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# the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



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While attending a demonstration in radiology, high school student Peter Parker was bitten by a spider which had accidentally been exposed to radioactive rays. Through a miracle of science, Peter soon found that he had gained the spider's powers...and had, in effect, become a human spider! From that day on he was...

# the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

PREVIOUSLY:

New Yorkers manifest spider-powers!

And then mutate into spider monsters!

The Queen is back and building a spider army!

Even Mayor J. Jonah Jameson is infected!

Jonah's already had a hellish year after his wife Marla was killed by the Spider Slayer Alistair Smythe.

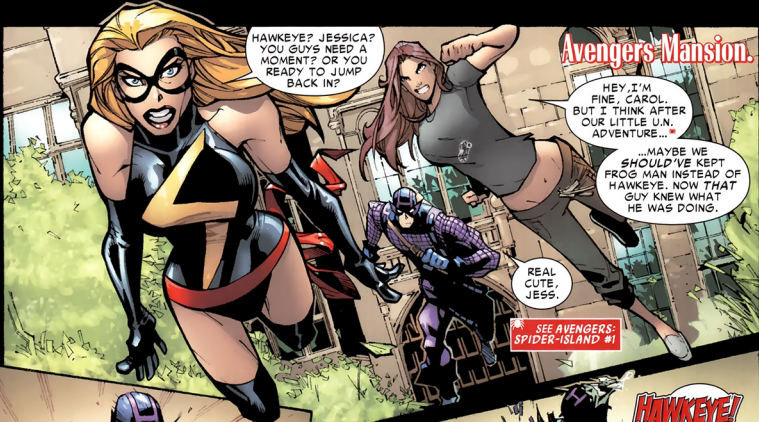
With help from the malicious geneticist: the Jackal.

But now he's living out a new nightmare...

...as the spider-mayor of SPIDER-ISLAND!







HAWKEYE? JESSICA? YOU GUYS NEED A MOMENT? OR YOU READY TO JUMP BACK IN?

**Avengers Mansion.**

HEY, I'M FINE, CAROL. BUT I THINK AFTER OUR LITTLE U.N. ADVENTURE...

...MAYBE WE SHOULD'VE KEPT FROG MAN INSTEAD OF HAWKEYE. NOW THAT GUY KNEW WHAT HE WAS DOING.

REAL CUTE, JESS.

SEE AVENGERS: SPIDER-ISLAND #1



BUT I THINK I'VE GOT THE HANG OF THESE NEW POWERS.

JUST YOU WATCH, FROM NOW ON, SPIDER-HAWKEYE'S GONNA BE A FORCE TO BE RECKONED W-W-W-

WRARR!

**HAWKEYE!**



**Riverside Park.**

HSSSS!

LADY! DON'T JUST STAND THERE! THOSE SPIDER-THINGS ARE GOING CRAZY, YO!

SHOOT A WEB OR SOMETHIN'!

I CAN'T, OKAY?!

I'M LIKE THE ONLY PERSON IN THIS WHOLE STUPID TOWN WHO CAN'T WALL-CRAWL OR WEB-SHOOT OR--



HRARR!

**RUN!**

MAN, THIS'D BE THE PERFECT TIME FOR A CERTAIN SOMEONE I KNOW TO SWING IN AND SAVE ME.

ANYTIME NOW.

COME ON, PETER...



"...WHERE ARE YOU?!"

**CARLIE!**

STAY THERE, HONEY. I'LL WEB YOU UP. TAKE YOU TO REED, AND HE'LL CHANGE YOU BACK! OR MAX! OR THAT NUMBER SIX GUY!

OR ME. I'LL FIX YOU! I SWEAR! JUST DON'T MOVE.

HUHHARR

**The Financial District.**

KRAW!

SHOCKER?! NOT YOU TOO?

**WHOA!**

IT'S EVERYONE! THOSE OFFICERS IN THE MANDROID SUITS...

...PEOPLE FROM THE BANK...

IT'S A STAMPEDE!

...FROM EVERY BUILDING, EVERY WINDOW, EVERYWHERE!

OH NO...

...WHICH ONE WAS...

# SPIDER ISLAND



PART FOUR:  
SPIDERS,  
SPIDERS,  
EVERYWHERE

CARLIE?

I'M...  
SORRY.

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# Central Park.

ABOVE THE JACKAL'S LAIR.

UM...DO YOU THINK THIS IS WISE, MA'AM? BEING OUT AND ABOUT LIKE THIS?

IT KIND OF DEFEATS THE PURPOSE OF A SECRET HEAD-QUARTERS.

MY DEAR PROFESSOR, I HAVE SPENT FAR TOO LONG SKULKING IN THE SHADOWS...

...I WOULD LOOK OUT ACROSS MY KINGDOM, AND BESIDES...

...I CAN HEAR MY LOYAL SUBJECTS APPROACH.

