



HALLOWEEN
ComicFest

STITCHED

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Welcome to STITCHED "The First Day of the Rest of her Life," one of two HALLOWEEN COMICFEST mini-comics from Papercutz, those always-in-stitches Trick-or-Treaters dedicated to publishing great graphic novels for all ages. The other mini-comic from Papercutz is HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA "Kakieland Katastrophe," but we'll get to that shortly. First, let's talk about STITCHED...

As many of you may know, Papercutz is primarily a graphic novel publisher—although we do publish comic-books such as GUMBY—and that we've recently launched and all-new imprint called Charmz. This new line of graphic novels is focused on stories featuring an element of romance, but the titles feature all types of exciting stories, such as swashbuckling adventure, science-fiction, teen soap opera, and supernatural fun.

STITCHED, created by writer (and Charmz editor) Mariah McCourt and artist Aaron Alexovich, is in that latter category. It stars Crimson Volania Mulch, a patchwork girl who just woke up in the Cemetery of Assumptions, who doesn't know anything but her name. Her first few nights "alive" are a whirlwind of ghosts, werewolves, witches, and weirdly beautiful boys. Will Crimson find out where she comes from? Does she have time for romance when she doesn't even know who she is? Find out in STITCHED #1 "The First Day of the Rest of her Life" graphic novel, and enjoy this special preview on the following pages...

As we mentioned, STITCHED is just one title in the new line of Charmz graphic novels. You may want to look for the other Charmz titles—SWEETIES, CHLOE, ANA AND THE COSMIC RACE, and THE SCARLET ROSE. You can find out more about them at Papercutz.com.



Checking back into the HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA "Kakieland Katastrophe" HALLOWEEN COMICFEST mini-comic, writer Stefan "Petrifying" Petrucha and artist Allen "Ghastly" Gladfelter present a preview of their all-new graphic novel featuring the spooky stars of the hit movie series. Drac and the gang have to deal with a smear campaign, claiming monsters are not nice, started by the owner of the nearby Kakieland theme park, Stephen Cling. This all has a devastating impact on the financial health of the HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA, as people aren't keen on booking rooms at a place that may not be human-friendly. Cling hopes to drive the HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA out of business so that he can take over and turn it into a Kakieland Hotel. Drac, Frank, Murray, Griffin, Wayne, Bloppy, as well as Mavis, Johnny, Dennis, and Winnie have their work cut out for them proving to the public that monsters are nice.

And we're sure you'll discover that Crimson Volania Mulch is nice too, and that you'll want to get to know all about her, just as she's discovering herself as well, in her new Charmz graphic novel series, STITCHED. Enjoy the preview on the following pages and...



