

THE GAY AGENDA

COMIC-CON 2005
SAN DIEGO CONVENTION CENTER JULY 14-17



Booth #5560

FREE Hourly Prize Drawings

Register at **Prism Comics** for a chance to win items like *Tokyo Pop* manga, signed *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* comics, and TPBs from Image, DC and Marvel!

More FREE Stuff!

Pick up samples of our weekly *Queer Eye on Comics* online reviews, free PrismComics.org stickers for your Comic-Con ID badge, and autographs from the hottest LGBT comics creators! Check the signing schedule at the Prism Comics booth.

Other Booths with LGBT Material

Carla Speed McNeil/Lightspeed Press (Indy Island/Cold Cut Booth #1901)
Comic Book Legal Defense Fund (Booth #1930)
Donna Barr (Small Press Table #M13)
Radio Comix (Booth #5430)
Rebel Studios/Tim Vigil (Booth #G1)
Surge of Power Enterprises (Booth #LLC I4)

Comic-Con International is the largest comics convention in the world. Since there are so many panels, presentations, and multimedia events to choose from, we've narrowed down the listing to material that we feel will have the highest appeal for LGBT comic fans and their supporters.

Listings are current as of July 3, 2005. For full panel listings and descriptions, consult your Comic-Con Program. **BOLD listing = LGBT creator.**

THURSDAY, JULY 14 (Hall Open 10 AM to 7 PM)

COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 101: LET'S GET IT STARTED! 10:30-12:00, Room 4

Learn the basics of copyright and trademark law in this popular interactive lecture series brought to you by noted attorney **Michael Lovitz**, author of *The Trademark and Copyright Book* comic (and the forthcoming *Trademark, Licensing and Copyright Book* graphic novel).

BATMAN: YEAR OF THE BAT 11:30-12:30, Room 5A

The Dark Knight is casting his large shadow on the silver screen in what is unquestionably one of the summer's biggest blockbusters. At this panel find out what Gotham's guardian is up to on the comics front, with writers Bill Willingham, Greg Rucka, **Andersen Gabrych** (Detective Comics), artist Jim Lee, plus editors **Bob Schreck**, Joey Cavalieri, and many more.

CMX: FROM JAPAN WITH LOVE 1:30-2:30, Room 2

DC Comics presents some of Japan's most renowned manga, including *Kikaider Code 02*, *Applesed*, *Kamikaze Kaito Jeanne*, *Testarotho*, *Madara*, *Land of the Blindfolded*, *Tenjho Tenge*, and more.

REN AND STIMPY 1:30-3:00, Room 6A

The gay cat and dog pair are together again. Join *Ren and Stimpy* creator John Kricfalusi and Eric Bauza for a special screening of select clips and Q&A session.

ART ASYLUM: CLIVE BARKER 2:00-3:00, Room 6B

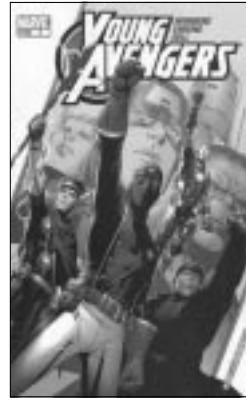
Master author **Clive Barker** and The Art Asylum's Digger and Adam Unger take you through their new world of the Jump Tribe. You'll get to see Clive's original paintings on display and be given a visual tour of the future franchise. This event will include a digital slide show and Clive's readings from the first storybook, followed by a Q&A session.

SPOTLIGHT ON LOU SCHEIMER 3:00-4:00, Room 6B

One of animation's most popular masters makes a rare public appearance. Hear stories from Filmmation founder Lou Scheimer about the last five decades of animation. Plus, Lou shares secrets about *He-Man and the Masters of the Universe* while discussing its upcoming DVD launch. Moderated by best-selling novelist and documentary director **Andy Mangels**.

