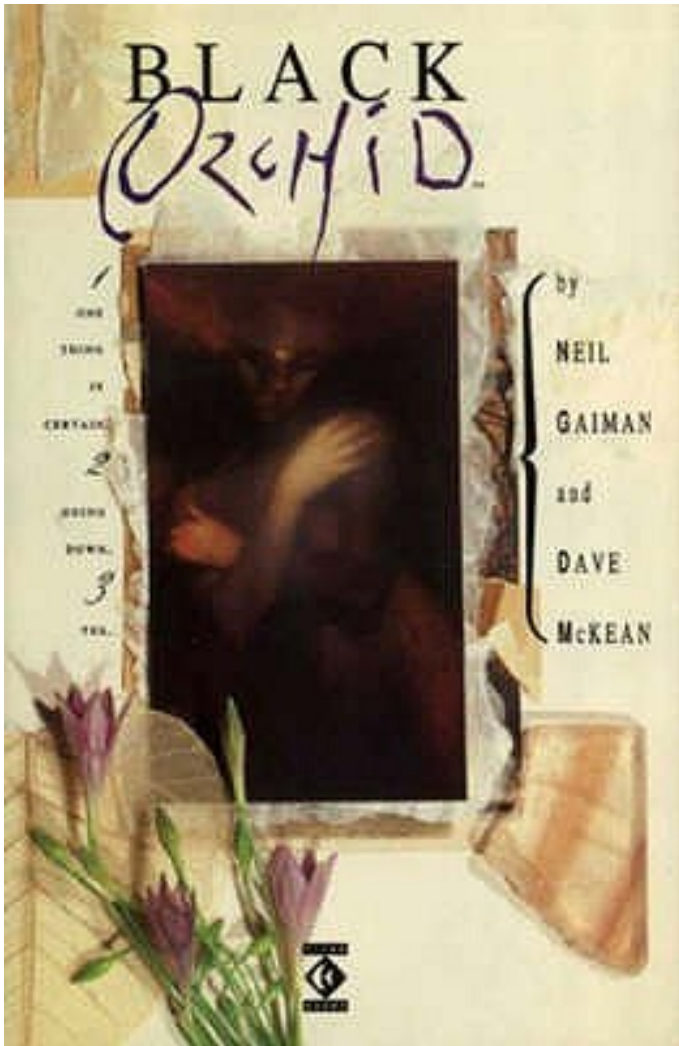

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Description

Black Orchid, the heroine of the tale, is both human and flower. In a desperate bid to fathom the chaos around her, she undertakes a hazardous journey to uncover her true origins. What are her connections to the evil Lex Luthor, the Caped Crusader of Gotham and the Swamp Thing?

Insightful reviews

Kat: 5 for me because of a new style, engaging story and with a very appropriately blended art. Even the paper's texture is different. (Or is it just me?) Maybe I'm easy to please. Maybe I'm in the mood for mystics. Maybe there was an interesting take on (spoiler alert) what is to me like a spin off from Batman series/world, which I didn't know how much of it there was at first. Story wasn't as action packed as other superhero comics I've read but I suspended all expectations. I feel accomplished for taking this chance to be my first Neil Gaiman. If this is a series I'll get the next one. And/or look forward to another Gaiman McKean teamup.

Sarah: Gaiman and McKean make a wonderful team, and never has that come through as clearly as in this book. There is a poetic style to both the writing and the visuals, in which transitions and metaphor play a heavy part. It's one of the most beautifully illustrated comic books I've ever seen, and the dialogue is touching and believable. The plot is so thoroughly unexpected, too, and it's a great ride. I took a little more time reading this comic than I normally take, because I wanted to pore over every panel for minutes at a time.

There was one little anomaly that I can't decide if I love or hate: the utter lack of sound effects. For the first few pages it was reminiscent of scenes in movies where everything goes silent and you can't hear the gunshots but they are flashing and you see the violence. But as it went along there were moments where it just took a second to figure out something simple like, "Oh, he's knocking on the door." It's interesting also because of the style of the art, which does not lend itself to sound effects in general, that it makes some sense, at least visually (it's not your usual DC comic, though of course it takes place in that world). However, I think it does lose something, especially given how onomatopoeic the dialogue is, and how frequently songs are used.

