



SHAND  
GAROFOLI  
MUJONO

Grimm Fairy Tale

# Wicked THE ETERNAL



**UNLEASHED**  
CONNECTING MINI-SERIES





WHY SO SILENT, SAMIRA? YOU WERE POSITIVELY *ORATING* A MOMENT AGO.



DO GO ON.



I'VE HAD MY FILL OF BROWSING. WE WILL BE OFF NOW.

THIS ONE IS REMARKABLE. LOOK AT HER EYES.

THEY'RE... THEY'RE RADIANT.

IT SEEMS WE HAVE *MUCH* TO DISCUSS.

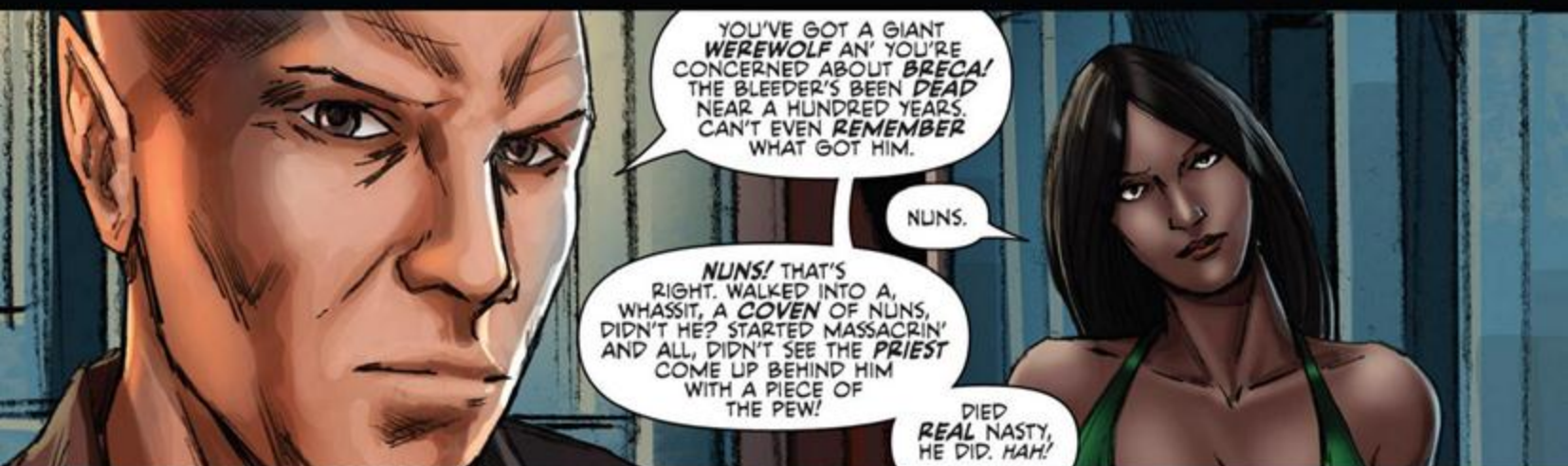


RAVENOUS, GO FIND SOMETHING TO KILL.

**RRRGH**

I MUST SPEAK WITH MY OLD COMRADES.



















"WALK WITH ME."



OXFORD,  
1348--



WAKE.



WHERE  
AM--

YOU TOLD  
ME YOU WERE  
AFRAID **DEATH**  
WOULD COME  
FOR YOU.

SHE  
AND I HAD A  
**CONVERSATION**  
ABOUT YOU, PET.  
SHE WAS AFTER  
YOU INDEED.

S-SHE?

...DEATH?



!GASP!





CERTAINLY. DEATH  
HERSELF. LET'S  
JUST SAY...

I GAVE HER  
THE WRONG  
DIRECTIONS.



I... I...

I KNOW.  
GET PAST THE  
'WHAT HAVE YOU DONE  
TO ME, MY HEART ISN'T  
BEATING,' WOULD YOU?



I DON'T *FEEL* IT  
ANYMORE... THE  
*DEATH* IN MY  
VEINS.

I... I PRAYED  
ENDLESSLY TO GOD,  
AND HE...

HE DIDN'T  
*LISTEN* VERY  
WELL, DID  
HE?



I GAVE MY *FAITH* TO HIM. I  
SANG HIS SONGS AND DID HIS  
PRAYERS AND READ THE VERSE,  
JUST LIKE MY MAMA  
SAID, AND--

I...

AND SHE'S  
*DEAD*. YET *YOU* LIVE.  
WHAT DOES THAT  
TELL YOU?



"NO MORE WORDS, LOVE.  
ALLOW ME TO *SHOW* YOU  
WHAT YOU'VE BECOME."

HRRRH...

GNNFF...

HRRGH...











SPAIN,  
1680--

THIS IS WHAT  
YOU'VE ELECTED SO  
IMPORTANT TO SHOW  
US, SAMIRA? ARE  
YOU MAD?

