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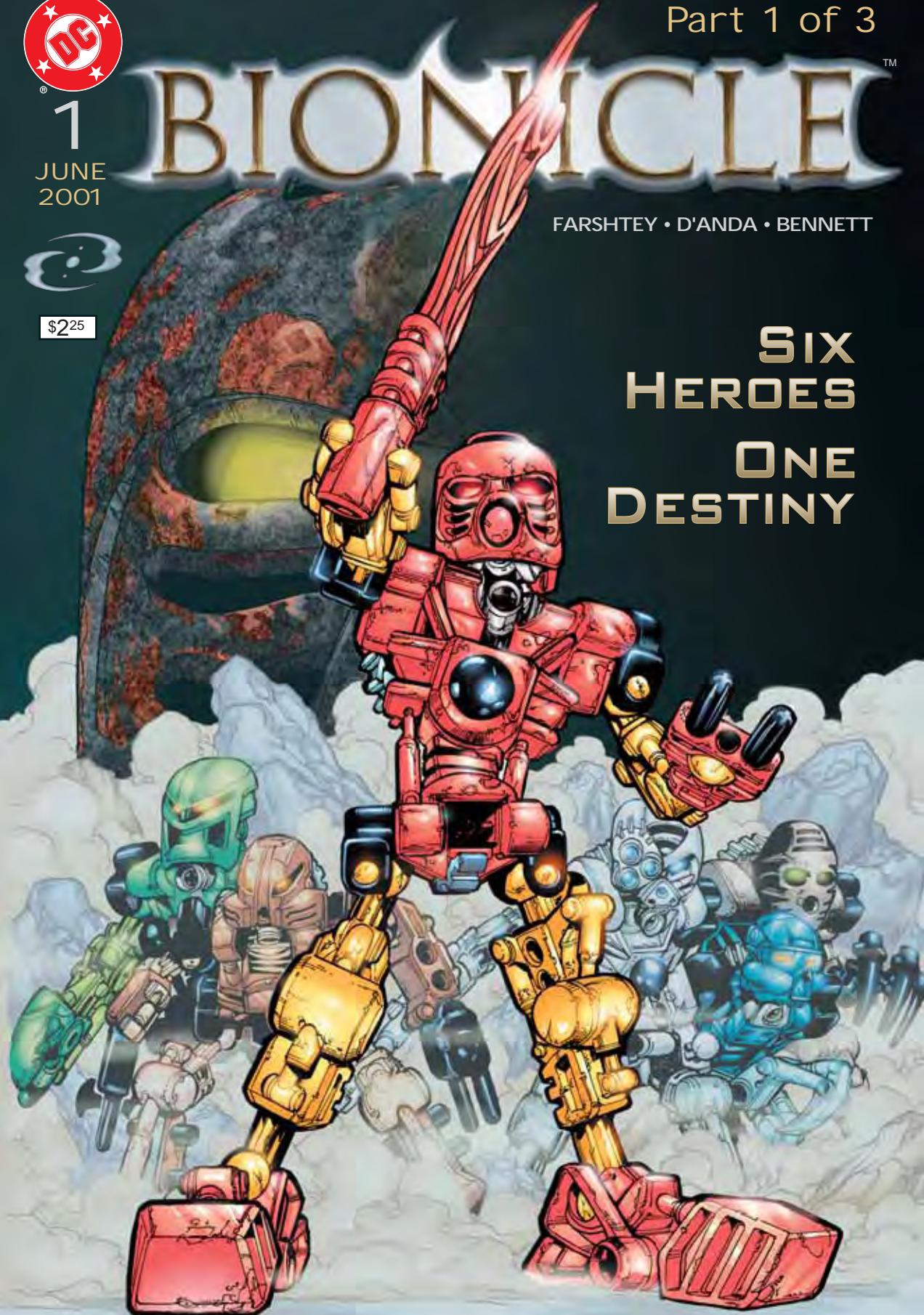
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SIX
HEROES
ONE
DESTINY



THE LEGEND OF MATA NUI



Finding the Masks takes great courage, for Makuta controls the land, sea, and sky of Mata Nui. He also commands a host of terrible creatures known as Rahi, as well as the Manas, fierce predators with power that no single Toa can withstand...

