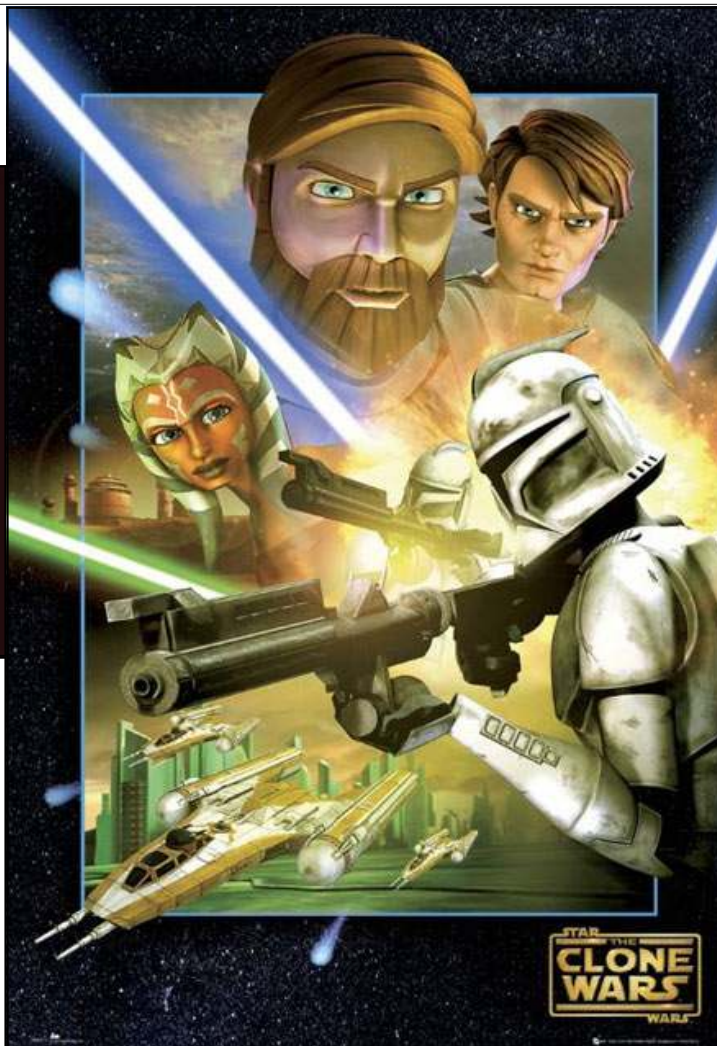


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## STAR THE CLONE WARS WARS

**WELCOME TO THE CLONE WARS!!** And the unceasing battle between the forces of good and evil. Now, in 2008, George Lucas, creator of the world's most popular fantasy saga, takes us to new frontiers within the STAR WARS universe. View the Prequel Trilogy in a whole new perspective as it enters the realms of feature film animation for the first time. See your favourite heroes and villains as you've never seen them before. Witness, and be enthralled, by a bold new theatrical vision that is packed with new colour, locales, aliens, civilisations and conflicts, and on a scale bigger than anything ever witnessed before in the saga. The STAR WARS universe has entered a new evolutionary phase!! And this film is just the start, as LUCASFILM is about to unleash its brand new weekly half hour TV series of animated STAR WARS adventures worldwide, which will delight audiences of all ages. But can our heroes save the Republic...?



## OUR HEROES... ANAKIN SKYWALKER



Working as a slave on Tatooine, the young Anakin Skywalker was soon discovered by the Jedi Knights and entered into their noble ranks, where he would become a famed Padawan learner to Obi-Wan Kenobi. Adept in piloting, with strong intuitive skills and lightning fast reflexes, the possibility of his being the one who will bring the prophecy of balance to the force seems ever likely as his powers continue to grow stronger. The Clone Wars will test the young Jedi to the fullest of his abilities, and lead him onto a destiny that he will never expect...

### RELEASE INFORMATION

WORLD WIDE THEATRICAL RELEASE DATE—AUGUST 14TH (AUSTRALIA), 15TH (UNITED KINGDOM AND UNITED STATES), 27TH (FRANCE). ONLY IN CINEMAS.

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## OBI - WAN KENOBI



### MOVIE CREDITS

Written by Henry Gilroy, Steven Melching, Scott Murphy.