CENTRAL PARK MEDIA: BE BEAUTIFUL 3:30-4:30, Room 2

Managing director John O'Donnell highlights Central Park Media's upcoming releases, *Kakurenbo: Hide and Seek*, and *Be Beautiful's* graphic novel release schedule for the year, inclusive of the long-awaited *Target in the Finder*, as well as *Be Beautiful's* first video release, *Kizuna*, based off the best-selling graphic novel.



GAY BY DAWN FILM FESTIVAL 3:40-4:00, Room 26AB

A short comedy film often described as a cross between *South Park* and *The Evil Dead*. Four rednecks tell ghost stories around a fire—until one story scares them a little too far. Join writer/director Jonathan London, producer Rachel Vine, and two of their crew members for a Q&A about making this hilarious film and where they are headed next.

SEDUCING HOLLYWOOD 4:00-5:30, Room 6A

This group of Hollywood insiders includes **Allan Heinberg** (*The OC*, *Young Avengers*), Tramm Wiggell, Jeff Nodelman, Jeremy Love, Laurenn McCubbin, Shawn Walker, Dan Evans, and Brendan McFeely.

FRIDAY, JULY 15 (Hall Open 10 AM to 7 PM)

COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 102: MONEY, MONEY, MONEY! 10:30-12:00, Room 4

This second workshop by noted attorney **Michael Lovitz** will cover more advanced issues facing creators who are looking to actually market their creations and ideas.

COMIC-CON SELF-PUBLISHING SCHOOL 102: PRODUCING YOUR OWN COMIC

12:00-1:30, Room 4

This second in a series of classroom-style seminars will take a business concerns approach to the topic of self-publishing. Writing and drawing your own story is just the beginning of what you need to do to get your comic book published. Terry Moore, Phil Foglio, **Paige Braddock** (*Jane's World*), Anna Warren Boersig, Rich Koslowski, and Mark Thompson.

RINGERS: LORD OF THE FANS 12:00-1:30, Room 20

A sensation at film festivals around the world, *Ringers* is an award-winning, soon-to-be released feature documentary exploring how *The Lord of the Rings* has influenced Western pop culture for over 50 years. Enjoy extended audience discussion with executive producer **Tom DeSanto** (*X-Men* and *Transformers*), writer/producer/director Carlene Cordova, and writer/producer Cliff Broadway.

BRINGING BACK COMICS FOR KIDS 1:30-2:30, Room 3

How do we get more comics in the hands of younger readers? A diverse group of artists, authors, editors and educators will discuss the best way to achieve this goal through comics shops, classroom initiatives, libraries, and other mediums. Panelists include comics writer J. M. DeMatteis, Landry Walker and Eric Jones, Steve Behling, Steve Miller, Jeff Sharp, Michael Cart, and **Eric Shanower** (*Age of Bronze* and the *Oz* graphic novel series).



HE-MAN & THE MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE SPOTLIGHT

3:00-4:30, Room 6B

The world of Eternia comes to San Diego, as animation legends discuss the classic 1980s series *He-Man and the Masters of the Universe* and its upcoming DVD release from BCI Eclipse. Producer Lou Scheimer, voice actress Erika Scheimer, Emmy-award-winning writer J. Michael Straczynski, directors and animators Tom Tataranowicz and Tom Sito, and DVD producer Jeff Hayne will share secrets with best-selling novelist and documentary director **Andy Mangels**.

SPOTLIGHT ON J. J. SEDELMAIER 4:00-5:00, Room 2

His career includes everything from *Saturday Night Live* to *Adult Swim* to Volkswagen commercials. J. J. Sedelmaier's animated antics have kept us laughing for years. The creator of *The Ambiguously Gay Duo* makes his Comic-Con debut!

SURGE OF POWER (FILM FESTIVAL) 7:45-9:15, Room 26AB

A complete special video presentation of this gay super-hero film. A comic book fan (Alan Mills) happens upon a merchant (Tom Tangen) who reveals Issue #1 of *Surge of Power* introducing the wacky world of Big City where Gavin Lucas (Vincent J. Roth) is out and proud about his comic reading penchant and longing to be a superhero. This science-fiction spoof guest-stars science-fiction veterans Nichelle Nichols, Lou Ferrigno and Noel Neill! 85 minutes long.

