Not only is his DARK TOWER series being turned into a movie-TV franchise by Ron Howard, but the author recently announced that he has two new books (click here to read about ’em) coming out. And today it was announced that King has a short story being published in *The Atlantic*, and that the next arc in Marvel’s DARK TOWER comics series is coming as well.

The writer’s official site reports that King’s short story “Herman Wouk Is Still Alive” will be published in the May issue of *The Atlantic*, on newsstands April 19 and available on the web and to subscribers a week earlier.

Additionally, the next arc in Marvel’s DARK TOWER series begins this June. The five-issue series is titled DARK TOWER: THE GUNSLINGER: THE BATTLE OF THE TULL, and will be written by Peter David, Robin Furth and Richard Isanove, with artwork by Michael Lark.

“I have nothing but respect and admiration for Stephen King and the chance to work on the DARK TOWER is a wonderful privilege,” Lark says on King’s site. “I only hope that I can come close to conveying his vision—a daunting task, but a challenge that I’m enjoying tremendously. It has allowed me to explore the darker aspects of my art and really start pushing some of the boundaries of my own style. And who doesn’t love drawing cowboys and horses?!”

Here’s the synopsis: “The Man in Black has lured Roland to a barren saloon town and, once there, he’ll realize than even a stone cold killer is no match for the horrors of the Dark Tower! Why does a dead man still walk the streets of Tull, and why are this town’s living, breathing citizens a far greater threat? The baddest man in Mid-World is about to find out that the true price of his quest can only be paid in spent shells and innocent blood this June in DARK TOWER: THE GUNSLINGER: THE BATTLE OF TULL #1 [of 5]!”

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