If the Toa hope to win, they must find the power of the Masks!

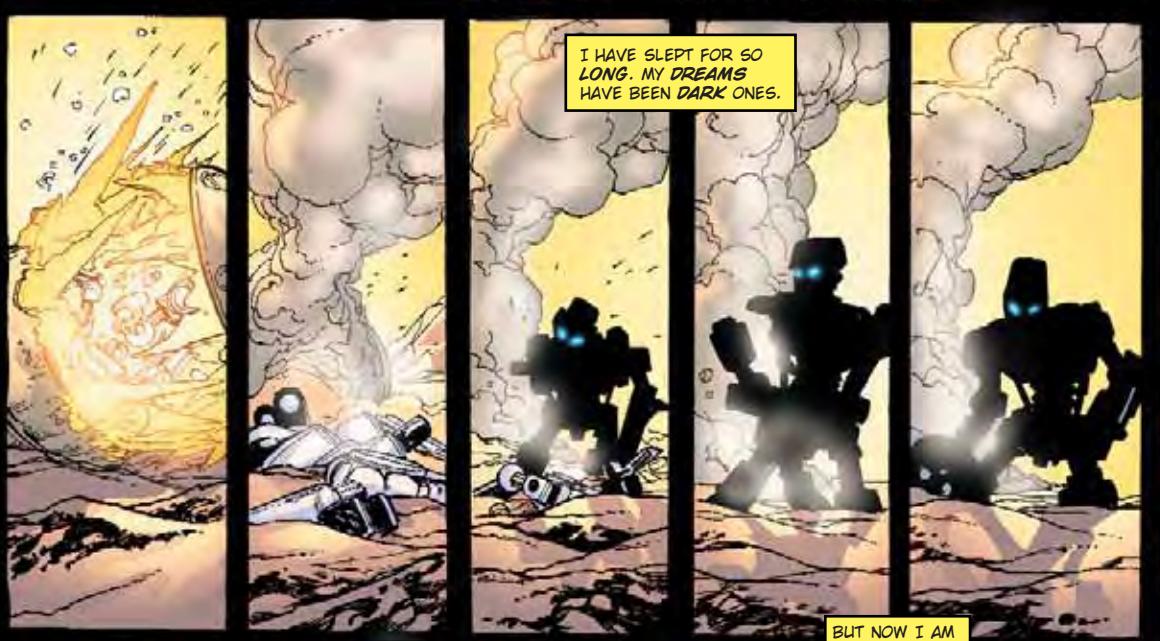
The island of Mata Nui was once a paradise - until the entity known as Makuta arrived, transforming it into a land of darkness and evil. The natives, called Tohunga, and their leaders, the Turaga, have waited and hoped for heroes who would conquer Makuta and save their home.

Now their waiting has come to an end. Six mighty warriors, known as Toa, have arrived on Mata Nui. Each controls a force of nature - fire, air, earth, water, stone, ice. But to triumph over Makuta, they must gather the Kanohi Masks of Power, which give them greater skills, abilities, and wisdom. The more masks they collect, the more powerful the Toa become.