Produced by George Lucas and Catherine Winder

Executive Producer George Lucas

Music by Kevin Kiner  
STAR WARS themes by John Williams

Directed by Dave Filoni

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### VOICE CAST

Matt Lanter as Anakin Skywalker

Ashley Eckstein as Ahsoka Tano

Tom Kane as Master Yoda

James Arnold Taylor as Obi-Wan Kenobi

Now an experienced Jedi Knight and a member of its revered Council, Obi-Wan Kenobi is a highly trusted and resourceful individual within the brotherhood of the Force. Taking part in the critical start of the Clone Wars on Geonosis, his leadership and tactical skills with the newly developed Clone armies soon see him as a major player in the upcoming confrontation..

## MASTER YODA



The 900 year old leader of the Jedi Council, Jedi Master Yoda, an alien of unknown origins, possesses a strong intuitive command of the Force, which he has used to the full in aiding and dutifully serving the Republic for so long. Despite his advancing years, he still maintains and hones the sharp reflexes and powerful, agile combat skills that will soon be re-activated during the upcoming battle with the Separatists.

An unparalleled negotiator, he has the uncanny ability to see how the future around him will play out. He is wise, trustworthy and totally knowledgeable. And he's mean with a lightsaber blade too!! Fight him at your peril!!



# MACE WINDU



Second only to Yoda in his mental and physical skills within the power of the Force, Mace Windu is one of the most respected members of the council. With his partaking in the battle of Geonosis, and his skilful using of the deadly art of form in saber wielding, Windu is reluctantly aware that the Jedi must act as Generals to the newly activated Clone troopers. Equally important, Windu is determined to find and destroy the influence of the newly revealed Sith and their manipulation of both the Republic and the Separatists during the oncoming storm.

# AHSOKA TANO



A young Jedi Padawan apprentice, Ahsoka is a bright and energetic pupil- fiery and determined within the positive side of the Force, and wants to do her very best in serving both her Jedi Masters and the Republic. She is soon matched with the similarly youthful Anakin Skywalker-now a Jedi Knight he has the fresh responsibility to train her as his own Padawan learner, and guide her into being the greatest Jedi she can be during the most difficult and dangerous phase of the Republic's history..



Anthony Daniels as See-Threepio

Matthew Wood as General Grievous

Christopher Lee as Count Dooku

Jimmy Smits as Bail Organa (?)

Samuel Jackson as Mace Windu

Dee Bradley Baker as Captain Rex and the Clone Troopers

Nika Futterma as Asajj Ventress

Ian Abercrombie as Chancellor Palpatine.

The voice artist for Padme Amidala Skywalker has not yet been named.



# SENATOR PADME AMIDALA SKYWALKER



Secretly married to her love Anakin Skywalker, Senator Padme Amidala continues to act as a politician and ambassador within the Republic senate. Knowing that war is now inevitable, after the political skull-duggery and danger she discovered on Geonosis, she will do what she can, with the greatest of tenacity and strength of purpose, to try to end the conflict, and the bloodshed it has brought on, before it can escalate further. In this intensified battlefield she continually fears for her husband's safety as he uses his unbridled skills in the Force in further dangerous, ambitious ways in fighting for both her and the Republic.

On top of this situation is the worry that their concealed marriage may be discovered and that it may result in further damage to her husband's mostly frosty relationship with the Jedi Order, despite his exceptional skills in the Force. Can the pair hold their own against such dangerous pressures?

## R2 - D2 / C -3PO



Faithful servants to the Skywalker family. The golden protocol droid, fluent in over six million forms of communications, See Threepio, assists Padme Amidala in her political negotiations within the Republic, whilst the astro-droid Artoo Detoo acts as confidante and friend to Anakin Skywalker in ways that his mentor Obi-Wan cannot, entering the frays of battle with as much gusto and bravery as his master, and acting as technician/ command function monitor on Anakin's specially built Jedi Starfighter...



## THE STORY

As the CLONE WARS begin to ravage the known universe, in a time period set between the events of STAR WARS EPISODE II: ATTACK OF THE CLONES and EPISODE III: REVENGE OF THE SITH, the situation is made more grave for the Republic when they discover that the evil crime lord Jabba the Hutt's son, Rotta the Hutlett, has been kidnapped by an unknown force. The Jedi Knights are soon offered an ultimatum by the slimy gangster: rescue Rotta, or the



# SUPREME CHANCELLOR PALPATINE



The greatest hope for peace in galaxy, the revered and much loved Supreme Chancellor Palpatine, now in his extended tour of office- a position agreed by his fellow senators- continues to show his unwavering dedication to his position as he fights to stop the growing Separatist threat from invading the Republic.

