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"THE ROAD WARRIOR" EXPERIENCE STARTS SOON!

### Philip K. Dick (1928-1982)



write an obituary for comeone you care about deeply without sounding maudlinly sentimental Inevitably, the first thoughts to rinning at you caused by the sense of waar loss. It's a person-

March 2 from a stroke he had suffered alexen days earlier Evaressing the shock and rage fired in me by Dick's untimely death has proven everyciatingly difficult, the anguish knife-twisted by the stabbing realization that my chance to meet face-toface the nerson whose work most influenced my life is gone

or eulogy. The only salve for the very tangible ache I feel is to ignore it-shut out the selfpitying selfishness and probe the special qualities of Dick's writing that so profoundly touched me and a great many people I know as well. Communicating a sense of this unique power might offer a small consolation

Dick's thirty-year body of work (forty published books, of which six collect most of the 100 short stories not adapted into novels) yields a compassionate and sensitive man's complex response to an absurd world that sometimes seems out to get you, Individually, the books are inconsistent; crankily idiosyncratic, frequently brilliant but hastily written, and occasionally so full of holes that your fingers stick through. But you can't let that matter. The effect seeps in gradually over the course of several books. leaking through the cracked walls fortifying your worldview.

taking root in your subconscious like some insidious contagion. Unaware of this steady erosion of complacency, you're jolted by the sudden-dread realization: Reality is not what it seems. In UBIK, common items form-devolve into their mechanistic ancestors. In Time Out of Joint, a soft drink stand in a park disappears, and a piece of paper flutters to the ground. Printed on it are the words: "SOFT DRINK STAND." and the facade crumbles. In The Three Stigmata of Palmer Fldritch the title character's leering visage of menace, slot-eyed and iron-jawed, intrudes into every

aspect of the hallucinogenic-distorted reality of the protagonist. In "Faith of Our Fathers," the hero stops taking his mandatory dose of hallucinogens and begins to perceive things as they really are. In The Penultimate Truth. the world's nonulation labors in subterranean factory-habitats manufacturing weapons for use in the devastating, aboveground war. Until someone climbs to the surface and discovers something quite different . . . .

The cumulative impact is devastating. In Dick's universe you take nathing for granted Not only have all authority figures lied to you, but reality has

lied to you as well. Says a character in Galactic Pot Healer, "In our sociaty energhods is read out " But however paranoid Dick's vision isn't desnairing There is always honofulness unthin the entropia deserr by mor in the aboundity and redemntion in the superhuman abilities of ordinary humans to cope with extraordinary sirsum stances. We can make it. We may not triumph heroically (who the hell does, anyway?), but, goddann it we'll survive Humans will survive as long as they retain their humanity. Dick says and the measure of bumanity is the canacity for caring. In both The Zath Curr and Do Androids Dream of Flectric Sheep? the characters' ability to feel enmathy both marks them as human (distinguishable from near-perfect simulacra in the latter) and assures their salvation (learning empathy from a children's toy saves them from an alien invasion, in the former)

And it's all so fucking ironic ... a writer most concerned with the power of human caring was cared for so little by the rest of us ... and now just as he had achieved some measure of comfort in his life, recognition and appreciation for his value as a contemporary American writer, and seemingly imminent mass-culture success (courtesy of Blade Runner-by all accounts, including Dick's own, an accurate portraval of his vision)... he dies. It's so maddening it's almost funny-and as Dick was driven to find the humor in even the most honeless of circumstances, I'm sure somewhere he's getting one goddamn big laugh out of this. I hope I will at some point.

-Lou Stathis

### Popism Why I Hate It

iust love Chic and Gary Glitter." Flying Lizards' head herpetologist David Cunningham gushed a few vears back. With clenched teeth stifling a gag, I foolishly allowed the man to continue. "More creativity goes into pop music than rock'n' roll by far."

While two years' worth of liberal Preparation-H application seems to have helped my swollen snoot alands. I continue to resist any taste-change operations. Alleged creativity or not, most pop still comes in as lowest-common-denomingtor gural Wonder Bread. beamed at Twinkie-fed brains in order to render them tranquilized and harmless. Except for a few rare innovators (producer/ arrangers like Phil Spector and George Martin), pop product lacks adventure. risk, challenge, and originality fits very nature demands familiarity). Designed chiefly for consumption by adolescents (and those of comparable maturity), it forcemutates complex adult emotions into Precambrian simplicity via one-syllable truisms, industrial-strenath artificial sweetners, and pasteurized-process love

food. The creativity Cunningham cited exists only in construction, not in substance

Fully cognizant of these prejudices. I steer clear of such obvious danger zones as radio (both am and fm). TV rock shows (Wolfman Jack meets Don the Mummy), and pop rock manufactured with those markets in mind. That way, my tender sensibilities are spared the torment of vacuous garbage like Quarterflash (Geffen), retrogressive inanity like the Go-Go's' Beauty and the Beat (IRS), and even half-horrible stuff like Dwight Twilley's Scuba Diver (EMI America), Twillev's songs are driving and pleasantly catchy in a Tom Pettyish way, but devoid of any new ideas whatsoever (ditto T. P., who acknowledges the worthlessness of his confec-

Pop needn't be a vast wasteland, and some folks do work at bootstrapping it up. ABBA, a band I've resolutely ignored for years. prove with The Visitors (Atlantic) that adult Euro-pop needn't be an oxymoronic description. They combine Beatle-ish melodicism (simple yet unique) with lush,

Spectoresque arrangements, and lyrics that actually say something (yowl) with understated humor and cleverness. Interestina how ABBA's moving toward a central "progressive pop" ground, as ex-"progressives" like Renaissance—Camera Camera on IRS-and Genesis-Abacab on Atlantic-head for the same

spot from the opposite di-

rection. Genesis in particu-

lar sound revitalized-could

drummer Phil Collins (whose refreshing Face Value Atlantic released last vear) be exerting more influence? Persons of the Afro-Ameri-

can persuasion frequently possess a midas pop touch, and undisputably. James Brown is the King of Kings. While poorly packaged and hastily slapped together. Polydor's Best of James Brown struts the Man's stuff convincinaly, Inevitably, considering the career expanse covered, quibbles arise (where's "I Feel Good," huh?), but hell, it's only a single LP: more than enough to convey Brown's enormous influence on pop's last two decades. Compare the instrumental interaction of "Sex Machine" and "Popcorn" with that of Sly and Robbie's regage or Kraftwerk's electropop-like Brown's own elastic body. the parts work brilliantly both as independent entities and in congress.

