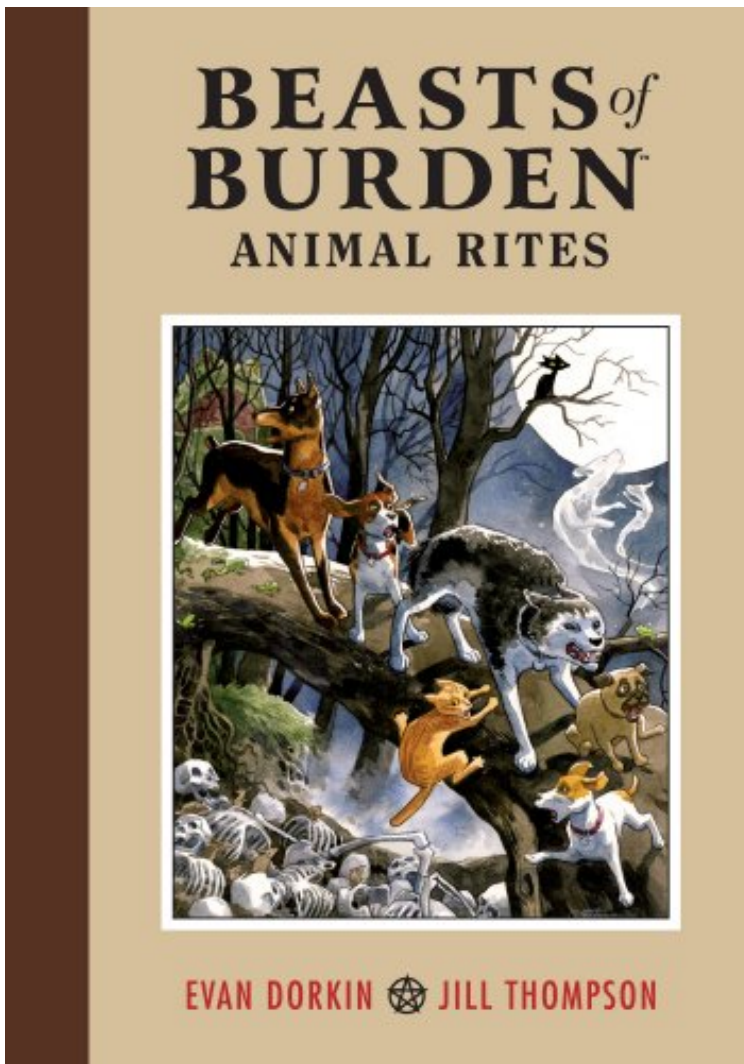


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*Biographie de l'auteur* Evan Dorkin (born April 20, 1965) is an American comics artist and writer. His most well-known works are the comic books *Milk and Cheese* and *Dork*. His comics often poke fun at fandom, even while making it clear that Dorkin is a fan himself. As well as his comics work, Dorkin has also written for animation, including (with his wife Sarah Dyer, also a comics writer/artist) *Space Ghost: Coast to Coast*. He also wrote and produced *Bring me the Head of Boba Fett*, an animated television pilot for Adult Swim called *Welcome to Eltingville*, based on his own characters. Dorkin and Dyer also wrote some episodes of the *Superman* animated series, particularly the episode "Live Wire," which introduced a new character of the same name. Additionally, the pair contributed to the script of the 2006 English-language version of the anime *Shin Chan*. After an initial six-episode order proved successful, more episodes were ordered, but Dorkin and Dyer are no longer working on the series. Dorkin has been the recipient of several Eisner Awards, including 2002's Best Writer/Artist: Humor.