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**Alex de Campi : Smoke #3 (v. 3)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Smoke #3 (v. 3):

Abandoned by friends and ex-lovers, Cain is unwittingly used as a pawn by the government to track down his mentor's reclusive, powerful associates. Cain's only hope is to persuade Katie Shah, a journalist he betrayed, to help him.

Caught between a desperate government and the mysterious Quiet Men, they race to uncover the ugly truths about Cain's past and London's present. But two steps behind slinks No-Face, borrowing a familiar identity and waiting for the right moment to end everything with a bang.

From Publishers Weekly Rupert Cain walked away from his life as an honorable soldier three years ago when an explosion in a London bar killed most of his company. He abandoned his former life—and his girlfriend—to become the assassin Ajax. In a London of the future where England is bankrupt and the government's agents have no one's interests at heart but their own, Cain kills and doesn't ask questions. But now his former commanding officer, who happens to be father to his ex, has been murdered and Cain must find out why. His journey leads him to a kidnapping of the head of OPEC by the Right to Beauty Brigade (all they want is money for plastic surgery) and an intrepid reporter who's good at getting herself into the thick of things and not so good at getting herself out of them. De Campi and Kordey's future is bitingly humorous, clearly inspired by the work of writers Warren Ellis and Grant Morrison, with Kordey's art supplying a beautiful surface over the sordid details. Irony is thick on the ground, but so are interesting characters and a solid story. Going to hell in a handbasket with Cain is an entertaining ride.

(Nov.) Correction: In the October 3 issue, the author of the novel *The Life All Around Me* by Ellen Foster (Harcourt) was misidentified. She is Kaye Gibbons. Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. About the Author Korday was born in Croatia. He co-founded the influential "New Square" group of comics artists and creating I.N.C.I.D.E.N.T. studio in the former Yugoslavia. He was voted three times Yugoslavia's best comic artist. Korday was born in Croatia. He co-founded the influential "New Square" group of comics artists and creating I.N.C.I.D.E.N.T. studio in the former Yugoslavia. He was voted three times Yugoslavia's best comic artist.