While his Lordship could be held partially responsible for disco, he can't be blamed for his imitators hosing the soul-sweat out of seventies dance music. Nile Rodgers and Bernard Edwards' Chic (organization, they aptly call it) have produced a string of successful antiseptic disco platters, transforming perspiration into a alow, as it were, Take It Off (Atlantic) does it againokay for a tune or two, but soon smothers itself in Arrid Extra Dry England's Modern Romance, on Adventures In Clubland (Atlantic), bypass the sweat alands entirely by mixing Chic-ish rhythmic rigidity with rap's self-inflating narcissism. Sleek and stylish. but unfit even for the "Soul Train" caboose

Lastly, we have XTC-the world's best most unsuccessful white pop band Brillight but penniless, their five superb LPs issued here on four different labels, are perpetually millstoned with the "too clever for their own aood" tag, etc. Criminal horseshit this is. Even better than its predecessors, Enalish Settlement (Virgin/ Epic) is so full of energy. pure melody, textural embellishment, and classic songwriting, that the ten songs included are only half the band's current output (the import LP has five more songs, a single has three more, a flexi yet another . . .) Like Bowie, XTC are eccentric traditionalists—the only

real pop way to go these

days.

forever

-Lou Stathis

### opism Why I Love It

confess. I am a pop music junkie. I can't deny the wacked-out power am/fm rock schlock has over my underconsciousness, the lolt of feeling alive and that I'll live forever. When I die I

want to come back as Bruce Springsteen, Stevie Nicks, Debbie Harry, Linda Ronstadt, Mick Jagger, and Joan Jett singing "I Love Rock 'n' Roll (put another dime in the jukebox, baby)." I reaffirm the rites of rock/

role passage as frequently as possible. If there's a J. Geils. Police, or even a Foreigner concert at a mega-sports arena, I want to be there. I buy singles, videodiscs, and albums by golden-oldie superstars and fave-rave new artists and stage rock dance parties with my friends where we trade off as lead singer and backup vocalists.

Like Patti Smith and everyone else who fell in love with rock pop, I'm braindamaged by the "star making machinery behind the popular song." My lowest moments come when I hand over money for Bee Gees, Barbra Streisand (who I despise), and Willie Nelson albums. I have no tolerance for Broadway show tunes. (please ap back to Argenting, Evita), Frank Singtra, and certain forms of country. However, J.S. Bach and Mozart send me; I think of them as The Who, The Beatles, and Talking Heads's David Byrne without hooks and bridges. So, "Start Me Up"

because the beat goes on

-Daphne Davis

## TOUGH GUYS Hard-Boiled

### Noir Has a Thousand Eyes

Jagged slits of light in the slanted silbouette of a venetian blind angle across a seedy room's darkened wall. The menace of mocking laughter echoes through the narrow alley outside as the shadow of a paranoid fleeing figure extends two stories high up the brick wall. Out of the ominous blackness, neon blinks forever at a bar oasis, signaling impending doom.

The night has a thousand eves-all watching late show film noir the filmmaking style that flourished from 1941 (The Maltese Falcon) to 1958 (Touch of Evil). The term film noir was coined in 1946 by the French critic Nino Frank, who noted a new strain of cynicism and pessimism in American crime films and its similarity to American authors Cain. Chandler, and Hammett. published in France as Série

Moire To feminist film critics writing in Women in Film Noir (NY Zoetrope, 31 F. 12 St. New York, NY 100031, the movement represents a period when patriarchy was challenged by strong female film characters who did not play out the stereotyped Hollywood roles of subordinates to men. Film. historian Foster Hirsch illumingtes this "dark, urban world of neurotic entrapment leading to delirium" in The Dark Side of the Screen: Film Noir (A.S. Barnes, 11175 Flintkote Ave., San Diego, CA 92121) by relentlessly backtracking noir's narrative patterns. literary tradition, and the stylistic influence of both the German Expressionist and Italian Neo-Realist schools. The full scope of noir unreels in Film Noir-An Encyclopedic Reference to the American Style (Overlook Press. Box 427. Woodstock, NY 12498), a mammoth 400-page compiletion of synopses/credits/ critiques of 300 noir titles, all cross-indexed for reference

Musical homages to noir have surfaced in both the sandpaper-on-mahogany voice of Tom Waits and the evocative, smoky jazz piano nocturnes of Ran Blake (Film Noir on Arista), Filmmakers have recently recycled noin conventions in such films as Walter Hill's The Driver (1978). Mark Reichert's 1980 Union City (with Deborah Harry), Amos Poe's Subway Riders (1981). Bob Rafelson's The Postman Always Rings Twice (1981), Lawrence Kasdan's Body Heat (1981), and Ridley

Scott's Blade Runner. Twenty-nine movies (including Union City and Hitchcock's 1954 Rear Window) have been adapted from stories and novels by Cornell Woolrich (1903-1968), ranked by Hirsch as "the writer whose sensibility is most deeply noir." Woolrich wrote: "I was only trying to surmount for a little while the darkness that all my life I surely knew was going to come rolling in on me some day and obliterate me. I was only trying to stay alive a little brief while longer, after I was already gone." Woolrich lives-not on the massmarket paperback racksbut inside flickering televisions, his luckless, doomed characters, pinioned between brassy commercials, racing through the night toward a deadline at dawn. -Bhob

### Dicks

Mickey Spillane is one of the world's best bad writers. His 1947 novel I, the Jury (Signet), just re-released as a tie-in to the movie adaptation starring Armand Assante as Mike Hammer. shows its age. The "negroes" in the story (called "jigs" and 'bucks") say things like, "Yassuh, boss," while rolling their eyes at Mike "beat-itout-of-'em-if-they're-slowto-talk" Hammer, Spillane also tosses in a number of irrelevant references to "pansies" and how very revolting they are.

Partly borrowed from Dashiell Hammett's The Maltese Falcon, the plot of I, the Jury is twisty and treacherous. It features a seductive female who leads the detective around by his nose perhaps nose is the

wrong organ here-until he gets wise to her deadly game. Hammer shafts her. as it were in the finale

The novel's killer commits a string of grisly murders to cover up an extremely implausible narcotics racket. Spillane clumsily links these killings to a contrived scheme for compelling voung women to become hookers. But did I quibble with this while reading the book? Hardly! While Spillane's mucked-up grammar did jolt me now and then, I kept right on. The man's a mesmerist with a gift for sharp, red-edged imagery, and I'd have plugged you in the belly with my trusty .45 if vou'd tried to take the book from me.

Mike Hammer's grim through a few lengthy dis-

lane's Death Wish-esque, ultraviolent vengeance fetishism, it's where I, the Jury Interfaces with The Savages of Gor, the latest (17th!) novel of women "finding themselves" as bondage slaves in John Norman's Gor series.

Despite appearances, Spillane is most definitely a fantasy writer, and at bottom, he and Norman are in the same league. While the Gor books are "science fiction" with explicit kinky fantasizina. Spillane's detective stories have a strong undercurrent of sam erotic fantasy-check out the execution scene at the end of / the Jury, Both Spillane and Norman clearly believe that weaklings are best dead or enslaved, that survival of the fittest is an ideal system, that women like to be dominated, and that violence is the quickest way to solve

The fetishism in The Sayages of Gor is right out of the Story of O but without Pauline Reage's elegance. Norman's hero Tarl Cabot relishes making his "beautiful female slaves" sleen nude on "the cold stone tiles." They speak only when given permission they call him "Master," and are given a bowl of "slave gruel" after

most problems

a day's lowly work After a tedious initial lecture series the pace picks up when Norman tells vividly of Tarl Cabot's quest into the "Barrens" to save a monstrous alien warlard who was once his hated enemy. It's a muscular narrative and if you have any affinity for Norman's outright perversity and don't mind wading



ruthlessness appeal to my worst adolescent instincts. Hammer bruises his women when he kisses them. And they love it. Along with Spilcourses on Gorean anthropology, you'll likely get caught up and have a pleasurably rugged, manly, macho time of it

-John Shirley

### A Man Called Hammett

n 1917 in Washington, D.C., I met a young woman who did not remark that my work must be very interesting." When Dashiell Hammett wrote those words in 1923 the author of The Maltese Falcon and The Thin Man was into his second year as a professional writer; but in 1917, into his second year as a Pinkerton private investigator. As writers Jim Trombetta and Richard Blackburn observed in Crawdaddy, "In most Hammett novels, the character of the detective is the real mystery." The same can be said of Hammett himself. who has been subjected to as much public scrutiny as Heminaway and Mallerfirst as a celebrated novelist and then as a suspected communist sympathizer. jailed for refusing to testify during the 1950s witchhunts.