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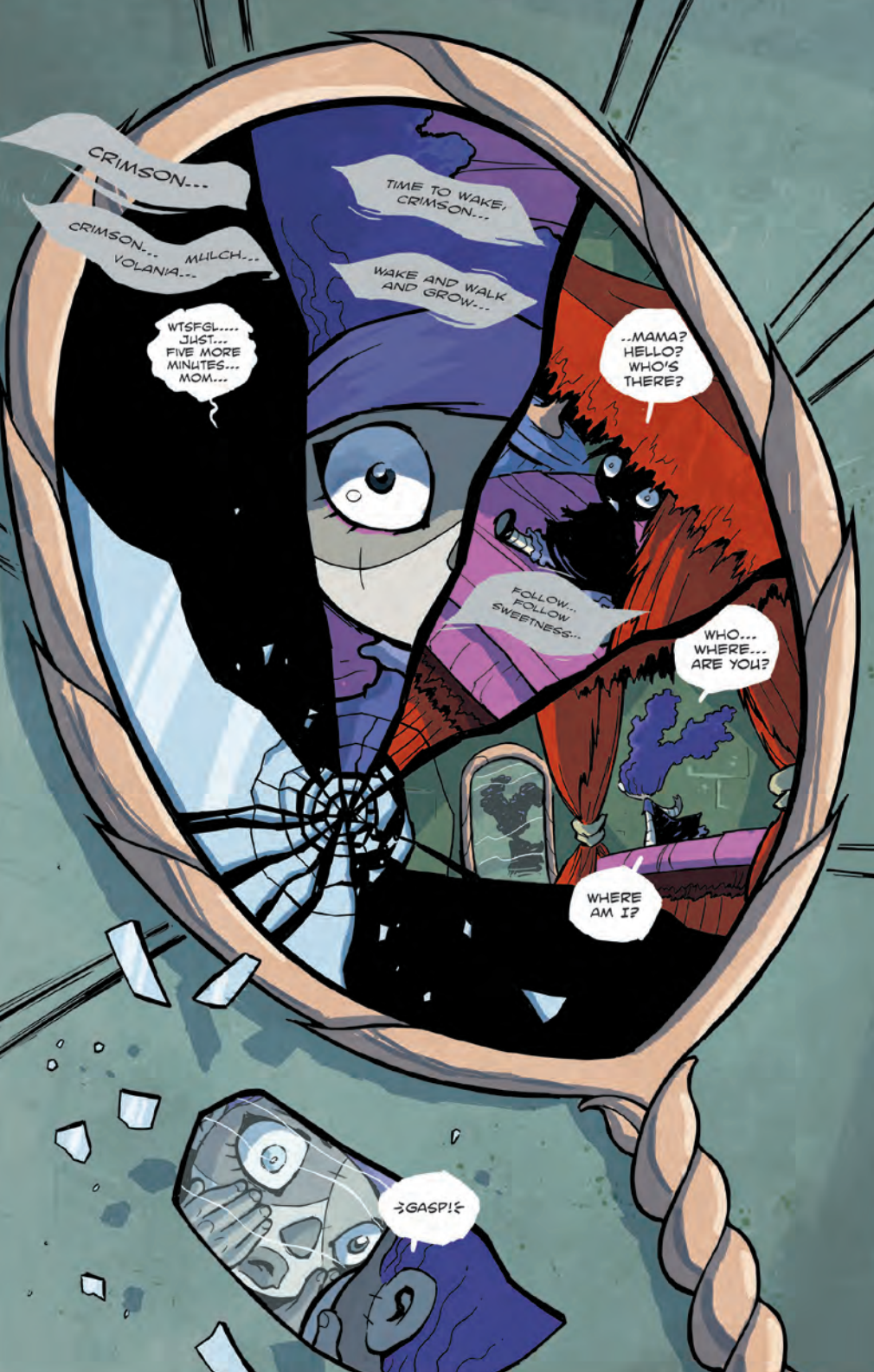
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CRIMSON...

CRIMSON... MULCH...
VOLANIA...

WTSFGL...
JHST...
FIVE MORE
MINUTES...
MOM...

TIME TO WAKE,
CRIMSON...

WAKE AND WALK
AND GROW...

...MAMA?
HELLO?
WHO'S
THERE?

FOLLOW...
FOLLOW
SWEETNESS...

WHO...
WHERE...
ARE YOU?

WHERE
AM I?

GASPI!



---WHAT---
AM I?



CRIMSON....

DON'T BE AFRAID...

...FOLLOW
...THE...

LIGHTS...

WAIT!

WAIT
FOR ME!
DON'T GO!
I--



OH.
WOW.

I THINK I
WAS BORN
TODAY.

THE ONLY
THINGS I
KNOW ARE
MY NAME...

...AND THAT I
HAVE ABSOLUTELY
NO IDEA OF WHERE
I AM OR WHERE I
SHOULD GO...

CEMETERY
OF
ASSUMPTIONS

SLAM
YIKES!

YEEKS!

LIKE
THEY DON'T
REMEMBER
HOW TO RUN--

OOF!

⇒PANT⇒
⇒PANT⇒
NEED TO...
HIDE...

HELP!

LET
ME IN!

HELP!

--HELP?

HEART...
BEATING...
TOO FAST...

MUST...
BREATHE...

KEEP
BREATHING...

