



# Crimson Ink

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## July 2023 OUR 57TH YEAR

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AMERICA!

A four-day weekend is a wonderful way to celebrate the red, white and blue.

Equally wonderful -- well, maybe not QUITE as good as a four-day weekend -- is a newsletter filled with new video games for your library. I am always happy to see some mid-priced games in the mix and there are plenty coming in July.

I want to throw out a warm welcome to all those who subscribed to our newsletter at the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago. We were there and we enjoyed getting to meet new friends and reconnect with old friends. Isn't Chicago lovely? I say that every time I visit.

For those of you whose video game supplier has recently thrown in the towel (IYKYK, as the kids say), then please reach out and let us know what we can do to make the transition easier. I seem to be having the same conversation again and again. Bottom line: it will be OK.

I hope you enjoy these hot July days at the beach, in the pool, on the golf course, in the garden or in the library where it's probably nice and cool.



Molly Klise, President  
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### 41 HOURS

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41 Hours is a cinematic first-person adventure driven by intense shootouts and advanced, often alien technology.

Accompanied by a mysterious woman that seems to possess super-human powers, Ethan will take up conventional armaments while learning to manipulate time, cloak for enhanced stealth, use portals for teleportation and employ telekinetic abilities against the paramilitary forces that stand in his way. Rated T.

**P4-GS230700 PlayStation 4 \$30**  
**P5-GS230700 PlayStation 5 \$30**



### CUPHEAD LIMITED

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Come one, come all, to witness an interactive entertainment spectacle for the ages. Presenting...the all-cartoon Wondergame Cuphead!! In this classic run and gun action game, play as brothers Cuphead or Mugman (in single player or local co-op) as you traverse strange worlds and take on massive, screen-filling bosses to earn your souls back from The Devil himself! Rated E10.

**P4-SK230720 PlayStation 4 \$60**  
**SW-SK230720 Switch \$60**



### DISNEY ILLUSION ISLAND

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Join Mickey and friends on a quest to explore the mysterious island of Monoth and recover three mystical books to save the world from

disaster! Choose your favorite character and unlock special abilities as you perform high-flying platforming feats, solve fun puzzles, and take on epic boss battles. Rated E.

**SW-ND230701 Switch \$40**



### DOUBLE DRAGON GAIDEN: RISE OF THE DRAGONS

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It's the year 199X and nuclear war has devastated New York City leaving its citizens to fight for survival as riots and crime engulf the streets. The city has been overtaken by criminal gangs who terrorize its ruins as they fight for total dominance. Unwilling to endure these conditions any longer, young Billy and Jimmy Lee take it upon themselves to drive the gangs out of their city. Explore the early beginnings of the young Double Dragon brothers as they take on both new and familiar enemies in this alternate story. In this fresh roguelite take, every playthrough is a brand new chance at new action. Featuring a unique and dynamic level structure, the difficulty of the missions you take on will change depending on the order you have selected them. Rated E10.

**P4-MX230712 PlayStation 4 \$30**  
**P5-MX230712 PlayStation 5 \$30**  
**SW-MX230712 Switch \$30**  
**X1-MX230712 Xbox One \$30**



### EVERYBODY 1-2 SWITCH!

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Test your wits (and reaction time) and answer quickly in Quiz Party where the winner can be decided by mere milliseconds. Create your own questions in this mode and try out custom quizzes with friends, family, or coworkers. A smart device-only Bingo Party is a great way to chill out as the party winds down. Everybody 1-2-Switch! is your chance to elevate your next casual hangout, game night, birthday, ice breaker, holiday party, office gathering, high school reunion, retirement celebration, after party...or wherever else people gather! Rated E.

**SW-ND230722 Switch \$30**



### EXOPRIMAL

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Suit up, Exofighters! A dinosaur storm is on the horizon. Hordes of history's most ferocious beasts are mysteriously appearing across the globe and your cutting-edge combat suits are the only things standing in their way. This battle of the ages unfolds in the main game mode, Dino Survival, where two teams of Exosuit pilots race to complete objectives while staving off swarms of ancient creatures. In Exoprimal, each match is different from the last. Rated M.

**P4-CP230702 PlayStation 4 \$60**  
**P5-CP230702 PlayStation 5 \$60**  
**X1-CP230702 Xbox One \$60**

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### FARM TOGETHER DELUXE EDITION

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A new and unique farming experience where you grow crops, plant trees, take care of the animals, and much more. A game where you can customize everything: the farm, your look, create your avatar, build a house, and decorate it, customize your pet. This game is a world that follows its course even if you don't play it. So there will always be something new to do when you re-enter the game. Rated E.

P4-PB230721 PlayStation 4 \$30  
SW-PB230721 Switch \$35



### FIGHT 'N RAGE

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Fight 'N Rage is an old-school side-scroller beat 'em up set in a far future infested with mutants. It mimics the aesthetics and simplified three-button gameplay of gems of the 90's such as Final Fight and Streets of Rage. Fight 'N Rage features three-player local co-op mode, different endings, unlockable costumes and game modes, several difficulty settings, multiple speeds, and more than 20 playable enemies. Rated T.

P5-PB230723 PlayStation 5 \$35  
SW-PB230723 Switch \$40



### FIVE NIGHTS AT FREDDY'S: SECURITY BREACH

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Play as Gregory, a young boy trapped overnight in Freddy Fazbear Rated T.

SW-MX230703 Switch \$40



### GHOST SONG

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You are not alone. On the desolate moon of Lorian, a long-dormant Deadsuit awakens from slumber, armed and combat-ready, memory clear of purpose. But something new is stirring. Descend deep into the darkness—only then will you learn (or is it remember?) the truth. Rated T.