The speculation about Hammett's "true" nature



Frederic Forrest as Hammett

continues with Richard Lavman's Shadow Man (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich) and the upcoming film based on Joe Gores's novel Hammett, Layman's ex-

haustively researched biography falls short of the definitive Hammett studythe relevance of Hammett's world-weariness and love of impromptu character asLayman's comprehension. Whether Wim Wenders's adaptation of Gores's novel will hit the mark remains to be seen. The German director's first Englishlanguage film. The American Friend, compensated for a thin plot with areat characterizations - the exact opposite of Gores's strengths and weaknesses. The two may complement each other. The most hope for success, however, lies in the casting of Frederic Forrest as the 1920s Hammett, beginning his writing career and being lured into his last big murder case. One of the best character actors today, Forrest will likely bring the young Hammett to life, as Jason Robards did the older Hammett in the otherwise tepid Julia. If not, it doesn't matter; Hammett's books are still in print.

sassination are beyond

—Robert Morales

### Happiness Is A Warm Gun

Scores of hydraulicallyswaged, round-nosed projectiles' ripped into the wall behind the man in the skintight, black combat suit.2 He smiled grimly as he pulled his cocked and locked, fully-automatic Metalified VP-70 from its shoulder-stock holster3the underarm SMB's eighteen 210-grain, hollowtipped flesh-shredders should be enough to punch these fools' ticket to ride.4 Before he stepped from the shadows he reflected, "It's a tough life catching bullets,5 but once the guns and fighting get in your blood it's hard to shake them loose "4

When Publishers' Row realized that their men's books weren't movingthat the dependable old cowboys, detectives, spies, and Nazis were out there rotting on the standspanic ensued. The solution: forget the story and give them nothing but guns, blood, and battles. There are a dozen new men's series whose heroes have declared total war on the

Mafia, the Red Menace drug runners, international terrorism, and a whole range of uppity Third Worlders. The new boys on the block are all thirtyish. Vietnam vet, adrenaline bad guy with the other. junkies with jutting chins. Collectively, they've gunned down enough people to populate Cleveland, and they feel naked wearing anything less than one assault rifle (M-16. AK-47, FLN, AKM, or Stoner). a very heavy handgun (.44 Automag, .45 Colt Hardballer, Browning Hi-Power, or an Ingram), and an assortment of high explosives. Needless to say, none of

these guys goes swimming. All you can pick up from this bunch are points for your weapons proficiency exam or a certificate in sudden death. Take away most of these writers' Shooter's Bible and you

could end their careers. A hardware junkie's paradise where the solution to your frustrations is putting the good guy on one end of a gun and splattering the

1. Death Merchant by Joseph Rosenberg (Pinnacle). One of the longest running and worst written series, this is blood porn of the lowest order, featuring a mad dog who changes guns more often than his clothes. 0 3

2. Mack Bolan, the Executioner by Don Pendleton (Pinnacle and Gold Faale). The godfather of gore wiped out the Mafia and has now started in on terrorists. Dependable if formulaic but a little heavy on the philosophizing.

3. They Call Me the Mercenary by Axel Kilgore (Zebra). The most authentic mercenary details but the author can't write.

Marc Dean, Mercenary by Peter Buck (Signet), Multitalented wimp (from harpsichards to high explosives). Stories run in fits and starts as author introduces wildly improbable complications to keep from running out of plot.

5 Soldier of Fortune by Peter McCurtin (Tower). Works the Third World circuit and, despite combat bubble gum cards on the back cover, reads like Perils of Pauline on PCP.

1/2 The Destroyer by Warren Murphy (Pinnacle), The very best because this bulletcatching hero lambasts and lampoons the whole gang. Also includes a martial arts master who's one of the great Jewish mothers of all time. A real hoot.

77777 All of the above are awaiting the NRA Seal of Approval.

-Bob Mecov



Summer's here and lunk food sequels enquifus Back for round two are the alldancing/all-singing Rydell High gang in Grease 2 and Cantain Kirk Mr. Spock and the Enterprise crew in Star Trek: The Vengegnce of



with Kirk promoted to space admiral and Spock the mentor of a liberated femme protégée named Lt. Sagvik (Kristie Allev). She's half-Romulan and half-Vulcan and slightly more emotional than Spock but possessed of his problemsolving instinct, As for the villain, Ricardo Montalban resurfaces as Khan, a creature from a 1967 "Star Trek" episode. An early misfit of genetic engineering Khan's hell-bent for revenge on Admiral Kirk Keeping up with the latest in st fact and special effects, this trekie sequel offers a strange civilian scientist. Dr. Carol Marcus (Bibi Besch), who's in- erupt in hygiene class and volved with changing matter on Space Laboratory Regula One. The optical and miniature photography of the 23rd century comes from none other than Industrial Light and Magic. Newton-John return and Pass ground the popporn

and hallucinogens, please,

lensen—undated Scribo. nium's theories when they developed the Transcutaneous Nerve Stimulator At a time when there's a (TNS), a small black box re-

massive haby-boom drop in sembling a Sony Walkman population, it's eternally 1961 (with electrode wires reand everyone's going back placing earphones). Placto school at Grease 2's Ruing the electrodes near dell High. In several role reachina joints and muscles versals Michelle (the bod) over acupuncture points. Pfeiffer-this year's Olivia and even behind a subject's Newton-John/Deborah Harears have led to impressive ry clone-goes black regults With notients reportleather sexpot as the head ing only a mild tingling senof the outlaw Pink Ladies. sation, the TNS has proven who are only allowed to remarkably effective in date the greasy T-Birds One treating chronic pain arthtough chick. Michelle's also ritis, migraine, multiple sclea arease monkey at her rosis, and drug addiction dad's garage. In an about (Keith Richards and Eric face. Maxwell Caulfield es-Clanton both attribute painsays the John Travolta heartless smack cures to a black throb lead as a prepay Britbox) But mere pain relief is ish exchange student. Pfeifonly the beginning. Refer's got a fierce case of searchers at Johns Honkins advanced teenage lust for report that by making small Caulfield, both as a dumb adjustments in pulse and lock and his secret identity frequency they can use the as the masked macho Lone black box to produce visual Riker Eve Arden, the beleain subjects. Can Aldous Huxquered principal, and Sid ley's Feelies be far behind?

