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Brian Michael Bendis : Guardians of the Galaxy by Brian Michael Bendis Vol. 1 Omnibus before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Guardians of the Galaxy by Brian Michael Bendis Vol. 1 Omnibus:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy CustomerMy daughter loved it - and I saved \$25!!4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Unfulfilled promiseBy Neil J. MehtaBrian Bendis can write a smart, character-driven, action-packed story with a stunning plot arc. He **can** - but here, at least, he **doesn't.** He

introduces new characters to the Guardians of the Galaxy but barely uses them, he introduces mysteries early on that are never resolved, he creates major plot points that are never developed, and he neglects the development of his characters. That's especially noticeable with the female characters: Bendis shows that Angela and Gamora are very good at killing people, but that's not a character trait, and I have little sense of what motivates them. I did see a few glimmers of the Bendis that I know and love. There were, once in a while, moments of humor and honesty. There should have been more.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A great start ends up to be quite uneven

By Stephen Vincent Kempton

Shortly after the announcement of A Guardians Of The Galaxy movie Marvel decided to reboot the comic in 2013 putting their A-listers on the book. Brian Michael Bendis and Steve McNiven in 2013. This oversized collection reprints the contents of the first two trades or 12 comics. Over 300 pages of mostly beautiful comic art. Plus all the covers and numerous alternate covers are reproduced. The lead story from GOTG #0.1 tells the origin of Star Lord. It is brilliant and starts things off with a bang. For some reason Bendis puts Iron Man on the team. The rest of the team includes all the favourites we would get to know from the movie Star Lord, Gamora, Drax, Groot and Rocket Raccoon. There has been lots of discussion about whether Tony Stark belongs on the team or not. Personally I am rather neutral on the matter. I don't think he adds much but I am not upset about his presence here. Star Lord argues with his father and then the gang intercepts Angela, who they think may be attacking Earth. Angela is Neil Gaiman's Valkyrie like fallen Angel created for Image Comics in Spawn #9 in 1993. So after a lawsuit and Two Decades she is back. This is a mildly entertaining story certainly not worth all the build up. In issue #2 Sara Pichelli joins McNiven on art. She is an equally talented artist who also produces beautiful art. But in issue #8 and #9 fellow Italian artist Francesco Francavilla takes over. I love Francavilla's art on his prior assignments which are mostly gritty pulp characters and the heavy blacks adds lots of mood. In this book it is jarring contrast to polished detailed art of McNiven and Pichelli. It just doesn't work. Issue #10 brings Kevin Maguire on for the issue. Maguire is a much better fit. Unfortunately the second half of the book plays off the one of Marvel's big events "Infinity". Having not read that book I have no idea what is going on and quickly found myself losing interest. Why Marvel finds the need to force these events on their readers is a matter too big for this review. The book closes out with four short solo stories of mixed quality. I enjoyed the Groot and Rocket Raccoon stories but was bored by the Drax and Gamora stories. In summary I loved much of the art. I was very excited by the inaugural story and was having a good time till the crossover hit and then I became confused and frustrated.

Blockbuster writer Brian Michael Bendis takes on Marvel's misfit movie stars! Star-Lord, Gamora, Drax, Rocket Raccoon and Groot assemble alongside the Avengers to thwart Thanos' latest scheme - and they'll take Iron Man back out to space with them! They'll face the wrath of the Badoon, Peter Quill's father and - once again - the infinite threat of the Mad Titan! But can anything prepare them for Angela? The Guardians will add new recruits and fight alongside the X-Men, but which team members will end up star-crossed lovers? And when Secret Wars obliterates the Galaxy, what will be left to Guard?

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