FIND
THE
POWER



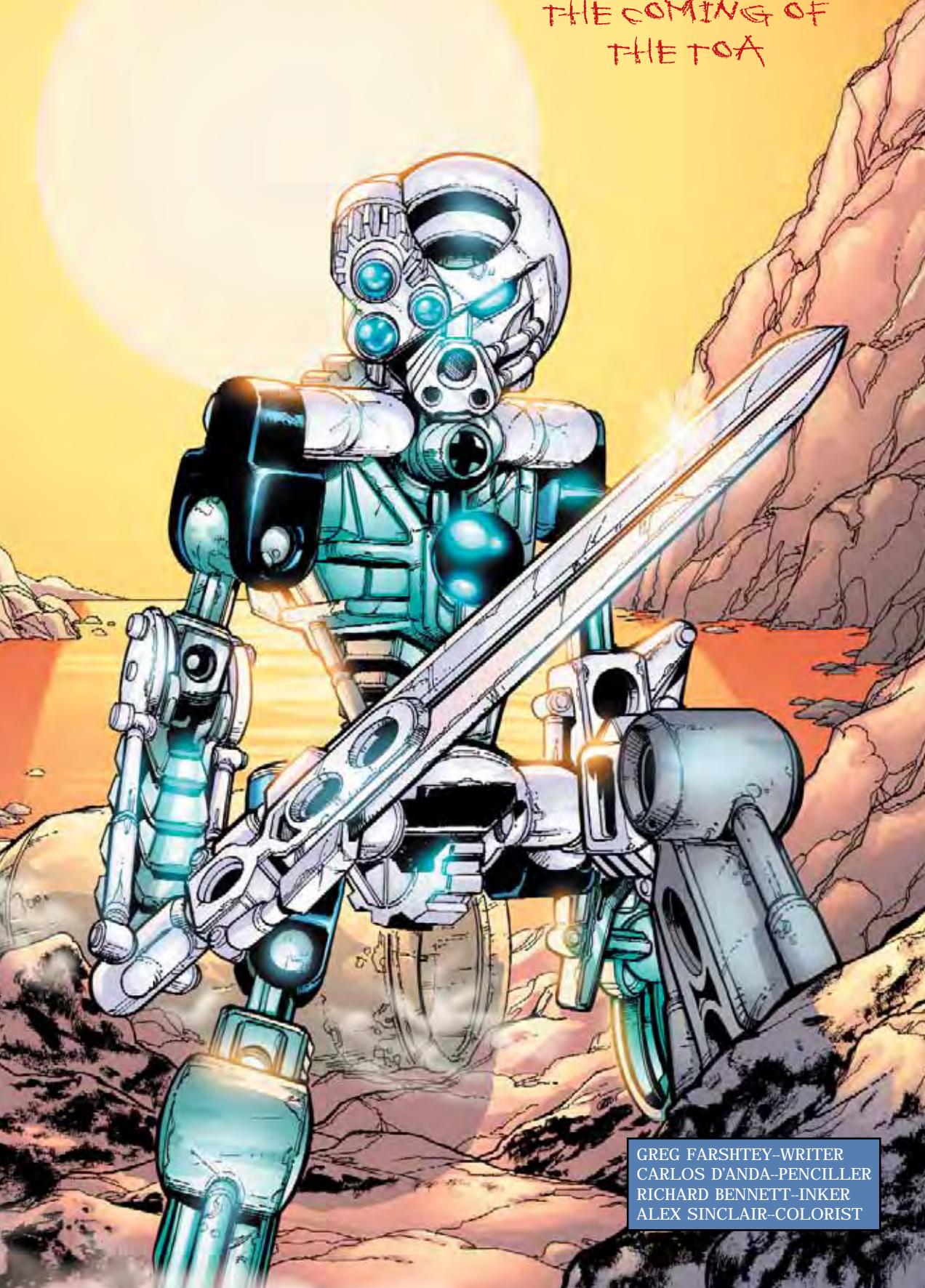
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AND THE DARKNESS CANNOT
STAND BEFORE ME.

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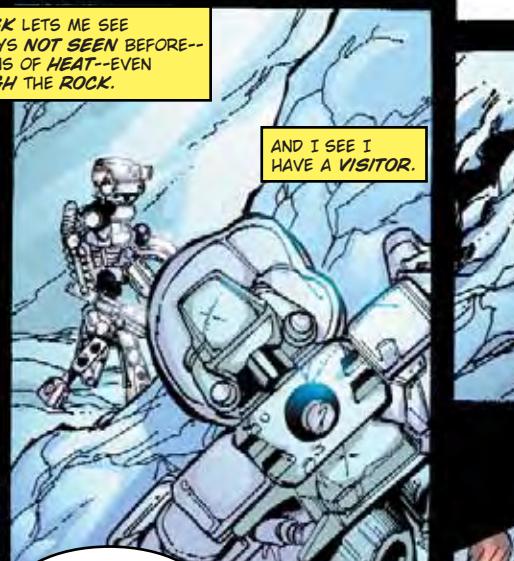
THE COMING OF THE TOA



GREG FARSHTEY-WRITER
CARLOS D'ANDA-PENCILLER
RICHARD BENNETT-INKER
ALEX SINCLAIR-COLORIST



MY MASK LETS ME SEE PATHWAYS NOT SEEN BEFORE-- PATTERNS OF HEAT--EVEN THROUGH THE ROCK.