Caesar Coach Calhoun re-Horror-film visions of mad turn for more student abuse. scientists surgically transfer-Mixing the ridiculous with ring one person's brain into the sublime weirdo Tab another's skull may be just Hunter drops into Rydell fantasy but three scientists High as a substitute sex-ed at the National Institute of teacher with a perpetual Mental Health are experihard-on for nubile young menting with something things Somehow he pairs equally amazing. In May off with music and art 1979 Richard Wyatt Mark teacher Connie (Where the Boys Are) Stevens as wild dance production numbers bowling alleys and at a lugu party on the football field. For Grease 3, there's only one route left for the gang to go-hardcore sam porn. (SN)—an area of the brain the symptoms of six others. That's when Travolta and linked to nervous system. Yohimbine futures might well activity-had been chemi- he a better investment than really get physical cally destroyed and re-soybeans or sow bellies.

placed with SN cells from rat

- Daphne Davis

### **BETTER BODIES** THROUGH BIOLOGY

fetuses After nine months Physicians have been toving with electricity as a way to treat human illness since the first century an when Scribonium Largus recommended application of live eels for the relief of headache and impotence in 1970 three inventors— Norman Haafors Stanley McDonald and Clayton prove easy to obtain

the transplanted brain tie sues were not only doing fine but had also extended dondritos dous inte their "new brains" Hoad to searcher What speculated that "hecause of its notential clinical applications this opens up a new area of investigation" to Parkinson's disease stroke senility and other central pervous systom disorders "The mach anisms of grafting in the human would actually be easier" Wyatt claims Only one problem: scientists need the brains of human fetuses and they may not

approdiciac (to return vigor to the flagging profligate or to turn men and women of ordinany carnal appetites into sex machines) marches on with mixed results. A few years back wilting hopes rose over something called n-Chlorophenylalamine (PCPA), which was reputed to drive male cats crazy. Trouble was it made them crazy for cats of the same sex—seeming only to promote homosexual "mountings" Further PCPA just made them crazy "The and auditory hallucinations animals were observed to hiss and strike out at unseen objects" reported one researcher, "and even to interrupt ongoing sexual activity to attend to nonexistent stimuli." Instead of trying to concoct a new love drug scientists have recently tocused on a very old onevohimbine. Derived from the African vohimbé tree, the drug's reputation as an Perlow and William Freed approxisian dates from time announced "the first dem- out of mind. Researchers at onstration of the grafting of Canada's Queens University mammalian brain tissue report that laboratoryfrom one animal to an-synthesized vohimbine reother." The brain transplants lieved impotence in ten out were performed on nine of twenty-three test subjects rats, whose substantia nigra and significantly improved

-Jeff Goldberg

### BODYBUILDING BIBLES

is boing colineed worldwide by an intense fascination with neb-necs and (Pantam) we learn that "it's bicons For 4000s parajesists okay for women to sweet of both sexes a sculptured and that no exercise should hady has become the ultihe torture" The key term mate status symbol and here is "body awareness" hodybuilding bibles We're not just talking about abound Three tomes all lifting weights we're talking written in the hip-hone'sabout exploring our inner outer and under consciousnesses through understanding our bodies I von the first World Women's Rockbuilding exercise and diet is the ing Champion claims she only possible one It's doesn't want to gain power enough to make you puke over people—just confidence strength and sta "Once you realize that life ture She informs female is an athletic event it follows readers "You will look better

In Jisa Jyon's Rody Magic hody erection." This may give you a clue to what the real goal of working out for higger and better murcle douglopment is all about

> "I don't think anyone can look at me and say I look like a man" says Lisa True but I wouldn't say Arnold Schwarzenegger looks like a man either He looks like a mutant prontosaurus (an Austrian one of course) Super Rodies in 12 Weeks (Simon & Schueter) by Frank

and Christine Zane comes

that you can train for it." in- and more feminine and not like a boy in drag," But what about us boys? The object

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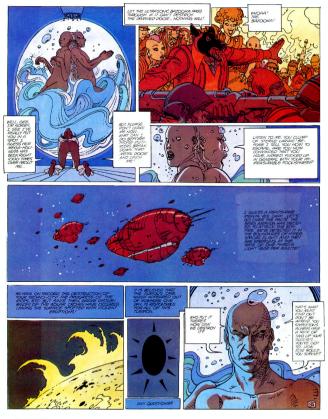








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#3/JUNE 1977: Macedo's "Rockblitz," the highly praised "Shells." the beginning of Davis's "World Apart," Moebius, Corben, Bode, more. (\$3.00)

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#6/SEPTEMBER 1977: Roger Zelazny has a short story, and Moebius, a space opera; plus more "World Apart," "Den," and "Polonius." (\$3.00)

#7/OCTOBER 1977: Fiction by Theodore Sturgeon, Moebius's "Airtight Garage," "Den" and "Polonius" back again, yet more, (\$3.00) #8/NOVEMBER 1977: New Harian Ellison fiction, nine color pages by Moebius and Rimbaud, conclusions for "Polonius" and "World Apart." (\$3.00)

#9/DECEMBER 1977: Extra pages for the complete "Vuzz," by Druillet, "Fortune's Fool," by Chaykin and Wein, plus full-color contributions from Corben, Macedo.

Claveloux, and Moebius. (\$3.00) #10/JANUARY 1978: Morrow illustrates Zelazny, Lob and Pichard update Ulysses, "Conquering Armies" concludes,

"Den" continues. (\$3.00) #11/FFRRIIARY 1978: New adventures of "Berbarella wraparound cover and center spread by Nino, plus

#12/MARCH 1978: Swashbuckling "Orion" makes a debut courtesy of Gray Morrow; and there's more "Barbarella," more "Urm," and yet more "Den." (\$3.00)

#13/APRIL 1978: Our first anniversary issue! A thir-ty-page insert from "Paradise 9," and "Barbarella" gives birth, while "Den" wraps it up. (\$3.00) #14/MAY 1978: "Urm the Mad" waves bye-bye, but

"Orion" and "Barbarella" continue, and Alex Nino tips his #15/JUNE 1978: Corbon introduces Shahravad on's classic "More Than Human" is illustrated, more "Barbarella," and the origins of "Heilman," (\$3.00)

#16/JULY 1978: A happy ending for "Barbarella," a sad ending for "1996," the resumption of Druillet's "Gail," and yet more "Heilman," "Orion," "More Than Human," and Corben's "Arabian Nights." (\$3.00)

#17/AUGUST 1978: SORRY - SOLD OUT!

#18/SEPTEMBER 1974. D OUT! "Moebius's Major, "Hellm SOLD OUT! "Moebius's Gail," and

#19/OCTOBER 1978: "Exterminator 17," Ellison's illus trated "Glass Goblin," the debut of McKie's "So Beautiful and So Dangerous." plus the usual. (\$3.00)

#20/NOVEMBER 1978: Twenty pages of the Delany/ Chaykin "Empire," more "Sindbad," "Exterminator," Major Grubert, "Heilman" 's final rebirth, more, (\$3.00) #21/DECEMBER 1978: The stocking's full with "Orion,"

Kirchner's "Tarot," and twelve beautiful pages of Moebius. (\$3.00) #22/JANUARY 1979: Trina makes her debut here, and Druillet concludes "Gail," plus McKie and Corben. How much can you take? (\$3.00)

#23/FEBRUARY 1979: "Galactic Geographic," "Starcrown, Corben's "Sindbad," McKie's "So Beautiful and So Dan-gerous," plus Moebius, Bilal, and Macedo. (\$3.00) #24/MARCH 1979: Twenty pages of Chaykin illu Bester's "The Stars My Destination." "Starcrown" II. and Ellison's late show. (\$3.00)

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"Dancin' and a Proust joke): fifteen entries including Corben. Morrow, the illustrated "Alien." (\$3.00)