Known as the man of the people, after successfully initiating a Grand Army of the Republic, he knows that his Jedi protectors, despite their unease with his political decisions and the internal accusations of corruption made towards him within the Senate, will lay down their lives for him. None more so than Jedi Knight Anakin Skywalker, whom he has a relationship with that borders on an almost father/son maternal level. In Anakin's eyes, Palpatine is the only choice to rein in the unsteady movements of the crumbling establishment, and will do everything he can to assist him in winning the war...

# CLONE CAPTAIN REX AND THE CLONE TROOPER ARMIES



Totally unswerving and loyal commander of the Clone Wars and the huge force of Republic soldiers under his command, all of whom have been similarly born within the hatcheries of the planet Kamino (created from the genetic blueprints and dna of one of the most physically capable, intelligent and efficiently ruthless bounty hunters that ever lived: Jango Fett), Rex soon becomes a hardened battle veteran in the conflict, and works well with his commanding generals, the Jedi Knights Anakin Skywalker and Obi-Wan Kenobi.



Republic will be denied access through the Hutt's territories, a move that could destabilize the galaxy further and give the Separatists an extra war footing and further tactical advantages in the escalating conflicts. The Hutt's powerful family, their entourage of space pirates and smugglers, and an entire private army under their command, may also help tip the balance to the Dark Side-something that Supreme Chancellor Palpatine and the Senate know mustn't be allowed to

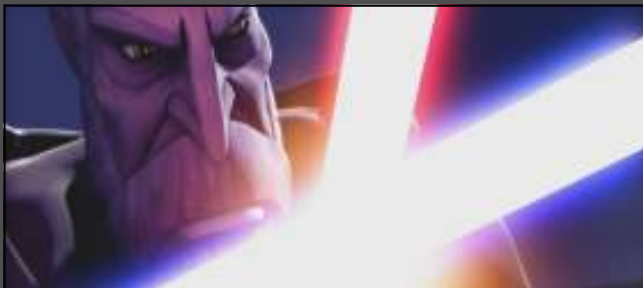


# OUR VILLAINS... DARTH SIDIOUS



The leader of the deadly Dark Side sect, once believed destroyed after a millennia of inactivity, that have sworn to destroy their dreaded enemies: the Jedi. And Sidious is the worst of all-a diabolical mastermind-tactically brilliant, a devious and clever manipulator of people and events, as well as a worthy adversary in combat. He is truly the Phantom Menace- the most dangerous force in the galaxy.

# DARTH TYRANNUS / COUNT DOOKU



The new disciple of Darth Sidious, and also known as Count Dooku, Tyrannus has proved to be a worthy candidate for the succession of Dark Side powers. A once highly respected member of the Jedi Order, his shocking conversion to Dark Side evil, where he has become a superb fighter, with even greater mental agility, has shaken the devastated council to its very core-all of whom are now worried by his growing powers for death and destruction, his unwavering cruelty, and his rapid formation of the Separatists forces that are now aligning to attack the Republic.



happen.

As Jedi Knight Anakin Skywalker and his new Padawan learner, Ahsoka Tano, are brought together to take part in a rescue mission to save Rotta, they soon find themselves embroiled within a deadly web of deceit and betrayal as they and their Clone Troopers battle overwhelming odds to succeed in this pivotal mission...





## WHAT ARE THE CLONE WARS?

### An Introduction

By George Lucas

For a thousand years, the Old Republic prospered and grew under the wise rule of the Senate and the protection of the Jedi Knights. But as often happens when wealth and power grow beyond all reasonable proportion, an evil fueled by greed arose. The massive organs of commerce mushroomed in power, the



## ASAJJ VENTRESS



A deadly new force entering the Clone Wars, this female assassin soon comes out of the shadows and proves herself as a growing strength within the Dark Side of the Force, adroit with two lightsabers, with a body at the peak of her physical prowess, she is more than an equal, or superior, to any adversary that comes within her field of vision. Soon becoming a new, and willing disciple to Darth Tyrannus, her ultimate mission: destroy the Jedi's most dangerous icons- Anakin Skywalker and Obi-Wan Kenobi- and anyone else who tries to stop her from reaching that objective.

