

# The PHANTOM

FOR THOSE WHO CAME IN LATE :

400 YEARS AGO THE VICTIM OF A PIRATE RAID, THE SOLE SURVIVOR, WAS WASHED UP ON A REMOTE BENGALI BEACH...

JIM AFAR

THE INJUSTICE HE SUFFERED PREYED UPON HIS MIND UNTIL...

I SWEAR TO DEVOTE MY LIFE TO THE DESTRUCTION OF PIRACY AND CRUELTY... ALL MY DESCENDANTS SHALL FOLLOW ME!

FOR GENERATIONS THE MAN CALLED THE PHANTOM, THE GHOST WHO WALKS, PASSED ON THIS LEGACY TO UPHOLD JUSTICE ...

MY TIME HAS COME... BUT MY SON SHALL FOLLOW ME... HE IS READY...

SON HAS FOLLOWED FATHER FOR FOUR HUNDRED YEARS... EACH DEDICATES HIS LIFE ...

...TO JUSTICE FOR ALL... WHEREVER I AM NEEDED!

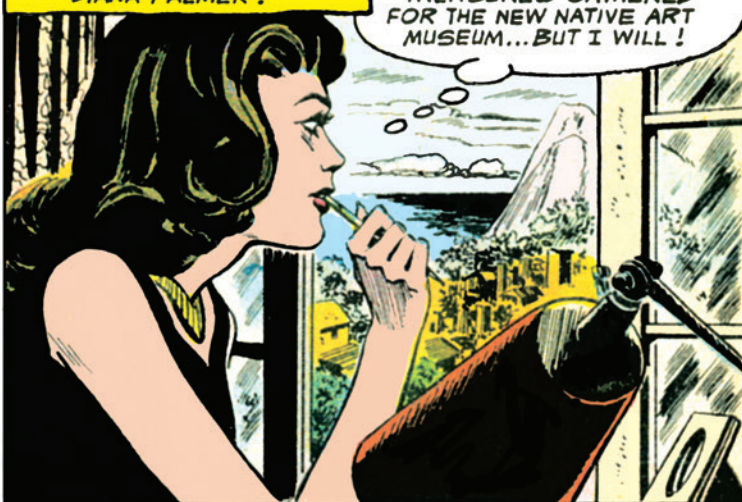
WHEREVER I AM NEEDED!

# THE TRAP!

EXCEPT FOR THE BANDAR,  
THE DREADED PYGMY  
POISON PEOPLE WHO  
SHARE THE PHANTOM'S  
SECRET



...ONLY ONE OTHER PERSON  
KNOWS THE TRUTH OF THE  
LEGEND OF THE PHANTOM...  
DIANA PALMER!



I'LL DO IT! I DIDN'T  
WANT TO TAKE THE JOB OF  
CATALOGUING THE ART  
TREASURES GATHERED  
FOR THE NEW NATIVE ART  
MUSEUM... BUT I WILL!

HELLO! TRANSOCEAN  
AIRLINE? I'D LIKE A  
FIRST CLASS TICKET  
TO BENGALI ON THE  
FIRST AVAILABLE  
FLIGHT!



SOON...

I'LL NOT ONLY BE  
ABLE TO HELP A WORTHY  
CAUSE BUT I'LL ALSO BE  
ABLE TO SEE THE  
PHANTOM! WILL HE  
BE SURPRISED!





MISS PALMER! SO GOOD OF YOU TO TAKE THE JOB! THERE REALLY ISN'T ANOTHER AS QUALIFIED!

GOODNESS! THANK YOU!



THAT'S HER! OUR TICKET TO THE TREASURE CAVE THE NATIVES TALK ABOUT!

BUT WHAT ABOUT THIS PHANTOM CHARACTER WE KEEP HEARING ABOUT?

PHANTOM! NONSENSE! THIS GHOST WHO WALKS STUFF IS A LOT OF TRASH! THERE IS NO SUCH PERSON!

THEN WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?

HEY! SHE'S GETTING INTO A CAR!

A SHORT TIME LATER... AN UNEXPECTED SURPRISE...

DIANA!

PHANTOM! H-HOW DID YOU...OOO, I WANTED TO SURPRISE YOU!

