Comixology Originals Announces the Original Graphic Novel Major Thomás, a YA Space Adventure Written by Omar Morales With Art by Serg Acuña and Mau Mora

Major Thomás Blasts Off Digitally March 25, 2025

"Reading about Major Thomás' adventures on the mysterious planet Wolf 1061C, alongside an unforgettable cast of aliens and robots, brought back memories of my own journey—from migrant farmworker to NASA astronaut. . . For anyone with a dream, this comic is a testament that anything is possible—no matter where you start or how far you have to go." – Astronaut José M. Hernández

February 20, 2025 — **New York, NY** — On February 20, 1962, NASA launched the first American in space to orbit the Earth. This momentous event brought the far away dreams of children everywhere within reach. Now *Major Thomás* will blast off digitally from Amazon's Comixology Originals exclusive digital content line on March 25, 2025. A debut graphic novel written by Omar Morales, *Major Thomás* is a YA space adventure about a Mexican-American farmworker in California's Central Valley who becomes humanity's first hyperspace traveler for NASA.

"I created Major Thomás to inspire young brown people from all over the world to reach for their dreams, no matter the obstacles, no matter their circumstances," says writer Omar Morales. He continued, "The fictional characters in Major Thomás are inspired by real-life Latino heroes, and put into a fun, sci-fi adventure story."

Thomás Mùnoz was born into poverty with one dream—exploring the cosmos as an astronaut with his best friend, Lisa. While Thomás studies and overcomes many of his circumstances to become Major Thomás, a NASA astronaut, he continues to suffer from anxiety and imposter syndrome.

In the near future, the launch clock to all of Thomás' dreams counts down, but even after years of elite NASA training, he's still not ready to let go of Earth. When he ends up lost in space he is stranded far away from our solar system and becomes entangled in a savage intergalactic war. Violent reptoids are hell-bent on destroying Thomás, and the robots he befriends, in their quest to control all of the resources in the star system. Throughout the brutal war, Thomás' mind remains focused on cultural lessons learned from his mother and now-love interest, Lisa, who is back on Earth, working on a rescue plan with NASA. Will Thomás survive both the intergalactic battle and overcome the war raging inside of him?

Major Thomás includes a foreword by real life astronaut José M. Hernández, a former migrant farmworker who went to space in 2009. Hernández is the subject and inspiration for the Amazon Original film "A Million Miles Away," now streaming on Prime Video.

The book features work by an entirely Latino creative team from all over the world including, writer Omar Morales (Mexican-American), artists Serg Acuña (Costa Rican) and Mau Mora (Costa Rican), colorists Raúl Angulo (Costa Rican) and Fabi Marques (Brazilian), letterer Taylor Esposito (Argentine-American) and graphic designer Gab Contreras (Peruvian).

Not only is *Major Thomás* a fun sci-fi story with aliens, sentient robots, and real planets, black holes and constellations found in our galaxy, at its heart it's an inspiring story about digging deep inside to overcome tragic circumstances and reach for the stars.

Major Thomás will be available to read digitally March 25, 2025 from Comixology Originals. As an added bonus, **Major Thomás** includes an educator's guide written by Creators Assemble!, a nonprofit made up of teachers and librarians.

Praise for Major Thomás

"Thomás Muñoz is a modern hero... sure to inspire teen readers. Featuring all the action, sci-fi, romance, and diversity that comics readers expect, the professional illustrations lend ultimate shelf-appeal."

—Moni Barrette, Former President of the American Library Association roundtable for Graphic Novels and Comics (GNCRT)

"A fun, compelling, and character-driven sci-fi adventure that'll keep readers engaged and entertained.

A great debut from Morales, Acuña, Mora and co."

-Alex Segura, bestselling author of Alter Ego, Secret Identity, Encanto: Nightmares and Sueños, Spider-Society, and more

"Major Thomás is a charming YA tale starring a Latinx cast and creative team, who celebrate love and science—from outer space to the inner spirit."

-Shelly Bond, Former DC Vertigo editor, Editor-in-Chief at OFFREGISTER.PRESS

"Omar Morales creates an unpredictable story about friendship, love, and the price you pay for traveling to the stars. Just when you think you have systems lock on what the story is about, it shoots you out the airlock into the vast cosmos."

-Joseph Illidge, Former Editor at DC and Executive Editor at HEAVY METAL MAGAZINE

"Blast off with *Major Thomás* for a boundless adventure that teases the depths of both space and the human condition." –Brian Hawkins, writer and creator of *Black Cotton*, *Block'D*

"Major Thomás is a beautiful, passionate story about determination, perseverance, and love. Omar Morales has written an epic tale about characters that are inspiring for readers of all ages. With wonderful art by Serg Acuna and Mau Mora that complement the story perfectly,

this is a book I hope everyone will read."

–Adam Wallenta, Co-Author/Illustrator of the Ringo Award-winning *Punk Taco* graphic novel series, editor at PAPERCUTZ

About the Writer:

Omar Morales is a storyteller and writer from Oakland, CA with a deep passion for comic books – the medium that helped him learn English as a young, first-generation American born of Mexican immigrants. His original stories include *The Lunar Ladies* (Scout Comics), *La Chamarra* (Cloakroom Comics), *Metroid SHRED* (The Force Media) and now *Major Thomás* (Comixology Originals). He is the winner of the CW TV's inaugural 2009 Comic Book Hero writing contest. His book *CruZader: Agent of the Vatican* earned the Guinness World Record for Largest Comic Book Published in 2014 and is permanently on display at Jay & Silent Bob's Secret Stash in Red Bank, New Jersey. You can follow Omar on all social media platforms: @omorales81.

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