THEY SEEK AN AUDIENCE, AND WHO AM I TO DENY THEM A CHANCE TO PAY TRIBUTE...

...TO THEIR QUEEN!

ISN'T THIS GREAT?

WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT LITTLE OL' ADRIANA SORIA WOULD GROW UP TO BE QUEEN OF A WHOLE SPIDER-ISLAND?



NO. NOT  
ADRIANA. THAT  
GIRL IS NO  
MORE.

SHE WAS  
A PAWN.

AN  
UNKNOWN  
SOLDIER FROM  
A LONG AGO  
WAR.

EASILY  
EXPERIMENTED  
ON, IMPRISONED,  
AND  
FORGOTTEN.

"UNTIL THE DAY  
I FINALLY TOOK  
CONTROL OF ALL  
MY GIVEN POWER...

"...THE PARTS  
OF ME THAT  
WERE BOTH  
SUPER-SOLDIER  
AND SPIDER.

"AND I NEARLY  
CLAIMED THIS  
TOWN AS MY  
OWN--AS ITS  
QUEEN!"

A SLIGHTLY BIASED  
SUMMARY OF SPECTACULAR  
SPIDER-MAN #15-#20  
-SLIGHTLY-BIASED STEVE.





"THEN CAME THE YEARS IN HIDING. BOTH SPIDER-MAN AND CAPTAIN AMERICA BELIEVED ME DEAD. TWICE OVER.

"IT WOULDN'T DO TO HAVE THEM FIND ME NOW, BEFORE I WAS READY TO MAKE MY FINAL ASCENSION.

"IMAGINE MY SURPRISE, WHEN MY FELLOW SUPER-SOLDIER--AND ONE-TIME LOVER-- STEVE ROGERS SHOWED UP AT OUR DOOR.

"THIS BASE OF OURS WAS ONCE PART OF THE PROJECT: REBIRTH FACILITIES. HE MUST HAVE BEEN KEEPING TABS ON IT--

"ALWAYS A GOOD SOLDIER THAT ONE.

"ROGERS NOTICED THE POWER DRAIN FROM YOUR MANY EXPERIMENTS, JACKAL.

"HE NEVER STOOD A CHANCE."



I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN HIS SUPERIOR IN EVERY WAY. BUT YOUR PROCESS HAS CHANGED THAT, PROFESSOR.

AND WE ARE... GRATEFUL.

HE IS NOW THE PERFECT CONSORT.



MY  
SPIDER-KING,  
YOU HAVE  
RETURNED.

"YES, MY  
QUEEN."

Yesss.

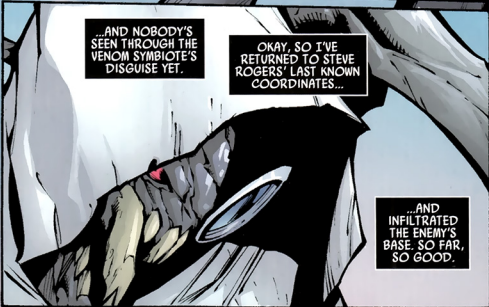
Yesss,  
MY  
QUEEN.



AND YOUR  
MISSION? IT'S  
BEEN CARRIED  
OUT?

A  
COMPLETE  
SUCCESSSS...  
...YOUR  
MAJESTY.

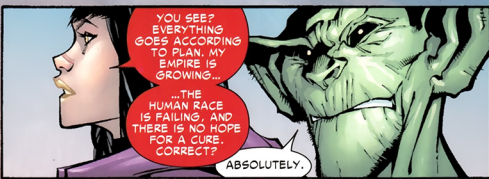
ALL RIGHT  
LOOKS LIKE  
I'M IN...



...AND NOBODY'S  
SEEN THROUGH THE  
VENOM SYMBIOTE'S  
DISGUISE YET.

OKAY, SO I'VE  
RETURNED TO STEVE  
ROGERS' LAST KNOWN  
COORDINATES...

...AND  
INFILTRATED  
THE ENEMY'S  
BASE. SO FAR,  
SO GOOD.



YOU SEE?  
EVERYTHING  
GOES ACCORDING  
TO PLAN. MY  
EMPIRE IS  
GROWING...

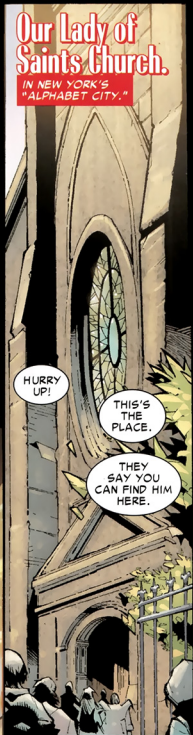
...THE  
HUMAN RACE  
IS FAILING, AND  
THERE IS NO HOPE  
FOR A CURE.  
CORRECT?

