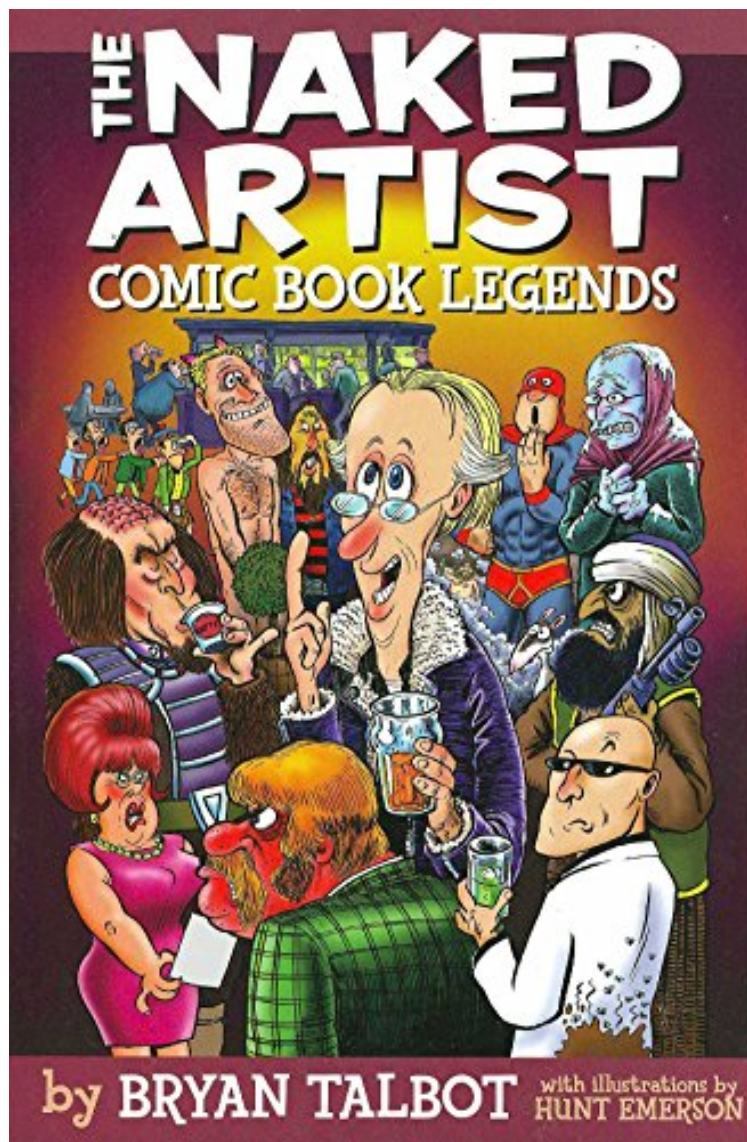


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**Bryan Talbot : The Naked Artist...And Other Comic Book Legends** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Naked Artist...And Other Comic Book Legends:

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Great fun for comic readers By Blake Petit Comic convention afterparties are the stuff of legend: when comic creators get together at the bar, drink until the wee small hours and tell stories about some of the outrageous things they'd done at previous conventions where they got together and drank until the wee smalls. As good as those stories are, you had to be lucky enough to be there at the bar to hear them...

until now. Bryan Talbot, Eisner winner for graphic novels like *The Adventures of Luthor Akwright* and *The Tale of One Bad Rat*, turns his hand to prose writing for this entertaining volume collecting dozens of these funny, often outrageous stories. Now if you're expecting some sort of "tell-all" book, this isn't the place to go - Talbot isn't dishing on who slept with who or anything like that. These stories, while funny, are more benign - such as how Dave Gibbons had trouble when airport security found a model skeleton in his luggage or Neil Gaiman had to get past a surly shopkeeper to autograph copies of his own books. He also gives the most succinct explanation I've ever read of the supposed Jeff Smith/Dave Sim feud. Although there aren't any trash-talking stories, there are a few revealing ones... tales that make the occasional writer or artist appear like less than a nice guy. Other stories, quite simply, show how completely outrageous some creators are willing to get, and a few will make you smile a bit at how sweet and genuinely human a comic celebrity can be. Talbot tells you straight up if the validity of a story is suspect, and in a few cases, tells you not only that a tale is an outright fabrication, but also gives alternate versions or hunts down the real incident from which the story may have sprung. It's like a book of folklore or urban legends - tales that have been told from mouth to mouth, and may have changed in the telling. For the most part, though, the stories are just for fun, just for laughs, and Talbot's easygoing, conversational style works perfectly for the book. Hunt Emerson joins Talbot with periodic illustrations throughout the book. The cartoons are very funny, although some of them - like some of the stories - are sometimes rather blue or bawdy. This isn't a book for the kiddies - of course, younger readers probably won't be familiar enough with the comic creators as individuals to care to read about them anyway. This is a fast read, but wonderfully written and well worth checking out for anyone who's curious about some of the behind-the-scenes dirt that our favorite comic creators sometimes get into.

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By Jeffrey M. Wetherington Sr. My daughter, knowing what a comic book history fan I am, gave me this book yesterday for my birthday and once I started reading it, I couldn't put it down! Lots of fun, behind the scenes stories in here about comic book writers, artists, publishers and editors. Many, if not most, of them are British or European talents so there were some I was not familiar with, but these stories made a nice introduction to those I did not previously know. This had been on my Wish List for a long time, so I'm doubly grateful to my daughter for choosing this for my gift. Thanks Princess!

The book you've all been waiting for! *Comic Book Legends* is an outrageous collection of the unreported exploits of comic creators, the stories only usually told late at night between the hallowed walls of convention pro bars! Eisner Award winner Bryan Talbot brings you the anecdotes, funny, shocking and downright weird, told about your favorite comic writers and artists, from Simon Bisley to Neil Gaiman, from Grant Morrison to Jeff Smith!