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#28/JULY 1979: Bode's "Zooks" premieres, Corben's "Sindbad" concludes, Morrow and Moebius continue, Mike #29/AUGUST 1979: Caza steals the show with "New Ark plus Mayerik, Suydam, "Galactic Geographic,

Bodé, more. (\$3.00) #30/SEPTEMBER 1979: "Elric," "Buck Rogers," a lizard ed "Elvis," and "Little Red V-3," alongside Montellier

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H. P. Lovecraft, with Moebius, Breccia, Druillet, Suydam, others. (\$3.00)

#32/NOVEMBER 1979: Let us give thanks for Corben's "Rowlt," Bode's "Zooks," Brunner's "Eiric," Chaykin's "The Stars My Destination," Moebius, and more. (\$3.00) #33/DECEMBER 1979: A Christmas package from Caza, Corben, Kofoed, Suydam, Stiles, Trina, Moebius, and Ellison, plus "Gnomes" and "Glants." (\$3.00) #34/JANUARY 1980: A new year — a new decade — begins with a new look for HM with the debut of four new

columnists, new artists Neal McPheeters and Dan Steffan the conclusion of Corben's "Rowlf," and much more #35/FEBRUARY 1980: An eerie Couratin cover adorns this winter issue. Corben's "The Beast of Wolfton" begins, McKie experiments with the Air Pump, and we join Matt

Howarth on a crazed acid trin (\$3.00) #36/MARCH 1980: Why did "The Crevasse" take

Jeannette? For the answer read the Schuiten Bros. strip! Plus: Corben, Matena, Moebius, and Lee Marrs's "Good Vibrations." (\$3.00) #37/APRIL 1980: Our third anniversary issue - thirty-two pages of "Champakou" in living color, the final installment of Moebius's "Airtight Garage," plus Caza, Bital, Howarth, Corben, Bodé — and more! (\$3.00)

#38/MAY 1980: Does the Supreme Alchemist exist? Will Axie ever find out? Will "Champakou" reach the Doll of Jade? Will Joe strike out with the alien Marilyn, too? Take a look. We'll never tell. (\$3.00)

#39/JUNE 1980: "Champakou" meets his fate, while " saves the day. And in their revenge, the Flying Wallendas vs. Farth! (\$3.00)

#40/JULY 1980: "The Alchemist Supreme" continues, with Axle learning the truth about his sidekick Musky. Bilal's "Progress!" begins, and Moebius returns with "Shore Leave." (\$3.00)

#41/AUGUST 1980: Druillet returns with the first installment of "Salammbo" while Moebius concludes "Shore Leave" (and is interviewed). Bilal continues "Progress" (\$2 00)

#42/SEPTEMBER 1980: "The Alchemist Supreme cludes while Bital's "Progress!" picks up steam. Emie Colon, Paul Kirchner, and Leo Duranona all contribute nifty shorts, while "Rock Opera" gets stranger yet, (\$3.00)

#43/OCTOBER 1980: Our Special Rock Issue, packed with goodies by McKie, Moebius, Voss, Spain, Druillet, Yeates, Hé, Howarth, Kierkegaard, Jr., Colon, and Matena and not to be missed! (\$3.00)

#44/NOVEMBER 1980: With the Shogun spirit abiaze, this issue's cover, by Hajime Sorayama, is definitely in its element. Inside we give you some lovely Claveloux, Moebius, Kaluta, Springett, and Bilal. (\$3.00)

#45/DECEMBER 1990: Premiering Corben's illustrated "Bloodstar," Crepax's "Valentina," and Godard and Ribera's "What Is Reality, Papa?" Plus "The Cutter of the Foo." "Rock Opera." and Moeblus! (53.00)

#46/JANUARY 1981: Jeronaton returns with "Woman."
Don Wood makes his \*/M debut with "Bang, Hah." Plus
more Corben, Godard and fibera, Mazieres, and "Rock
Opera." Moebius tells us "There is a Prince Charming on
Phenison" Don't mis it! (\$3.00)

#47/FEBRUARY 1981: William S. Burroughs discusses "Civilian Defense," while "The Horry Goot," an inimitable Moeblus character, gets himself in and outs trouble. Special added attraction! Pages from Jeff Jones 's Yester-day's Lify and an interview with the man himself. (53.00)

#48/MARCH 1981: "Tex Arcana," John Findley's epic Western, begins. "What is Reality, Papa?" and "The Ambassador of the Shadows" continue; and Druillet's interpretation of Flaudert's classic Salammbo comes to an end. Plus. Harlan Ellison's ever timely essay on violence in America (\$3.00)

#49/APRIL 1981: "Art and the Nazis," Corben's "Bloodstar," Gimenez's "Good-bye, Soldiert," Harry North's "Stories from London," and an interview with Julio Ribera. Din't think we could do it in one shot, did ya?

#50/MAY 1981: The premiere of Chaykin's "Cody Star-buck" and Bital's "The Immortais Fête"! Plus: Suydam's "The Toll Bridge" and a William S. Burroughs piece on immortality. (\$3.00)

#51/JUNE 1981: The first installment of the Richard Corben interview in view, Jim Steranko's adaptation of Outland premieres, and Howarth's "Changes" winds up. Plus: Caza, Chaykin, Crepax, and our own John Workman!

#52/JULY 1981: Stephen King terrifies with "The Blue Air Compressor," Jim Steranko's adaptation of Outland continues, while Chris Moore's fantastic pinup girl wraps it all

#53/AUGUST 1981: Spinrad on the Immoral Majority; the third part of the Corben Interview, plus a sixteen-page pull-out section on the making of the Heavy Metal movie.

#54/SEPTEMBER 1981: Richard Corben's "Den II," Jeff Jones's "I'm Age," Juan Giménez's "Intentryment Intentry-ment," and Tim Lucas's interview with the masters of hor-

#55/OCTOBER 1981: "Shakespeare for Americans"; the first episode of Segrelles's "Mercenary"; a gallery section devoted to Philippe Druillet; plus Jeff Jones, Enki Bilal, and Steranko. (\$3.00)

#55/NOVEMBER 1961: Jeronaton's "Egg of the World," Jeff Jones, Segrelies, and Bital all frame the art of Leo and Diane Dillon beautifully. (\$3.00) #57/DECEMBER 1981: Strange encounters with Debbie Harry, Jeffrey Jones, Segrelles, and Corben. Plus the odd ending to "The Immortass" Fets." (\$3.00)

#58/JANUARY 1982: Our "Happy Future" lissue. Includes Arno, Loustal, Voss, Hé, and Gillon; and "The Autonomous Man," by Davis, Chudnow, and Balfour. All surrounded by Chayldin and Simonson, Segrelles, Steranko, et al. (SJ.00)

#59/FEBRUARY 1982: Begins with the further adventures John Dilcol in "The Incal Light." Weln and Chaykin's Glide Faust gets going—again. Plus Fernandez, Jones, Schulti et al. (\$3.00)

#60/MARCH 1982: Our second Special Rock Issue, fea-turing Dick Matena's "A Life in the Day," a surrealistic lock at the life of John Lennon. Luis Garcia's "Nova ii" begins. Elitott Murphy brings us the Evis Cult. Phus our regulars, "Mercenary," "Den," "Rock Opera," etc. Enjoy. (\$3.00)

#61/APRIL 1962: Our 5th anniversary issue offers you a variety of material. What with Claveloux, Druillet, Moebius.