AN EVENING WITH J. J. SEDELMAIER 8:30-10:00, Room 6A

Comic-Con special guest J. J. Sedelmaier is joined by animation historian Jerry Beck in this retrospective of some of Sedelmaier's best work, including cartoons and commercials.

THE WILL EISNER COMICS INDUSTRY AWARDS 8:30-11:00, Room 20

Don't miss the comic industry "Oscars," as celebrity presenters give out awards in 26 categories. Nominees include **Eric Shanower** (*Age of Bronze*).

**SUPERHERO PARTY W/ JOE PHILLIPS & PRISM COMICS**

9:00 pm-2:00 am, Rich's (1051 University Ave.) One of San Diego's hottest gay clubs, Rich's will be hosting a superhero party that will feature "Joe Boy" artist **Joe Phillips** with a preview of his upcoming gay super-hero video *Stonewall and Riot*, a Prism Comics booth, painted go-go boys, a costume contest, giveaways, and popular MC Rich Andreoli. Cover charge is \$10, but a discount will be given to people showing a Comic-Con badge.

SATURDAY, JULY 16 (Hall Open 9am-7pm)

COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 103: ANYTHING YOU CAN DO, I CAN DO BETTER!

10:30-12:00, Room 4

This third workshop, presented by attorney **Michael Lovitz**, deals with more advanced issues facing creators, particularly once they've "broken through" and have started publishing and selling (and maybe merchandising too).

WARNER BROS. PRESENTS: SUPERMAN RETURNS 10:30-11:30, Hall H

The Man of Steel comes back to Earth in the epic action-adventure *Superman Returns*, a soaring new chapter in the saga of one of the world's most beloved superheroes. Longtime comics fan and director **Bryan Singer** will be coming directly from the *Superman Returns* set in Australia to show something prepared especially for Comic-Con and answer your questions.

DC COMICS: A WHOLE NEW WORLD 1:30-3:00, Room 6A

With a universe-rattling crisis looming, there's never a dull moment for the heroes of the DCU! Look into the future of Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, and all your other DCU favorites—in this presentation moderated by Dan DiDio and Bob Wayne. Joining them will be Jim Lee, Jeph Loeb, Greg Rucka, Geoff Johns, **Phil Jimenez** (*DC Special: The Return of Donna Troy, Infinite Crisis*), Ian Churchill, Darwyn Cooke, **Marc Andreyko** (*Manhunter*), Jimmy Palmiotti, Amanda Conner, Adam Kubert, Andy Kubert, and Steve Wacker.

CHARLES M. SCHULZ MUSEUM 4:30-5:30, Room 9

Syndicated comic strip artist Stephan Pastis, who is also involved in Schulz Museum exhibit preparation, presents a look at when "*Peanuts* became *Peanuts*," focusing on Schulz's early strip work. Also on hand to answer questions after the presentation will be Jean Schulz and museum board member **Paige Braddock** (*Jane's World*).

GAYS IN COMICS: INFINITE PRIDE 5:30-7:00, Room 5AB

Sexual minority characters are popping up more in mainstream comics, and GLBT creators are writing, drawing, or self-publishing more than ever. Check in on the pulse of queer comicdom with this enduring panel, showcasing some fascinating creators and their insights. Joining moderator **Andy Mangels** (*Star Trek, He-Man* DVD documentaries) are **Andersen Gabrych** (*Detective Comics*, film actor), **Allan Heinberg** (*Young Avengers, The O.C.*), **Ivan Velez, Jr.** (*Tales of the Closet, Ghost Rider*), Jaime Hernandez (*Love & Rockets*), **Sean-Z** (Myth), **Vincent J. Roth** (*Surge of Power* film), and **Paige Braddock** (*Jane's World*).

PRISM COMICS FAN MIXER 7:00-8:00, Room 6A

Here's your chance to see a live performance by comedian **Michael Troy** (*Homo-Hero*), participate in organized ice-breakers to meet other LGBT and open-minded fans and creators, win fabulous prizes (no one leaves empty-handed), and hear a special announcement from the mixer's host, Prism Comics.

