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Phoenix - endsong

The mysterious Phoenix Force is life incarnate, & yet it consumes whole worlds in a moment. Its history with X-Men is fraught with tragedy - especially concerning one of their number, Jean Grey. What will happen when the Phoenix returns to Earth in search of the one mortal who could ever contain its power - only to find her dead?

All his engines: John Constantine Hellblazer / writer, Mike Carey / artist, colorist & separator, letterer, Leonardo Manco ... [et al.]

When a plague starts putting thousands of people into deadly comas, John Constantine steps in with a cure - of sorts. He realises that a cadre of hellish monsters is responsible, and he'll have to sacrifice more than himself to put an end to it.

Dramacon / creator, Svetlana Chmakova

When amateur writer Christie settles in the artist alley of her first ever anime convention, she sees it as the ideal opportunity to promote the manga she had started with her artist boyfriend. But when she falls for a mysterious cosplayer, things begin to get very complicated.

The Incredible Hulk / Peter David, Jorge Lucas and Adam Kubert

In the Australian outback, Bruce Banner has found peace he's never known among a tribe of Aborigines. But when their safety is threatened by a battle between a sect of AIM and the ruling totalitarian mutant government, the Hulk is forced to intervene in a big way.

Demon diary / story by Lee Yun Hee / art by Kara

Eclipse realizes that the life of a demon lord is fraught with peril. Demons are feared and hated by most of humanity due to their arrogance and willingness to use their powers for personal gain. Although Raenef is not your typical Demon Lord, his heritage and good-natured demeanor make him an easy target for an assassin.

Demon diary / art by Kara / story by Lee Chi Hyong

Gods & demons wage a never-ending battle with the mortal realm as their battlefield. But it is foretold that one will arise who can restore harmony between gods & demons. Enter Raenef, heir to a set of demon royalty, he is hardly courtly material. The demon king assigns Eclipse to be his tutor, to mould Raenef into proper demon shape.

King of hell / Ra In-Soo

In life Majeh was a gifted swordsman. In death he acts as a whimsical reaper for the King of Hell, collecting the souls of the dead to bring them to the netherworld.

Legend of the twilight: volume 2 / art by Rei Izumi / story by Tatsuya Hamazaki

Shugo and Reina only recently started playing 'The World', the most advanced online game ever created, but they are already well onto way to becoming heroes. But with the notorious debugging team, The Cobalt Knights, on the prowl, Shugo and company had better watch out.

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Rena and Shugo enter 'The World', an Internet role-play game. When Shugo's character dies he goes to another level and is entrusted with the 'Twilight Bracelet' by the mysterious Aura. Shugo must find out who Aura is and why she gave him the bracelet to use as a weapon to protect his sister.

Demon diary / art by Kara / story by Lee Yun Hee

After failing his tutor, Eclipse, and sparing the life of an enemy (very un-demonlike), young Raenef decides to leave his homeland until he's become a real demon lord. But life in the big, bad world isn't easy for an unskilled demon.

Jing: King of Bandits / story and art by Yuichi Kumakura

This volume contains four stories including 'In the City of Thieves' together with an early design collection.

Twilight tales / story and art by Yuichi Kumakura

While Jing talks with Shin Lu, a monster-like creature with a bird head for an arm, attacks. Jing runs around the city as 'Bloody Caesar' continues to chase. Jing is able to hide and then learns how Rusty Nail is a city that specialises in providing spare body parts to those in need.

Evil's return: volume 1 / written by Jong-kyu Lee / art by Hwan Shin

When the floodgates of Yumi's womanhood burst open, demons rush in, clamouring to make the high school senior the mother of evil itself. It will take everything the forces of good have to protect her from this wicked fate.

Evil's return: volume 3 / art by Hwan Shin / written by Jong Kyu-Lee

As evil encroaches on Yumi and Tae, they meet up with another defender of good in Mirae, a young exorcist from the Vatican. Will this growing force of good be strong enough to overcome the ensuing carnage? However in a moment of darkness, Tae will have a grand revelation - his purpose in life and who he truly is will come to light!