## GENERAL GRIEVOUS



Fearsome commander of the Separatist droid armies, General Grievous was once an alien warlord from the planet Kalee. Horrifically injured in a terrible shuttle explosion, secretly orchestrated by the Sith, his remains are now housed within a powerful cyborg body- his aggressive mental abilities being used to their maximum by Darth's Sidious and Tyrannus during the CLONE WARS. A brilliant strategist and skilled, but dangerously underhanded and cruel in battle, the droid leader is undergoing lessons in the art of lightsaber combat from Count Dooku, and plans to annihilate as many of the accursed Jedi, old enemies from the past, as he can in the upcoming battles. It is from this vicious training that Grievous creates a new hobby- planning to add the weapons of his fallen Jedi prey to his own unique collection.

# BATTLE-DROIDS

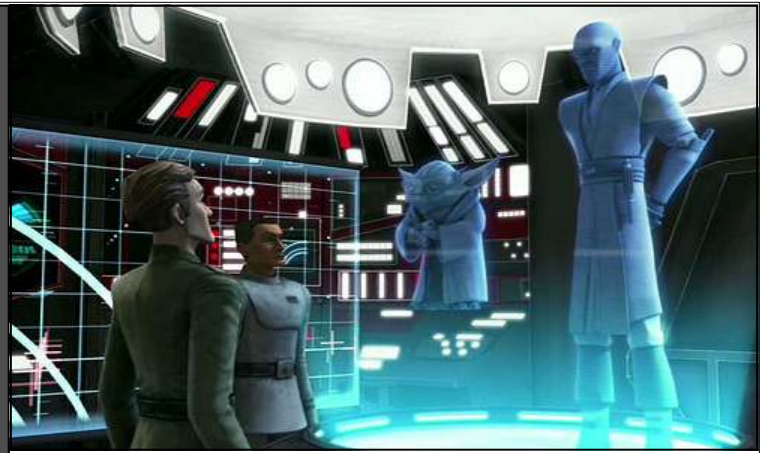


The unwavering faceless troopers of the Separatist army. Thousands upon thousands of drones of all shapes and size, and abilities, including the highly lethal Destroyer droids (or Droidekas). The Separatists factories on Genososis would create the first war battallions and more planets have since taken over the production tasks. Though easily defeatable by the Jedi, they are still crack shots and heavily adaptable when needed, with the sheer numbers of these droids often overwhelming planets within short periods, entrenching in and soon proving very hard to remove.

# JABBA THE HUTT



Overbearing, dominant, highly intelligent, totally ruthless slave trader baron and all round mercenary—a repulsive slug-like member of the legendary Hutt clan of gangsters and it's vast criminal empire— a rival to the similarly nasty Black Sun organization. When one of his family, his son Rotta the Huttlet, is kidnapped by unknown forces, Jabba threatens confinement and possible war on the Republic if they do not find the responsible party— an ultimatum that could shatter the universe further and make the invasion plans of the Separatists easier to accomplish...



Senate became corrupt, and an ambitious politician named Palpatine was voted Supreme Chancellor. Most disturbingly, the Dark Lords of the Sith reappeared, after a thousand years of seeming absence.

In the midst of this turmoil, a separatist movement was formed under the leadership of the charismatic former Jedi Count Dooku. By promising an alternative to the corruption and greed that was rotting the



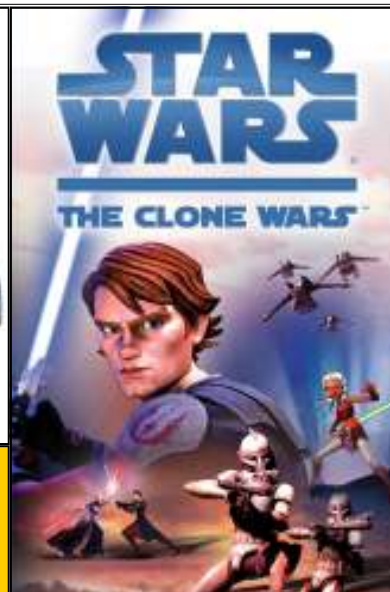
Republic from within, Dooku was able to persuade thousands of star systems to secede from the Republic. Unbeknownst to most of his followers, Dooku was himself a Dark Lord of the Sith, acting in collusion with his master, Darth Sidious, who, over the years, had struck an unholy alliance with the greater forces of commerce and their private droid armies.