THIS CONTINENT  
ITSELF IS MAD WITH  
TALK OF THE NEW  
WORLD!

THE BLACK  
DEATH CAN TAKE THIS  
AMERICA AND BEGIN ANEW.  
WE CAN SPREAD OUR GIFT,  
AND CHASE DEATH FROM  
THE COUNTRY LIKE  
AN UNWELCOME  
GUEST.

THIS COUNTRY  
IS WEAK, NEW, AND  
FULL OF PROMISE. OF  
PURPOSE.

NO, INFANT.  
YOU ARE WEAK  
AND NEW -- AS  
ARE YOUR  
IDEAS.

WHAT FAULT IS  
THERE IN A NEW  
IDEA?

YOU THINK  
LIKE A HUMAN. YOU  
SEE AN END, A GOAL.  
TAKE YOUR PURPOSE AND  
CHOKE ON IT. WE  
THRIVE HERE.

I'VE NO  
NEED TO SEE  
LEGIONS BOWING  
BEFORE ME AS LONG  
AS I HAVE MY FILL  
OF THROBBING VEINS  
AND SLOWING  
HEARTS.

I HAVE  
SEEN EMPIRES RISE  
AND FALL -- THERE IS  
NO DESTINY FOR US.  
WE MERELY EXIST. THAT  
MUST BE ENOUGH.

THAT'S NOT ALL,  
IS IT? YOU ARE  
AFRAID TO TAKE  
THE NEXT STEP.  
TO EVOLVE.

YOU ARE A  
COWARD.

OH,  
BOLLOCKS.

...







NOW.

OOOH. THIS  
SHOULD BE  
ENTERTAINING.

AHHHHH!

KRRGGGGH

WEREWOLVES,  
SAMIRA?  
I EXPECTED  
BETTER.

SKLTCH

I ALSO NOTICED YOU  
WERE QUITE *SUCCESSFUL*  
IN BECOMING LEADER OF  
THE NEW WORLD. TELL  
ME, SAMIRA, HOW IS  
*AMERICA*?

MY MIND WAS *SMALL*.  
I BELIEVE YOU CALLED  
ME... WHAT WAS IT,  
*INFANTILE*?

YOU WERE  
*RIGHT*,  
VANESSA.





WHY TAKE A COUNTRY  
WHEN THE WHOLE  
WORLD IS WAITING  
TO BOW BEFORE  
YOU?

I HAVE BEEN  
REBORN. IT IS  
TIME I GIVE YOU  
THE CHANCE AS  
WELL.



SHOW  
THEM THE  
TRUTH.

LET  
THEIR FAITH  
GROW AS  
MINE  
HAS...



YES, YES...  
LOOK.



SMELL  
THEM. TASTE  
THEM.

TASTE THEM  
AND YOU'LL SEE  
WHAT I HAVE  
SEEN.



OH, WHAT  
THE HELL.



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"WHAT IS IT YOU WANT FROM US, SAMIRA?"

"IF IT WERE NOT FOR YOUR DOUBT, VANESSA, I WOULD NOT HAVE WHAT I HAVE. IN YOUR ABSENCE, MY FAITH HAS GROWN STRONG."

"I WISH TO SHOW YOU WHAT I HAVE LEARNED. WERE YOU UNFAMILIAR TO ME, I WOULD HAVE SLAUGHTERED YOU ALL FOR YOUR DOUBT."

"IN HIS NAME, OF COURSE. IT IS WHAT HE WOULD WANT."

"INSTEAD, I WILL SHOW YOU WHAT HE HAS BESTOWED UPON US."

A FLOATING CASTLE IS PRETTY BLOODY CONVINCING...

OH, BUT BLAINE...

THERE IS SO MUCH MORE THAN THAT.

NO! PLEASE, NO!

NO MORE, PLEASE!

NOO!

HELP! SOMEBODY!

PLEASE! HELP ME!

AAAAH!

HUNTING IS OBSOLETE. WAITING IS OBSOLETE. TRAVELING, HIDING FROM THE SUN, MOVING FROM PLACE TO PLACE ONLY TO THEN MOVE FROM PLACE TO PLACE...

THAT TIME IS OVER.

AAAAAHHH!

THE TIME TO FEAST HAS BEGUN.





