

THE COCKATOO



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THE COCKATOO!!!

LATE NIGHT
SHOPPING ISN'T
UNTIL TOMORROW
FELLAS!

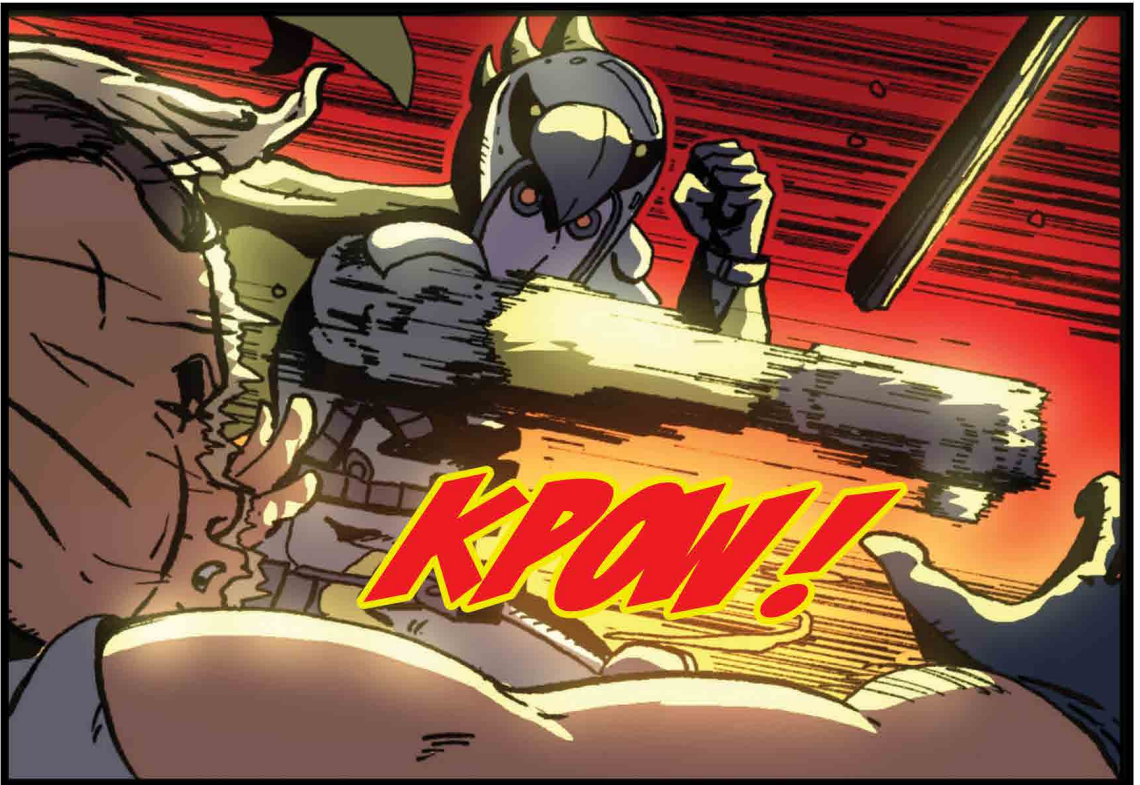
FIRST FLIGHT

PART ONE

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I CALL MYSELF THE
COCKATOO BECAUSE THAT
IS MY TOTEM ANIMAL.

THE COCKATOO CREATOR SPOTLIGHT

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"THEY SAY THE BEST TIME TO START A STORY IS RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE, THEN CIRCLE BACK TO THE BEGINNING. THE ODYSSEY, HAMLET, DEAD RECKONING, STAR WARS AND BATMAN '89 SHOWS THIS WORKED OUT PRETTY WELL SO FAR! THE COCKATOO CHARACTER FIRST APPEARED IN ZERO POINT: ORIGINS GRAPHIC NOVEL AS LEGENDARY SUPERHERO FROM THE PAST, AND I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO GIVE READERS AN INSIGHT INTO WHO HE IS, AND WHERE HE CAME FROM IN THIS EXCLUSIVE ONE SHOT FOR BLAK POWER COMIX .

SUPERHERO COMICS HAVE TO RIDE A FINE LINE BETWEEN THE ORDINARY AND EXTRAORDINARY. MAKE THINGS TOO DOWN TO EARTH, AND YOU JUST HAVE CRIME PROCEDURAL COMIC WITH WEIRDOS IN SPANDEX, MAKE THINGS TOO EXTRAORDINARY, AND IT BECOMES A SCI-FI COMIC, WITH A WORLD THAT DOESN'T RESEMBLE THE ONE OUTSIDE YOUR WINDOW!