ABSOLUTELY.



# Our Lady of Saints Church.

IN NEW YORK'S "ALPHABET CITY."



HURRY UP!

THIS'S THE PLACE.

THEY SAY YOU CAN FIND HIM HERE.



THAT'S HIM, EDDIE BROCK!

ANTI-VENOM!

YOU'RE THE GUY WHO'S BEEN TAKING AWAY EVERYONE'S POWERS!



YES! YOUR DISEASE! YOU UNGRATEFUL WRETCHES!

AND THIS IS HOW YOU REPAY ME?! LASHING OUT?! HUNTING ME DOWN?! HOUNDING ME?!



NO, PLEASE! WE NEED YOU! MY CHILD! LOOK AT MY BABY!

MAN, I'M BEGGING YOU! MAKE IT GO AWAY!

TELL ME YOU CAN DO SOMETHING FOR THE PAIN!

HELP US! PLEASE!



I KNEW IT! I KNEW THERE WAS A REASON FOR ALL OF THIS!

YOU POOR SOULS! COME HERE. IT'S NOT TOO LATE.

I CAN WIPE THE SLATE CLEAN! YOU'LL SEE! I'LL LAY MY HANDS UPON YOU AND

**CURE YOU ALL!**

# Battery Park.

SPIDER-SENSE  
JAMMING TOWER #28.

ALL RIGHT, THIS  
THING'S STILL  
WORKIN'...

...BUT WE CAN'T  
LET THOSE BUGS  
TAKE ANY MORE  
WHACKS  
AT IT!

WE'LL DO OUR  
BEST, LOGAN. BUT  
THEY'RE SPREADING  
US VERY THIN.

GUARDING  
FORTY OF THESE  
TOWERS IS FAR  
HARDER THAN A FEW  
BRIDGES AND  
TUNNELS.

WE HAVE  
TO, STORM. YOU  
HEARD RICHARDS.  
IF EVEN ONE OF  
THESE FALLS...

...WE LOSE  
THE PSYCHIC  
BARRIER AROUND  
THE CITY, THE  
SPIDERS LEAVE  
THE ISLAND--

AND  
GOODBYE,  
HOMO INFERIOR.  
HELLO HOMO  
ARACHNIS.

EMMA? YOU  
ALL RIGHT,  
CHERE?

NO,  
REMY, I'M  
NOT. HERE WE  
ARE, ONCE  
AGAIN...

...DEFENDING  
A SPECIES THAT  
WOULD SEE US  
EXTINCT. I SWEAR,  
JUST ONCE...

"...I'D LIKE  
TO LEAVE THE  
HUMANS TO  
THEIR FATE."

TWENTY  
MINUTES TILL FULL  
CONTAMINATION.  
TIME TO STEP UP,  
PEOPLE.

DR.  
RICHARDS?  
THE BLOOD WORK  
YOU ASKED FOR  
IS READY.

AH, GOOD.  
MAYBE THAT  
WILL PROVIDE US  
WITH A FEW  
ANSWERS...

# RICHARDS!

Horizon Labs.

I'M MERE MINUTES  
AWAY FROM A  
MAN-FREE  
MANHATTAN!

AND YOU  
MIGHT HAVE A  
FEW ANSWERS?!  
"MIGHT?!"

MR. MAYOR,  
THIS IS A  
PROCESS. I  
CAN'T  
FORCE--

YOU  
CAN'T DO  
ANYTHING,  
CAN YOU?!

WE  
SHOULD  
JUST CALL YOU  
MR. CAN'T-  
TASTIC!





ENOUGH OF THIS DILLY-DALLYING! WE'RE MOVING OUT! MULDOON, HAS MY PACKAGE ARRIVED YET?

PACKAGE?

YES, SIR. BACK AT EMERGENCY COMMAND.

BRUSHTOP IS ON THE MOVE.

PAULSON, BRING THE CAR AROUND.



MAYOR JAMESON, WE CAN'T LET YOU--

AGAIN WITH THE "CAN'T"?! OF ALL THE--

HANDS OFF THE MAYOR! NOW!

YOU'RE INFECTED, GUY. WE GOTTA KEEP YOU UNDER OBSERVATION.

STAGE ONE: YOU'RE A CARRIER. STAGE TWO: SPIDER-POWERS. THEN STAGE--



I SAID **ENOUGH!**

NOW BACK OFF, YOU PENCIL-PUSHING POINDEXTERS!

IT'S TIME SOMEBODY TOOK SOME ACTION AROUND HERE!

I'VE GOT A CITY TO PROTECT!



YOUR HONOR? BACK THERE, THAT WAS-- WELL--PERHAPS YOU SHOULD STAY? GET CHECKED OUT?

YOU. WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

VOLGER, SIR.

VOLGER, YOU'RE FIRED. YOU, OTHER GUY. TO THE EMERGENCY COMMAND CENTER.