COME OUT, LITTLE ONE, BEFORE YOU CATCH A CHILL.



MY NEW FRIEND TRIES TO FLEE. BUT A COATING OF ICE BENEATH HIS FEET WILL BRING HIM SLIDING BACK TO ME.





THE KANOHI MASKS WILL GIVE ME THAT POWER.

TELL ME WHERE TO FIND THESE MASKS.

THEY ARE LOST. SCATTERED. HIDDEN ALL OVER MATA NUI. SOME ARE GUARDED BY NIGHTMARE CREATURES... OTHERS HIDDEN WHERE NO TOHLINGA COULD REACH.

TURAGA NUJU, THE VILLAGE ELDER, SPOKE OF A MASK OF SHIELDING, HIDDEN IN THE PLACE OF FAR-SEEING.

"PLACE OF FAR-SEEING"? YOUR TURAGA SPEAKS IN RIDDLES.

I HATE RIDDLES.



Andy Macdonald Rides for Bionicle™



This year, look for Andy at special Bionicle events around the country.



Six-time X-Games gold medalist Andy Macdonald knows all about pushing his sport to its limits. So it's no surprise he can relate to Bionicle.

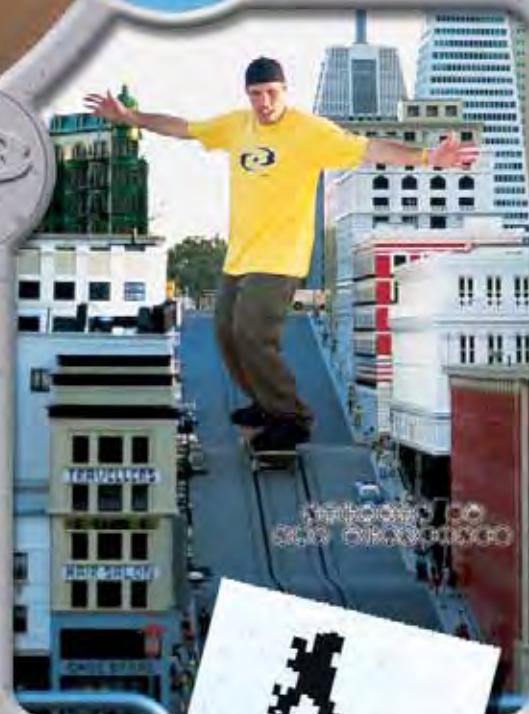
"Bionicle takes it to the next level," says Andy. "You're building figures that move, and it's unlimited. You can tap into a whole world of cool story line to learn all about the Toa and their powers, or you can just have a great time playing with the figures – it's up to you how far you go."

"The most important thing is to remember why you started skateboarding. You do it because you love it. If I wasn't a professional... I would still be doing it, because it's the most fun thing for me to do."



Andy Macdonald started riding a skateboard at age 12. But long before that, he was building with LEGO bricks. "At one point, you couldn't walk across the floor of my room. It was a whole LEGO town," says Andy.

Today, Andy Macdonald is one of the world's most accomplished skateboarders. He took first-place at the 2000 Gravity Games and has won five World Cup Skateboarding overall points championships. Whether he's pulling a "Benihana" (Andy's signature move), going huge on a vert ramp or just hitting the street, Andy's professional and personal styles combine to make him one of the most popular skateboarders in the world.



Visit www.bionicle.com for detailed instructions on how to build your own Andy Macdonald icon with LEGO bricks.

