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THE LIVING DEAD 2

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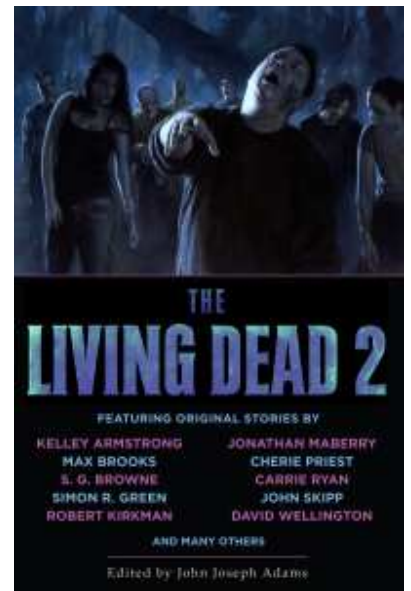
the bestselling editor of *Wastelands & The Living Dead*

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Two years ago, readers eagerly devoured *The Living Dead, Volume 1*. *Publishers Weekly* named it one of the Best Books of the Year, and Barnes & Noble.com called it "The best collection of zombie fiction ever." Now acclaimed editor John Joseph Adams is back for another bite at the apple – the Adam's apple, that is -- with 43 more of the best, most chilling, most thrilling zombie stories anywhere, including virtuoso performances by zombie fiction legends Max Brooks (*World War Z, The Zombie Survival Guide*), Robert Kirkman (*The Walking Dead*), and David Wellington (*Monster Island*).

From *Left 4 Dead* to *Zombieland* to *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies*, ghoulishness has never been more exciting and relevant. Within these pages samurai warriors face off against the legions of hell, necrotic dinosaurs haunt a mysterious lost world, and eerily clever zombies organize their mindless brethren into a terrifying army. You'll even witness nightmare scenarios in which humanity is utterly wiped away beneath a relentless tide of fetid flesh.

The Living Dead 2 has more of what zombie fans hunger for -- more scares, more action, more... brains. Experience the indispensable series that defines the very best in zombie literature.



ADVANCE PRAISE FOR THE LIVING DEAD 2

- "A must for any self respecting zombie completist." –Simon Pegg, *Shaun of the Dead*
- "You don't have to be a zombie-lover to enjoy this outstanding follow-up to 2008's *The Living Dead*. Anthologist extraordinaire Adams has assembled 44 stories that showcase strong writing and imagination. ... Readers will hope for many further additions to the series even after the zombie craze passes." – *Publishers Weekly* (Starred Review)
- "I described *The Living Dead* as the best collection of zombie fiction stories ever collected – this follow-up anthology is even better." – Paul Goat Allen, Barnes & Noble.com
- "Like its predecessor, *The Living Dead 2* truly is one of the great zombie short story collections out there and you are definitely getting a lot of bang for your buck here! Kudos to editor John Joseph Adams for putting together another memorable anthology sure to delight zombie and horror fans everywhere!" – *Fatally Yours*
- "I proclaimed [*The Living Dead*] the best zombie anthology I'd ever read. Well, there's a new anthology due in September that actually surpasses *The Living Dead*—and it's *The Living Dead 2*! ... There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that *The Living Dead 2*, and all who contributed to her, will be well-represented across the various genre literature awards over the next year. In the meantime, zombie aficionados should place this publication at the very top of their Want List, above firearms, bottled water, and chainsaws." – *HorrorScope*

PRAISE FOR WORLD FANTASY AWARD FINALIST *THE LIVING DEAD, VOL. 1*

- “A superb reprint anthology that runs the gamut of zombie stories. Great storytelling for zombie fans as well as newcomers.” – Publishers Weekly (*Starred Review*); named one of PW’s best books of 2008.
- “The best collection of zombie fiction stories ever. One of my all-time favorite short story collections.” – Paul Goat Allen, Barnes & Noble.com
- “Believe the hype. *The Living Dead* is absolutely the best zombie anthology I’ve ever read (and I’ve read many)...If you have even a vague interest in zombie fiction, you MUST buy this book.” – *HorrorScope*
- “YOU NEED THIS BOOK! As terrific a short story collection as I’ve ever encountered, *The Living Dead* gathers together 34 of the cleverest, creepiest and most brain-freezing zombie tales. These are not your grandpa’s *Late Late Show* walking dead, either, but direct descendants of the modern post-Romero gut-ripping, intestine-crunching undead hordes. A collection to die for—or with.” —Joe Dante, award-winning director of *Gremlins & Homecoming*.
- “*The Living Dead* contains stories of heartbreak, drama, and man’s eternal struggle against himself. The focus doesn’t fall squarely on violence and horror, which earns it a place among the best of zombie fiction. Not a book to be ignored, it demands a read through—maybe a couple.” —Robert Kirkman, writer of *The Walking Dead* and *Marvel Zombies*

ABOUT THE EDITOR

John Joseph Adams (www.johnjosephadams.com) is the bestselling editor of many anthologies, such as *Wastelands*, *The Living Dead* (a World Fantasy Award finalist), *By Blood We Live*, *Federations*, and *The Improbable Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*. Barnes & Noble.com named him “the reigning king of the anthology world,” and his books have been named to numerous best of the year lists. He is also the fiction editor of the science fiction magazine *Lightspeed* (www.lightspeedmagazine.com), and is the co-host of *The Geek’s Guide to the Galaxy* podcast.

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