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A World War II romance about an American girl and a Japanese boy who have seen each other's lives in their sleep since birth. This is a 72-page, FULL COLOR graphic novel collecting the complete acclaimed DREAMLESS story in one handy printed volume! Written by MARRY ME and LAST BLOOD author Bobby Crosby, and beautifully painted by THE PHOENIX REQUIEM creator Sarah Ellerton.

Dreamless Details

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From Reader Review Dreamless for online ebook

Patrick says

This rocked my socks. Cool concept. Well executed.

I'd be eager to read more of the story... it's certainly open-ended enough for that. But I don't think there's actually more to it.

I'm fine with that. It stands alone well enough. Sometimes the whole point of a story is that we want to know more at the ending.

Mel (Daily Prophecy) says

I guess this is the perfect story if you are really romantic at heart - which I am not. I would have liked this so much better if the two of them were simply best friends, instead of two people pining over one another. There are also a few details I would have liked to see explored more (like when her father comments about the fact he can speak German), but I liked the overall idea and artwork.

Laura Morrigan says

Adapted Review from my blog, <http://rosesandvellum.blogspot.com/20...>

Dreamless is a free online web comic about Elanor and Takashi. Born on opposite sides of the world on the same day, when they sleep, they never dream, but instead see each other's lives in real time. They form an unshakeable bond, but their strangeness of their situation and the impending war threaten their relationship.

This is a fairly short online comic, and I read it last night. I loved the idea of being connected to someone else and seeing their life instead of your own dreams. There is so much I want to say about the clever plot and concepts, but I don't want to ruin the story for you and it is quite short. Suffice to say that as it is a free online comic, you should definitely read it! There are also other online comics you can read on this site through the 'select a spot!' bar in the top right hand corner. I haven't had time to check any others out yet.

Dreamless is presented in a lush visual style as graphic novel panels painted in beautiful three dimensional art that appears to be done in gouache paint. It is a real pleasure to read and highly recommended.

Natalie Cannon says

As far as the writing, the concept was fantastic and interesting, but I wish there was more plot. DREAMLESS seems more of an origin story, a roundabout way for the author to explain this cool concept they thought up. A lot of this feeling could be attributed to the flashback nature: the bulk of the story is told in flashback while Elanor is on her seeming deathbed. Elanor was pretty sprightly for somebody dying though, so I knew she wasn't REALLY going to die. Since I knew the story was leading up to a point where our main character is kinda okay, all the tension just deflated for me. I was constantly waiting for the

characters to do something in the present. This plot concern really kept me from giving it another star.

However, THE ART IS SO AMAZING! I burn, I pine, I perish. Everything's full color and just as beautiful as the cover. Sign me up for this artist forever. It's so, so brilliant. I would finish the story for that alone.

Silvia says

Loved this. I wish there were more volumes, but still a fantastic and well crafted story!

Barry Haworth says

An interesting graphic novel which I read online, this is the story of two people who share an unusual bond. Living in different countries, when one is asleep they experience the life of the other person. A fascinating premise which is well explored in this short but very enjoyable story.

Sara says

interesting story, albeit very cheesy. Draws you in and keeps you reading. But once again, terrible illustrations.

Shawna says

I am torn, I loved the art work and the concept of the book, but I am always annoyed with stories that have women (girls) who cannot seem to get along without a man. I need a strong heroine, and this is definitely not one of those. She rejects everything in her real life to spend time and energy just with the boy she sees when she is asleep.

I wanted to like it, and maybe if it continues the characters can actually grown. But alone this one does not do it for me.

Stephanie says

It's rare for webcomics to tell a story so compelling, or illustrate every page as lavishly as a painting. I admire the courage and dedication it required to make the transformation from concept to graphic novel, and am determined to keep an eye out for future projects by either Bobby or Sarah.

Harold Smithson (Suicide punishable by Death) says

A decent idea wasted on a trite and melodramatic love story. The webcomic could very easily have been worth a read had it been about two friends sharing each lives and helping each other cope with their

respective problems. Instead we get two people pining for one another until I was convinced that it was unhealthy for both of them. The girl barely has a social life and, judging by how much she slept in her childhood, is probably failing her classes. Some people may find the concept of two people utterly obsessed with one another to the point of distraction romantic but to me the characters' behaviors seemed more in line with mental disorders.

Also, the storytelling was a bit confusing. Time jumps occur frequently and certain segments are so quickly paced that more than once I scratched my head. The story could have begun when the two main characters were adults and very little would have been lost.

Kudos to illustrator Sarah Ellerton, whose art is the best I've ever seen from a webcomic, but the writing doesn't do it any favors. Dreamless is the exact opposite of FreakAngels, which boasts good writing but lackluster artwork, and I found that, in a situation where I must choose between the two, I prefer a competent writer to a competent illustrator.

If you want a story about two people who influence each others' lives then watch Cinema Paradiso, which is better written and has more interesting characters.

Syed Umar says

Dreamless was quite good!

*A little confusing at the beginning (top to bottom or left to right etc) but later on, my brain just made it instinctive and I was **fully immersed**. The story was so good as well as the art! The second last page... I usually love anything WWII related. This felt like forbidden love, and some Romeo & Juliet feel in terms of the setting.*

*But the middle part kind of felt like a drag. The good part is it made me **feel**, anticipate.*

*And overall, a good **initiation** into the comic/graphic novel world. I will be reading more soon!*

3 stars!

Greg says

So I read an article indicating that Joss Whedon's new movie, "In Your Eyes," is a bit of a rip-off of this web-comic. I'll let people who are more in the know than me figure that out but I did decide to give it a read in advance of seeing the film and I'm glad I did. This is really a spectacular package. The art is beautiful and the story is told perfectly. The themes are spot on and developed well throughout. My only frustration was the ending - that is, that it had one! I really want more from this mythology and wish this wasn't just a one-off. Whether Whedon was aware of this work or not when he wrote his script, I'm interested to see the movie and as I think the concept is really great.

Mike says

This is collects the entire Dreamless graphic novel style webcomic.

Dreamless is the story of two people living worlds apart, one in America and one in Japan, who see through each other minds instead of dreaming when they sleep. The story of the bond they form is very touching, well told and amazingly illustrated. The painted style artwork gives a great feel and resonates well with the atmosphere of the story. The WWII era setting adds a nice layer to things.

My only criticism is that there are a lot of details that I wanted explored more and thus the story could've been much longer, but what's here is great and leaving the reader wishing there was more while still telling a complete story isn't that much of a negative. The story doesn't unfold the way I thought it would (or would've myself) but again that's not really a negative.

Dreamless is original, imaginative and thoroughly engaging.

Alex says

I first heard about Dreamless in the summer of 2010, when I started getting to know someone I would later love, someone with whom I shared my dreams. The motif of this graphic novel runs close to home, as I've always been a vivid dreamer. Also, the premise behind Dreamless is right up my alley — time travel/sci-fi, plus romance, plus dreams and psychic connections — and the art is gorgeous. However, the story felt a bit rushed, and I would have loved more development in the supporting characters. Nevertheless, it was an appreciably creative endeavor that I'll hold in a special place simply because it hits home in many ways.

Vim says

I've been hooked reading Bobby crosby's online comics. This compilation is simply superb. Check out his website to see his works. Here's the URL of the story [http:// dreamless.keenspot.com](http://dreamless.keenspot.com) you can read the whole story there. =]