MY PEOPLE
ARE PLANNING AN
ICE BRIDGE TO SPAN
THIS CHASM--IN
YOUR HONOR.

UNTIL THEN,
I WILL MAKE MY
OWN. I--

NO!

KOPAKA!
WATCH OUT!

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TURAGA WHENUA

TOA ONUA

ONUA AND WHENUA

Toa of Earth, whose claw-like hands let him dig great tunnels. He wears the Kanohi Pakari, the Mask of Strength, giving him the power of many. Turaga Whenua is the leader of the underground village of Onu-Koro and master of the island's complex tunnels.

KOPAKA AND NUJU

Toa of Ice, he wields a sword that can freeze anything it touches. He wears the Kanohi Akaku, the Mask of X-Ray Vision, which allows him to see what is hidden from others. Turaga Nuju, leader of the icy village of Ko-Koro, is famous for his storytelling abilities.



TURAGA NUJU

TOA KOPAKA

TAHU AND VAKAMA

Toa of Fire and wielder of the Sword of Fire. He wears the Kanohi Hau, the Mask of Shielding, which protects him from many attacks. Turaga Vakama protects the legends of Tahu, and leads the village of Ta-Koro.



TURAGA VAKAMA

TOA TAHU

FAAKARI, KAHAKI, THIRI, SEAHOU, KAHU, HALLI

The Toa and the Turaga



LEWA AND MATAU

Toa of Air, who wields a mighty hatchet to cut through the thick foliage in the treetops. He wears the Kanohi Miru, the Mask of Levitation, which lets him glide gently to the surface from any height. Turaga Matau, one of the wisest of the Turaga, rules the treetop village of Le-Koro.

TURAGA MATAU

TOA LEWA



GALI AND NOKAMA

Toa of Water, her hooked hands allow her to cling to even slippery stones. She wears the Kanohi Kaukau, the Mask of Water-Breathing, and so can breathe freely underwater. Turaga Nokama is the only female member of the Turaga Council, and leads the floating village of Ga-Koro.



TURAGA NOKAMA

TOA GALI



POHATU AND ONEWA

Toa of Stone, his mighty kicks can send boulders flying. He wears the Kanohi Kakama, the Mask of Speed, which lets him travel great distances rapidly. Turaga Onewa relates the legends of Pohatu, and leads the desert village of Po-Koro.

TURAGA ONEWA

TOA POHATU



DON'T
STRUGGLE!
YOU'RE SAFE
NOW!



NOW I KNOW
YOU ARE THE TOA--
THE ONE WHO WILL
SAVE US!



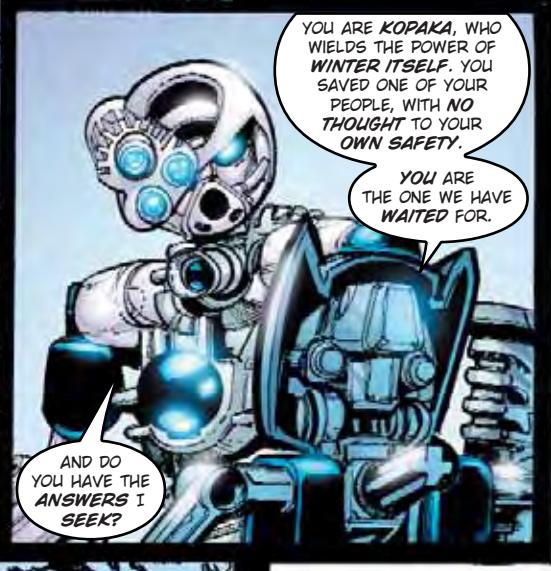
THERE WERE
EASIER WAYS FOR
YOU TO FIND
OUT.



WHAT WAS THAT
CREATURE?



WE CALL THEM
NUU-RAMA.



WHEN THEY WEAR INFECTED MASKS, THEY ARE SERVANTS OF MAKUTA...

...AND ONLY ONE OF THE DANGERS YOU WILL FACE.

TURAGA! HE'S COME! THIS IS--

I KNOW WHO HE IS, MATORO.