P4-UI230704 PlayStation 4 \$30  
P5-UI230704 PlayStation 5 \$30  
SW-UI230704 Switch \$30



### GOODBYE WORLD

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Programmer Kanii and graphics artist Kumade are two friends who met in college. After graduating, they've been creating indie games together, but so far life has been harsh. Their games don't sell, and most of their time is spent working part time jobs to make ends meet. As Kanii desperately tries to find a way to make a product that sells, Kumade makes a decision that changes everything. Rated E.

P4-PM230724 PlayStation 4 \$35  
P5-PM230724 PlayStation 5 \$35  
SW-PM230724 Switch \$35



### GREYHILL INCIDENT: ABDUCTED EDITION

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Greyhill Incident is a story-driven survival/horror game that takes place during the early 90s. As Ryan Baker, equipped with a baseball bat and a few bullets in his trusty revolver, the story takes you across the atmospheric neighbourhood of Greyhill, which is invaded by UFOs and Grey Aliens. Rated M.

P5-UI230705 PlayStation 5 \$35



### IMMORTALS OF AVEUM

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Having grown up powerless and destitute on the streets of Seren, Jak is what's known as an Unforeseen – someone who unexpectedly manifests magical abilities later in life. With his newfound potential, Jak is reluctantly thrust into mankind's endless war for the control of magic. Now, after centuries of stalemate between Aveum's two most powerful kingdoms, Rasharn has pushed Lucium and its allies to the brink. With powerful magic-wielders and legions of soldiers on both sides of the Everwar, Jak and his elite order of Immortals must uncover the mysteries of Aveum's troubled past, if there's any hope for saving its future. Rating pending.

P5-EA230706 PlayStation 5 \$70  
XX-EA230706 Xbox X \$70



### LITTLE FRIENDS: PUPPY ISLAND

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Welcome to puppy paradise! Get ready for a pawsome puppy adventure in Little Friends: Puppy Island! Discover exciting locations, dig up hidden treasures, build and expand your holiday resort, and meet plenty of lovable little friends to care for on your very own un-paw-gettable, tropical island adventure! Rated E.

SW-UI230712 Switch \$40



### MAIL MOLE

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Presenting our new hero, Molty, the mail mole! Moving underground, climbing huge walls and soaring the skies, there's no place our hero can't reach! Travelling with Cannon Lines, Molty will need to overcome the most complicated challenges to reach Carrotland's furthest mail boxes: bottomless pits, quick sands, avalanches, floating platforms, sharp spikes... a tough road. But when the power is out, you can't send an email! Embark on an adventure that will force you to make the most important delivery of your life. Rated E.

SW-PB230725 Switch \$35

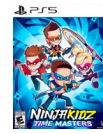


### MERCENARIES REBIRTH: CALL OF THE WILD LYNX

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Obtain the sword of victory together with Princess Kiera and the Wild Lynx Mercenaries! Mercenaries Rebirth: Call of the Wild Lynx is a tactical RPG set in a fantasy world. Battles occur on quarter-view maps with height differences, wherein the front, back, and side of the map determine each battle's outcome. Rated E10.

P4-CM230713 PlayStation 4 \$40  
SW-CM230713 Switch \$45



### NINJA KIDZ TIME MASTERS

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The three greatest martial arts masters have been kidnapped and Dr. Disaster and his henchmen have hidden them in different historical eras. The Ninja Kidz will be the only ones able to stop him. To do so, they will have to travel through time, from the Jurassic Period to the future, to find and rescue the three martial arts masters. Rated E10.

P4-PB230726 PlayStation 4 \$30  
P5-PB230726 PlayStation 5 \$30  
SW-PB230726 Switch \$40



### NUCLEAR BLAZE

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Nuclear Blaze is a dynamic 2D action game in which the player assumes the control of an experienced firefighter dropped in the middle of a massive fire. In addition to keeping the fire under control with his trusty hose, the hero must investigate the circumstances behind the catastrophe. Rated E10.

P4-PB230727 PlayStation 4 \$30  
SW-PB230727 Switch \$30



### PIKMIN 4

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Guide pint-sized creatures in a grand mission on a strange planet! Meet Pikmin, small, plantlike creatures you can grow, pluck, command, and overpower your enemies with! These curious helpers come in different types. Fire is no sweat for Red Pikmin and the brand-new Ice Pikmin can freeze enemies and the environment. Rated E10.

SW-ND230707 Switch \$60

## ALSO AVAILABLE

### POLICE SIMULATOR: PATROL OFFICERS

P4-UI230713 PlayStation 4 \$40  
P5-UI230713 PlayStation 5 \$40  
XX-UI230713 Xbox X \$40

### RADIANT TALE

SW-AK230708 Switch \$50

### SAMBA DE AMIGO: PARTY CENTRAL

SW-SG230709 Switch \$40

### SWORD AND FAIRY: TOGETHER FOREVER

P4-PB230728 PlayStation 4 \$50  
P5-PB230728 PlayStation 5 \$50

### THE LEGEND OF HEROES: TRAILS INTO REVERIE

P4-KO230710 PlayStation 4 \$60  
P5-KO230710 PlayStation 5 \$60  
SW-KO230710 Switch \$60

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P4-UI230711 PlayStation 4 \$30  
P5-UI230711 PlayStation 5 \$30  
SW-UI230711 Switch \$30  
XX-UI230711 Xbox X \$30

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