WHEN I HEARD THAT AN EXPERT ON BENGALI ART WAS COMING TO ORGANIZE THE NEW MUSEUM I KNEW IT WAS YOU! YOU'RE THE ONLY EXPERT THERE IS!

OH, NOT REALLY!



**IN A DINGY HOTEL ROOM...**

TOMORROW MORNING SHE'S GOING INTO THE INTERIOR TO COLLECT SOME PIECES FOR THE MUSEUM!

AND WE'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND HER!

**EARLY THE NEXT MORNING...**

I DO WISH THE PHANTOM COULD BE WITH ME... BUT HE HAD TO LEAVE FOR THE FAR BORDER! OH, WELL... IT'LL BE FUN!

**AND FOLLOWING IN ANOTHER VEHICLE...**

HOW MUCH FARTHER CAN IT BE? THIS RIDE IS KILLING ME!

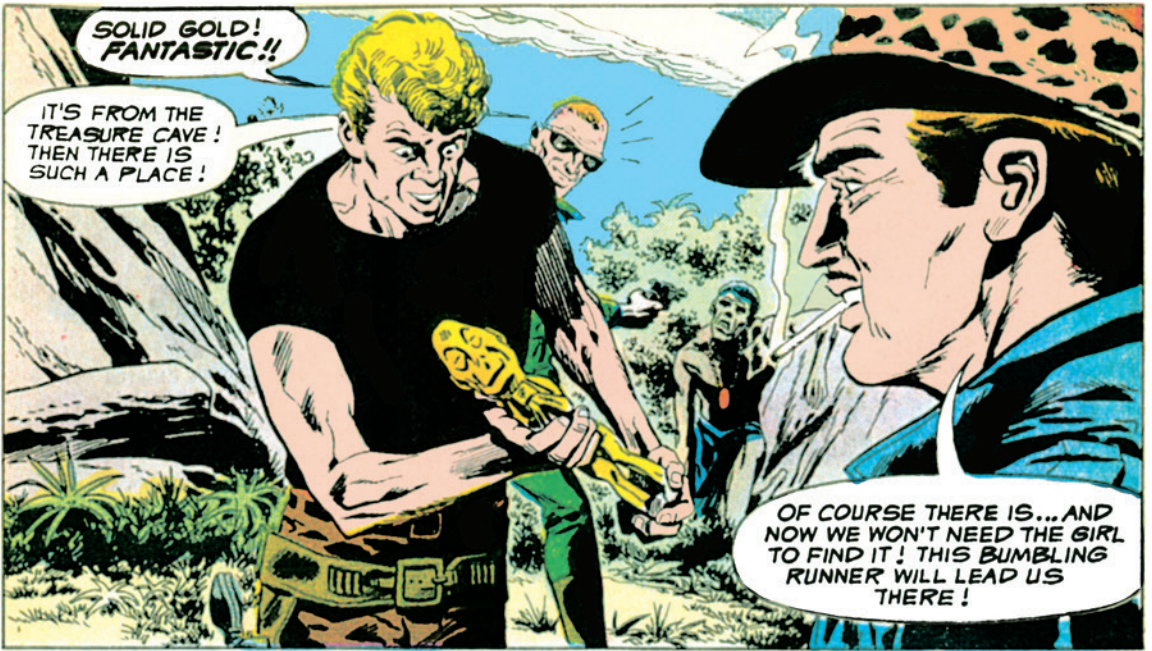
IT'LL BE WORTH IT WHEN WE FIND THAT TREASURE CAVE!

CARTER... AMES! LOOK! THAT NATIVE... LOOK AT WHAT HE'S CARRYING!

**GOT HIM!**

GREAT SCOT! THE THING HE WAS CARRYING!... IT'S PURE GOLD!

