

## **The Jim Henson Company and BOOM! Studios Announce the Brand New FARSCAPE Comic Series!**

*"Don't Be A Piece Of Dren, Pick Up The Frelling Comic!"*

**New York City Comic-Con - April 18th, 2008** - It's about frelling time. Fans have a reason to celebrate as FARSCAPE returns in a brand new comic series thanks to a just-inked licensing agreement between The Jim Henson Company and BOOM! Studios. Widely recognized as one of the greatest sci-fi series in television history, the multi-award-winning FARSCAPE will make its comic book debut later this year.

BOOM! Studios is set to publish a series of four-issue mini-series which will explore and expand the stories of FARSCAPE. Each four-issue series will be collected into subsequent trade-paperback editions. The series will be written and drawn by an as-yet-unannounced creative team.

"FARSCAPE took science fiction television to a new level and ushered in a whole host of shows that wouldn't have been possible without FARSCAPE's pioneering. As a long-time 'Scaper', I am incredibly excited to mine the dense universe of FARSCAPE for new stories and adventures in comic book form," said BOOM! Marketing and Sales Director, Chip Mosher. "I watched the show as it came out, I bought the DVDs the day they hit the shelves, and I can't frelling wait to publish these comics!"

The FARSCAPE comic book series will be taking advantage of the upcoming webisodes to be produced by The Jim Henson Company in association with RHI Entertainment for SCIFI.COM. The webisode series will re-unite FARSCAPE executive producer Brian Henson with creator Rockne S. O'Bannon.

"It's so exciting to work with BOOM! Studios on this project knowing that their team members are true fans of the show," said Brian Henson, co-CEO of The Jim Henson Company and executive producer of the original Farscape television series. "Working with one of our favorite comic publishers, we know our loyal supporters will enjoy these original adventures while new audiences will have a fantastic introduction to the FARSCAPE universe."

Debuting on the SCI-FI Channel in 1998, FARSCAPE follows the adventures of Astronaut John Crichton as a freak accident during an experimental space mission catapults him across a thousand galaxies to an alien battlefield. Suddenly, he's trapped among alien creatures wielding deadly technology - a battle that 20th century sci-fi pop culture never prepared him for. Hunted by a merciless military race, Crichton begins his quest for home from a distant galaxy.

A groundbreaking award-winning sci-fi production, FARSCAPE has become a global favorite. Named by TV Guide as one of television's "Best Cult Shows Ever" and most recently named by EMPIRE Magazine as one of the "50 Greatest TV Shows of All Time," FARSCAPE is known for the overwhelming fan-based campaign that led to its miniseries production. The show has continued to find new audiences as it airs in syndication and is available on DVD around the world.

### **About BOOM! Studios**

BOOM! Studios (<http://www.boom-studios.com>) is a unique new publishing house specializing in high-profile projects across a wide variety of different genres from some of the industry's biggest talents. In its inaugural year, Wizard Magazine named BOOM! "Best New Publisher." Founded by the creator of the TV show EUREKA, Andrew Cosby, and his partner Ross Richie, BOOM! Studios continues to be on the leading edge of comic and graphic novel publishing.



### **About The Jim Henson Company**

The Jim Henson Company has remained an established leader in family entertainment for over 50 years and is recognized worldwide as an innovator in puppetry, animatronics and computer graphics. Best known as creators of the world famous Muppets (the rights to which are now owned by The Walt Disney Company), Henson is the recipient of over 50 Emmy Awards and nine Grammy Awards. Credits include the Saturn Award-winning "Farscape" and the features "MirrorMask," "Five Children and It", "Good Boy!" and the recently released direct to DVD feature "Unstable Fables: 3 Pigs and a Baby". With additional locations in New York and London, The Jim Henson Company is headquartered in Los Angeles on the historic Charlie Chaplin lot complete with soundstage and post-production facilities. Independently owned and operated by the five adult children of founder Jim Henson, the Company is also home to Jim Henson's Creature Shop™, a pre-eminent character-building and visual effects group with international film, television and advertising clients, as well as Henson Recording Studios, one of the music industry's top recording facilities known for its world-class blend of state of the art and vintage equipment. The Company is currently in production on 40 episodes of "Sid the Science Kid," a new science readiness animated series for preschoolers scheduled to debut on PBS in September 2008, and recently launched "Puppet Up! - Uncensored," a live puppet improvisational show that has played to sold out crowds around the world and premiered as a special on TBS. The Company has also announced the creation of Jim Henson Designs, a merchandise collection inspired by Jim Henson's earliest sketches.

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