

1933

2017 the association for the studies of the present book prize finalist mention 2017 lora romero first book award presented by the american studies association winner of the 2012 clags fellowship award for best first book project in lgbt studies how fantasy meets reality as popular culture evolves and ignites postwar gender sexual and race revolutions in 1964 noted literary critic leslie fiedler described american youth as new mutants social rebels severing their attachments to american culture to remake themselves in their own image 1960s comic book creators anticipating fiedler began to morph american superheroes from icons of nationalism and white masculinity into actual mutant outcasts defined by their genetic difference from ordinary humanity these powerful misfits and freaks soon came to embody the social and political aspirations of america s most marginalized groups including women racial and sexual minorities and the working classes in the new mutants ramzi fawaz draws upon queer theory to tell the story of these monstrous fantasy figures and how they grapple with radical politics from civil rights and the new left to women s and gay liberation movements through a series of comic book case studies including the justice league of america the fantastic four the x men and the new mutants alongside late 20th century fan writing cultural criticism and political documents fawaz reveals how the american superhero modeled new forms of social belonging that counterculture youth would embrace in the 1960s and after the new mutants provides the first full length study to consider the relationship between comic book fantasy and radical politics in the modern united states

American Comic Book Chronicles: 1945-1949

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this compilation of essential information on 100 superheroes from comic book issues various print and online references and scholarly analyses provides readers all of the relevant material on superheroes in one place the american superhero encyclopedia of caped crusaders in history covers the history of superheroes and superheroines in america from approximately 1938 2010 in an intentionally inclusive manner the book features a chronology of important dates in superhero history five thematic essays covering the overall history of superheroes and 100 a z entries on various superheroes complementing the entries are sidebars of important figures or events and a glossary of terms in superhero research designed for anyone beginning to research superheroes and superheroines the american superhero contains a wide variety of facts figures and features about caped crusaders and shows their importance in american history further it collects and verifies information that otherwise would require hours of looking through multiple books and websites to find

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The Who's who of American Comic Books

1973

a comprehensive history of a small but important comic book publisher this work reflects the reading tastes of tens of millions of americans during the golden and silver ages of comics 1934 1970 the earlier sangor shop reinvented itself as the american comics group and by 1967 had published over one thousand issues acg was a microcosm of the larger industry publishing magazines in every major comic book genre best known titles include herbie and forbidden worlds it was acg s adventures into the unknown that sparked a new genre horror which led to the comics code authority and industry wide self censorship

The New Mutants

2016-01-22

every last page is worth a look bustle ben katchor the most poetic deeply layered artist ever to draw a comic strip new york times book review selects the best graphic pieces of the year the best american comics 2017 showcases the work of both established and up and coming contributors and highlights both fiction and nonfiction from graphic novels pamphlet comics newspapers magazines minicomics and the to make sure the best american comics brand is poised to enjoy a killer second decade bookgasm

The American Superhero

2019-02-06

traces the evolution of the american comic strip since the creation of the yellow kid in 1895 through an examination of over 130 original examples of comic strip art from major public and private collections

Forbidden Adventures

1996-07-30

carrying ahead the project of cultural criminology phillips and strobl dare to take seriously that which amuses and entertains us and to find in it the most significant of themes audiences images ideologies of justice and injustice all populate the pages of comic book crime the result is an analysis as colorful as a good comic and as sharp as the point on a superhero s sword jeff ferrell author of empire of scrounge superman batman daredevil and wonder woman are iconic cultural figures that embody

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values of order fairness justice and retribution comic book crime digs deep into these and other celebrated characters providing a comprehensive understanding of crime and justice in contemporary american comic books this is a world where justice is delivered where heroes save ordinary citizens from certain doom where evil is easily identified and thwarted by powers far greater than mere mortals could possess nickie phillips and staci strobl explore these representations and show that comic books as a historically important american cultural medium participate in both reflecting and shaping an american ideological identity that is often focused on ideas of the apocalypse utopia retribution and nationalism through an analysis of approximately 200 comic books sold from 2002 to 2010 as well as several years of immersion in comic book fan culture phillips and strobl reveal the kinds of themes and plots popular comics feature in a post 9 11 context they discuss heroes calculations of deathworthiness or who should be killed in meting out justice and how these judgments have as much to do with the hero s character as they do with the actions of the villains this fascinating volume also analyzes how class race ethnicity gender and sexual orientation are used to construct difference for both the heroes and the villains in ways that are both conservative and progressive engaging sharp and insightful comic book crime is a fresh take on the very meaning of truth justice and the american way nickie d phillips is associate professor in the sociology and criminal justice department at st francis college in brooklyn ny staci strobl is associate professor in the department of law police science and criminal justice administration at john jay college of criminal justice in the alternative criminology series