Evil's return: volume 2 / art by Hwan Shin / written by Jong Kyu-Lee

As the Buddhist disciple Sunwoo Hyun continues to contend with the onslaught of possessed students, Chail guides Yumi to safety - or so he thinks. Lurking in the school's halls is a teacher who seeks to plant the seed of Satan inside Yumi's womanhood.

Ragnarok / by Myung-Jin Lee

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Things come to a head as members of the Bebop crew face their respective pasts. Ed must battle a computer virus she created in her younger years while Spike digs up remnants of his shattered past.

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Bound by convenience, driven by woolongs and usually on the verge of starvation, the Bebop crew may or may not get their bounty but they pursue it with vigor and tenacity, or at least that's what an MBC TV producer wants to see when she does a story on them.

Cowboy Bebop / by Yutaka Nanten / story by Hajime Yatate in cooperation with Shinichiro Watanabe

Spike, Jet, Faye and Ed - cowboys on the new frontier. Together this band of interplanetary bounty hunters takes on the jobs that anyone in their right mind would turn down.

Lost war chronicles / art by Masato Natsumoto / story by Tomohiro Chiba & Bandai Games Inc.

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One piece / Eiichiro Oda

Arriving on a new island, Luffy and Zoro meet Nami, a girl thief with a special focus: robbing pirates! Specifically, she's out to steal a map of the 'Grand Line,' the equatorial belt where the mightiest (and richest) pirates in the world roam. It's just too bad the map belongs to the fiendish pirate Buggy the Clown!

Akira / Katsuhiro Otomo

This post-apocalyptic saga charts the coming of the creature known only as Akira, a power both feared and prized for its potential to shake the recovering world

The tarot cafe / by Sang-Sun Park [i.e. Sang-Son Pak]

Pamela, a tarot card reader who helps supernatural beings living in the human world, has a deep dark secret that she must deal with before she can move on to the next life.

The tarot cafe / Sang-Sun Park

'The Tarot Cafe' tells the paranormal tale of Pamela, a tarot card reader who is fated to help supernatural beings living in the human world. Welcoming all who walk through her door, Pamela deals with the problems of others, until she is ultimately forced to face a deep dark secret of her own.

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The Tarot Cafe / by Sang-Sun Park

Meet Aaron, an accidental werewolf with a painful past of abuse and abandonment, seeking an answer to his problem. So he decides to take a position as an assistant with Pamela at the Tarot Cafe while he searches for a solution.

Initial D / by Shuichi Shigeno

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Chrono code / Eui-Cheol Shin, Il-Ho Choi

Time is like a river current that is absolute. This is an escape from the river's flow: the story of three people who cross time and space to find each other and try to change their destiny. However, with the future police hunting them, one girl with amnesia may hold the key to everything.

Chrono Code / story by Eui-Cheol Shin / art by Il-Ho Choi

The great Armageddon war has been fought and most of the world is destroyed. Out of the ruins arise four countries that race to attain dominance through chronoid technology, which requires the perfect match of the 'chronoid G' and a human specimen.

She-Hulk / writers, Dan Slott, Stan Lee, John Byrne / artists, Juan Bobillo, John Buscema, John Byrne

Featuring guest appearances from the likes of the New Avengers and Cassie Lang, follow She-Hulk as she deals with the bizarre legal problems of the Marvel universe.

Mars / by Fuyumi Soryo

Kira is a lonesome waif who cares more about her art than anything else. Rei is an arrogant, rebellious and tough playboy who wears his delinquency like a badge. When these two find each other, the sparks fly, but they also attract some unwanted attention.

Mars / by Fuyumi Soryo

Rei and Kira are as different as night and day, but fate binds them in this angst-laced romantic saga.

Dnangel / Yukiru Sugisaki

Daisuke Niwa is an ordinary middle school student with an extraordinary genetic condition. Whenever he starts longing for the girl of his dreams, he transforms into the legendary Phantom Thief, Dark!