WITH THE COCKATOO, THE MORE ACTION HEAVY STUFF TAKES PLACE IN THE 80'S, WITH THE COCKATOO IN HIS PRIME, WHILE THE FLASH BACK TO THE 60'S GROWING UP IN A WA MISSION WAS MORE GROUNDED, USING ACTUAL HISTORY AS FOUNDATION FOR THE FANTASTIC. BUT TO ALSO SHOW HOW FAR WE'VE COME, THANKS TO ABORIGINAL PIONEERS LIKE DAVID UNAIPON, WHO WALKED SO WE COULD RUN."

- JONATHON SAUNDERS, 2026



EVERYONE STARTS FROM NOTHING

ZERO-POINT

SCREEN AUSTRALIA PRESENTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH SCREEN TERRITORY AN UNDERGROWTH/TOMAS STREET PRODUCTION "ZERO-POINT"
FEATURING MARK COLES SMITH, STEVEN OLIVER AND EBONY McGUIRE ANIMATION DIRECTOR GUY JAMIESON ORIGINAL MUSIC BY THOMAS 'SOUP' CAMPBELL
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DISCOVER UNIVERSE ZERO



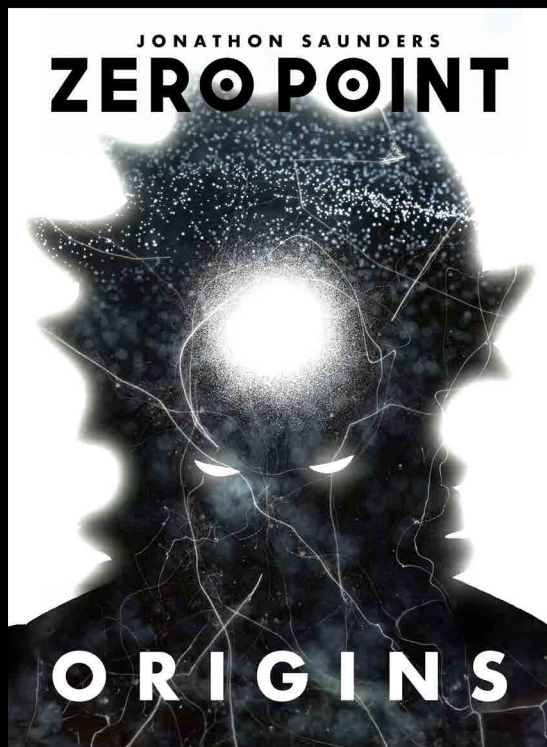
DURING A PEACEKEEPING MISSION IN EAST TIMOR, AUSTRALIAN COMMANDO KYLE BURTON MANIFESTS POST-HUMAN ABILITIES—THE POWER TO CHANNEL ZERO-POINT ENERGY. STRUGGLING TO UNDERSTAND THE SOURCE OF THIS POWER AND WHAT IT MEANS, KYLE RETURNS TO AUSTRALIA TO TEST HIS LIMITS. WHEN AN EXPERIMENT GOES WRONG, HE TRIGGERS AN INDUSTRIAL DISASTER AND IS FORCED TO REVEAL HIMSELF TO SAVE ENDANGERED MINE WORKERS, DRAWING THE ATTENTION OF POWERFUL FIGURES WITHIN THE GLOBAL SUPERHERO COMMUNITY.

KYLE IS SOON THRUST INTO A HIDDEN WORLD WHERE POST-HUMANS HAVE EXISTED FOR DECADES AND ARE TIGHTLY REGULATED BY GOVERNMENTS. ALONG THE WAY, HE ENCOUNTERS AUSTRALIA'S BRONZE-AGE HERO **THE COCKATOO**, THE STATE-SANCTIONED OPERATIVES OF AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL EXTRA-NORMAL CIVIL OPERATIVES, AND ADAM MAGNUS, THE MOST POWERFUL POST-HUMAN ON THE PLANET.

AS SUPERHEROES ARE REVEALED TO BE DEEPLY EMBEDDED IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND GEOPOLITICAL POWER STRUGGLES, KYLE MUST CHOOSE: SERVE THE SYSTEM—OR BECOME AN OUTLAW.

ZERO POINT: ORIGINS GRAPHIC NOVEL IS THE HIGH-OCTANE PREQUEL TO THE AWARD-WINNING ANIMATED WEB SERIES ZERO POINT: SEASON ZERO STARRING MARK COLE SMITH AND STEVEN OLIVER - AND THE GATEWAY INTO THE EXPANDING UNIVERSE ZERO!

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BLAK POWER

COMIX



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