

Local Review



Astonishing X-Men: Xenogenesis #1

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At first I was hesitant to pick this up because I just started to get back into the X-titles. Why did I though? Warren Ellis. I've ordered so many titles written by him that I have heard nothing about and I have enjoyed them beyond imagine. The same is said with Astonishing X-men. Ellis' greatest achievement in this issue is giving each member of the team their own distinctive voice. This is such an important concept when writing a multi-character book such as an X-title. Such great writing is truly complimented by the art of Kaare Andrews. Andrews' art is quite unique. It's highly stylized with a slightly eccentric, cartoonish twist, and yes Emma is very eccentric (she puts Power Girl to shame). There were just one or two panels of action and the rest was pretty much mundane activity, but Andrews' art hooks people to look deep into each panel even though little is taking place. 8.5 out of 10.