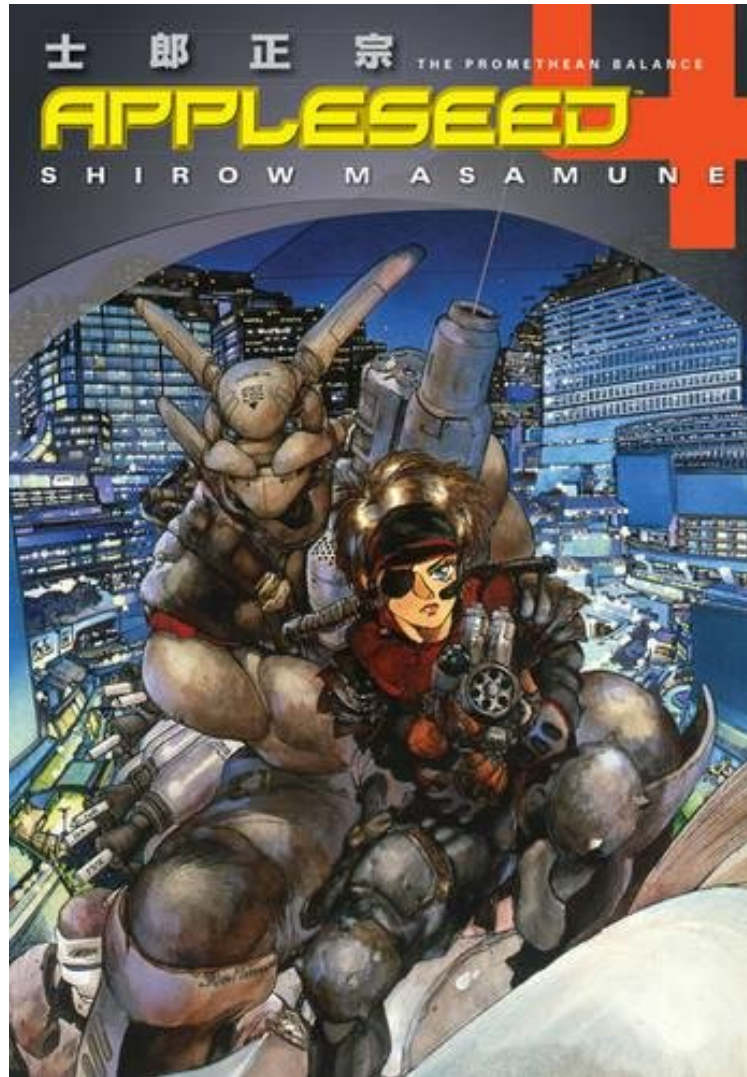


## Appleseed, Book 4: The Promethean Balance

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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Read 1 and 2, skip 3By anoddexperimentBooks 1 and 2 were great. They had an interesting and driving plot. But, book 3 was dull, Dunan transformed from bad ass soldier to something of a stereotype, the romance subplot was unexplored, and the action was hard to follow. All this was through a pretty rough translation that dedicated entire chapters to fictional politics and philosophical musings. 1 and 2 were gems. Book 3 was a bit of a chore to finish. Hoping book 4 is a little better.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Welcome to the golden cage...By Michael ValdivielsoWorld War Three is over. Nuclear weapons were not used, but

just about everything else was. Old nations have died out and new powers have replaced them. A nomad soldier, Deunan Knute, and her cyborg partner, Briareos, have been taken from the ruins, out of the wastes, to utopia. A utopia called Olympus, the central city of the new Earth. Yet, even utopia has power struggles. Will mankind be changed and become something better IF nonhuman or embrace total peace at the cost of his spirit? Or will it all be destroyed again by uncontrolled emotions such as hate and greed? Or will mankind be able to find a way, a path that combines it all? Shirow is the best artist to help us ask the question and maybe the only one who can help us answer it. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I enjoy the Appleseed series By Chris Moore I enjoy the Appleseed series, but I feel in comparison to GitS, Dominion, and Orion it is a bit dry.

Paradise ain't easy! In the future utopian metropolis of Olympus, a blazing beacon of humanity amidst a post-global-war wasteland, ESWAT agents Deunan and Briareos have fought tooth and nail to keep the peace and prevent Olympus from sliding back into chaos. When Olympus intelligence learns of a giant Landmate powersuit being built in secrecy, and on the threshold of a top-secret international conference of the highest importance to be held in Olympus, ESWAT is mobilized to crack the mystery and disrupt a terrorist operation that could turn the fragile peace into World War IV! From the imagination of Ghost in the Shell creator Shirow Masamune comes the manga masterpiece Appleseed, an epic cyberpunk vision deftly balancing hardcore techno-science, wry political commentary, and explosive action. A visionary work that inspired the wildly popular animated film, Appleseed is now presented for the first time in America in right-to-left reading format, as originally published in Japan.

.com "The adventure continues as ESWAT operative Deunan and her cybernetic companion Briareos work to stabilize the uneasy worldwide peace they fought so hard to establish." One of the quintessential Japanese science fiction comics, Appleseed--like the other work of writer/artist Masamune Shirow (Ghost in the Shell, for example)--combines interesting philosophic cyberpunk themes with dynamite action. The artwork is slightly more confident than that of the first volume of Appleseed, and the pacing is even more masterful. Witness the first action scene: the first 15 pages are told almost entirely without words.