

# Classic Literature in Graphic Novel Format

Graphic Novel Format

- A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare J 741.5 SHAK
- African-American Graphic Classics J 741.5 GRAP
- Alice in Wonderland by Martin Powell J 741.5 POWE
- Ambrose Bierce: Graphic Classics by Tom Pomplun J 741.5 POMP
- Arthur Conan Doyle: Graphic Classics J 741.5 GRAP
- Beowulf by Jacqueline Morley J 741.5 MORL
- Bram Stoker: Graphic Classics 741.5 GRAP
- Chilling Tales of Horror by Pedro Rodríguez J 741.5 CHIL
- Edgar Allan Poe: Graphic Classics J 741.5 GRAP
- Excalibur: The Legend of King Arthur by Tony Lee J 741.5 LEE
- Frankenstein by Mary Shelley: A Dark Graphic Novel by Sergio A. Sierra J 741.5 SIER
- H.P. Lovecraft: Graphic Classics J 741.5 LOVE
- Louisa May Alcott: Graphic Classics J 741.5 ALCO
- Moby Dick by Will Eisner J 741.5 EISN
- Native American Classics J 741.5 POMP
- O' Henry: Graphic Classics by Rick Geary J 741.5 GEAR
- Oscar Wilde: Graphic Classics J 741.5 GRAP
- Ray Bradbury's Fahrenheit 451 by Tim Hamilton J 741.5 HAMI
- The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho 741.5 COEL
- The Hound of the Baskervilles by J. R. Parks J 741.5 PARK
- The Invisible Man: Illustrated Classics by H. G. Wells J 741.5 WELL
- War of the Worlds: A Graphic Novel Adapted from the Classic Tale of an Alien Invasion by H.G. Wells by Stephen Stern 741.5 STER

## BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY PATHFINDERS

Books, Movies, and More on Your Favorite Subjects

### Resources

For help identifying or locating characters appearing in graphic novels, you might try these books. (Books located in our Reference Section cannot be checked out of the library.)

**Graphic Novels: A Genre Guide to Comic Books, Manga & More** by Michael Pawuk R 016.74153 PAWU

**Encyclopedia of Comic Books & Graphic Novels** published by Greenwood Press R 741.403 ENCY

**The DC Comics Encyclopedia** by Phil Jimenez 741.5 JIME

## GRAPHIC NOVELS for Adults



### Did you know?

**Manga** refers to comics of Japanese origin and have an identifiable style: the characters have large eyes and small mouths and tend to show exaggerated emotions. The books are read from right to left.

**Anime** is the term for Japanese animated films.

**Comic Books** are narrative series of cartoons. Images are in sequence on the page and designed to tell a story.

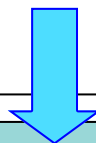
**Graphic Novels** are more extensive versions of comics, usually stand-alone stories with a beginning, middle, and end, in color or black and white.

**Trade Paperbacks** are collections of paperbacks that were once sold as individual issues.

Is there a subject you'd like to learn more about? If you have suggestions for future pathfinders, let us know!

[reference@bcplib.org](mailto:reference@bcplib.org)

There are many websites devoted to graphic novels and comics.



### Websites

[www.noflyingnotights.com](http://www.noflyingnotights.com)

Reviews of graphic novels with separate pages for children, teens and adults.

<http://comicsworthreading.com>

Reviews of all genres of comic books.

[www.comics.org](http://www.comics.org)

50,000 comic book records!

[www.readaboutcomics.com](http://www.readaboutcomics.com)

Keep updated on all types of comics.

[www.graphicnovelreporter.com](http://www.graphicnovelreporter.com)

Best seller lists, plus a lot more!

[www.comicbookresources.com](http://www.comicbookresources.com)

A premiere comics-related website.

[www.bcplib.org](http://www.bcplib.org)

### Hint:

Utilize the **Filters** on the left side of the catalog; for instance, under **COLLECTION**, you can limit results to only the **Graphic Novel** format.

#### Graphic Novels Comics

##### Fiction:

- Action
- Adventure
- Classics
- Fairy Tales
- Fantasy
- Historical Fiction
- Horror
- Humor
- Manga
- Romance
- Science Fiction
- Super Hero
- Supernatural

##### Nonfiction:

- Educational
- Historical
- True Crime

Not exactly what you are interested in? Use the online catalog and try these search terms.



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## Award-winning Genre Standards



**Jimmy Corrigan: The Smartest Kid on Earth**  
by Chris Ware 741.5 WARE  
A lonely and shy 36-year-old man is offered the opportunity to meet his father for the first time. Multiple storylines chronicle four generations of Corrigan men, from 1893 to 1983. *Winner: Eisner Best Graphic Award, Guardian First Book Award, and Harvey Best Graphic Award.*



**Watchmen** by Alan Moore 741.5 MOOR  
In an alternate future where the existence of superheroes is common knowledge, a group of disillusioned superheroes emerge from retirement to investigate a former colleague's murder. *Critically acclaimed Hugo Award winner.*



**The Complete Maus** by Art Spiegelman 741.59 SPIE  
The only graphic novel to have ever won the Pulitzer Prize. Spiegelman tells the story of his parents' deportation to Auschwitz, where the Jews are symbolically portrayed as mice and the Nazis as cats.

