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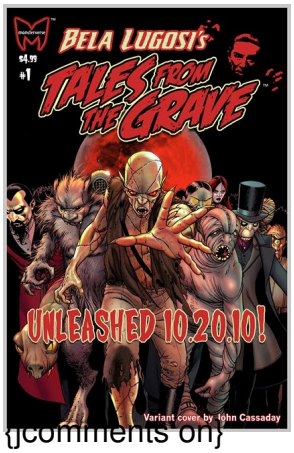
Monsterverse Entertainment, which is publishing the upcoming BELA LUGOSI'S TALES FROM THE GRAVE horror anthology comic book series, has posted the John Cassaday variant cover for the first issue. Take a look after the jump.

BELA LUGOSI'S TALES FROM THE GRAVE is a full-color comics anthology in the classic EC and Warren tradition that presents weird and fantastic tales. In a special arrangement with Bela G. Lugosi, Bela's son, the DRACULA actor will act as host and commentator for each terror tale. The standard cover for issue #1 features a Lugosi portrait by legendary monster painter Basil Gogos. One copy of the special Cassaday cover edition will be included with every five copies of the issue. Cassaday was the illustrator of DC Comics' PLANETARY series and Marvel Comics' ASTONISHING X-MEN (for which he received the Eisner Award for best penciller). He also directed an episode of DOLLHOUSE, which was created by his X-MEN collaborator Joss Whedon.

TALES FROM THE GRAVE will be in comic shops during the coming Halloween season. The comic will be a double-sized 48-page color quarterly that retails for $4.99. Besides the variant cover, Cassaday also provided the script and art for one of the stories in the first issue. Other stories feature work by Kerry Gammill (SPIDER-MAN), James Farr (XOMBIE online animated and comic book series), Chris Moreno (WORLD WAR HULK), Rob Brown (BANE OF THE WEREWOLF), Bruce Timm (BATMAN: THE ANIMATED SERIES) and more. Upcoming issues will feature work by directors John Landis and Joe Dante, makeup maestro Rick Baker, Steve Niles, Joe & John Lansdale and others.

Click here to see the Gogos cover, and visit the official Monsterverse site for more info and updates.



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