Bilal, and an essay on J.G. Ballard, you'll be kept busy until

#62/MAY 1982: In this issue, we give you the first part of David Black's "Third Sexual Revolution" and let you look at "The Art of De Es Schwertberger." Plus: "Skreen and Vanilla" by Ted White and Val Lakey. (\$3.00)



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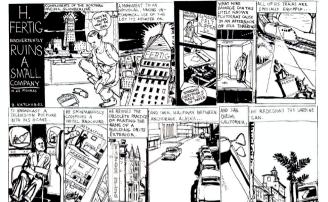














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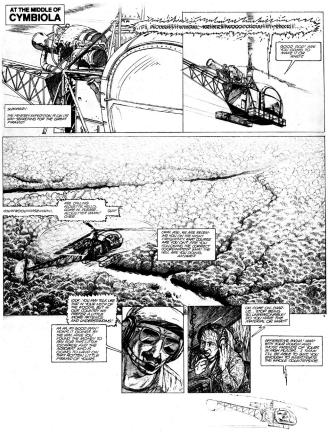
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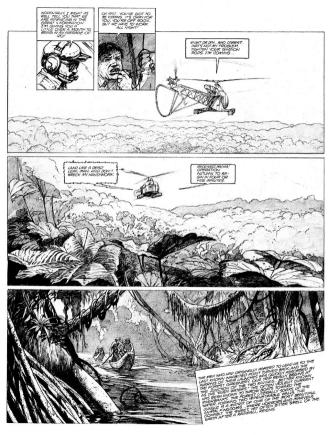
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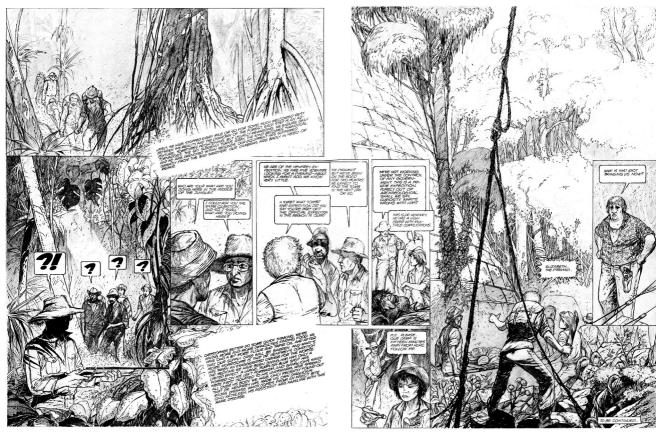














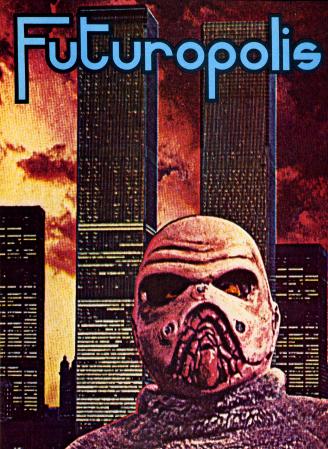


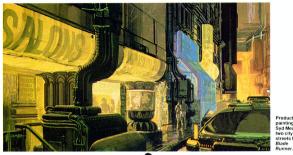








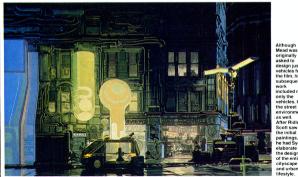




Production paintings by Svd Mead of two city streets from Plade

### BLADE **A**RUNNER

### THIS IS THE CITY



design just vehicles for the film, his subsequent work included not only the vehicles, but the street environment as well. After Ridley Scott saw the initial paintings he had Syd elaborate on the designs of the entire cityscape and urban lifestyle.

Harrison Ford as Deckard—a hard-boiled detective of the year 2019 whose specialty is tracking down renegade replicants (genetically engineered people) who have infiltrated the city.

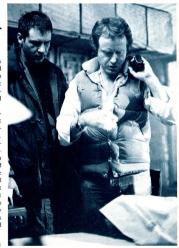
# THERE ARE 106,000,000 STORIES IN THIS NAKED CITYAND BLADE RUNNER IS

If you're still in the dark, Blade Runner is the coming summer's main contender. Based on the late Philip K. Dick's Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?, directed by Ridley Scott (Alien), with production at the by Syd Mead (Sentinet), special effects by Douglas Trumbull (CE3K, 2001), and starring Harrison Ford.

Ford plays Rick Deckard, an ex-police detective, late of the Rep-Detect Division-street moniker. Blade Runner. Before he quit. Deckard was the top Blade Runner in the city, charged with the highly sensitive task of tracking down and eliminating escaped replicantsmanufactured people you can't distinguish from the real thing. These genetically engineered "humans" were developed for combat and space colonization-man-made labor, they like to call them-but occasionally some manage to get back down to Earth. The problem is, they got no feelings, no remorse, no guilt. They'll do anything to stay free, and that's why the Blade Runners were formed. They're the only cops trained to tell the difference between reps and real people.

Harrison Ford and director Ridley Scott







Deckard and police Lt. Gaff (Edward Olmos—Zoot Suit and Wolfen) in the Spinner cockpit.

Blade Runner is not just another hardware movie. It's not one of those gadget-filled pictures where the actors are there only to give scale to the sets and special effects.

Blade Runner takes place about forty years from now in a major American megalopolis that looks like one of today's cities gone mad. All the street signs are in several languages, the parking meters give off lethal jolts if tampered with. the phone booths have tv's and so do the traffic intersections. Most animals are extinct, but you can buy artificial pets down at Anamoid Row (if you got the bucks) and the only fresh meat is fish-the age of junk-food sushi. The sky is vellow with poisonous pollution and the acid-

rainfall is constant. The cars and buildings are fitted with whatever it takes to keep them in working order: but decent folks don't live below forty stories-most fashionable apartment buildings climb up to 400 floors. And if you're a cop or some high-society politico, you get to drive a Spinner, the state-of-the-art flying car, capable of vertical lift-off, hovering, normal street driving and soaring through the canyons of the city and on out to the industrial wastelands surrounding it.



Production painting by Syd Mead of interior cockpit of Spinner in flight showing another spinner and various vid-screen read-outs.

"The sort of future romanticism." Syd Mead admits, "that satisfies a desperate longing to do certain things. Like when you're sitting in a traffic jam for two hours on the Santa Ana Freeway and you wish you could just lift your car off the ground and zip away... fantasy wishfulliment. It also gives whoever's driving the car, whether it's the hero or villain, an advantage that's tremendously exciting."

But, veteran industrial designer Mead notes. "Blade Runner is not just another hardware movie. It's not one of those gadget-filled pictures where the actors are there only to give scale to the sets and special effects. We've created an environment to make a story believable. The machinery and effects appear only when needed and fit tightly into the plot."

Ridley Scott also insisted on a "familiar atmosphere, a Sam Spade-type environment. While this story takes place some forty years hence, it's being made in a style reminiscent of forty years ago."

