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About the Author

Stephen King is the author of more than fifty books, all of them worldwide bestsellers. He is the recipient of the 2003 National Book Foundation Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters.

Peter Straub is the author of seventeen novels. He has won numerous awards for his work, including the World Fantasy Award for Best Novel for *Koko*.

This book has been penciled and inked by Tony Shasteen, who has been an illustrator since 1995. His clients have included Coca-Cola, Nascar, Hasbro and DC Comics, among many others.

The script is by Robin Furth, who co-writes Marvel's bestselling *Dark Tower* comics taking place in Stephen King's *Dark Tower Universe*. She worked as Stephen King's research assistant between 2000 and 2004.

Coloring is by Nei Ruffino (Issues 0–4) and JD Mettler (Issue 5). Ruffino is currently working on *Blackest Night* and *Supergirl* for DC Comics; her other projects have included *Return to Wonderland* and *Dragonlance Chronicles*. JD Mettler is an Eisner Award–nominated digital colorist who has worked on such projects as *Superman*, *Batman*, *Nightmare on Elm Street*, and *Star Wars*.

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