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TWO WORLDS ONE DESTINY

When two planets collide, forming one world, the two distinct skull-faced societies are split down the middle. One side is a wild & stone age society named **RETROVIA**; the other side is systematic & ultra-futuristic named **FUTERRA**. However, when the two factions meet, skulls will clash. Can they ever be united?

Based on the hit trading cards created by lead Garbage Pail Kids card artist Joe Simko and former Topps senior executive Ira Friedman, *Craniacs* is a hilarious adventure through a world populated by unforgettable characters.

Written by Sholly Fisch (*Batman, Superman, Scooby-Doo*), with stunning artwork by Joe Simko, this volume collects all four issues of the *Craniacs* comic along with exclusive bonus material including:

- A covers gallery
- Fan photos
- Behind the scenes sketches
- Puzzles and games

"This book feels like Garbage Pail Kids went to art school, got kicked out and started a punk band ... Hilarious, weird, and brilliant all at once!" - **Comic Crusaders**

"The combination of Sholly Fisch's masterful writing and Joe Simko's iconic art makes this a book that will undoubtedly resonate with fans of all ages." - **Comic Book Addicts**



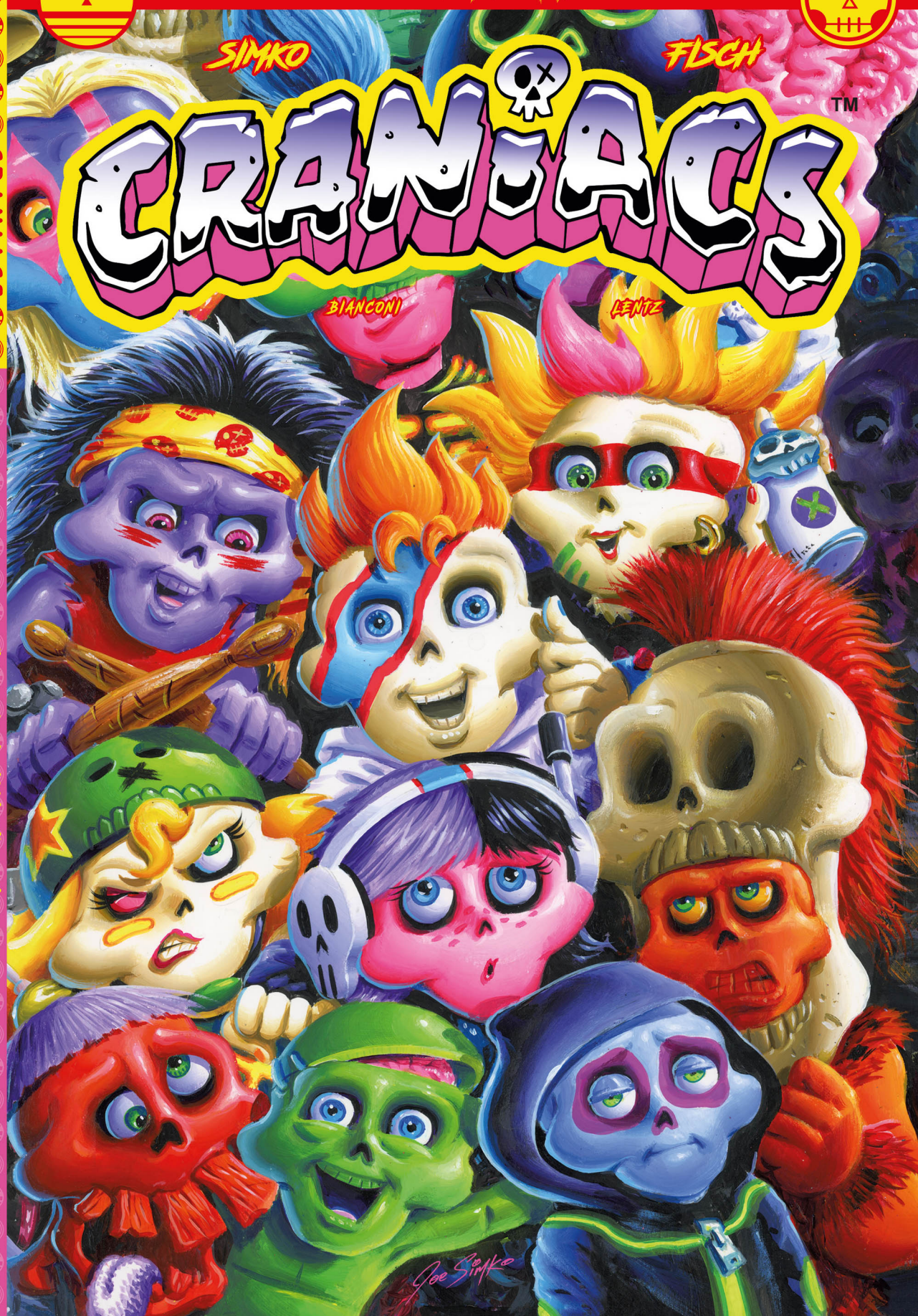
Cover art by Joe Simko

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THE CAST OF CHARACTERS

CRANIACS
ROCKY
(Retrovian)



