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# ROHRR! CHAPTER I

## WHY DID THE CAVEMAN CROSS THE SEA?

AH, THE DILEMMA  
OF PRIMITIVE MAN:

FOOD.

IN SHORT, EVERY  
ANIMAL MUST BE  
PREDATOR OR PREY.

REDUCING LIFE,  
THEN, TO THIS  
VEXING QUESTION:

WHO GETS  
EATEN...

...AND  
WHO  
GETS TO  
EAT?

TAKE THIS  
MAN FOR  
EXAMPLE.

THE ISLAND HE  
INHABITS HAS  
NO MORE FOOD.



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the heat was damp and oppressive this last afternoon of the old year.

walking the streets on bare, caloused feet was a little girl. the drug she carried, called maketch, was cheap and potent, but no one had bought any from her all day.

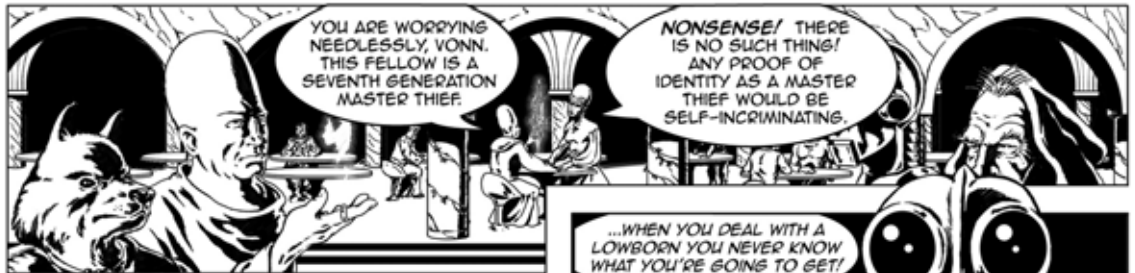
Laughing shadows staggered across windows, for it was soon to be new year's eve, but she couldn't go home without money, or her stepfather would beat her.

# MAKETCH GIRL

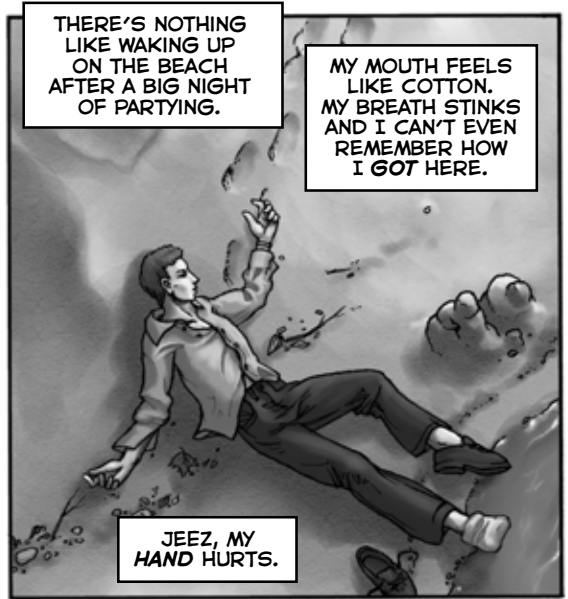
By Gary Scott Beatty  
with a respectful nod to  
Hans Christian Andersen



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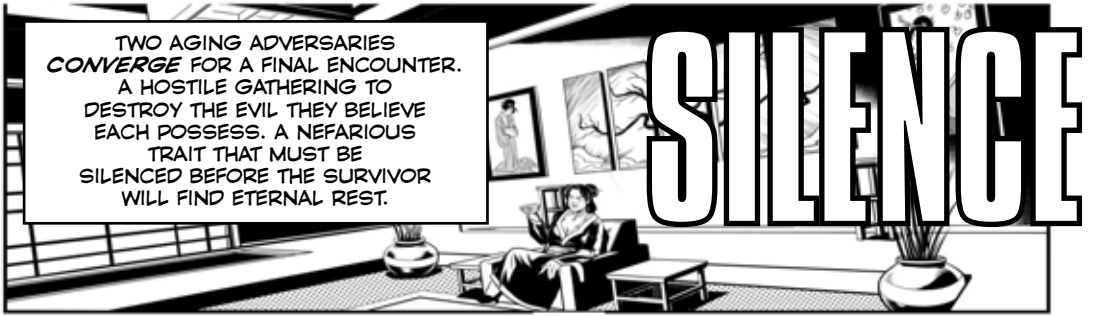