YOU ARE KOPAKA, WHO WIELDS THE POWER OF WINTER ITSELF. YOU SAVED ONE OF YOUR PEOPLE, WITH NO THOUGHT TO YOUR OWN SAFETY.

YOU ARE THE ONE WE HAVE WAITED FOR.

AND DO YOU HAVE THE ANSWERS I SEEK?

THIS ISLAND, MATA NUU--AND THESE MOUNTAINS--ARE YOUR HOME.

YOU CAN RIDE THE ICE AND SNOW...UNLEASH THE AVALANCHE...FREEZE WITH JUST A TOUCH...

BUT THAT IS NOT ENOUGH...IS IT?



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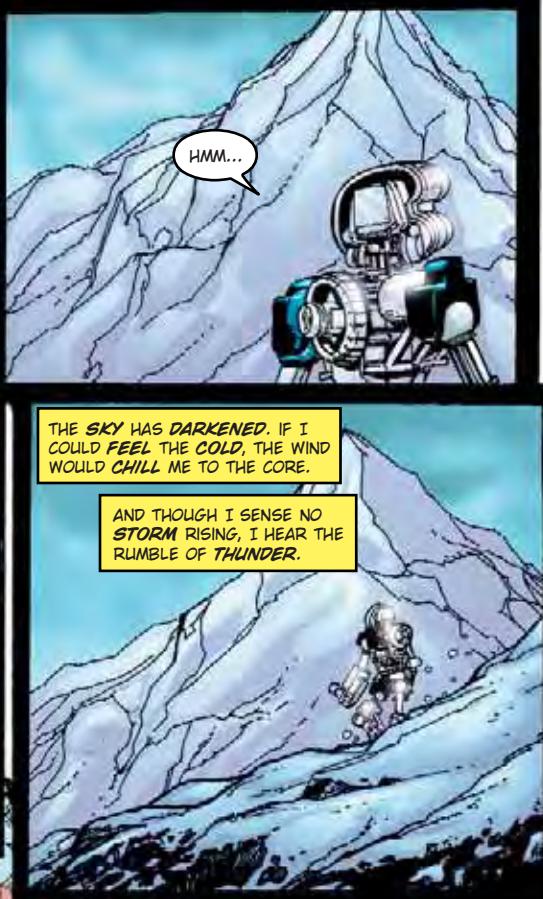
OUR WORLD... OUR PEOPLE WERE ONCE AS PURE AND STRONG AS THE ICE. THEN...