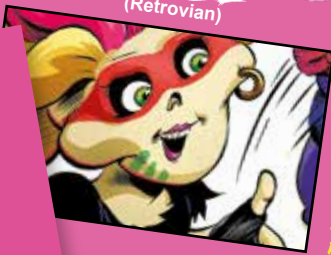
Age: 11
Hobby: **PLAYING DRUMS WHILE DRUMSTICKS ON FIRE**

Favorite Musician: **OZZY OSBONE**

Pet Peeve: **HAVING NO BOULDERS TO SMASH**

ROCKY IS OUR JOCK DRUMMER AND BOULDER SMASHER! ANTAGONIZER OF THE GROUP, BUT STILL HANGS WITH KIDS. #1 FRENEMY!

CRANIACS
PHOEBE
(Retrovian)



Age: 11
Hobby: **ART**

Favorite Artists: **SKULLVADOR DALI, HEADY WARHOL, JACKSON SKULLOCK**

Pet Peeve: **RUNNING OUT OF SPRAY PAINT**

PHOEBE IS OUR ARTIST, ACTIVIST GIRL, PRO-SKULL RIGHTS FOR ALL!

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CRANIACS
BO
(Futerran)



Age: 10

Favorite Movie: **SKULLHOUSE ROCK**

Favorite Athlete: **BONY HAWK**

Pet: **TURTLE - SHELLSHOCK**
Pet Peeve: **NO POWER IN HIS HOVERBOARD**

BO IS AN ADVENTURER THAT EVERYBODY LOVES. A BROTHER TO DARBY, HE RIDES A HOVERBOARD BASED ON NANO-TECH THAT CAN SHRINK AND FIT INTO HIS POCKET.

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CRANIACS
HAL
(Retrovian)



Age: 10
Favorite Holiday: **SKULLWEEN**

Favorite Food: **CANDY CORN**

Pet: **BAT - BATTCHECKS**

Pet Peeve: **NOT BEING THE MIGHTY HERO HE THINKS HE IS.**

HAL IS A RETROVIA KID AND WANNABE SUPERHERO!

CRANIACS
DARBY
(Futerran)



Age: 12

Favorite Cereal: **CAP'N CRANIAC**

Favorite Song: **"SKULLS OUT" BY ALICE SKOOPER**

Pet Peeve: **NO ONE TO CHALLENGE**

DARBY IS OUR ROLLER DERBY GIRL RULE BREAKER! SHE IS AN OLDER SISTER TO BO, AND RIDES THE SKIES ON HER HOVER SKATES.

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CRANIACS
BARNEY
(Futerran)



Age: 10

Hobby: **READING**

Favorite Scientist: **ISKULL NEWTON**

Pet Peeve: **HAVING NO MORE BOOKS TO READ**

A FUTERRA KID

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A ROCKY START

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JOE SIMKO

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VALENTINA BIANCONI

LETTERS
DAVE LENTZ

MOM?

IN THE THRONE ROOM, ROCKY!

WHAT'S ROCKIN', DEVAN?

AS GRAND CHIEFTAIN OF RETROVIA, YOUR MOTHER MUST REVIEW AND APPROVE PLANS FOR TODAY'S SHATTERDAY CEREMONY.

SMASH
STOMP
CRACK

YEAH, BUT SHE TOLD DEVAN HIS PLAN WAS BORING AND PRETENTIOUS...

...SO SHE SMASHED HIS MODEL WITH A CLUB, AND JUMPED UP AND DOWN ON THE PIECES, AND...

SHALL I PREPARE AN ALTERNATE PLAN, RILEY?

WHY NOT?

COREYYYYYYYY...

HEH.

THAT'S ENOUGH DIPLOMACY.

OFF YOU GO, ROCKY. GO WASH UP FOR SCHOOL BEFORE THE BUS COMES.



MRMPH "Go wash up for school..."



Didn't I just have a bath last week?



Just because she's boss of Retrovia, she thinks she's the boss of me too...



Course, this "bath" stuff isn't all bad...



NOT THAT PLAN EITHER, EH?