The Best American Comics 2017

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the american comic book chronicles continues its ambitious series of full color hardcovers where twomorrows top authors document every decade of comic book history from the 1940s to today kurt mitchell and editor roy thomas composed this volume about the golden age of the comic book industry a five year period that presented the earliest adventures of such iconic super heroes as batman captain marvel superman and wonder woman it was a time when america s entry into world war ii was presaged by the arrival of such patriotic do gooders as will eisner s uncle sam harry shorten and irv novick s the shield and joe simon and jack kirby s captain america it was when teenage culture found expression in a fumbling red haired high school student named archie andrews but most of all the first five years of the 1940s was the age of the packagers when studios headed by men like harry a chesler will eisner and jerry iger churned out material for a plethora of new comic book companies that published the entire gamut of genres from funny animal stories to crime tales to jungle sagas to science fiction adventures these are just a few of the events chronicled in this exhaustive full color hardcover taken together american comic book chronicles forms a cohesive linear overview of the entire landscape of comics history sure to be an invaluable resource for any comic book enthusiast

Children of the Yellow Kid

1998

taking a multifaceted approach to attitudes toward race through popular culture and the american superhero all new all different explores a topic that until now has only received more discrete examination considering marvel dc and lesser known texts and heroes this illuminating work charts eighty years of evolution in the portrayal of race in comics as well as in film and on television beginning with world war ii the authors trace the vexed depictions in early superhero stories considering both asian villains and nonwhite sidekicks while the emergence of black panther black lightning luke cage storm and other heroes in the 1960s and 1970s reflected a cultural revolution the book reveals how nonwhite superheroes nonetheless remained grounded in outdated assumptions multiculturalism encouraged further diversity with 1980s superteams the minority run company milestone s new characters in the 1990s and the arrival of ms marvel a pakistani american heroine and a new latinx spider man in the 2000s concluding with contemporary efforts to make both a profit and a positive impact on society all new all different enriches our understanding of the complex issues of racial representation in american popular culture

Comic Book Crime

2013-07-15

traces the history of western comics and discusses the contributions made by comic strips and comic books to the mythology of the west

American Comic Book Chronicles: 1940-1944

2019

jillian tamaki co author of this one summer picks the best graphic pieces of the year jillian tamaki coauthor of the new york times bestseller this one summer selects the best graphic pieces of the year the best american comics 2019 showcases the work of established and up and coming artists collecting work found in the pages of graphic novels comic books periodicals zines online in galleries and more highlighting the kaleidoscopic diversity of the comics form today

All New, All Different?

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american comics from the start have reflected the white supremacist culture out of which they arose superheroes and comic books in general are products of whiteness and both signal and hide its presence even when comics creators and publishers sought to advance an antiracist agenda their attempts were often undermined by a lack of awareness of their own whiteness and the ideological baggage that goes along with it even the most celebrated figures of the industry such as jerry siegel and joe shuster jack jackson william gaines stan lee robert crumb will eisner and frank miller have not been able to distance themselves from the problematic racism embedded in their narratives despite their intentions or explanations bandits misfits and superheroes whiteness and its borderlands in american comics and graphic novels provides a sober assessment of these creators and their role in perpetuating racism throughout the history of comics josef benson and doug singsen identify how whiteness has been defined transformed and occasionally undermined over the course of eighty years in comics and in many genres including westerns horror crime funny animal underground comix autobiography literary fiction and historical fiction this exciting and groundbreaking book assesses industry giants highlights some of the most important episodes in american comic book history and demonstrates how they relate to one another and form a larger pattern in unexpected and surprising ways

Comics of the American West

1977

funnybooks is the story of the most popular american comic books of the 1940s and 1950s those published under the dell label for a time dell comics are good comics was more than a slogan it was a simple statement of fact many of the stories written and drawn by people like carl barks donald duck uncle scrooge john stanley little lulu and walt kelly pogo repay reading and rereading by educated adults even today decades after they were published as disposable entertainment for children such triumphs were improbable to say the least because midcentury comics were so widely dismissed as trash by angry parents indignant librarians and even many of the people who published them it was all but miraculous that a few great cartoonists were able to look past that nearly universal scorn and grasp the artistic potential of their medium with clarity and enthusiasm barrier explains what made the best stories in the dell comic books so special he deftly turns a complex and detailed history into an expressive narrative sure to appeal to an audience beyond scholars and historians

The Best American Comics 2019

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Bandits, Misfits, and Superheroes

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