

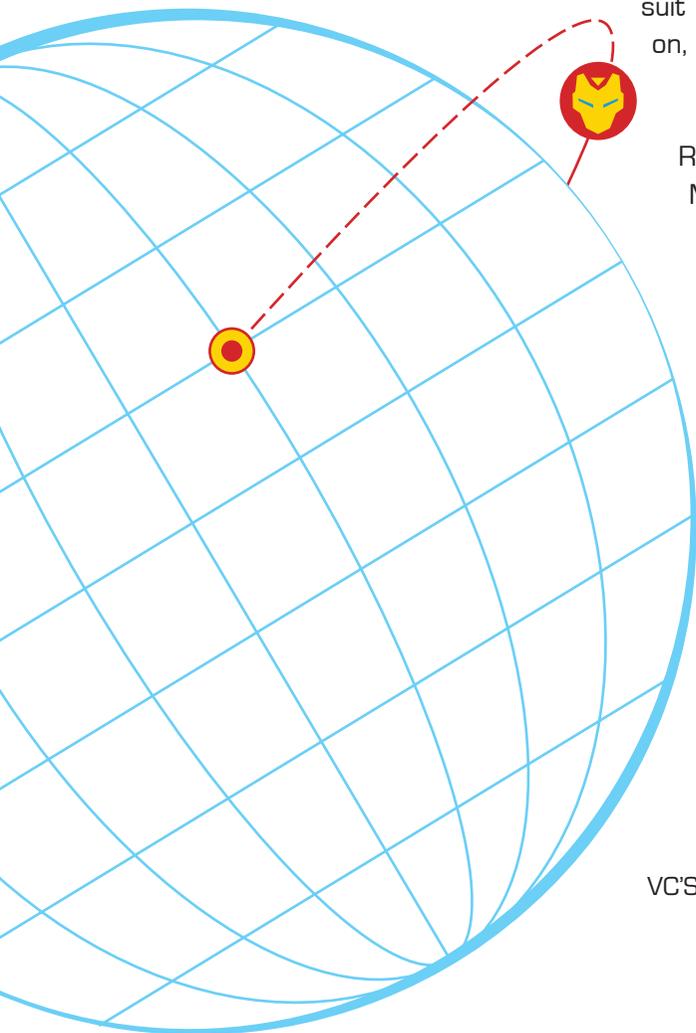
# INTERNATIONAL IRON MAN

ANOTHER STARK INNOVATION

Billionaire playboy and genius industrialist Tony Stark was kidnapped during a routine weapons test. His captors attempted to force him to build a weapon of mass destruction. Instead, he created a powered suit of armor that saved his life. From that day on, he used the suit to protect the world as the invincible **IRON MAN**.

Recently, Tony discovered that Howard and Maria Stark weren't his birth parents. His search for his biological parents led him to discover a hidden file locked away in a hospital in Bulgaria—a file that revealed the identity of his birth mother, a musician named Amanda Armstrong.

Tony found Amanda, and now he wants to know what led her to give him up for adoption so many years ago...