The architectural look of the city is based on the principle that eventually it will become too cumbersome and expensive to tear down old buildings and erect new ones. Mead explains,

"The overall visual idea was a society where the normal supplies had broken down. Life had be-



Full-scale Spinner lifting off from the midst of a virtual "Times Square of the future" where a climatic chase scene takes place.

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Top: Deckard tries to locate a suspect from atop Syd Mead's taxi of the future.

Bottom: Deckard in a rooftop chase, several hundred stories above the

come very difficult—mechanical fixtures, automobiles, buildings—the whole urban plant had become like a trap. Starting with cleanly designed concepts, we layered on details, fixtures, repairs, and extra equipment to achieve this accumulated fix-it-because-it-won't-runand-it-bast-or un visual flavor.

Ridley Scott elaborates, "Think of New York or Chicago right now, how impossible it is to actually maintain many of the buildings. Think how expensive it would be to tear down the Empire State Building. Eventually they'll just have to 'retro-fit' things on the face of buildings, instead of being able to rebuild or renovate."

"And the street level will become like the sewers or underside of the city," Syd Mead continues. "Being trapped on the street will be a thoroughly nasty way to spend your life. The streets will be nothing more than a service access to the city's mega-structures, and those who can't afford to move up will simply be forced to live in this left-over society."



Another streetcar by Syd Mead. The pillars are a recurring architectural image, as is the second-story level of boutique display windows.

However, all these dire depictions aside, Scott insists that *Blade Runner* is not doom-saying. "This film is very simply a thriller set in slightly futuristic terms," he says. "It's not a warning in any sense."

As Syd Mead likes to point out after painting his bleak picture. "I think life forty years from now will be fabulous. Over 90 percent of all the scientists who ever lived are alive right now. Our technology is able to process information and construct alternatives faster than ever. If we let technology do what it's supposed to do, I think we'll go back to a very humanistic, personal-scale lifestyle that's nice enough so you can think about other things than just survival."

And in creating the first hard-boiled, scienceniction detective suspense thriller, Ridley Scott assures us that Blade Runner is "meant to be good fun, a kind of comic strip. The films that have fascinated me most over the last few years are those that have derived from comic strips

...and some of the great comic strips have been the first to spot emerging truths and enlarge upon them. That's the direction I've chosen to go in with my films...lots of broad strokes, fast, bold action, and very colorful characters."

-Claude Rathbone



Zhora (Joanna Cassidy), a suspected replicant, tries to elude Deckard in the teeming streets. Note that in this view of the future, Atari continues to thrive.

## LITTLE STAR IN NEW YORK









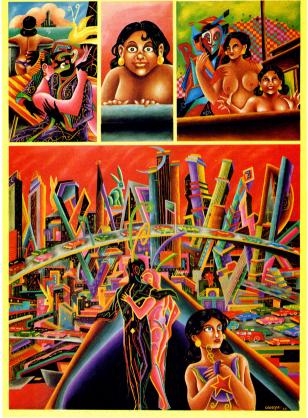


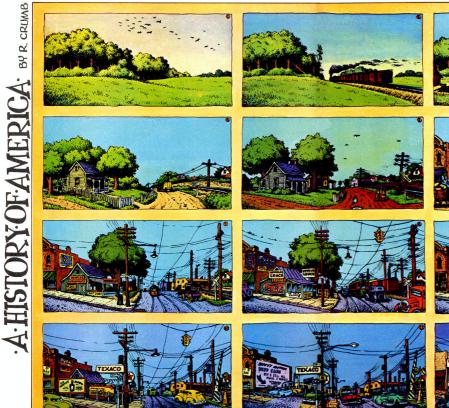


















It was a long walk home past Hell Gate Station. A long night followed by the myriad rumblings and oscillating voices of a city waking. Northern lights animated the vaporous river-a ghostly barge blinked its vague outlines in the scrpentine mist. The edges of the city melted away under the leaden sky. It was like a false dawn, but the invisible rooftops and the uncertain river with its phantom lights and sputtering diesels accentuated the permanence of the city. Spreading wings harnessed the rooftops and river as the voluminous roar of a throttled engine sheers the sky. It was the first Messerschmitt 109, pride of the Condor Legion, diving out of the clouds. A lovely airplane...

My Messerschmitt, my auger of dawn and usher of night, comes to my ears and the pit of my stomach like clockwork. I breathe ever so softly, waiting for the great ribbed win



#### June 11

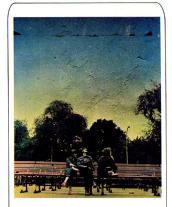
shit! I've got to do semething about this. This can't be for real! I saw one that morning and another appeared at 5:20 PM-sharp, as I knew it would. They always descend upon me, and they're always so god-dammed loud! They're not just mirrors, and they can't be figments of my immagination to some kind? I just can't understand it!



Actually, there is something I like about it. Ahhn. Messerschmitts in flight. The sky changes..it shifts about..almost as if it envelops the clouds. I guess it's not that bad after all..but I should check it out..tell someone about it..but who

July 11

She and I met this afternoon during one of the attacks. Actually, it was pretty funny. When she saw the plane..and she saw my plane, she began to scream, but couldn't move--not a muscle! Everyone was looking at us (well really, only one or two people) but they couldn't see the plane...just she and I. Apparathy, the well are they couldn't see they have a least five others. I had never met anyone else who had experienced one before. She told me that she and her husband had both seen the flying "demons."









They were together once in the park and an American P40 flew over them. Apparently, it really freaked her out. He convinced her that the planes could only hurt them if they let 'em.

We said we'd keep in touch. He told me that they had married soon after they had discovered their mutual problem. Now tell me, dear diary, do you think this is a good basis for marriage? I figured why not...it was a startling coincidence. Personally, I think he was a bit jealous that she shared in my Messerschmitt experience...but he didn't let on.

#### August 11

That couple I told you about separated last week. Seems the attacks had become more frequent, and she couldn't handle it. He advised her to take her life. What a prick!



I met a little girl at the beach the other day. We've been spending a lot of time together. She reminds me of my little sister. She too has these "nightmares." She said they aren't very loud--they just putter above her. Funny, they don't dive straight at her either... they seem to be a bit more considerate with her...almost as if they sense that she is terribly young and probably couldn't handle the intensity that I endure. She pinches herself, just as I do, to see if she could possibly be dreaming. She said she hasn't told a soul about them but me. I wonder if those who experience this have a sixth sense of some sort. They know who to confide in, and who not to.





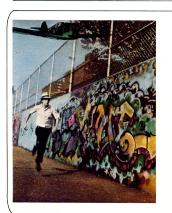




#### September 11

The strangest thing happened to me this morning. I saw a Messerschmitt that wasn't mine! It was as if it was looking for someone, but not me. When I turned the block, I saw a guy running terribly fast, as if the plane was attached to him by a piece of string. I recognized him from an old neighborhood hangout, but contain 'receall his name. Within more than the same was attached to be something I'll never forget. the plane actually killed him. What an awful way to go-but one saving grace was that it obviously was a very quick demise. He didn't even have time to scream.

At this point, I don't know which way to turn. I didn't think these things could kill. Something has got to be done, but who could I tell? And if I told the world, would anyone listen?









