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"A COSMIC EXPERIENCE"

Another week, and another mighty edition of the colossal-in-scope, the cosmic-in-telling, the quintessential digital directory of your news in the comic book world, the Quantum Chronicle!!! So rev up your starship's engines, Quantumites, cause we're getting ready to put this puppy into Hyperdrive!

New next week is *Avengers Now #1*, billed as "the greatest heroes in comics together in one unbeatable team"! This expanded roster of the Avengers will feature a team that takes on threats on more than just a global level, but also a cosmic one. Featuring the epic storytelling ability of Jonathon Hickman, you can bet your "stars and garters" that this is going to be a storyline of massive proportions. The interior artwork is glamorously rendered by Jerome Opena, and let me tell you, from what I've already seen it will leave you drooling on the page (but don't do that, as you'll completely wreck your comic!). So march on over to your friendly neighborhood comic store on the 5th, following in the footsteps of Deadpool from the variant cover, and buy it Gangnam Style!



Movie-wise, there is a petition over at "Change.org" urging the Marvel Studios to fire James Gunn, who is set to direct the *Guardians of the Galaxy* movie, over a blog that he had nearly two years ago. It seems that Mr. Gunn has a "Superheroes you must have sex with" poll on his website. The poll contains numerous juvenile, homophobic, and misogynistic comments by Gunn on 50 characters from the Marvel and DC pantheons. This particular poll was something that Gunn had done nearly two years ago, and had been deleted from his blog for quite a while, but has suddenly resurfaced. It just goes to show you, once your fame reaches a certain level, no matter how clean your proverbial broom closet seems to be, you almost always manage to miss a skeleton, or ten!

Speaking of the *Guardians of the Galaxy*, casting calls are now going out for the roll of Star-Lord. Reportedly there is a short list of actors that are wanted for auditions, including such names as Joel Edgerton, Jack Huston, Jim Sturgess, Lee Pace and Eddie Redmayne. But there is also some rumours that other actors have shown an interest in the role.



In a sensational (and quite nail-biting) effort by the fans of Masters of the Universe, Mattel will be making a new Castle Grayskull playset! Matty Collector put out a pre-order in the middle of October, with a deadline of November 9th, and if they met with the minimum number of pre-orders for the castle, it would be made at the end of next year! And we did it! The new Castle Grayskull will be 1.5 times the size of the old classic one from the 80's, and feature 3 floors, and unparalleled detail, and awesomeness!!!



It seems that Disney/Lucasfilm may be planning to do a lot more movies that was originally thought. Rumors now abound that instead of doing a Star Wars movie every 2 - 3 years, as has been the news about Episodes 8, 9, and 10, that they are considering stories of the expanded universe, and wanting to put out 2 - 3 movies a year! Picking out stories would not be

difficult, as the timeline for Star Wars is over 30 000 years (I kid you not). So, conceivably, this means that we would have stories featured in the time after Return of the Jedi with the Skywalker and Solo clans, as well as their children, and also stories featuring the Old Republic, the Yuzanvong invasion, and numerous others. There are over 200 novels to choose from, as well as a whole ton of great comics.



Zack Snyder, the director of the upcoming Man of Steel movie, is hinting at a possible connection with this movie, and the upcoming Justice League movie, which is tentatively scheduled for 2015. It seems that DC and Warner Bros is learning a little bit from Marvels blockbuster Avengers movie, and its prequel end credits from Iron Man, Thor, and Captain America movies. The trick for Warner now

is to duplicate the excitement of those, without actually duplicating the scenes themselves. Since the Batman trilogy has now ended, and Green Lantern was considered to be a financial and critical disappointment, Man of Steel will presumably be the first of the DC movies that may be, in some way, connected to a future Justice League film. However, since there has been not word of any other DC movies in the next couple of years, DC/Warner needs to step up their game and make things happen.



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