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The annual midwinter hike is no walk in the park for the students of Azumano Middle School. Daisuke has been dreading the trek all year, but at least he gets to show off his rugged charms to his beloved Risa. But when Daisuke and Ruki find themselves lost and alone on the mountainside, it's Dark to the rescue.

D.N.Angel / Yukiro Sugisaki

It's time for the St. White festival, and Daisuke has been so busy working on the festival committee that he's forgotten to get a present for his beloved Risa. His mother, in her infinite generosity, forces Daisuke to take a simple white ribbon as a gift.

Yu-Gi-Oh!: duelist / story and art by Kazuki Takahashi

'Yu-Gi-Oh!' offers a fantastic mix of cool teenage drama and ancient myth.

Buddha / Osamu Tezuka

'Buddha' is the ultimate example of Tezuka's storytelling genius and artistic mastery. The progenitor of manga as we know it, and the inspiration for countless artists, Tezuka continues to elicit the deepest awe with his sweeping grasp of the human condition.

Change of heart / by Miwa Ueda

Momo realises that she does not know much about new boyfriend Kiley, but while she is trying to strengthen their relationship, outside forces, including Kiley's ex-girlfriend, Monika, try to break them apart.

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Momo overhears her ex-boyfriend Kiley talking with Morika about a hotel rendezvous and is devastated. But when her current boyfriend, Toji ends up in the hospital Momo is hurt to find out that everyone else knew about it before she did! How will the scheming Sae take advantage of this situation?

Prelude to Planet Hulk / writer, Daniel Way / artists, Keu Cha & Juan Santacruz / colorists, letterer, Jason Keith ... [et al.] / editor, Mark Paniccia

Bruce Banner has finally found a semblance of peace in the isolated interior of Alaska and he hopes to protect the rest of humanity from the Hulk's never-ending rampage by his self-imposed exile. However, when Nick Fury comes calling, you know there's going to be trouble.

Wolverine: origins & endings / writer, Daniel Way / artists, Javier Saltares and Mark Texeira

Left shaken at ground zero after the cataclysmic events of 'House M', Logan has no choice but to soldier on, as he's done so many times before - but has the burden now become too great? In his lifetime, he has been both a hero and a villain, a player and a pawn, but what is he now?

I.N.V.U / Kim Kang Won

Sey Hong's world has been topsy turvy since she can remember. Just as she thinks there's a glimmer of hope to be normal, she finds out her cross-dressing sister has a crush on the same teacher she's been in love with for years. How complicated is a girl's life supposed to be?

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When 16-year-old Seys's mom departs suddenly for Europe, she leaves Sey with a new family, the Kangs. This 'family' is supposed to be normal, but when her foster brother turns out to be a sister, Sey begins to think that her new home is weirder than her old one.

Lights out / Myung-Jin Lee

From the creator of 'Ragnarok' comes the manga story of a problem kid, Gun, who tries to turn over a new leaf by transferring to a new high school, renting a room at the local co-ed dormitory and abandoning fighting. Romance however can make trouble for anyone.

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Lights out / Myung-Jin Lee. Vol. 3

Sgt Frog / Mine Yoshizaki

Science and Technology are truly miraculous things, except when in the hands of a super-genius super-jerk like the Keroro Platoon's recently recovered tactical officer, Sergeant Major Kururu. Already, Kururu is developing biochemical weapons that no Earth medicine can combat, and rays that can turn the entire planet into helpless children.

Sgt Frog / Mine Yoshizaki

It's the dawn of a new school year for Fuyuki Hinata. As if the stress of starting junior high wasn't enough, he must also deal with Sgt. Keroro, the froglike alien with apocalyptic intentions freeloading in his attic.

Sgt Frog / by Mine Yoshizaki

Sergeant Keroro has come to Earth intending to take it over, but a chance encounter with Fuyuki Hinata blows his cover and Keroro's home planet cuts off all contact with him, leaving him stranded and forced to live with Fuyuki, Natsumi and their mother until he can reestablish contact with his home planet.