The Messerschmitt Syndrome

Observation of subjects proceeds with secondary introduction of control group. Apparent behavioral patterns: subjects were isolated and targeted at periodic intervals. Target group integrity variable. Correlative data qualified. Oualifications:

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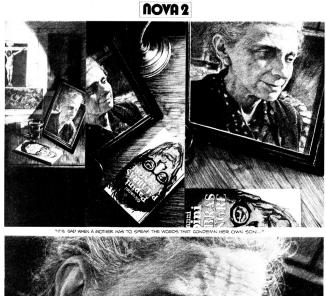














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"AS IF I COULD DO ANTHING BUT JUST SIT AND STARE, LIKE ONE OF HS STUFFED BIRDS. THEY KNOW I CAN'T MOVE A FINGER, AND I WANT TO JUST SIT HERE AND BE QUIET, JUST IN CASE THEY SUSPECT ME."



HEAVY METAL 69

"THEY ARE PROBABLY WATCHING ME. WELL, LET THEM, LET THEM SEE WHAT KIND OF PERSON I AM."



"I AM NOT EVEN GOING TO SWAT THAT FLY. I HOPE THAT THEY'RE WATCHING





\*THE VOICE OF THE MOTHER FROM ALFRED HITCHCOCK'S PSYCHO.



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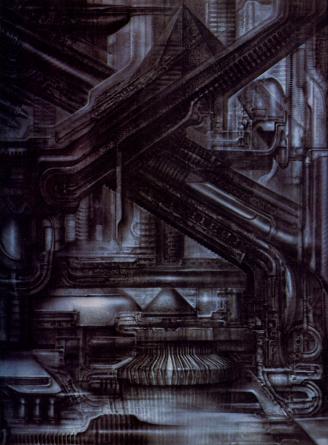
## **GALLERY:**

## H. R. GIGER'S NEW YORK CITY

I never did like traveling—and never again in a brand new pair of shoes. Personally, I'd rather just drift off to sleep, wake up and be there already.

The idea for the pictures in the N.Y. City series grew out of my five visits to New York—and an important "stencil" contributed by Cornelius de Fries, who's been working with me since mid-1980 on our furniture program. The stencil was actually a sheet of scrap from which electrical components had been punched out, something Cornelius picked up as he was scavenging around in one of those electronics establishments he frequents.





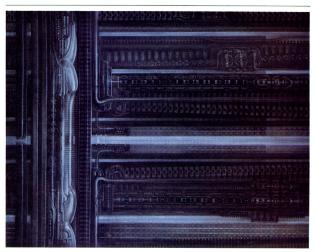
I've been painting by airbrush since 1972. I use it to put watercolors and acrylic paints directly onto the paper without any preliminary sketching. With the small airbrush and a nozzle opening of just 0.2 mm I can draw very fine lines indeed. To get really sharp definitions, though, it takes a stencil or template of some kind—a rubber ruler, say, or a cardboard cut-out with the right design. Splatterwork is a good way to add more surface and avoid too much of a spray-painting look. You can also try additional stencils with different structures.

Various materials can be used to create these richer, more interesting textures: paper (like a cake-box doily), lace trimming (on tablecloths, antimacassars, curtains, etc.), or strips of metalpress scrap and waste stampings from an electrical parts production line.

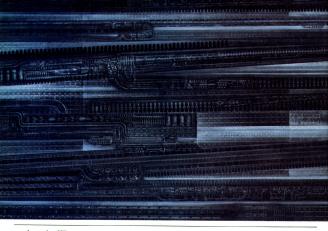
At first I didn't particularly like the look of these stencils. My world works organically, and these objects were generically hostile to it. The best I could imagine happening was something essentially boring, like the façades presented by a modern housing development. So the first time I actually used them it was to doctor the background of a large

The New York cabbies are intensely proud of their city—and they're right: there is no crazier place imaginable. I was half in a trance, and totally overwhelmed. Two slightly-used hippies were dancing in front of the Chelsea Hotel, our destination, in a kind of unearthly pantomime. They bowed and curtsied their way through the most improbable contortions and danced us into the lobby.

The biggest hassle in New York was figuring out the subway. The only thing I found enormously fascinating was the beautiful graffiti inside and outside the cars: this was art, and basically it was the only new art that struck me as totally convincing. Except for the well-known greats—and also with the exception of the works on loan from the Hansen Galleries (NYC)—all I saw at the exhibition were third-and fourth-rate imitations of Warhol, Rauschenberg, etc. Nothing that I could see betrayed any originality.







A couple of Viennese artists I knew, Fantastic Realists like Schwertberger, Mati Klarwein, etc., explained to me that the chances of Fantastic Art's coming back "into fashion" were slim, despite the general artistic slump that followed the Radical Realists. The trend setters would never have the gust to declare that Fantastic Art was "in"—especially since most of its exponents were foreigners.

The only new art that didn't leave me cold—besides those graffiti—was the adult comics. People like

the American Rich Corben or the Frenchman Moebius are solitary geniuses.

Of course, their work is put down by the art world's ruling elite as "mere" illustration or folk art.

composition that had become too fidgety, too nervous. And the picture that emerged—part of a temple environment entitled "Anima Mia"—was more settled, at ease with itself, better.

Suddenly, my picture had given birth to architecture reminiscent of the United Nations building in New York or the World Trade Center.

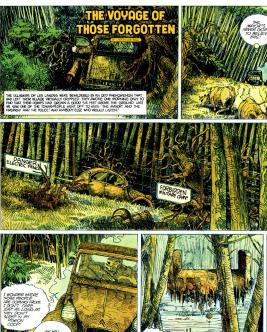
In fact, the effect of the stencils was so striking that I made up my mind to start a series of smaller compositions— $100 \, \mathrm{cm} \times 70 \, \mathrm{cm}$ —in order to explore the enormous possibilities they opened up in combination with other stencils and templates, less severe.

Since that first application of these intrinsically "anti-Giger" elements I've been working on new variations almost nonstop, literally day and night. And that's how the N.Y. City series took shape at my studio in Zurich.

New York itself has been a constant presence throughout the project. Memories keep floating up of this magical city whether I'm actually painting or not. And I keep trying to get a handle on this abyss, the soulless machine they call "New York City," and to articulate my own reactions and perceptions in the composition.

But anybody who thinks the stencil technique makes the job go faster is in for a letdown; more hours and days of endless searching, groping, and laboring for solutions are embodied in these pictures, I'm afraid, than in practically all my previous work.

-H. R. Giger



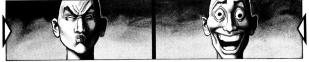




















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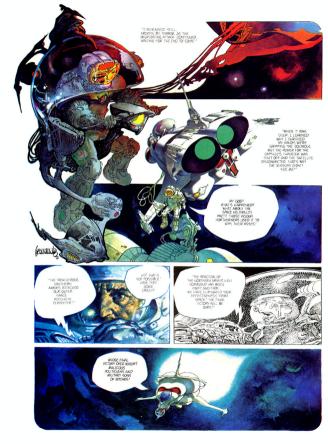
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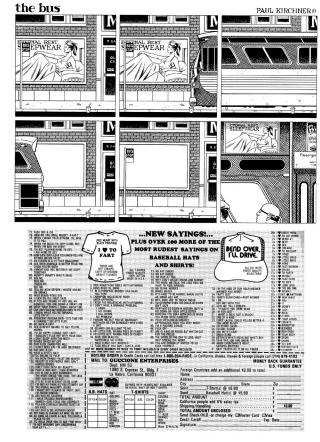












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