RIGHT AWAY, SIR.



AND STEP ON IT! UNLIKE THOSE INCOMPETENT EINSTEINS IN THERE--

--I'VE GOT A PLAN!

# The Financial District.

**GET  
OFF ME!**

THE SCOPE OF THIS  
ALL--IT'S **TOO BIG!**  
BEYOND ANYTHING  
I'VE EVER--**I DON'T  
KNOW WHAT TO DO!**

SO I JUST START  
HITTING THINGS,  
'CAUSE THAT'S  
**SOMETHING**, RIGHT?  
BUT WHO AM I  
FIGHTING HERE?

THESE AREN'T BAD  
GUYS. THEY'RE NOT  
EVEN MONSTERS. THEY'RE  
NEW YORKERS. MAYBE  
EVEN PEOPLE I KNOW...

ROBBIE? FLASH?  
CARLIE...? OH, GOD,  
I NEED SOME HELP  
HERE! WHAT DO I--

SPIDER-MAN!

MADAME  
WEB! HOW  
ABOUT  
HELPING--

CAN'T  
SEE THE  
FUTURE.

BUT HERE,  
IN THE  
PRESENT...

"...YOU ARE NEEDED  
DOWN THERE. THE  
MAYOR'S MOTORCADE  
IS BEING ATTACKED."

"THAT IS WHERE  
YOU CAN DO THE  
MOST GOOD."

JULIA?

GONE.

OF  
COURSE.

WELL, AT  
LEAST SHE  
MADE SOME  
SENSE FOR  
ONCE.

GUESS IT'S  
TIME TO TAKE  
SOME OF AUNT  
MAY'S OLD  
ADVICE...

**SKREE**



"WHEN YOU'RE  
FEELING STRESSED  
OUT...FOCUS ON  
GETTING ONE  
THING DONE"

YOU SEEIN' THIS, GLORY?  
IT'S JUST LIKE THOSE SPIDER-  
SLAYERS FROM A FEW  
MONTHS AGO!

QUIET,  
PAULSON. WE  
DO NOT BRING  
THAT INCIDENT  
UP. IS THAT  
UNDERSTOOD?

WHAT?  
WHY CAN'T  
I--? Oh.

THE  
FIRST  
LADY.

YOUR  
HONOR,  
I FORGOT.  
THAT WAS HOW  
YOU LOST  
YOUR--

I'M  
SORRY,  
SIR.

**HEY, TALL,  
DARK AND  
HAIRY!**

OFF  
THE MAYOR'S  
HOOD!

EVERY DING  
AND DENT YOU  
PUT IN THIS  
COMES OUTTA  
MY TAXES!

WHAT  
THE HELL?

I WILL  
NOT BE SAVED  
BY SPIDER-MAN.  
NOT AGAIN.

PULL  
OVER!

**THWIP**

YOU'RE DOING  
IT ALL WRONG! YOU  
**JABBERING JACKASS!**

JUST WEB  
'EM DOWN,  
AND MOVE  
ON!

I'VE BEEN  
AT THIS FOR A  
WHILE. LIKE TO  
THINK I KNOW  
WHAT I'M...

...DOING?

WHAT?!

WHAT ARE  
YOU STARING  
AT, YOU WEB-  
HEADED  
HALFWIT?!

J. JONAH  
JAMESON? THE  
SENSATIONAL  
SPIDER-MAYOR?!

COMING UP  
WITH TOO MANY  
QUIPS! BRAIN  
OVERLOADING!  
**SHUT  
UP!**

AW, C'MON!  
WHEN WILL  
I EVER GET  
THE CHANCE  
TO--

**NOT  
ANOTHER  
WORD!**

HOW 'BOUT  
A QUICK TIME-  
OUT? I'LL GET A  
SPARE COSTUME.  
CUT A HOLE  
OUT FOR YOUR  
MOUSTACHE--

**I  
MEAN  
IT!**

"JOLLY  
JONAH," MY  
BUTT, YOU'RE  
NO FUN  
AT ALL.

"INTERESTING.  
I CAN SENSE IT.  
THE MAYOR HAS  
TURNED. HE'S  
PART OF OUR  
COLONY NOW..."





...I CAN REACH INTO HIS MIND. IF I COULD BEND HIM TO MY WILL... WHO KNOWS WHAT I COULD ACCOMPLISH?

SHE COULD GET HIM TO LOWER THE QUARANTINE! THE INFESTATION WOULD SPREAD OFF THE ISLAND! FORGET GATHERING INTEL. I SHOULD ACT. NOW!

SNAP HER NECK? SYMBIOTE SPIKE BETWEEN THE SHOULDER BLADES? SOMETHING BEFORE SHE--



MY QUEEN, I HAVE NEWS.

DON'T TELL ME YOU "HAVE NEWS"...JUST TELL ME THE NEWS.