## Inventive



**Ant Colony**  
by Michael DeForge J 741.5 DEFO  
Follows the bizarre adventures of a group of black ants at war with a nearby colony of red ants.



**Wizzywig: Portrait of a Serial Hacker**  
by Ed Piskor 751.5 PISK  
Kevin "Boingthump" Phenicle goes from a geeky child scammer to a federal fugitive and legend in the world of phone phreaks, hackers, and scammers.

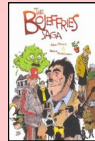
## Detailed Illustrations



**The Undertaking of Lily Chen**  
by Danica Novgorodoff J 741.5 NOVG  
Magical realist story set in the world of the black market for brides in China, except the brides need to be corpses and the one that is selected happens to still be alive.



**The 47 Ronin: A Graphic Novel**  
by Sean Michael Wilson 952 WILS  
Chronicles the legendary event from Japanese history in which forty-seven samurai avenged the death of their master before committing ritual suicide.



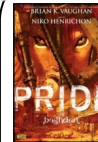
**The Bojeffries Saga**  
by Alan Moore 741.5 MOOR  
Jobremus strives to muddle through, contending with his dullard son, Reth, and brutishly clueless daughter, Ginda; an uncle who is a werewolf and another who's a vegetarian vampire; a thermonuclear baby in the basement; and a grandfather who's a giant Cthuloid blob.

## Historically Accurate



**We Are On Our Own**  
by Miriam Katin 741.51 KATI  
An escape on foot from the Nazi

invasion of Budapest a mother and child faked their deaths, abandoned their belongings and loved ones, and fled in disguise with German troops close behind.



**Pride of Baghdad**  
by Brian K. Vaughan 741.5 VAUG  
Examination of life

on the streets of war-torn Iraq, raising questions about the meaning of liberation through the experiences of four lions who escaped from the Baghdad Zoo during a raid.

## suspenseful



**George R. R. Martin's A Game of Thrones**  
Graphic Novel Series by Daniel Abraham

Volume 1-3: J 741.5 ABRA  
Volume 4: (Due May 2015)

Epic fantasy fiction set in a medieval-like land with knights, barbarians, strange gods, made-up languages, and sex, murder, conspiracy, civil war; and more!

*A Game of Thrones* is the first in the A Song of Ice and Fire Series of five books (to date) by George R. R. Martin.

The graphic novel series, with George R.R. Martin as advisor, is intended to follow the story and atmosphere of the novel closely, planning about a page of art for each page of text.



**Tamara Drewe** by Posy Simmonds 741.5 SIMM  
After plastic surgery lends her a new-found confidence, a newspaper columnist has an affair with a married man. Meanwhile, two teens are aware of her activities and stalk her from her own computer, with unexpected and dark consequences.



**Stieg Larsson's The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo Books 1 & 2** adapted by Denise Mina 741.5 MINA  
Swedish journalist Mikael Blomkvist and freelance hacker Lisbeth Salander form an unlikely team to investigate a 40-year-old disappearance.

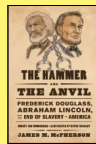
## Autobiographies/Memoirs



**Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant?** by Roz Chast B CHAS  
A funny yet heart-breaking memoir of the struggles of being the caregiver to aging parents.



**Relish: My Life in the Kitchen** by Lucy Knisley B KNIS  
Key episodes in the author's life thus far, framed by what she was eating at the time and lessons learned about food, cooking, and life. Each chapter has an illustrated recipe.



**The Hammer and the Anvil: Frederick Douglass, Abraham Lincoln, and the End of Slavery in America** by Dwight Jon Zimmerman 973.7092 ZIMM



**Stitches: A Memoir** by David Small B SMALL  
A troubled child with a radiologist father who subjected him to repeated x-rays and a tormented mother, David fled this environment at the age of sixteen in the hopes of becoming an artist.



**Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic and Are You My Mother? A Comic Drama** by Alison Bechdel 741.5 BECH  
Darkly funny family portraits by Bechdel, a cult favorite comic artist.



**Radioactive: Marie and Pierre Curie: A Tale of Love and Fallout** by Lauren Redniss B CURI  
The bio of Marie and Pierre Curie; their personal struggles, the advancements they made in the world of science, and the issue of radiation in modern society.



by Robert Kirkman  
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*The Walking Dead* is a comic book series created by Robert Kirkman, a writer from Lexington, KY. The first issue was released in 2004 and to date there have been 22 installments.

The story follows a group of people trying to survive after the zombie apocalypse. The main characters are Rick Grimes, a small-town police officer from Cythiana, his family, and a number of other survivors. They must all unite to withstand the zombies.

The series won the 2010 Eisner Award for Best Continuing Series at San Diego Comic-Con International. A television series premiered in 2010 on AMC. The BCPL has seasons 1-4 on DVD and/or BLU.