Anyway I've written way too much about that one specific thing but that's that. I still loved it.

EI: It's hard for me to review comic books and graphic novels because I don't know all the lingo even though I've been reading both on and off for years (Thor comics specifically since at least by my preteen years). My boyfriend knows the shit out of comic books and puts everyone to shame - he knows the lingo, he knows the people, he's collaborated himself with others and done some of his own solo work. He's in the *know*. I, on the other hand, can converse as far as "This was pretty" and "That was bad-ass".

This graphic novel *is* pretty. And it *is* bad-ass.

In the 80s, Neil Gaiman and Dave McKean reimagined the Black Orchid character from DC

Comics of the 70s. I don't know all the different connections and relationships the Black Orchid had, but some of the connections I *could* recognize in this graphic novel made me smile in that super dorky way that happens when anyone feels like they're a part of something cool. Batman? Hey, I know him. Christian Bale, right? (Kidding.)

McKean's art is absolutely spectacular and (sorry, Gaiman fans) I would have enjoyed the shit out of this even without any text (even though the story is also really good). But I am a very visual person anyway, and I am generally attracted to the sorts of colors that filled these pages. So, nothing personal. It's just really purty.

See, I don't know what I'm talking about. Purple, green, blue, some other stuff. Good stuff in these pages. I promise.

Jean-Pierre Vidrine: A vintage imprecise DC personality will get a Vertigo revamp. Of course, this was once a piece earlier than DC had get a hold of the Vertigo imprint, yet there have been a couple of titles already off of their personal darkish little nook from the remainder of the DCU proper. Here, the Black Orchid, against the law fighter so mysterious that readers had heretofore by no means discovered her real origin, identity, nor the total quantity of her powers, is totally turned into a completely various type of comedian e-book character. on the start, it feels very similar to an up-to-date type of tale that Black Orchid has been in before. She is undercover, in disguise, simply looking forward to the correct second to drop the fake face and knock a few undesirable men around. Then, all of it is going horribly mistaken for her. If ever there has been well-used symbolism for previous methods death and new methods being born, it occurs here. Neil Gaiman himself speaks via one of many felony characters and makes it transparent that the reader isn't maintaining a standard superhero comedian book. Instead, this turns into a narrative of a trip of self discovery and self actualization, with a few attention-grabbing interactions among the titular heroine and different DC characters. Neo-pagans and enthusiasts of fable and folklore tend to benefit from the discussion among Black Orchid and Swamp Thing. All throughout, though, are the entire right parts that appear to be resulting in the standard type of mammoth war of words on the finish that superhero lovers are used to. But, that does not rather happen. As is usually my habit, I detract from the detractors. There are various those who have categorised the finishing as "anti-climactic." probably they overlooked the criminal's phrases before everything of the story. probably Gaiman foresaw their criticisms and placed their phrases into Batman's mouth whilst he spoke to Black Orchid. Dave McKean's paintings is at its top here. there are occasions while his painted faces virtually appear like photographs. His special makes use of of colour rather draw the reader in and aid us think the story. I might be rereading this at a few point, as i'm yes that there are issues within the tale (both the textual content and the art) which are ready to be discovered.

Olivia: i used to be interested in this after searching through the TPBs at an area comedian booklet shop. It's completely gorgeous. My event with Dave McKean ahead of has simply been the covers for Sandman, that are beautiful different. My charm to his paintings was once 95% of the explanation I learn this. The first factor was once intriguing. There are those plant ladies which are type of superhero-y. a few dude made them. they're type of an analogous lady yet not. The motive force of the second one and 3rd matters used to be the "who am I" syndrome and it received a bit repetitive. i wished her to do cool things. however it continues to be

attractive so I learn on. The underwhelmingness of the tale is what will get the 3 stars. I like to recommend flipping via it, though.

Arielle Walker: arms down the main attractive comic/graphic ebook I've got ever read. The paintings is stunning, and the tale is complimentary to it. There are a couple of normal characters (Poison Ivy, Swamp Thing, Lex Luthor, Batman etc) yet it truly is Black Orchid who makes it well worth reading. notwithstanding to be honest, the artwork is so wonderful I might most likely learn it whether the tale was once crap. Luckily, the tale and writing is the same as its illustrations. I am beautiful certain I am simply repeating myself yet there's not relatively much more to say. learn it.

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