**SMASH
STOMP
CRACK**



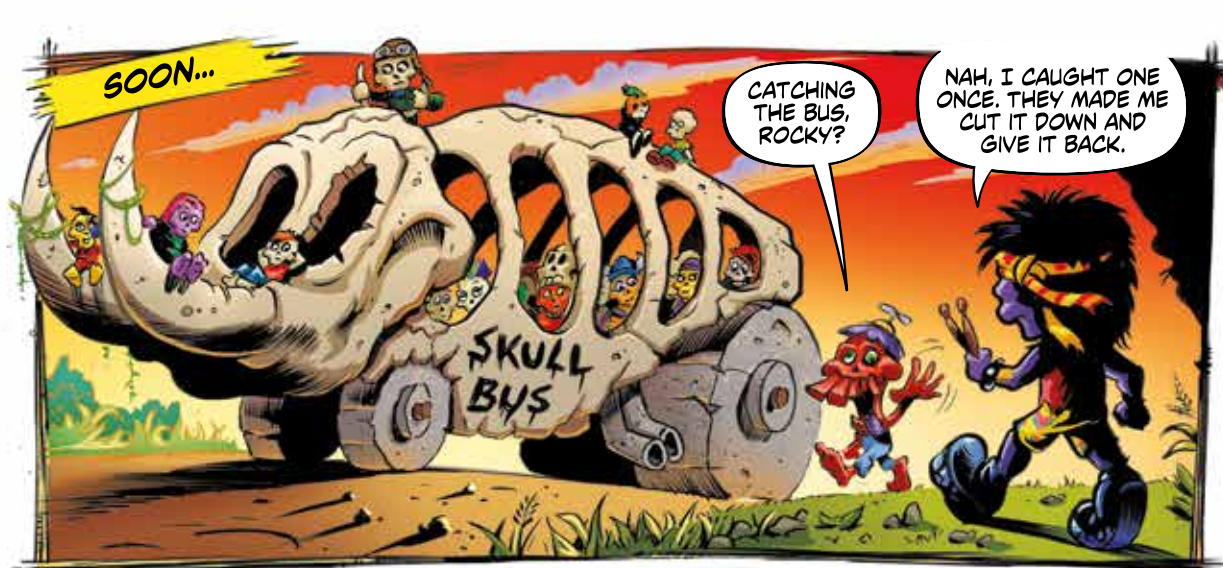
PHEW! YOU HAD YOUR BATH?



YEAH...



...AND MY MORNING EXERCISE AND BREAKFAST TOO.



SOON...

CATCHING THE BUS, ROCKY?

NAH, I CAUGHT ONE ONCE. THEY MADE ME CUT IT DOWN AND GIVE IT BACK.



HI, ROCKY!

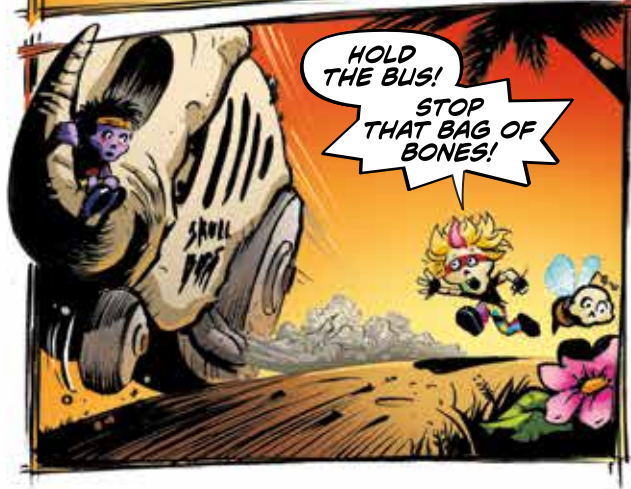
DON'T YOU MEAN 'HI, ROCKY AND MOREY'?

ROCKY AND WHO?

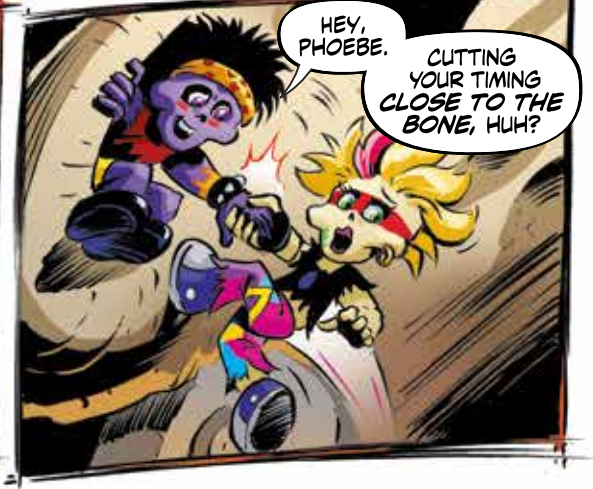


WE SAVED YOUR SEAT FOR YOU!

WATCH OUT FOR THE POINTY BIT!



**HOLD THE BUS!
STOP THAT BAG OF BONES!**



HEY, PHOEBE.

CUTTING YOUR TIMING CLOSE TO THE BONE, HUH?