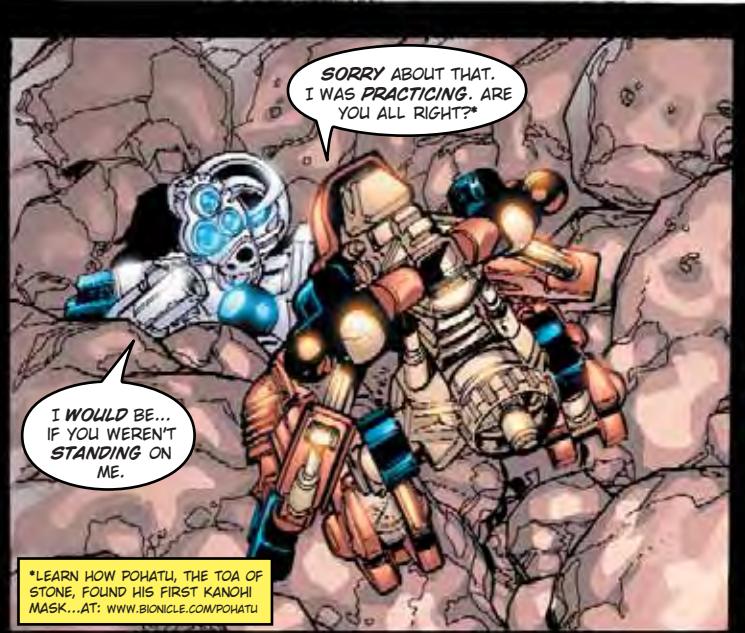


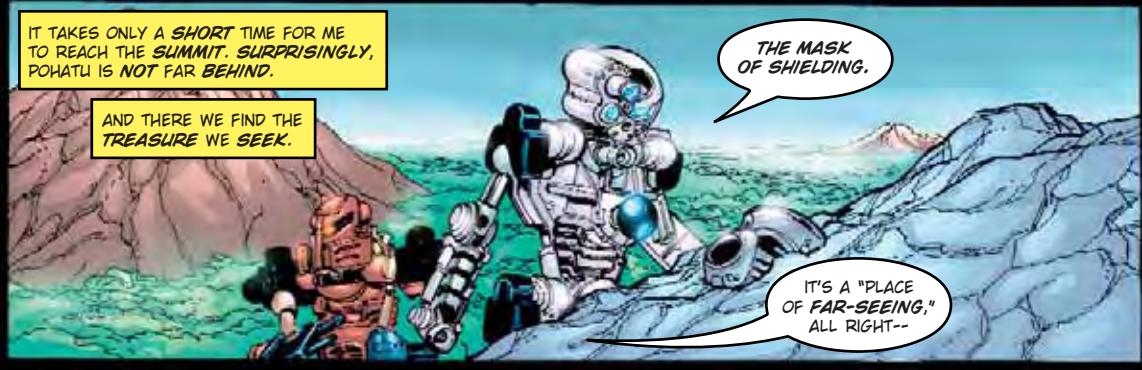
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MAKUTA CAME, BRINGING EVIL TO THIS LAND.

WHY DOES NUJU RELATE HIS TALE IN GESTURES? LEARN MORE ABOUT HIS SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE AT: WWW.BIONICLE.COM/NUJU









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Learn the truth and the legends about the Toa, the Turaga, Makuta, and the other denizens of Mata Nui.

discover the power of the Kanohi masks and learn why they are so valuable to both sides in the struggle.

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Mata Nui



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- Solve the mysteries of Mata Nui.
- Challenge the evil servants of Makuta.

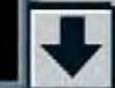
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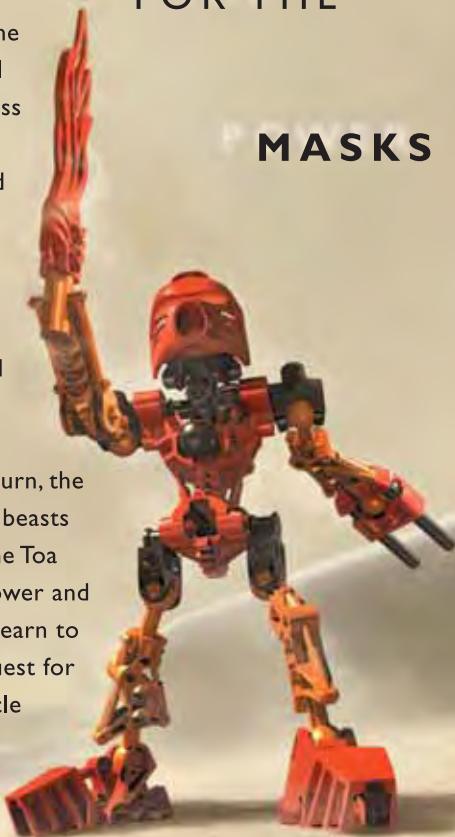
TRADING CARD GAME

QUEST

FOR THE

MASKS

In the time before time, when the island of Mata Nui was a tropical paradise, a dark shadow fell across the land. The people of Mata Nui believed in a legend that foretold the coming of the Toa, six brave heroes. The Turaga, the chiefs of the island, know both its history and its destiny. They know the path that each Toa must take and that the Tohunga, the people of the island, must help the Toa find the Great Masks of Power. In return, the Toa will face the island's darkest beasts and save Mata Nui. But before the Toa can attain the Great Masks of Power and achieve their destiny, they must learn to unite and work together. The Quest for the Masks begins with the Bionicle Trading Card Game.



Collect all
three Toa
Theme Decks



KOPAKA

ORUA

LEVA

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