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Dave Dorman Named Featured Guest Artist At Comic-Con

Summary: *World-renowned illustrator Dave Dorman, "STAR WARS fans' favorite artist of all time," has been named a Featured Guest Artist at Comic-Con.*

SHALIMAR, FL_ World-renowned illustrator Dave Dorman has been named a "Featured Guest Artist" at Comic-Con, the comic book industry's equivalent of the Oscars, held in San Diego August 1 through 4, 2002 at the San Diego Convention Center.

Dorman, whose art adorns George Lucas' Skywalker Ranch, and who was voted "STAR WARS Fans' Favorite Artist" by STAR WARS GALAXY (Topps) Magazine, is honored to be highlighted at the prestigious event. "I always look forward to meeting the fans, and being recognized by my peers is a huge plus," Dorman says.

Dorman rose to international acclaim in the early 1990s with his action-packed paintings of STAR WARS characters and scenes for comics, paperbacks, product packaging, and posters. In 1996, his prolific body of work for that property was collected in *STAR WARS: THE ART OF DAVE DORMAN*, a best-selling art collection from Friedlander/Random House. Dorman's fans also collect his illustrations of INDIANA JONES, ALIENS, BATMAN and his prolific MAGIC cards, in addition to the many covers he's illustrated for DC Comics and Dark Horse Comics.

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This year Dorman launched his most personal work to date, *RAIL*, a 48-page graphic novel, based on his epic tale, *THE WASTED LANDS*. *THE WASTED LANDS* is the futuristic tale of another world drowning in the aftermath of an industrial apocalypse and the chosen few who have banded together to conquer its evil. As Dorman says, “It’s basically a motorcycle spaghetti western with Arthurian undertones.” The book was co-written by Stoker award-winning author, Del Stone Jr., illustrated by Dorman and published by Image Comics of Orange, CA. Dorman also launched www.wastedlands.com, a website that regularly updates the web tale, “A Thousand Angry Teeth,” also authored by Stone, and based on Dorman’s WASTED LAND characters.

Comic-Con, a familiar catalyst for many comic and movie deals, is a welcome stop on Dorman’s 2002 Tour. Like many comic artists, Dorman will be proactively seeking movie deals at Comic-Con based on his *WASTED LANDS* property. “We experienced studio interest at last year’s Comic-Con,” Dorman says, “but I think the talks will get serious now that they can actually see something tangible.”

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