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THREE YEARS AGO...

AW, GEEZ. SCHOOL'S BEEN OUT FOR LIKE TWENTY MINUTES.

LONG HAUL

ST. GENESEUS A

ST. GENESEUS PARISH SCHOOL

WHERE THE HECK ARE THEY?!

THE CINEMONSTERTHON XI STARTS AT SIX ON THE DOT, GENTS, AND I'M NOT MISSING A SINGLE FREAKIN' TRAILER.

I FREAKIN' LOVE TRAILERS.

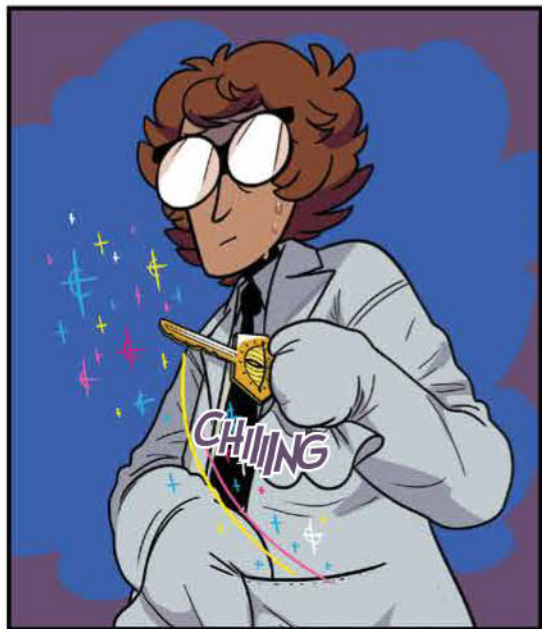
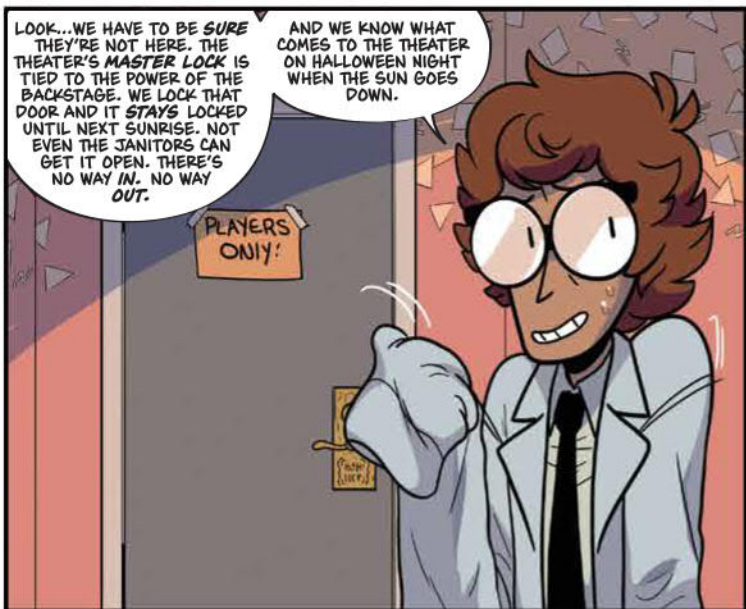
POPCOORN...

YEAH, BUDDY, WE'LL GET YOU THAT POPCORN, I PROMISE.

THEY MUST'VE BOOKED IT OFF CAMPUS WHEN THE FINAL BELL RANG. PROBABLY DIDN'T WANT TO ADMIT TO THEIR FELLOW BACKSTAGERS THAT THEY WERE TOO SCARED FOR TWELVE STRAIGHT HOURS OF THE SCARIEST MOVIES KNOWN TO MAN OR BEAST!

WAIT, NOT GOING WAS AN OPTION?

NOT AN OPTION I WAS GOING TO TAKE, OBVIOUSLY.





EXACTLY THREE
YEARS LATER...

C-CRASSSSSH

ST. GENESIUS PREPATORY
HIGH SCHOOL
-EST. 1938-

RAIN
SHOULD BE
ILLEGAL.

I'M GOING
TO ADD IT TO
THE LIST OF THINGS
BECKETT THINKS
SHOULD BE ILLEGAL,
RIGHT AFTER
SPORTS AND
FEELINGS.

YES,
GOOD.

THE WORLD
MUST KNOW THE
NEW LAWS OF
THE LAND.

SASHA?
SASHA,
YOU IN
HERE?

HM?
WHY WOULD
SASHA BE IN
HERE?

I LET HIM IN
AFTER LUNCH TO
HIDE FROM ALL
THE PEOPLE IN
COSTUMES.

WAIT, THE SAME
SASHA WHO MAKES
FRIENDS WITH GIANT
SPIDERS AND GHOSTS?
HE GETS SPOOKED ON
HALLOWEEN?

WELL, IT'S
NOT THAT,
EXACTLY.

MR. HOPKINS
WAS DRESSED UP
LIKE A CLOWN, AND
SASHA WAS SO
EXCITED TO TALK
TO A REAL LIVE
CLOWN.

AND WHEN
HE TOOK OFF HIS
WIG AND CLOWN NOSE,
SASHA STARTED
CRYING. HE THOUGHT
THEY WERE HIS
REAL NOSE AND
HAIR.

HE THINKS
CLOWN
NOSES AND
HAIR ARE
REAL...

THAT
VERSION
OF REALITY IS
LIKE A HUNDRED
TIMES SCARIER
THAN THIS
ONE.







SURE
WON'T.

THAT'S
CLASSIFIED,
STAGE
MANAGER
LEVEL.

AND YOU DUDES KNOW THE DRILL.
NO BACKSTAGERS OR ONSTAGERS IN
THE THEATER ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT.
WE JUST GOT DONE MAKING SURE
THE MCQUEENS GOT PICKED
UP OUT FRONT.

WE'RE
TURNING
THE MASTER
LOCK IN FIVE.
FROM THE
INSIDE.



WAIT...
YOU GUYS
ARE GOING
TO STAY
HERE?!



WE'VE
DONE IT
EVERY YEAR
SINCE WE WERE
FRESHMEN.
SINCE THE DAY
WE FIRST
SAW IT.

SOMEBODY
HAS TO...
BECAUSE
IF WE
DON'T...



...IT
MIGHT
GET
OUT.



KEEP.