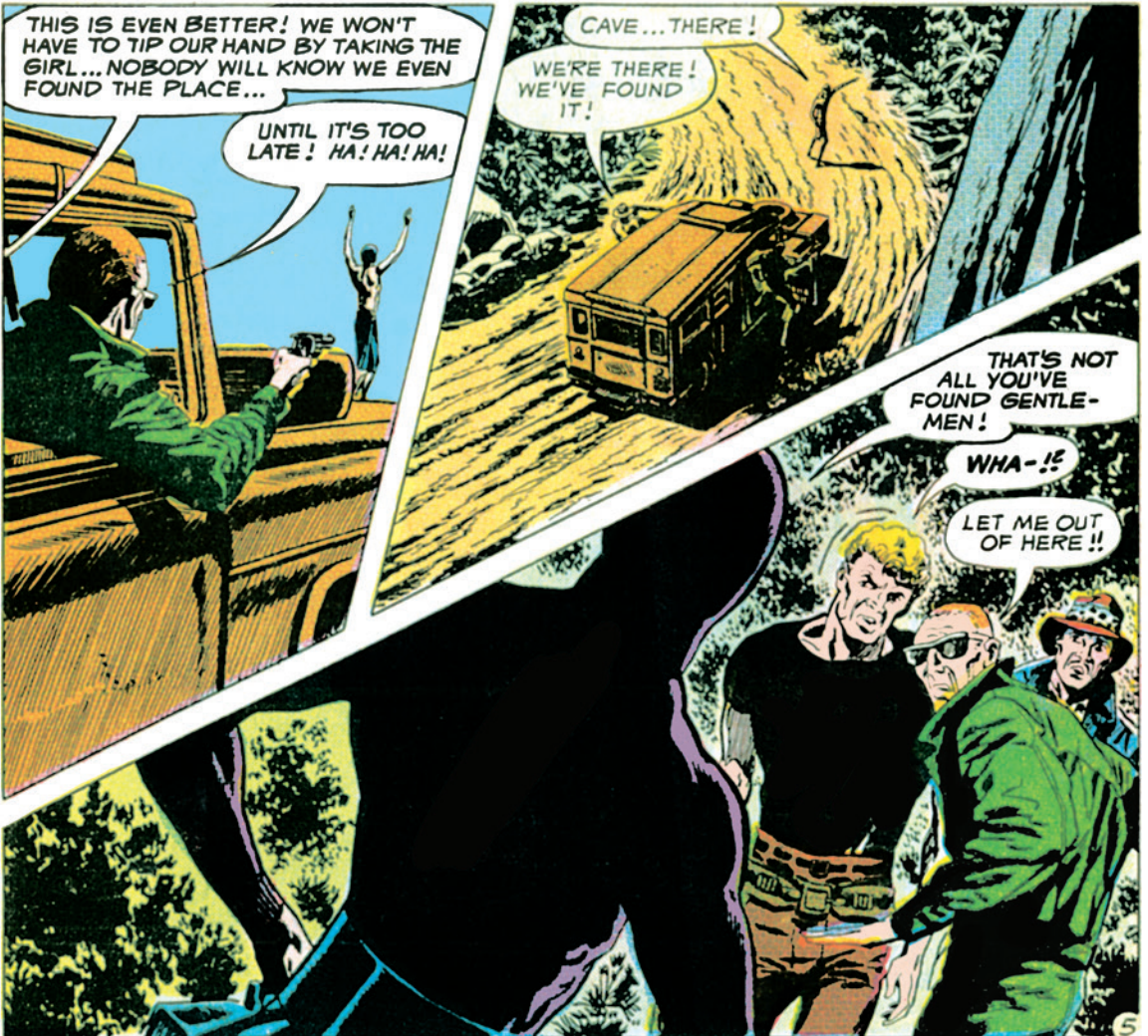




SOLID GOLD!  
FANTASTIC!!

IT'S FROM THE  
TREASURE CAVE!  
THEN THERE IS  
SUCH A PLACE!

OF COURSE THERE IS... AND  
NOW WE WON'T NEED THE GIRL  
TO FIND IT! THIS BUMBLING  
RUNNER WILL LEAD US  
THERE!



THIS IS EVEN BETTER! WE WON'T  
HAVE TO TIP OUR HAND BY TAKING THE  
GIRL... NOBODY WILL KNOW WE EVEN  
FOUND THE PLACE...

UNTIL IT'S TOO  
LATE! HA! HA! HA!

CAVE... THERE!

WE'RE THERE!  
WE'VE FOUND  
IT!

THAT'S NOT  
ALL YOU'VE  
FOUND GENTLE-  
MEN!

WHA-!?

LET ME OUT  
OF HERE!!