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## Hatter M (The Looking Glass Wars Graphic Novels, Volume 1)

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Author: Frank Beddor, Ben Templesmith, Liz Cavalier Released: 2008 Description from GoodReads: Put to rest any delusions or disinformation you have of the tea-guzzling madman of faux literary history and prepare to expand your consciousness as the saga of Hatter Madigan and his

relentless search for the lost Princess of Wonderland unfolds in Volume 1 of the Hatter M graphic novel series! In Frank Beddor's bestselling *The Looking Glass Wars*, Royal Bodyguard Hatter Madigan was ordered by Queen Genevieve to take Princess Alyss and leave Wonderland after a bloody palace coup staged by the murderous Redd. But while escaping through the Pool of Tears (the portal connecting Wonderland to our world) crushing centrifugal force pulled them apart, and Alyss was lost. In this first volume of the geo-graphic parallel adventure trilogy, Hatter finds himself in Paris, France in the year 1859 shockingly separated from the child he had been sworn to protect. Hatter must now embark upon a non-stop quest, crisscrossing the globe for 13 years in search of his lost Princess. Meticulously assembled by the true believers of the Hatter M Institute for Paranormal Travel this collector's edition paperback contains a multitude of mind-boggling ephemera and extras including concept art illustrating Ben Templesmith's creative process. As you

turn the pages of Hatter's first adventure take heart in the knowledge that the world is much stranger than fiction. **Review:** \*Please note that this is a spin-off of the first book of The Looking Glass Wars series, so the review may contain spoilers. Read at your own risk.\* I have been a long time fan of The Looking Glass Wars series, so I was really excited to take my love for this series into a different medium. The first thing I did upon opening the novel was take a minute to fully appreciate the artwork of this graphic novel. It is simply breathtaking. My attention was captured by its sketchy style, layers of textures and colors. It is interesting to note that most of the colors are dark, so when the reader sees red or pastels, it really jumps out at you. If you have read the LGW, then the plot will not be too original for you since the novel features the beginning of LGW, and follows Hatter Madigan during parts of his 13 year hunt for Alyss on Earth. However, I found this graphic novel to be a nice addition to the series due to the reader getting to see some of the trials that Hatter M underwent. Overall, I was very pleased with this graphic novel. It is a wonderful addition to my LGW collection, and I am looking forward to reading the next installments. My rating [here](#).