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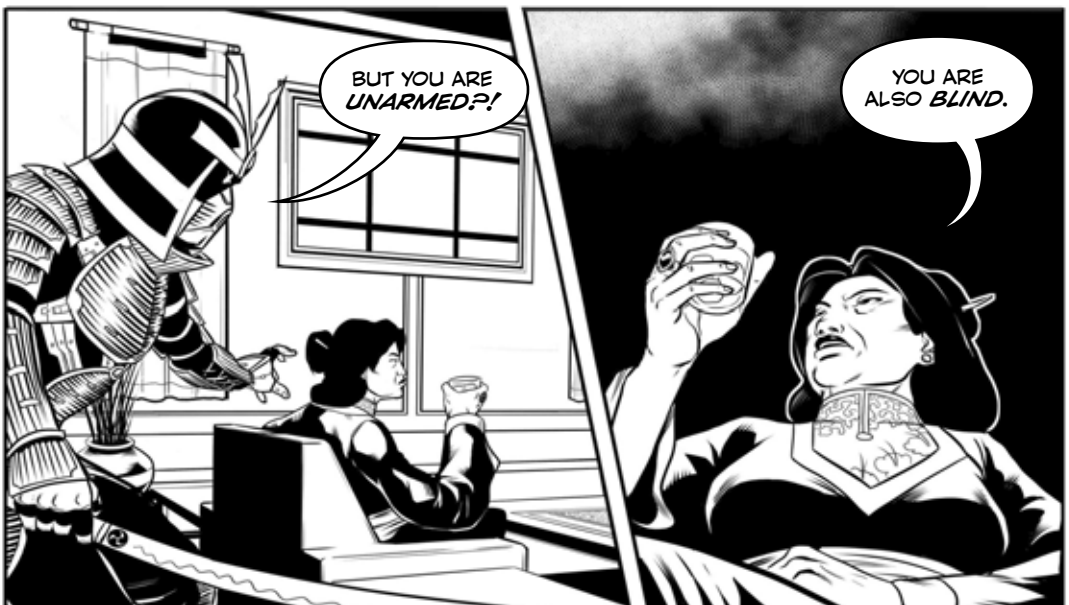
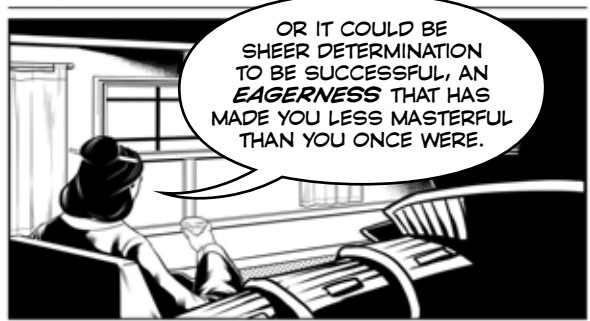
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# THE NIGHT ERRANT

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art by **RANDY VALIENTE**



YOU KNOW IT'S PAY DAY. MISTER FRANKS WON'T BE HAPPY THAT YOU HAVEN'T GOT YOUR PROTECTION MONEY THIS WEEK.

COUGH... YOU'RE ASKING TOO MUCH. I CAN'T AFFORD TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS ANYMORE.



KERRRACKK!

AAAAHHH.

I'M HERE TONIGHT TO STOP THIS GUY FROM BEING HURT.



PLEASE LEAVE HIM ALONE. WE DON'T HAVE THE MONEY.

YOU'RE UPSETTING YOUR FAMILY. I DON'T LIKE TO SEE WOMEN AND CHILDREN UPSET. SO, I'LL GIVE YOU UNTIL THURSDAY TO GET THE MONEY.



HOWEVER I AM NOT HERE TO PLAY THE HERO. THIS GUY WILL TAKE A BEATING TONIGHT.



BUT IF YOU DON'T HAVE IT ON THURSDAY, THEN YOUR WIFE AND CHILDREN WILL PAY.

HONESTLY... THAT IS NOT MY CONCERN.



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