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The mysteries surrounding private investigator LADY MECHANIKA and her origin begin to unfold as she heads to a rundown city known as Satan's Alley. Located on the lower eastside, it is an area of town under siege by the presence of a murderous creature of unknown origin. While a weapons manufacturer has issued a reward for the unknown slayer, drawing a crowd of bounty hunters looking to cash in, Lady Mechanika's purpose is far more personal - information that could lead to the truth about her creation.

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From Reader Review Lady Mechanika #0 for online ebook

Norah Una Sumner says

Wow.Loved the art,loved the story,loved the bad-ass but still caring main character.Also,how gorgeous and fierce is this cover?

Way to go Joe Benitez.And it's free on comiXology.I need the next issue *NOW*.

Lindsey Lynn (thepagemistress) says

The art in this is freaking amazing! I love the set up already. I can't wait to get my hands on the next one. Definitely a fun steam punk/supernatural comic!

Aneela ?the_mystique_reader? says

Superb!
Fantastico!

Lady Mechanika Volume 0 is full of action. The protagonist is a takes-no-bulshit-from-anyone type of a person.

The illustration is just gorgeous!

I wish it was a bit longer. Yeah! That's the only complain I have.

Molly says

Rating 3.5

A short and nice prequel. Felt more like a teaser. Pity my favorite character won't make it to the main story. I loved the art (I would give 5 stars just for that), but the story is yet to be seen (we had just a taste). All-in-all entertaining.

Uma ~Books.Bags.Burgers. says

MINI-REVIEW

This is the first Lady Mechanika book I'm reading and I definitely wasn't disappointed! As a matter of fact this is my first ever graphic novel and I'm just so freaking glad I picked it up! The artwork is just gorgeous and the main character, our Lady Mechanika is a badass. While this is more a graphic novella than a full length novel, it's enough to pique the interest of readers leaving us with so many questions about the Lady's origin. If like me you haven't read graphic novels before, this would totally be a great one to start with!

Carmen says

"Consider yourself warned, Lord Blackpool. When we next meet, if you happen to be so foolish, I will not be as merciful."

Rated T for Teen.

This is a gothic steampunk graphic novel. Lady Mechanika is a Lara Croft-type character who is rich and part machine. Evil people want to study her and use her machinery to make war.

The book starts out with her hunting an ugly half-mechanical demonic creature. She fights with it, but it turns out to be a little sweetie who is not only friendly to her, but was created by the same maker as she was.

The (view spoiler)

The hunter is then murdered by his employer, the evil Lord Blackpool. You know. Evil people are always murdering their hired help. It makes them more evil.

ANYWAY, Blackpool then turns his hunters on Mechanika, claiming she's a fine specimen for his experiments. She kicks minion ass, then inexplicably and very stupidly spares Blackpool's life even though it's obvious to all readers that she should kill him immediately because he's simply going to come after her with more guns.

Not very reassuring that Issue #0 of this establishes our MC as a moron, or, a person unwilling to kill.

The art is very good, dark, gothic, and transporting - although I do have some issues with Mechanika's costume design. It's not very protective armor and exposes her belly and strangely showcases her breasts. If you want to give her an unrealistic Lara Croft body, fine, but can we get past this "sexy armor" thing? It's annoying and stops me from taking your comic seriously.

Tl;dr - Not perfect, but I enjoyed it. If you like gothic steampunk, this is right up your alley. 1878 England.

Liz says

Quite liked this! Lady Mechanika is a force to be reckoned with, easy on the eye and has her heart in the

right place.

The demon 'thing' made me want to cry though... unreal how quickly I became attached to him... *sigh*

Kaitlin says

I love the art style of this issue and that's the main reason I picked this one up but then when I started to actually READ it, well now I know that I love the direction of the story too! :) This is a 4.5* read for me and an excellent introduction to who Lady Mechanika is and what her story may become. I think this is maybe a prequel which was released after the first few issues(?) as it's called issue #0, but I honestly think it's a fabulous place to begin and it's made me want to buy the trade for sure!