The turning point came when Count Dooku lured the unsuspecting Jedi into a trap on the desolate planet of Geonosis. Having just discovered the existence of a clone army that had been secretly commissioned for the Republic ten years earlier, the Jedi were well prepared when they confronted the Separatists on Geonosis, but their victory in that heated battle was pyrrhic. It would prove to be merely the opening salvo in a war that would spread like fire

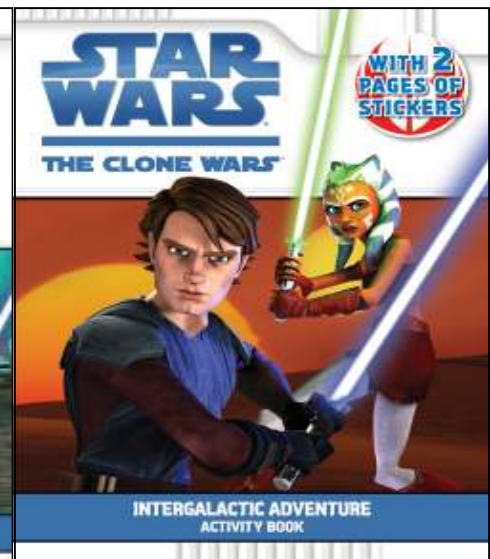
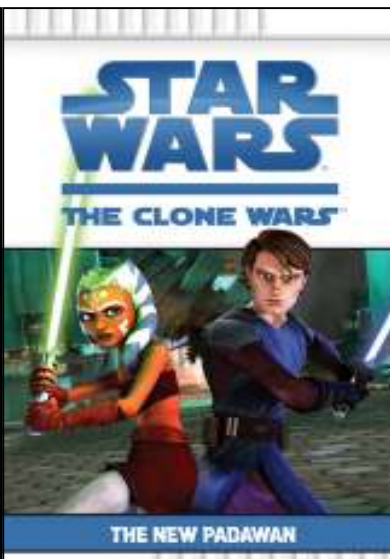


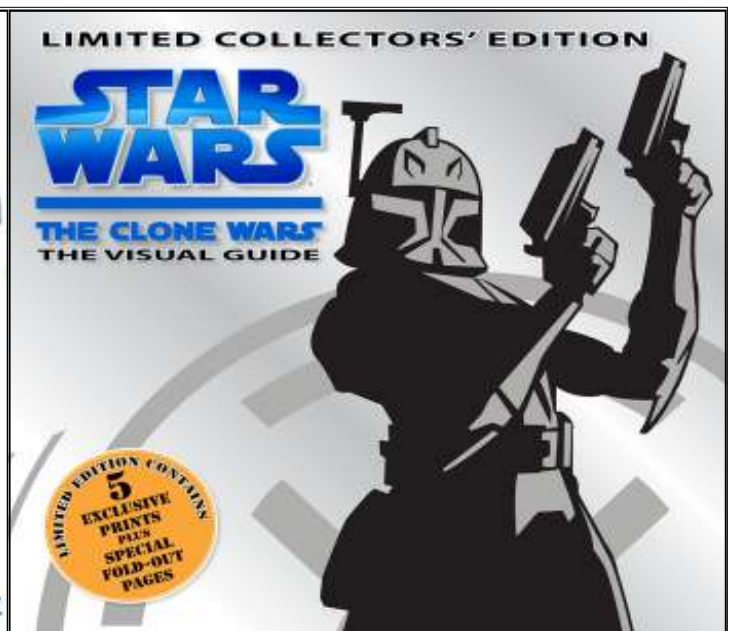
The merchandising phenomenon begins anew for STAR WARS fans, as all ages can now enjoy the further adventures of our Jedi heroes and Dark Side villains in eleven all new books from DORLING KINDERSLEY.



across the galaxy and engulf thousands of star systems in the legendary Clone Wars....

