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Green Lantern: Brightest Day



Synopsis

Exploding out of **BLACKEST NIGHT** comes the next exciting chapter in the Green Lantern mythos: **GREEN LANTERN: NEW GUARDIANS**! Forced to band together during the rise of the Black Lanterns, Hal Jordan, Sinestro, Carol Ferris, Saint Walker, Atrocitus, Indigo-1 and Larfleeze must agree to disagree if their next mission is to succeed. But when one of the strangest beings from Green Lantern's past returns, the future of the Lanterns and the universe at large once again falls into question. From the Hardcover edition.

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Customer Reviews

Geoff Johns is Chief Creative Officer of DC Entertainment. He has written highly acclaimed stories starring Superman, Green Lantern, The Flash, Teen Titans and The Justice Society of America. He is the author of the New York Times bestselling graphic novels **GREEN LANTERN: RAGE OF THE RED LANTERNS**, **GREEN LANTERN: SINESTRO CORPS WAR**, **JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA: THY KINGDOM COME** and **SUPERMAN: BRAINIAC**, and is the author of DC Comics' biggest, most recent events, **BLACKEST NIGHT** and **BRIGHTEST DAY**. Johns has also written episodes of the TV series *Smallville* and *Robot Chicken*. He is writing the story of the DC Universe Online massively multiplayer action game from Sony Online Entertainment LLC.

A must own if you are unfamiliar with the entities. I found it a bit weak since it basically serves as an oversized prequel to *War of the GL's* and both books seemed to be a bit low quality. The storyline

peaked at Blackest night and just got less impressive over time. Since Geoff Johns made GL a popular title again, you should be able to find it at a library for free, it really doesn't feel all that necessary but where Brightest day ends, War of the GL's begins, so it really is up to you.

After the Blackest Night event last year, I was curious and admittedly a little anxious as to how the introduction of the new Lantern Corps would mesh into the Green Lantern mythos in the long term. I purposefully waited on reading further until this hardcover collection came out, as I believe that getting the full story in one sitting is far more compelling (not to mention nicer on my wallet in the long term). Needless to say, after reading Brightest Day, my fears for the mythos as a whole have been laid to rest. Geoff Johns fabulous writing continues to be strong, and we finally get something in this book that I've been waiting for since the introduction of the seven Corps: CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT FOR THE "VILLAINS." Atrocitus and Larfleeze in particular seem a lot more well-rounded as characters now than they did before the Brightest Day. Atrocitus proves that a Lantern's powers can evolve as a character does, and we see that his endless burning rage isn't quite as universal as we were led to believe. And Larfleeze proves to be more than a greedy, illiterate psychopath. It was great seeing more of the backstory for them, even if it was sometimes only hinted at. This is a wonderful addition to the series and worth every penny.

Blackest Night is a hard act to follow, but Brightest Day does so nicely. I don't think Brightest Day is quite as action packed as Blackest Night, but it is nonetheless excellently written and beautifully illustrated. I especially like the in depth character developments for Atrocitus and Larfleeze, who we actually come to care for to some degree. And it's ALWAYS nice to see the interactions between Carol Ferris/Star Sapphire and Hal Jordan. The artwork, both from the coloring and pencils, is spectacular on every single page, and adds tremendously to the story, which actually takes a step back from the greater mystery that is happening in the main Brightest Day story line. But in all honesty, my absolute favorite part of the book was the small origin story for the feline Red Lantern, Dex-Starr. I remember thinking when I first saw his character, is that Red Lantern a CAT!? Indeed, it was. And this provides a small little back story for how he became a Red Lantern. And let me tell you, the art and writing captured the emotions PURRfectly. See what I did there? LOL I literally welled up reading that part, and it just showed me how absolutely talented he is, that Geoff Johns can write something that seemingly silly, and make it amazing. All in all, this is another great installment in the Green Lantern saga, and if you're a fan of the GL mythos, then you won't be disappointed by this. Thanks so much for your time folks. Sincerely, R.A. McDowell

I love Geoff Johns run on Green Lantern. I own the original issues and the hardcovers. Its awesome. He has taken GL to an awesome level. I was shocked that the movie did not tap into his genius on constructing effective and well developed Green Lantern stories. I recommend it. You may want to pick up Blackest Night and Green Lantern Blackest night before you get this. Great Great Book!!!!

After reading the Blackest Night series, this was a must-read, obviously. Can't get enough of seeing the different Corps members working together for what they believe is a righteous cause. Bit of a cliff-hanger at the end, but don't let this put you off, you definitely need to read this if your a fan of the series! Lot of insight into Larfleeze and the others, and vital information pertaining to the Guardians. Highly recommended!

Brightest Day GL directly follows up the events of Blackest Night with a brand-new threat that the so called New Guardians must face. After calling a galaxy-wide truce and ending the war of Light that led into Blackest Night, the leaders of all the various new Lantern corps have joined up with Hal Jordan, despite his friends' insistence that he shouldn't be so quick to trust or forgive villains like Sinestro, Atrocitus, or Larfleeze. During the Brightest Day event, Hal, Sinestro, and Carol locate a new White Lantern that cannot be moved. With this discovery, they learn of a group of renegade emotional parasites that are possessing people on Earth (one for each Lantern color like Parallax for Yellow, Ion for Green). It also turns out that an old foe of the Guardians is also on the hunt for these emotional avatars. This book is a great continuation of the war of light story arc that began in the Blackest Night prequel arcs (Rage of the Red Lanterns, Agent Orange, etc) and directly leads into the final pre-New 52 GL "event" which was War of the Green Lanterns.

Never been a fan of many DC characters (Batman...who else is there? haha), but this series, along with Blackest Night and the War of the Lanterns- all put together- makes an excellent read. The storyline is pretty fluid and for the most part is doesn't seem too rushed. This is a good buy for someone who isn't normally a fan of GL or DC and wants to see what they have to offer. This will leave you wanting to get into DC a bit more.

Such a large story throughout the DC universe. Reads better than Blackest Night.

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