This story follows Lady Mechanika, the only known remaining experiment of integrating machines with flesh. She's an anomaly, a strange and mysterious blend of human and robot, and she's also a pretty feisty lady! Trust me, you don't want to get on the wrong side of her. Set in London in the 1800s this is a kick-ass beginning to a tale which promises to be part fighting, part mystery and a whole lot of fun. I cannot wait to discover more about her and this whole Steampunk world!

Also, can I just say again how truly stunning this artwork is?! I love the dark colour palette and the fact that our main character looks so feminine but pirate-y too is just an added plus. She's adventurous, full of secrets and very nimble. I think this could easily become a great series and I cannot wait to get my hands on the next issues/trade so I can read more and more about this wonderful character! 4.5*s and recommended if you like Steampunk!

Irena says

The steampunk is strong in this one.

I loved it!

I thought it will be one of those comics with the chick resting her boobs on the lower border of the comic panel while muttering some catchphrases, but Mechanika's got character and character is sekshiii!

Both ruthless and compassionate, she kicks ass in combat and looks a little like a drow (dark elf) with those dark, creepy eyes.

Too bad #0 is so short, barely showing that she is trying to figure out who she is and introducing a glimpse of her to the readers.

A little bit off-topic (yet relevant!) - I present the most adorable steampunk band:

Steam Powered Giraffe - Honeybee

alana says

This zero issue of the Lady Mechanika series was available for free download on Comixology. The appealing cover and promise of steampunk sold me. The author explains in the back how con steampunkers led him to try out writing a story in that world. Consequently, the steampunk aspect so far is primarily conveyed through the character costumes (which are brilliant). If not for the clothes and antique weapons, this could be any sci-fi cyborg story, easily taking place in any number of time periods or settings. With that said, I still enjoyed the introduction to Lady Mechanika who is on a quest to find her origin while wearing fabulous corsets and harnesses. Also, the end has cutesy "steampunk" recipes which seem like a very Gail Carriger touch.

Ady Weasley says

Este tomo nos muestra un poco del inicio de la búsqueda de Lady Mecanika.

Interesante como inició una rivalidad

Andrew says

I discovered this series by chance. I like steampunk stories and the artwork is amazing, so I decided to try the number #0.

This number introduces the character, there is not much story: Mechanika is a young woman without memories of the past and with parts of the body replaced by mechanical parts. She uses his skills as a private investigator and, at the beginning of the story, follows the tracks of a mysterious, partly mechanical, creature that could reveal clues about her past.

From this number we don't understand much else, but it is enough to be attracted by the story, enriched by the excellent drawings, that make the steampunk style good, right from the first image on the cover. The character is interesting, kind and humane, but at the same time merciless and violent with the enemies.

I will definitely continue the series, a great job by Joe Benitez.

Buchdrache says

Zunächst einmal: Wer kam auf die bescheuerte Idee, dass eBook only (zumindest auf Amazon) dafür eine gute Idee war? Auf meinem Kindle Gerät konnte ich es gar nicht lesen (zumal das keine Farben anzeigt) und selbst auf meiner Kindle App war es schwer und ich musste sehr weit reinzoomen, um irgendetwas zu erkennen. Graphic Novels eignen sich als eBooks definitiv nicht. Ansonsten fand ich es ganz ok. In gewisser Weise hat mich diese kleine Vorgeschichte (wie es scheint) neugierig gemacht auf die Welt. Lady Mechanika wurde vorgestellt und auch ein klein wenig wurde angedeutet, was es mit ihr auf sich hat und dass deswegen Leute hinter ihr her sind. Lady Mechanika selbst ist mir allerdings ein bisschen zu sehr nicht auf den Mund gefallen und sie macht zu sehr einen auf grumpy, unnahbaren Held der Geschichte. Der

Zeichenstil hat mir ganz gut gefallen. Es ist also durchaus eine Überlegung wert, auch zu den anderen Werken der Reihe zu greifen (die es hoffentlich auch als physische Edition gibt).

Akylina says

Stunningly beautiful art and such a captivating story. Too bad the paper issues are nearly impossible to find, because I'd love to add them to my collection.

Bill says

An awesome series that needs more people to read it. Too darn cool.
