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Moon Girl And Devil Dinosaur Vol. 1: BFF



Synopsis

LUNELLA LAFAYETTE is a preteen super genius who wants to change the world-but learned the hard way that it takes MORE than just big brains. Fearful of the monstrous INHUMAN genes inside her, life is turned upside down when a savage, red-scaled tyrant is teleported from prehistoric past to a far-flung future we call TODAY. The pair are many things, and together the most amazing Marvel Team-Up. COLLECTING: MOON GIRL AND DEVIL DINOSAUR 1-6

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Customer Reviews

I really liked the style of this series. It's a story set in the Marvel Universe with fantastic characters but with a very grounded core story of finding a place to belong and the fear of change. Moon Girl is a kid genius named Lunella who has the inhuman gene that threatens her to change when exposed to terrigen mist. She meets a dinosaur chasing a group of prehistoric cult thugs called the Killer Folk who worship a god embodied by an alien device. Moon Girl tries to get the device, thinking it would help her combat the mist, and ends up partnering up with Devil Dinosaur to chase down both the device and the Killer Folk, all the while dealing with suffering normal school life. The first six issues included in this volume sets up the story well and gives credence to Devil Dinosaur returning to our present day while introducing a spunky girl who refuses to give up. The threat that drives her is a great link into main Marvel continuity as well as slightly explores the thoughts of a latent Inhuman on becoming mist-ified. The Killer Folk becoming their own gang in a present day city is inspired

enough to be amusing with interestingly dangerous possibilities if they don't just go thug throughout. The art is well done and has a cherubic fluidity that gives it slightly bubbly yet sleek shapes that illustrate the actions of the characters well. The colors are bright and inviting yet with a slick effect that reminds me of an animated feature. I especially loved Devil Dinosaur's flaming eyes and Moon Girl's roller skating action shots. Great poses and panel layouts are fairly dynamic serving the action. What I find slightly disappointing is how quickly the six issues go. Maybe it's the slightly action focus. For instance, the Totally Awesome Hulk guest-starring while cool does detract from the core story a little when just the fight between him and Devil Dinosaur lasts a whole issue. The parents view on Lunella's situation is a tad one-dimensional. They don't really give any true support beyond the standard parental orders of "Go to school" and "no extracurricular activities" and only mentioning they know about her inhuman DNA and fear. They mean well, true, but there's no true depth in my eyes to the interactions. If they actually provided some suggestions, that might have endeared them more to me. As-is, they seem to be just another foil to Lunella's goals. While that serves plot somewhat it doesn't really serve character to me. What it does get through is the fear Lunella has of her inhuman DNA and her skepticism and disappointment of everyday school life and her parents. Devil Dinosaur could be smarter in interaction but he wasn't portrayed as truly dumb either. Overall, I'm impressed with the relationship between the two and would love to see more. The sixth issue ends on a cliffhanger with Lunella being confronted by the mists she fears so much. Devil Dinosaur takes care of her but it's hard to say what the result would be. The Killer Folk had ditched their god but it leaves the question of what will they do next. And what about the parents? As one-dimensional as they had been in this volume, I'm personally hoping they'd wise up and become story-serving characters and pull some weight. Fun story with endearing main characters and promising plot points, Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur the series is off to a good start. I'm looking forward to what happens next.

Both my 6 yo super-hero obsessed daughter and 9 year old son enjoyed it. It is great to see a super hero my daughter can relate to. Not to give away to plot, but there is some conflict from unexpected places, so this book led to some interesting conversations about people being misunderstood and how to work together. Make sure to take the time to talk through what happens in the book with your kids, because it is not just a clear good vs evil plot.

I really didn't get this at first. It was a bit confusing and I wasn't sure what was going on. But somewhere around the third and fourth issues I found myself really cheering on Lunella and DD. Now that it's over, I really really need to see what happens next.

I have only had time to look at this part of the way. I really want to devote more time to giving it a full concentration from all the good things I have heard. From what I have looked at so far, I would definitely recommend it.

The whole family is now clamoring for Vol: 2. We will be pre-ordering the next installment for sure. One kid thought the beginning was a little slow, but the rest of us liked the info it gave us as a basis for the rest of the story. Yay, Marvel Universe!!!

Christmas gift for 7 year old girl. The book is pristine! I wanted to get a superhero that she can look up to since she is a young black girl. The book is written well, any child with a bit of patience 8 years old and older should be able to read this and enjoy it.

Dear Disney/Marvel when are we going to get a Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur movie? Based on reading these books I would watch the heck out of that. So much fun.

This is one of the best comics I've read in a while. It's endearing, original, creative, and emotional. Highly recommended for all ages.

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