Having already been granted emergency powers in the face of the growing threat, Chancellor Palpatine used his ironclad grip on the Senate to seize even greater authority, all in the name of security. To address the urgent military needs of the Republic, he enlisted the Jedi Knights as generals to command the Clone Army. The Jedi valiantly accepted the assignment, though never having served as military commanders, they were unaccustomed to the wages of war. Their ranks, once sufficient to serve as guardians of peace and

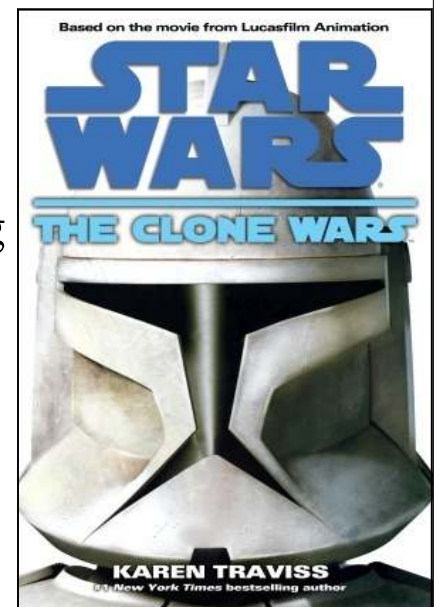




Surely one of the highlight books for collectors of THE CLONE WARS series will be DORLING KINDERSLEY's lavish VISUAL GUIDE BOOK-one of the most well written and beautifully designed items you'll find on the Saga-available in two different covers. Popular EXPANDED UNIVERSE author and lover of all things CLONE WARS, Karen Traviss returns to handle the official novelisation of the movie-her gritty action style prose makes her the perfect choice for the epic story.

justice, were spread perilously thin in the face of this unthinkable challenge. Their relationship with Palpatine grew strained. At the same time they felt their own power waning even as their most promising new apprentice completed his training and stood poised to fulfill his destiny as the chosen one who would bring balance to the Force.

The Clone Wars raged for three long years, tearing the Republic apart and spawning countless tales of heroism, bravery, treachery, and betrayal, as heroes on both sides fought to defend their ideals. As dedicated as the Separatists were, their resolve to create a new order to replace the failing Republic, the Jedi were equally determined to preserve the Republic and defeat the Sith, who they understood all too well were the masterminds of the Separatist movement. They believed in the Republic, still deemed it a Republic worth saving. Their faith, which gave them





superhuman strength in the face of the mind-boggling power of the enemy, had yet to be shaken.

## **BEHIND THE “CLONE WARS”**

Director Dave Filoni, a long time STAR WARS fans, gets a chance to bring a brand new take to the universe created by George Lucas. He talks to LUCASFILM/STARWARS.COM about the behind the scenes making of this new saga and what we can expect to see on both the large and small screens.

“The most important thing when you’re doing *Star Wars* is trying to maintain what was established in the live action movies. We were very fortunate with *The Clone Wars*, when we started to develop the look of it, the feel of it, that George really liked what we were doing in the beginning. Because of that, George is really

involved in *The Clone Wars*, and I've been very much his student for the last three years on of how to make *Star Wars*. When you have the creator of the universe working with you, it really helps make sure that you're going to get it right.

“The action scenes in *Star Wars* have to be dynamic. We have shoot a scene and not just say, this is just going to be a ground battle, but you try to try and direct it and shoot it and tell the story in a new way. *Star Wars* always challenges what was done before. So *A New Hope* was one level of action. *Empire Strikes Back* set another level of quality. *The Clone Wars* is an extension of that type of storytelling, and we had to keep the action dynamic and exciting in it as well.

“To develop the look of *The Clone Wars* I turned to several



Kevin Kiner's suitably epic John Williams-esque score for THE CLONE WARS, now available from SONY CLASSICAL, will surely be one of it's major highlights.



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sources. One of course was the live action films. The other was a bit of previous micro-series, the *Clone Wars*. I had been working on a show called *Avatar the Last Airbender* at Nickelodeon, which was very anime-influenced. So I drew from... I liked *Princess Mononoke*. I drew a little from there, especially for Ahsoka. I grew up watching *Macross*, so I took some things from there, and tried to bring it all into a look and design for *Star Wars*.

“Ahsoka being a new character, she’s exciting. She has to find a way to establish a relationship with Anakin. Her dynamic is between Anakin and Obi-Wan Kenobi. Obi-Wan Kenobi is the Old Republic. He’s the old way a Jedi was before the Empire. Anakin is the new dynamic, where the Republic is heading, into an Empire. Between the two of them, you have this student, this young girl who is learning and trying to gauge where her life is going in the middle of this war. She becomes a lot like Anakin at first, and adopt a lot of his qualities at first, just so she can put up with Anakin’s somewhat cocky attitude.”

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Dave Filoni’s specially created cover for one of the upcoming *CLONE WARS* comics from DARK HORSE. A stunning piece of artwork.