

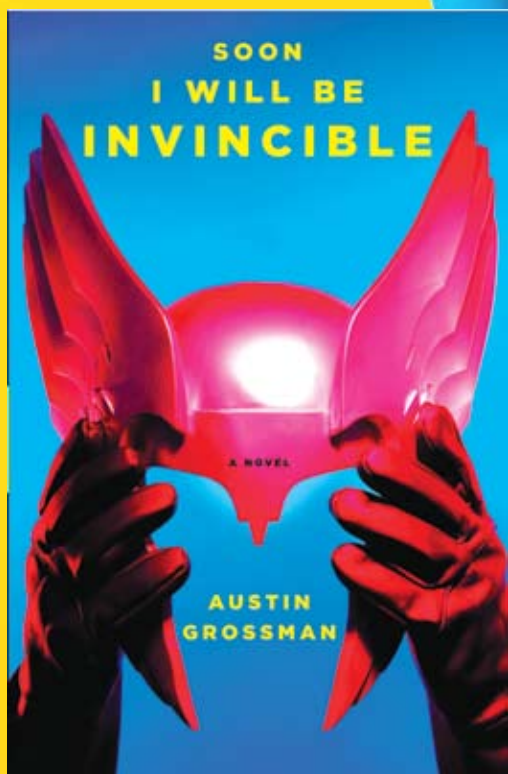
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20-26, 2007

A GUIDE TO THE GREATER FORT MYERS ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT SCENE

Clever Covers Book

SOON I WILL BE INVINCIBLE



>>Soon I Will Be Invincible: by Austin Grossman (\$22.95, Pantheon Books)

>>title and cover:

The perfect marriage of title and cover design for "Soon I Will Be Invincible" demonstrates just why Chip Kidd is one of the top designers in his field. The lettering of the title grows increasingly larger, the visual equivalent of a supervillain's threat, that last word, "Invincible," largest of all, as if ringing out triumphantly.

Kidd uses photographs for the cover, emphasizing the matter-of-factness with which superheroes and villains are treated in the novel. But the colors and images are also brightly colored and basic, as in a comic book world.

The cover image shows a red, winged helmet held high against a cobalt blue background. On the back

SEE INVINCIBLE, C4 ▶

>>PHOTO GEOFF SPEAR

BY NANCY STETSON
Florida Weekly Correspondent

Forget what your Mom told you, that you can't judge a book by its cover. It might be good advice about people, but not when it comes to books. After all, if you can't judge a book by its cover, then what good's the cover? Publishers spend countless dollars and hours annually creating interesting covers and titles. Their goal is twofold: to accurately represent the book's content and to entice you to buy. We take a look at some recent books, to see if they're as good as their covers promise.

READ THE REVIEWS, C4 ▶

Florida Weekly read some recently published books with clever covers or titles to see if they were as good as promised — some were.

WEEK at-a-glance



It takes a village
Florida Rep teams with area businesses and the school district to bring the classroom to the theater. **C14** ▶



Florida Weekly cuisine
Azucar offers top-notch dining and a bakery filled with decadent treats. **C19** ▶



Theater Conspiracy
There's something about a Texas radio station. Check out our review. **C12** ▶

Connect with your funny bone

Comedy Central's Brian Regan appears at BB Mann



PHOTO COURTESY JERRY METELLUS
Brian Regan

BY CARL-JOHN X. VERAJA
Florida Weekly Correspondent

In an interview with Florida Weekly, Brian Regan, the popular comedian with specials on Comedy Central, revealed his background and development as an artist. Brian Regan will be performing at the Barbara Mann Performing Arts Center on Thursday, Sept. 20, part of the 2007-2008 national theater tour, "Brian Regan In Concert: A Comedy Central Live Event."

SEE COMEDY, C15 ▶

If you go

>>**What:** Brian Regan, a regular Joe with wry observational abilities
>>**Where:** Barbara B. Mann PAC, 8099 College Pkwy. Fort Myers
>>**When:** Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m.
>>**Cost:** \$34.43 and \$30.66
>>**Info:** 481-4849, 800-440-7469; www.bbmannpah.com



Get in the groove
Meet local band Poor Richard and The Almanacs. **C8** ▶