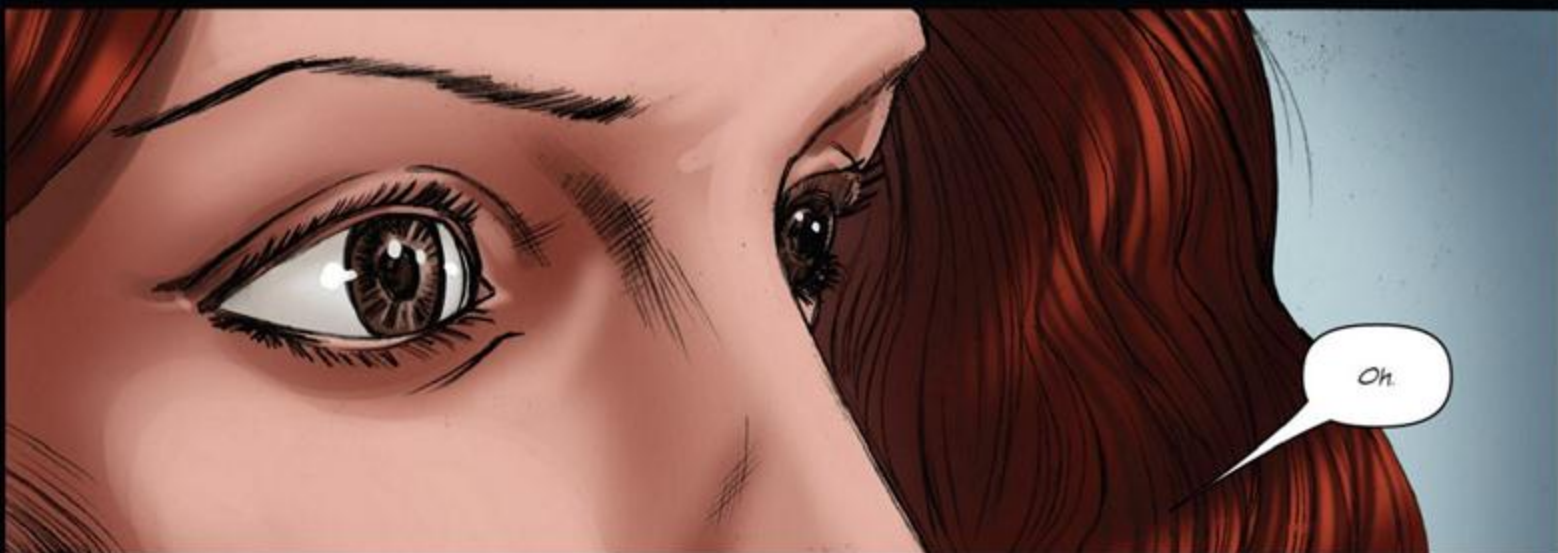


















People aren't dissimilar to machines, I've noticed.

**SNAP**

If I observe them long enough, notice their intricacies and quirks, I start to see the way they were... I suppose built is as good a term as any.

Now that I know Sela is alive, finding her may take some time...

...but I will do it.

You see, Sela is a hunter. It is in her blood, as it is in mine.

Where the darkness of other bleeds into our world, that is where Sela will be found.

So that is where I go.

**SELA!**



Tonight, in my searches,  
I surely found someone.

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HELLO,  
LIESEL.

Perhaps not who  
I was expecting.

# *Vaughan* HELSING

MASUMI. THE SILENT ASSASSIN





*Masumi. She was not my sister in combat as Sela was, but we remained in the Shadowlands, trapped together while Sela escaped.\**

*\*Editor's Note. See Hunters, The Shadowlands for more details*



*Masumi has saved me more times than I can count. I was able to help her defeat her foes this night, but I fear her demons run far too deep for my assistance to do much good.*



I KNOW YOU'RE NOT REAL.

SORRY?

NONE OF THIS IS REAL. THIS... THIS FUTURE WORLD.

MY ELDERS WERE FOOLS. THEM AND THEIR THOUGHTS OF AFTERLIFE.

IF ONLY THEY KNEW, THE AFTERLIFE IS JUST MORE MONSTERS.

YOU'RE NOT DEAD, MASUMI. I'M REAL. THIS IS REAL. WE'VE ESCAPED.

HOW DO YOU KNOW?

*I don't tell her that I don't know. I don't tell her that, despite all I've seen, despite all that has told me otherwise, I still believe in G-d and I still believe in Heaven.*

*I don't tell her that when I was expelled from the Shadowlands into this strange world, I too wondered if I'd died and had woken up in an inventive sort of hell.*



She might not be adapting to this new world well, but I know the only way to help her is to help myself. To find Sela.

It pains me to say this, but Masumi holds a pair of swords that, through our battles and journeys, have proven more useful than any of my inventions.

An ancient demon is trapped within her swords - she can use the blades to banish evil, to translate demonic languages, to trace magical energy... and to open portals.

I WOULDN'T ASK IF IT WASN'T IMPORTANT, MASUMI. I NEED YOU TO USE THOSE TO -- TO FIND SELA, AND SEND ME TO WHERE SHE IS.

CAN YOU DO THAT FOR ME?

IT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD, I AM--

YES, WELL, IF WE'RE ALL DEAD, IT WON'T VERY WELL HURT TO PAY SELA A VISIT, WILL IT?

SELA'S ENERGY CALLS OUT. SHE IS... HER POWER IS DIFFERENT.

SHRRRRRRM

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO FIND WHEN YOU SEE HER AGAIN?

ANSWERS.

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