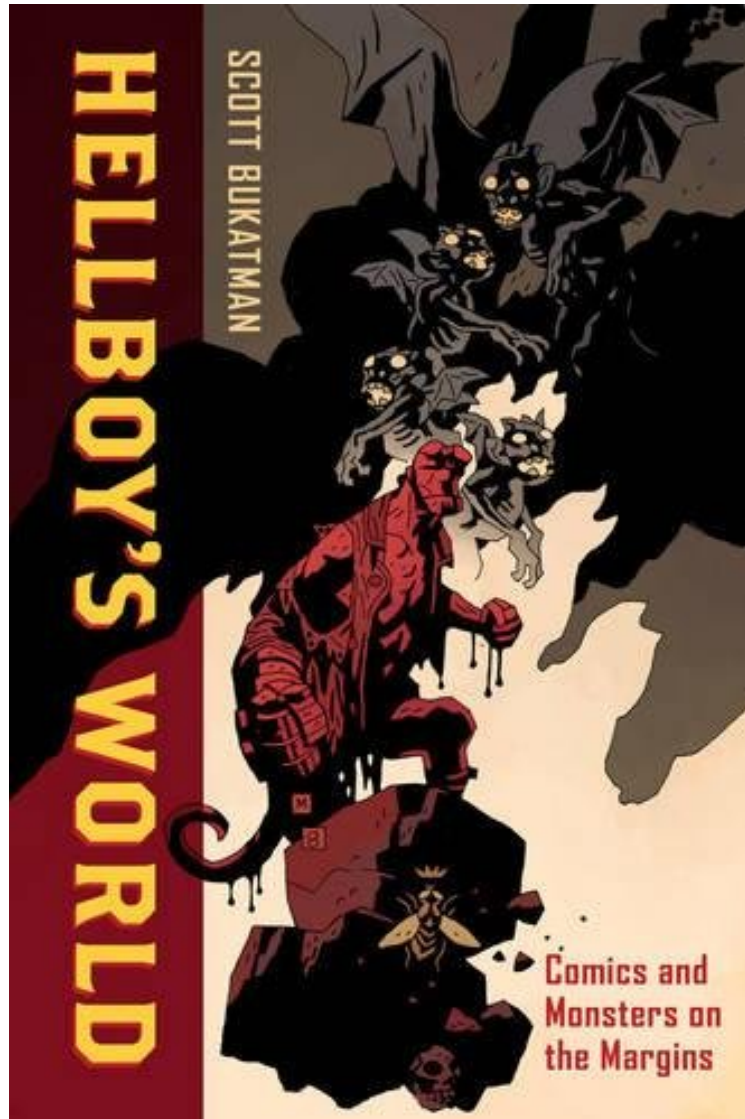


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Scott Bukatman : Hellboy's World: Comics and Monsters on the Margins before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Hellboy's World: Comics and Monsters on the Margins:

2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Fruitfully exploring Mignola's shared universe experimentBy Elbert R. CoalwellThe author misidentifies Mike Carey, author of THE UNWRITTEN, calling him "Peter Carey," no doubt conflating the author and the principal artist on the series, Peter Gross. The artist Jerome Opea is given as "Joseph Opena." These minor errors aside, the quality of analysis in each of the essays that comprise the book's chapters is good. The author indulges in cutesy, self-conscious colloquialisms from time to time, but he has done his pop culture

homework and understands his critical sources, thought the arguments presented are more on the level of a grad student's, rather than a professor's, in my opinion. (Bukatman is Professor of Film and Media Studies at Stanford University). That said, if you have more than a passing admiration for Mike Mignola's 30+ years working in the graphic storytelling form, this book makes a strong case for Hellboy and the Mignolaverse as the most ambitious and satisfying "shared universe" experiment in modern popular culture. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Must read for those who love comics. By John Garcia If you read comics, and suspect a whole other world informing all the decisions that end up on the page, this is an in depth view into one of those worlds. 0 of 3 people found the following review helpful. good . By Barlow the best product, high quality and low price . OK, there is do not have any problem. Excellent for cutting home baked bread. for my best friend, will buy next time.

Hellboy, Mike Mignolas famed comic book demon hunter, wanders through a haunting and horrific world steeped in the history of weird fictions and wide-ranging folklores. Hellboy's World shows how our engagement with Hellboy's world is a highly aestheticized encounter with comics and their materiality. Scott Bukatmans dynamic study explores how comics produce a heightened adventure of reading in which syntheses of image and word, image sequences, and serial narratives create compelling worlds for the readers imagination to inhabit. Drawing upon other media including childrens books, sculpture, pulp fiction, cinema, graphic design, painting, and illuminated manuscripts Bukatman reveals the mechanics of creating a world on the page. He also demonstrates the pleasurable and multiple complexities of the readers experience, invoking the riotous colors of comics that elude rationality and control and delving into shared fictional universes and occult detection, the horror genre and the evocation of the sublime, and the place of abstraction in Mignolas art. Monsters populate the world of Hellboy comics, but Bukatman argues that comics are themselves little monsters, unruly sites of sensory and cognitive pleasures that exist, happily, on the margins. The book is not only a treat for Hellboy fans, but it will entice anyone interested in the medium of comics and the art of reading.

"Hellboys World is really a manifesto for a different kind of comics studies."