

Many were shaken and left speechless at this senseless tragedy which will be remembered as the biggest mass shooting in the history of the United States. It left a cloud of gloom and despair over the film *The Dark Knight Rises*, the movie industry, and the comic book industry. Here are a few creators, writers, and retailers from the comic book industry offering their thoughts on this extremely tragic event - which will have unforetold outcomes: Brad Meltzer - bestselling American political thriller novelist, non-fiction writer, TV show creator and award-winning comic book author: "'No Guns, No Killing.' That line bears repeating," quoting a line from a scene in *The Dark Knight Rises*. Batman, Meltzer reminds us, is a symbol against gun violence. "That is the mass appeal of the character. It's not just Batman but what's inside him and the idea that we can all see and understand what it's like to

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