EDWARD BROCK, CURRENT ALIAS ANTI-VENOM...

...HE'S CURING PEOPLE. I WITNESSED IT.



THEN SOMEONE SHOULD GO KILL HIM? YES? PLEASE?

PRETTY PLEASE. SOMEONE STEP FORWARD AND SERVE THEIR QUEEN BEFORE SHE BECOMES EXASPERATED--

I WILL... WHERE ISZZ HE?



OUR LADY OF SAINTS CHURCH! THIS COULD CHANGE EVERYTHING! DID YOU GET THAT, KATE?

KATHERINE, ARE YOU ON THE LINE?

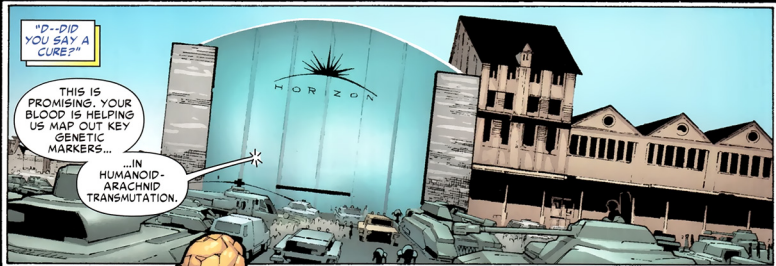
I AM, AGENT VENOM. BUT I'M IN THE DARK.

CAN'T PICK UP ANYTHING WHEN YOU'RE IN THAT BUNKER.

SOMEONE HAS A CURE. THE QUEEN WANTS ME TO GO KILL HIM.

ORDERS?

FLASH?



"D--DID  
YOU SAY A  
CURE?"

THIS IS  
PROMISING. YOUR  
BLOOD IS HELPING  
US MAP OUT KEY  
GENETIC  
MARKERS...

...IN  
HUMANOID-  
ARACHNID  
TRANSMUTATION.

SEE  
ALICIA?

AND HERE  
YOU THOUGHT  
NO GOOD'D COME  
A' THAT TIME YOU  
TURNED INTO A  
BIG OL' ICKY  
SHE-SPIDER--

BEN? I  
BELIEVE  
SPIDER-WOMAN  
IS STILL WITH  
US.

OOH,  
SORRY,  
JESS. NO  
OFFENSE.

NONE  
TAKEN. SO,  
REED, THIS'S  
GOING TO  
WORK?

IF  
IT DOES,  
SPIDER-  
WOMAN...

...IT'LL ONLY  
BE BECAUSE  
YOU GOT ALICIA  
MASTERS TO US  
IN A TIMELY  
FASHION. GOOD  
WORK.

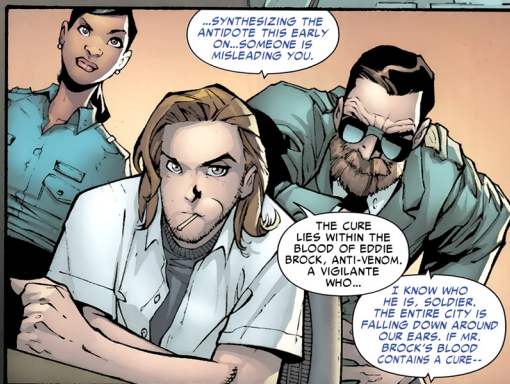
ONE  
SECOND, I'M  
GETTING A CALL  
ON A RESTRICTED  
GOVERNMENT  
CHANNEL.

PROJECT:  
REBIRTH?

DR.  
RICHARDS?  
WE'VE FOUND  
A CURE.

NONSENSE,  
AARON...

WAY BACK IN  
MARVEL TWO-IN-ONE  
#29-#32



...SYNTHESIZING THE  
ANTIDOTE THIS EARLY  
ON...SOMEONE IS  
MISLEADING YOU.

THE CURE  
LIES WITHIN THE  
BLOOD OF EDDIE  
BROCK, ANTI-VENOM.  
A VIGILANTE  
WHO...

I KNOW WHO  
HE IS, SOLDIER.  
THE ENTIRE CITY IS  
FALLING DOWN AROUND  
OUR EARS. IF MR.  
BROCK'S BLOOD  
CONTAINS A CURE--



WE NEED TO GET  
OUR HANDS ON HIM  
IMMEDIATELY.

UNDERSTOOD,  
SIR.

WE HAVE  
AN AGENT EN  
ROUTE TO COLLECT  
THE TARGET  
NOW.

FANTASTIC...







**QUIET!**

MEN! ONE MORE SOUND OUT OF THE WALL-CRAWLER, AND I WANT HIM LOCKED UP TOO!

ALL RIGHT, SMYTHE, YOU'RE THE EXPERT. HOW DO I STOP A WHOLE CITY OF SPIDERS?!

YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS. YOU RUINED MY LIFE--MY FATHER'S LIFE--WITH YOUR PETTY BUG HUNTS!

YOU'VE PULLED STRINGS! GOT ME SENT TO DEATH ROW! AND YOU EXPECT ME TO--

HEH HEH.

HA! OF COURSE! I SEE WHAT'S GOING ON. THIS IS ABOUT YOU. IT'S ALWAYS ABOUT YOU.

ONLY ONE THING WOULD MAKE YOU DESPERATE ENOUGH TO COME CRAWLING TO ME! YOU'RE INFECTED!

YOU'VE BECOME YOUR OWN WORST NIGHTMARE. HAVEN'T YOU? J. JONAH SPIDER! NO. WAIT. I'VE GOT A BETTER NAME: THE BLACK WIDOWER!

**HA HA!  
HA HA! HA!**



JONAH? REMEMBER WHAT I TOLD YOU...

...ABOUT NOT WASTING YOUR LIFE ON HATE?

YES, DEAR.

JONAH? WHO ARE YOU TALKING TO?



I TOLD YOU NOT TO BE MAD. NOT TO BLAME SPIDER-MAN, THE SLAYERS...

...OR EVEN SMYTHE.

I LIED.



KILL HIM  
FOR YOUR  
QUEEN!

HSSSS

I DON'T  
KNOW HOW TO  
CONTAIN THIS--

WE NEED  
A NEW PLAN,  
CONTROL!

OH, GOD!  
THIS IS  
MADNESS!

EVERYTHING'S  
SPINNING OUT  
OF CONTROL! WHAT  
AM I SUPPOSED  
TO **DO**??

THE NEW  
PLAN'S THE SAME  
PLAN, HEROES.  
PROTECT THE  
TOWER AT ALL  
COSTS!

MISTY!  
THERE'S  
THOUSANDS OF  
THEM! I'M LUCKY--  
AND EVEN I DON'T  
LIKE THOSE  
ODDS!

**The Spuyten Duyvil Bridge.**

--AND I SURE  
DON'T KNOW  
HOW TO **FIX** IT!

IT IS THE BROCK!  
OUR OLD HOST!  
WE MUST  
**DESTROY** IT!

THAT'S NOT THE  
MISSION! WE'RE--NO--  
I AM BRINGING  
HIM IN!

**Our Lady of  
Saints Church.**

I DON'T KNOW WHERE I'M  
SUPPOSED TO BE. I'M ON  
AN ISLAND OF SPIDERS.  
AND I'VE NEVER FELT  
MORE LOST.

OR  
ALONE.

DEAD  
END.

OKAY,  
TIGER...

...YOU'RE  
REALLY  
CUTTING IT  
CLOSE.

**Alphabet City.**



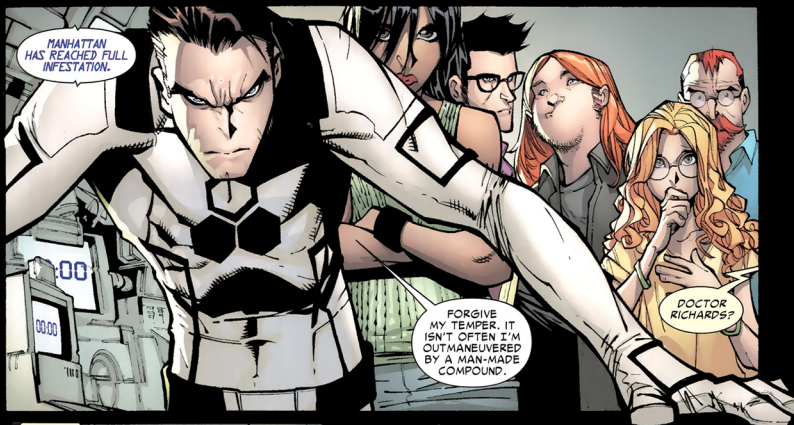
GOTTA  
SAY...

...IT'S  
ABOUT  
DAMN  
TIME!

STATISTICAL  
MODEL IS COMPLETE.  
86 HOURS.  
16 MINUTES.

99.9% OF ALL  
AVAILABLE SUBJECTS  
CONTAMINATED.





MANHATTAN HAS REACHED FULL INFESTATION.

FORGIVE MY TEMPER. IT ISN'T OFTEN I'M OUTMANEUVERED BY A MAN-MADE COMPOUND.

DOCTOR RICHARDS?



WE HAVE A GUEST, SIR.

WHO, OFFICER?

I THINK YOU'LL WANT TO SEE FOR YOURSELF.

WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE THE GOOD GUYS GOT YOU, BROCK.

YOU'RE GOING TO HELP ME CURE THIS CITY, LIKE IT OR NOT.

