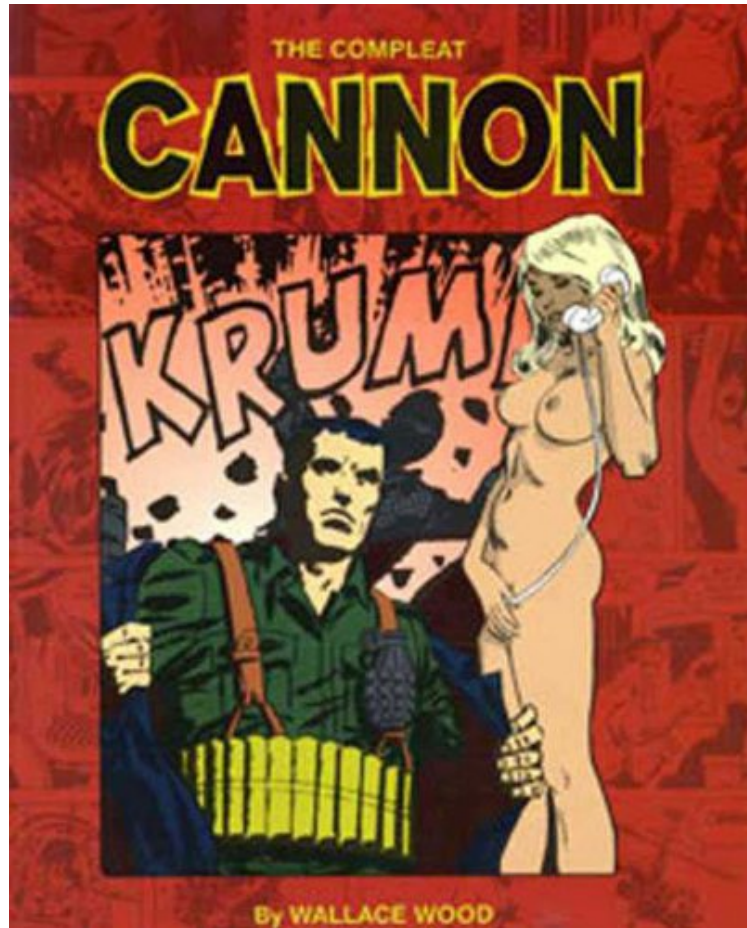


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**Wally Wood : The Compleat Cannon** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Compleat Cannon:

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Great fun By wiredweird Wally wood was an outstanding comic artist, possibly one who never received due praise during his life. Well, here's a chance to catch up. This wonderful comic arose at the confluence of several forces. One was the "Comics Code," basically an industry self-censoring organization that arose after a series of bizarre 1950s excesses by the comic publishers as well as those convinced that comics were the devil's own. This "compromise" left the whip firmly in Mrs. Grundy's hand. A second force drove fictional spies to the forefront of entertainment culture: James Bond, The Man from U.N.C.L.E, Mission Impossible, and numerous others, all spawned by the Cold War that seemed never to end. America provided the third force, its armed forces in Vietnam - sort of like a jungle full of frat boys, but without the civilizing influences. Wood dove headlong into that maelstrom, or male-storm, if you prefer. His artistic reservoirs filled to overflowing with racy imagery and episodes, but were dammed by the Comics Code. Somehow, he found an un-Coded outlet in a newsrag

that the Army published for the boys (back then, they were pretty much all boys) in uniform. For the big boys in uniform - big boys who liked big girls. Wood's numerous female leads shared three common features: a massive bust (that's two) and an aversion to clothing. Uber-macho John Cannon strode into that scene like a stallion among mares in heat, but even this relatively liberal outlet stopped short of showing exactly how hot. This was paid for by taxpayers, after all. If you don't mind some bulbous idealization of womanly figures, this provides a great mix of improbable adventure, strong artwork, unclad (but figleafed) babes, and minimal attention span.-- wiredweird2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. InterestingBy Don Diego VegaOk comic fans this is top stuff from wally wood. He's a legend and he put out lots of far out material. This book is made of some of his most sought after stuff.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Morten RoveAs a fan of Sally Forth I really enjoyed the drawings in Cannon.

The Compleat Cannon reprints the entirety of cartoonist Wally Wood's classic sex and violence strip from the 1960s. Super-spy John Cannon is the American's answer to James Bond, fighting the Cold War with a license to kill. Wally Wood is of course the legendary cartoonist known for his contributions to the original Mad magazine. Always regarded as one of comics' great craftsmen, Cannon is simply one of the most beautiful strips ever produced. Featuring outrageous parodies of pop culture icons of the time, the Cold War, and the secret agent genre, Cannon is Wood at his most gregarious and incisive, working on one of the few projects in his career where he had no editorial constraints. Like Fantagraphics' The Compleat Sally Forth, also by Wood, this oversized collection includes a section of never-before-seen Cannon ephemera in the form of sketches, notes and annotated information about the strip.