30TH ANNUAL COMIC-CON MASQUERADE 8:30-11:30, Room 20

Original, re-created, and humorous-themed costumes will compete for beautiful trophies and cash awards. Big Screen Broadcast in Room 6A.

HARD HEROES: SAN DIEGO 10:00 pm - 2:00 am, Bourbon St. (4612 Park Blvd.)

A no-cover fundraiser for Prism Comics, with a portion of the bar proceeds going to benefit the nonprofit organization. Hosted by "The Sisters of the Asylum of The Tortured Heart," the party will feature a costume contest, go-go boys, body and face painting, and raffles for prizes and adult videos.

SUNDAY, JULY 17 (Hall Open 9am-5pm)

LICENSED TO THRILL: MEDIA TIE-IN NOVELISTS SPEAK 12:00-1:00, Room 6B

From *Star Trek* and *Star Wars* to *CSI* and *Monk*, some of fiction's best-selling novels are media tie-ins. This all-star panel of licensed scribes will share secrets from the familiar worlds they work to expand in print. Joining moderator **Andy Mangels** (*Star Trek, Roswell*) are Max Allan Collins., Keith R. A. DeCandido., Nancy Holder., Jeff Mariotte., Bobbi JG Weiss., and David Mack.

SPOTLIGHT ON PHIL JIMENEZ 1:00-2:00, Room 9

DC editor Eddie Berganza sits down with the detail-oriented, fan-favorite creator **Phil Jimenez** (*Infinite Crisis, DC Special: The Return of Donna Troy*) in this revealing Q&A.

A SEQUENTIAL ART: A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT COMICS 1:30-2:30, Room 3

On the menu is censorship, taboos and the industry. Join **Roberta Gregory** (*Bitchy Bitch*), Chris Wisnia, Jim Mahfood, Denis Kitchen, and the director Espen Jørgensen for a Q&A, and a sneak peek at the film.

**KNOWN LGBT CREATORS IN ATTENDANCE**

- Marc Andreyko** (DC Comics Booth #1915)
- Paige Braddock** (Jane's World/Girl Twirl Comics Booth #2103)
- Aman Chaudhary**
- Colleen Coover** (Fantagraphics Books/Eros Comix Booth #1716, Oni Press Booth #1934)
- Vinnie Costa** (DC Comics Booth #1915)
- Darren Davis** (Alias Enterprises Booth #1115)
- Lynx Delerium** (Prism Comics Booth #5560, signs Sunday 11-12)
- Tom DeSanto** (Ringers: Lord of the Fans Booth #1118)
- J.A. Fludd** (Prism Comics Booth #5560, signs Thursday 2-3)
- Andersen Gabrych** (DC Comics Booth #1915)
- Roberta Gregory** (Small Press table #M13)
- Terrance Griep** (Alias Enterprises Booth #1115)
- Allan Heinberg** (DC Comics Booth #1915 Marvel Comics Booth #4315)
- Phil Jimenez** (DC Comics Booth #1915)
- Chuck Kim**
- Kevin Kiniry** (DC Comics Booth #1915)
- Tommy Kovac** (Slave Labor Graphics Booth #1815)
- Michael Lovitz**
- Andy Mangels** (Tower Booth #4729, signs Sat. 3-5; and Pocket Books Booth #1132, signs Sun. 11-12)
- Lee Marrs** (Friends of Lulu Booth #5438)
- Joe Phillips** (Artists Alley table #11-16)
- Stephen Sadowski** (Artists Alley table #GG-12)
- Greg Sanchez** (Prism Comics Booth #5560)
- Bob Schreck** (DC Comics Booth #1915)
- Eric Shanower** (Hungry Tiger Press Booth #2008)
- Tony Shenton** (NBM Publishing Booth #1429)
- Michael Troy** (Prism Comics Booth #5560, signs Saturday 3-4)
- Ivan Velez, Jr.** (Prism Comics Booth #5560)
- Jose Villarrubia** (Prism Comics Booth #5560)
- Sean-Z** (Prism Comics Booth #5560)

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