I'M GLAD TO HELP, BUT YOU'RE WRONG ABOUT THE MAN WHO BROUGHT ME HERE--

HE IS NO "GOOD GUY."



THEN WHY DID I FIND YOU WEBBED UP HERE?

WHY DIDN'T YOU COME WILLINGLY IN THE FIRST PLACE?

HE NEVER ASKED ME TO. DIDN'T EVEN TELL ME WHAT HE WANTED.

VENOM JUST SHOWED UP AND TRIED TO KILL ME.

VENOM? I'M SORRY, MR BROCK. BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO EXPLAIN LATER. WE'RE OUT OF TIME.



OF COURSE. LEAD THE WAY. I'M HERE NOW, AND WILLING TO MAKE ANY SACRIFICE.

GOOD. 'CAUSE I'LL NEED EVERY ANTIBODY IN THAT SUIT. YOU'LL HAVE TO GIVE UP BEING ANTI-VENOM.

WHAT?!

# The Emergency Command Center.



JAMESON, STOP!

MYNOSTERRR!

MURRRDERRR!

MENNEHSSS!



KILLED MARLAHH!

YOU'RRE WHY SHE'SS DEAD! YOU!

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?!

**GNHH!**  
LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE'S GOT A STRONG CASE OF THE SPIDER-FLU!

AND I DO MEAN STRONG!

JONAH, PLEASE! YOU DO NOT WANT TO DO THIS!



HWRAH!

KEEP HIM BACK! I'LL TELL YOU WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

I'VE FIGURED IT OUT! IT'S SO OBVIOUS! THE ANSWER IS SPIDER-SLAYERS!

DON'T YOU SEE? YOU'VE HAD THE SOLUTION THE WHOLE TIME! I--I CAN EXPLAIN--





RUIZ! I'VE GOT  
THE MAYOR, YOU  
RESTRAIN  
SPIDER-MAN.

WHAT'RE  
YOU  
DOING?!

WE CAN'T  
RISK YOU  
HARMING THE  
MAYOR, AVENGER.  
EVEN IN HIS  
CURRENT--

YOU  
IDIOTS! IF  
I CAN BARELY  
HOLD HIM BACK,  
HOW CAN  
YOU--?



SSSSMYTHE!  
FORRR CRIMES  
AGAINST NEW  
YORRRK...

...AS  
MAYYYERR,  
I SSSSENTENCE  
YOU TO--



DEATHHHH!

AHHKK--

RRRUNCH



NO!

To Be  
Continued...

# TELL US ISLAND

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STINKS!



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I can't lie, Spidey-philes. Between an earthquake and a hurricane, this week has been one drama after another. All of our hearts here in the Spidey office go out to the families and friends still dealing with the aftereffects of the crazy planet madness this week. I hope everyone out there in Spidey-land made it through safe, sound and dry.

Before we get to your mail, I'd like to take one second to mention an important moment that passed just a few weeks ago, the tenth anniversary of 9-11. All this month, we have been reprinting the features from our tribute books "Heroes" and "Moment of Silence" that were created in the days and weeks after the 9-11 attacks, and we give our continued thanks to all those creators for contributing their time, effort and thought on those projects.

There have been many – and certainly better – words written on the subject, so I won't spend a lot of space here being maudlin. However, since this is the Marvel comic that considers New York a supporting character, I thought it proper to take one short moment to salute this great city and its people who have defined the Marvel Universe from day one and who allow us to throw super heroes and villains across its jaw-dropping, mythical cityscape week in and week out.

And in that same spirit, we salute not only the people of New York...but of Pennsylvania. And Virginia. And London. And Madrid. And Mumbai. And all the places across the world where people have stood up tall in the face of certain danger.

Our super heroes are the stars of our books, but we get our inspiration from all of you across this globe...from soldiers, police, paramedics, doctors, nurses, teachers, mechanics and anyone who performs any small act of confronting fear with courage, anyone who does the difficult, sometimes unobvious work to make the world slightly better than you found it.

The obvious truth is we couldn't make stories about heroes if we didn't have your examples to live up to and draw from.

All of us here at Marvel say a simple, "thank you".

And now on to your mail on recent issues...

Dear Team Spidey!

First of all, I cannot wait for what sounds like an epic Spider-Island run. I've seen the cover for issue #666 and personally, it has to be one of my favorite comic covers of all time! I can't wait to get my hands on it and add it to my collection!

However, I want to address something called #665. I had no idea what to expect upon reading this issue and though I knew it was somewhat of a "Character Development" issue, I still wasn't expecting it to be what it was.

I am a huge fan of Dan Slott and I've been a loyal Spider-fan as far back as I can remember. It may sound cliché, but it's true. Dan Slott has offered some of the best Spidey comics I've read and #665 might be my personal favorite!

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN has always been about Peter, not big action. It's been Peter's struggles in his life which mirrors the decisions he makes as Spidey and Dan Slott nailed it in this issue!

