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New independent comic book/graphic novel publisher, **Hardihood Illustrated Ltd.**, announces the January 18th, 2023 release date of their debut graphic non-fiction novel, **The Mighty Amazing N.I.G.-R.A.: Native Indigenous Gods! Revered! A'las! | A Comic Art Almanac of Black, Brown, and Indigenous Folklore & Legends.**

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Available in paperback (\$29.92) and ebook (\$9.99) formats, this unique book combines comic art, biographic literature, and a culturally relevant registry in a brilliant anthology.

BISAC:

- Comics & Graphic Novel/Nonfiction/History
- Biography & Autobiography/Cultural, Ethnic & Regional/African American, Latino, & Indigenous
- Reference/Almanacs

Each chapter of this illustrated almanac corresponds to a month of the calendar year beginning with March and the Spring Seasonal New Year. Each monthly entry features a list of selected monthly observances, a folklore legend showcased in comic art, and an ephemeris of engagements, events, and observances of interest to Black, Brown, and Indigenous People and Blerd comic culture.

In recognition for their significant contributions to Black, Brown, and Indigenous culture in The Americas, each legendary icon showcased in the book takes center stage as a celebrated honoree of Hardihood Illustrated's mighty amazing pantheon of iconic folklore heroes known collectively as **The N.I.G.-R.A. or Native Indigenous Gods! Revered! A'las!**

Chapter Highlights:

- **March Lil Esther** (Child Performer Wunderkind)
- **April Roberto Clemente** (Great Humanitarian Athlete)
- **May The Yung Drumma USCT Pvt. Hamilton Taylor** (Viral Union Army Drummer Boy)
- **June The Bolito King's Niggerati** (Hood Intellectual Collective)
- **July Nat Love|Deadwood Dick** (Iconic Black Cowboy)
- **August Double Dutch and The Hand Clapping Game** (Hip Hop Proto-Elementals), **Michael RQS Stewart** (Graffiti Artist Martyr)
- **September La Lupe** (Explosive Latina Performer), **Marcos Xiorros** (Boriqua Independence Progenitor), **Gullah Jack** (Slave Revolt Rootsman)
- **October Eartha Kitt** (Blerd Icon)
- **November John Trudell** (Unbreakable Indigenous Human), **Hannah Elias** (Mystifying Black Millionairess)
- **December Da Flip?** (Hardihood's Alternative Exposition in the Tradition of DC's 'Elseworlds' and Marvel's 'What If?')
- **January Stagger Lee** (Badass Folk Hero)
- **February Chadwick Boseman** (Black Biopic Icon), **Lewis Latimer** (Revolutionary Inventor)
- **The Coda** (A source bibliography and a chronological solstice year registry of Calendrical Observances, Astronomical Phenomena (Solstices, Equinoxes), Climatological Phenomena, Meteorological Phenomena, Celestial Phenomena, Research Facilities, Select Modern History Pantheons, and 35 Black, Brown, & Indigenous Folk's Words That Have Entered The Colonizers' Languages)

The Mighty Amazing N.I.G.-R.A.: Native Indigenous Gods! Revered! A'las! | A Comic Art Almanac of Black, Brown, and Indigenous Folklore & Legends contains 21 full color posters, 6 full color comics, 4 classic reprints, 15 biographical essays, a coda of literary references, and a registry of related interests. This entertaining family reader is a timeless educational resource that will make for a valuable addition to your collection.



Hizzzonah, a literary & music publishing veteran and founding visionary of **Hardihood Illustrated**, is a righteous, hip hop generation renaissance man and champion for the preservation and revelation of Black, Brown, & Indigenous people's cultural and social anthropological greatness.

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