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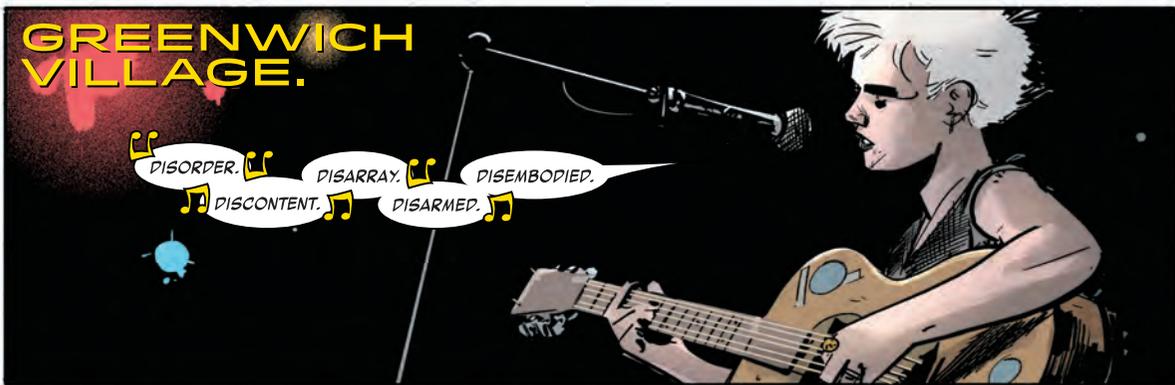
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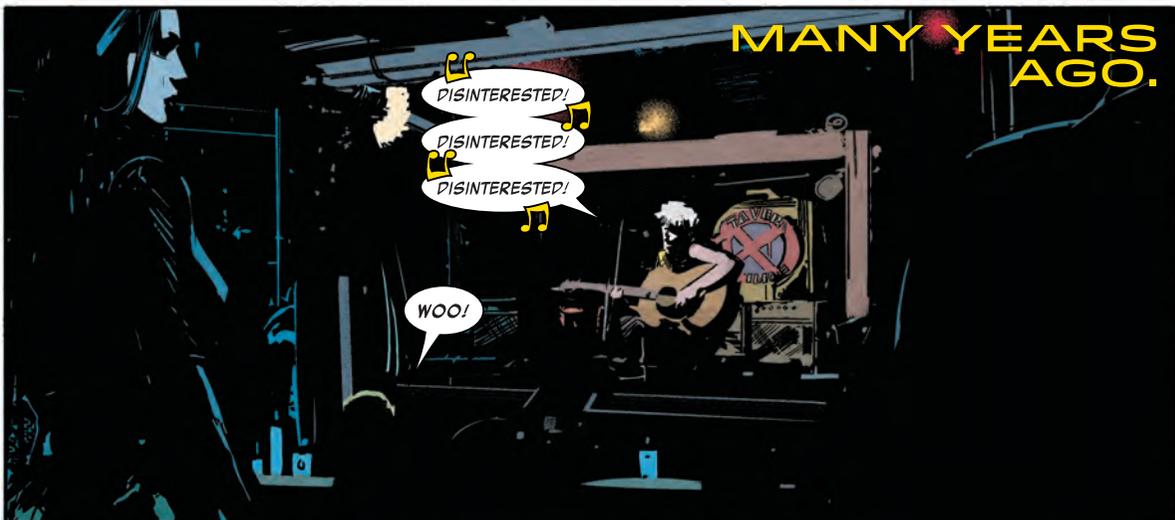
DISORDER. DISARRAY. DISEMBODED.  
DISCONTENT. DISARMED.



# MANY YEARS AGO.

DISINTERESTED!  
DISINTERESTED!  
DISINTERESTED!

WOO!



DISINTERESTED!  
DISINTERESTED!  
DISINTERESTED!



UNLESS YOU'RE INTERESTED.  
THEN MAYBE.





AMANDA STRONG?

YEAH.

NICE SET.

NOT REALLY.



I THOUGHT IT WAS REALLY--

I BROKE TWO STRINGS. THE MICROPHONE WAS POPPING MY P'S.

YOU COULDN'T TELL FROM THE BACK.



I'M SORRY. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU IS WHAT I *SHOULD* HAVE SAID.

STRONG. IS THAT YOUR REAL LAST NAME?

SHORT FOR ARMSTRONG.



I WOULD LOVE TO BUY YOU A DRINK.

UH... THANKS. BUT--

--BUT I THINK I'M, UH, GOING TO GO HOME AND LIGHT MY GUITAR ON FIRE.



OH! YOU SHOULD HAVE CLOSED THE SET WITH THAT.

ALMOST DID.

BUT THANKS.

I'M NOT REALLY--I MEAN, YOU'RE HOT AND ALL, BUT...

THANKS. I'M NOT HITTING ON YOU.



OH, UH.

SORRY AGAIN, THEN.

LET'S GO. DINNER'S ON ME.

WHAT IS THIS?