PROBABLY
NOTHING IN
HERE WANTS
TO EAT ME...

ER,
ANYONE
HOME?

I DON'T
WANT TO BE
A BOTHER.

ANYONE?

OKAY,
WELL, NOW
I'M JUST
TALKING
TO MYSELF
IN A SPOOKY
OLD HOUSE...

OOOOOH!

IT SMELLED
LIKE DUST AND
MOLD AND
KNOWLEDGE.

SOME--ONE,
IN MY HEAD,
REMEMBERED
THAT SCENT.

AND
LOVED IT
A LOT.



I THINK
I LIKE THIS
PLACE....
IT FEELS....
FAMILIAR.

OKAY,
MAYBE I
DON'T LIKE
ALL OF THIS
PLACE.

DO I...
KNOW...
HER?

UHM...

HI...?



WHOA.

WELCOME,
WELCOME! A NEW
ACQUAINTANCE!

ER,
SORRY FOR
CRASHING YOUR
SHINDIG.

QUITE ALL
RIGHT.

I AM SIR
ARCHIBALD
EPHRON
ROSE.

AT YOUR
SERVICE.

I'M...
CRIMSON
VOLANIA MULCH.
I THINK.



ARE YOU
HAVING A
PARTY?

OH, IT'S
ALWAYS A BIT
OF A TO-DO
AROUND
HERE.

BUT
HOW DID
YOU GET
IN?

THE
DOOR JUST...
OPENED. IS
THAT WRONG?

NO, SIMPLY
UNUSUAL.

OH.
WELL, IT'S A VERY
NICE HOUSE. HAVE
YOU ALWAYS LIVED
HERE?

OH, YES.
GENERATIONS AND
GENERATIONS OF
ROSE'S HAVE LIVED
AND DIED HERE.

WOULD
YOU LIKE
A TOUR?

WELL,
I DON'T
KNOW—

SPLENDID!
WE'RE
OFF!

IT HAS
BEEN SEVERAL
HUNDRED YEARS
SINCE I MYSELF
PASSED.

OH.
I'M...
SORRY?

QUITE
ALL RIGHT,
MY DEAR.
I'M USED
TO IT.

MY GREAT,
GREAT, GREAT,
GRANDMAMA ROSE
WAS ALWAYS QUITE
PROUD OF OUR
COLLECTION.

LIBRARIUM
SANCTORUM

COLLEC-
TION?

I'VE
NEVER SEEN
ANYTHING
LIKE IT.

THESE
BOOKS SMELL
DIFFERENT,
ALMOST...
AWARE.

I
SUSPECT
NO ONE
HAS.