I'll admit it, I'm a softie and I've been reading every well-known Spidey tear-jerker I can find (and, sure, Mr. Slott's #655 was a

beautiful montage and atmospheric piece), but #665 just left me feeling overwhelmed. It was such a fantastic read and so expertly delivered that when it was over, I knew I had just read a true-to-form Spider-Man comic!

I cannot thank Dan Slott and the whole team for producing such fantastic issues!

I really can't wait for Spider-Island and keep up the good work!!!!

A True Believer for Life,  
Dan Wilkinson  
England.

Thanks, Wilkinson! Oi, Guv'nor! Slott is certainly on a roll, but sure as bob's your-uncle, you 'aven't seen nuffin' yet! Strewth!

By the way, that cover for #66 that you love so much was crafted by Mike Del Mundo. And I agree, he got our event off on a memorable foot.

Dear Spidey writers,

I've been an AMAZING SPIDER-MAN fan for so many years. I'm from Mexico City and since I was a child I love Spider-Man, he's one of my favorite super heroes.

Next month Spider-Island comes out and it seems to be an amazing story; Dan Slott is such a great comic writer. I can't wait to start reading it.

My best wishes for all of you at Marvel comics and, of course, for all the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN fans 'round the world. Keep it up with the spectacular work.

Greetings from Mexico City!

Victor V. Flores  
Mexico City

Greetings to you too, Victor. You may not know this, but our very own Spidey artist Humberto Ramos hails from Mexico City as well. Plus, colorist Edgar Delgado and inkers Carlos Cuevas and Victor Olazaba are also from Mexico. Your country has some of the most prolific talent around, as well as some of the biggest fans around, so we're very happy to hear from you.

Team ASM,

While I was reading issue #665 I thought it was funny how on the first page it said "report any unusual Spider Activity to SpideyOffice@Marvel.com" cause around that time and even now, I can safely say there has been some very unusual spider activity around my house. I'm not even joking. I've seen so many spiders crawling around my house, it's ridiculous. I've probably seen at least somewhere around FIFTY spiders within one week: in the basement, in my room, the kitchen, the living room, bathrooms, spiders making giant webs on the pool deck outside, it feels like my house has been turned into Spider-Island itself!

Thank you guys could send a free copy of issue #666 my way for all my arachno-troubles? Or at least a fabulous "Marvel No-Prize."

Oh btw, in regards to having two titles with the acronym "ASM", why not just make "The Avenging Spider-Man" be "AVNGSM" and "The Amazing Spider-Man" be AMZSM?

Kristopher Hamilton

Kris, we're very excited to hear about your spider "problems". Our advice to you is

to let each of the spiders bite you and sit back hoping for the best. Good luck!

Sorry to say this doesn't qualify for a fabled "No-Prize" and we have no extra copies of ASM #666 to give away, but I can go ahead and award you the VERY official title of Marvel's "Spidey Editor-For-A-Second"...

There. It just went by.

Good job! You really left your mark!

Hello Dan and the Amazing Spider-Men,

Just a quick note to let you know how much I enjoyed AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #665. To tell you the truth, I haven't read a Spider-Man book in many years. ASM was one of my favorites growing up, but I eventually lost interest and moved on to more "adult" titles.

My local comic shop gave me a copy of the Daily Bugle Spider-Island preview, and I thought it sounded interesting. I recognized Dan's name from the excellent Thing solo series, and thought it might be a good time to give ASM another try. I picked up ASM #665 not knowing what to expect, and feared I wouldn't recognize the characters anymore. Turns out I need not have worried. Dan's writing was truly "amazing" and ASM #665 was a great place to jump back in.

The book was as good as I remembered it being. A great blend of everything past and present. The two stories were full of emotion and demonstrated some really great character development. I am really looking forward now to the upcoming Spider-Island arc. Keep up the great work.

Mark Pearson  
Saluda, VA

Welcome back, Mark! Now we just have to make sure you don't go anywhere again!



ITEM!

One of the biggest reactions to ASM #665 was to penciler Ryan Stegman's rendition of ol' web-head. Seems you folks liked it QUITE a bit.

Well, let me assure you that Ryan will be back soon in a new Spidey-related title that will make many of you see RED!

ITEM!

It's not a book from this office, but I just read Secret Avengers #16 by Warren Ellis and Jamie McKelvie and I thought it was stupendous (I've been going on about it all day and I HATE comics). If you have some extra bills in your pocket, pick it up. It's a stand-alone story that just knocks your socks off.

Tell 'em Simperin' Steve sent ya! (But then be prepared to explain to the people you're talking to exactly who I am.)

That's it for us. Month two of Spider-Island is now over. You think it's been big so far? Ha! Month three is gonna hurt Peter Parker...real bad.

Viva Spurgeon!  
Simperin' Steve  
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