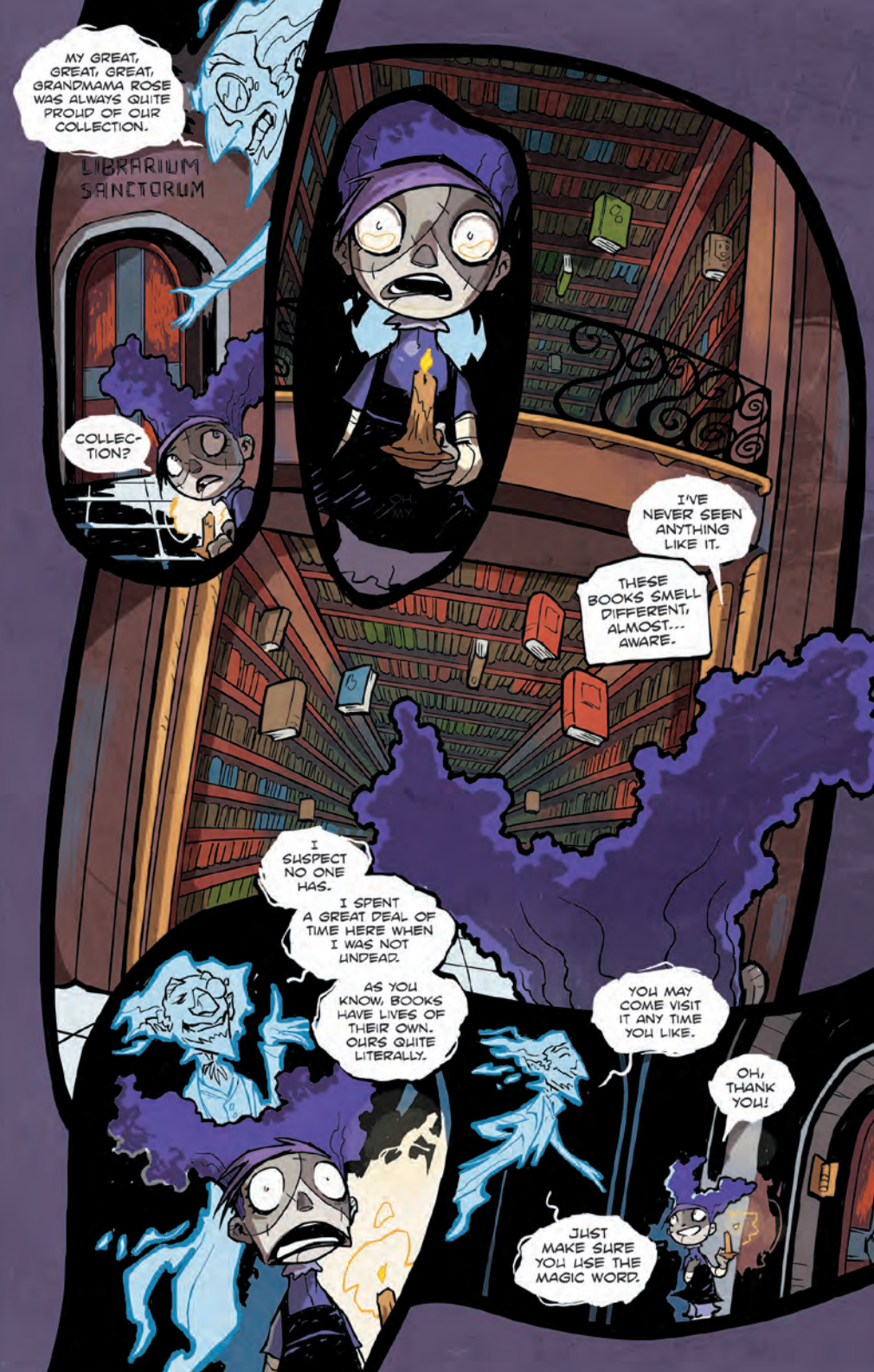
I SPENT
A GREAT DEAL OF
TIME HERE WHEN
I WAS NOT
UNDEAD.

AS YOU
KNOW, BOOKS
HAVE LIVES OF
THEIR OWN.
OURS QUITE
LITERALLY.

YOU MAY
COME VISIT
IT ANY TIME
YOU LIKE.

OH,
THANK
YOU!

JUST
MAKE SURE
YOU USE THE
MAGIC WORD.





THE
MAGIC
WORD?
WHAT
IS IT?

I'LL TELL YOU
AT THE END OF
THE TOUR. NOW!
ONWARDS!

WE MAKE SURE
WE TAKE CARE OF
OUR PETS, EVEN
IN DEATH...

NOW THAT
THE CRUSHING
FEAR IS EASING
UP, THIS IS
ALL PRETTY
FASCINATING.
AND WEIRD.

WAS
THIS AN
AVIARY?

YES, IT WAS
SO COLORFUL
AND FULL OF
SOUND.

WHAT
HAPPENED?

I...DON'T
REMEMBER
ANYMORE.

I FORGET
A LOT OF
THINGS.

GHOSTS CAN
GET....STRANGE.
IF WE'RE NOT
CAREFUL.

WHEEEHooOoooh

WHAT WAS
THAT?!

HOW ABOUT
SOME TEA? I
BELIEVE WE HAVE
A LOVELY AGED
EARL GREY.

ER,
BUT THAT
NOISE....?

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