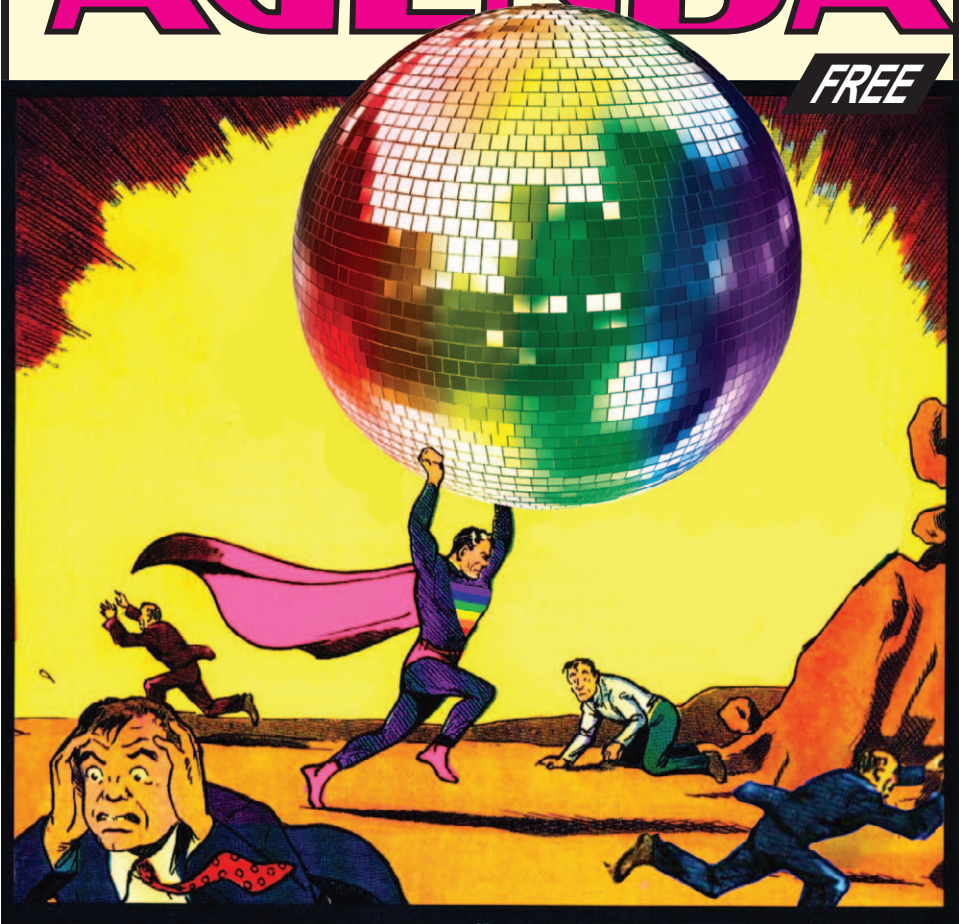


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Comic-Con International is the largest comics convention in the world! With so many panels, presentations, and multimedia events to choose from, we've had to narrow down the listing to material that we feel will have the highest appeal for LGBT comic fans and their supporters. **Openly LGBT creators appear in bold type.**

For full descriptions, consult your Comic-Con Program. The Con also releases daily updates with corrections, cancellations and additions.



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In addition to the featured guests listed at the left, also appearing and signing at the Prism booth will be **Iceman Blue, Phil Jimenez, Andy Mangels, Jim McCann, Bob Schreck, Eric Shanower, Gail Simone, Michael Troy** and many more! Stop by for days and times!

**Prism needs your support!** We rely on community donations, and always welcome new volunteers from all over the country. Stop by the booth or check out [prismcomics.org](http://prismcomics.org) for more info!

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# WEDNESDAY

JULY 20, HALL OPEN 6-9PM

## 6-9PM – SPECIAL SNEAK PEEK PILOT SCREENINGS

Exclusive world premiere screenings of the pilots of three of the most highly anticipated TV series pilots of the 2011-12 television season—including *The Secret Circle*, executive producer **Kevin Williamson** (*The Vampire Diaries*). **BALLROOM 20**

# THURSDAY

JULY 21, HALL OPEN 9:30AM-7PM

## 10:30AM-NOON – COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 101: “C” IS FOR CREATOR (AND COPYRIGHT!)

The popular Comic Book Law School will help by supplying the ABCs of legal protections for creators. Noted IP attorney **Michael Lovitz**, author of *The Trademark and Copyright Book* comic book, assists attendees in establishing a basic foundation for their copyright and trademark rights. **ROOM 30CDE**

## NOON-1PM – COMICS ARTS CONFERENCE SESSION #2: GRAPHIC REPRESENTATIONS OF OTHERNESS

Authors and scholars examine representations of “Otherness” in graphic media, focusing on the ways in which these representations can either solidify stereotypes or undermine cultural assumptions—or both. The roundtable will consider a variety of forms of Otherness including gender, race, and sexuality. **ROOM 26AB**

## 1-2PM – ABRAMS COMICARTS

Representatives from art book publisher Abrams talk with celebrated graphic

designer **Chip Kidd** (*Shazam! The Golden Age of the World’s Mightiest Mortal*) about their current titles and reveal details and images from their upcoming collaborations. **ROOM 9**



## 1-2PM – ARCHAIA ENTERTAINMENT: IMMORTALS, THE GRAPHIC NOVEL

A preview of Archaia’s movie prelude graphic novel, *Immortals: Gods and Heroes*, including writer **Jim McCann** (*Return of the Dapper Men*). **ROOM 32AB**

## 2-3PM – LOVE AND ROCKETS

Gilbert, Jaime, and Mario Hernandez converse with Gary Groth about 30 years of creating their landmark (and LGBT-inclusive) comic book series, *Love & Rockets*. **ROOM 9**

## 4:15-5:15PM – TV GUIDE MAGAZINE: FAN FAVORITES

TV Guide is back with an all-star panel for the fans which includes **Kevin Williamson** (*Vampire Diaries*), and others from *True Blood* and more. **BALLROOM 20**

## 4:30-5:30PM – MARVEL: NEXT BIG THING

Get the latest news on Marvel’s plans for their biggest heroes and villains, with panelists Greg Pak (*Alpha Flight*), **Jim McCann** (*Marvel Zombies Christmas Carol*), and more. **ROOM 6DE**



TOM LENK

## 5-6PM – BUFFY THE VAMPIRE SLAYER AND LGBT COMICS FANDOM

LGBT fans hailed the revelation in the long-running television hit that one of its main characters, Willow, had fallen in love with another female character, Tara. This groundbreaking depiction of queer love in the TV show has been built upon in the *Buffy* comic books published by Dark Horse Comics, and *Buffy* remains one of the most queer-friendly properties in pop culture. Moderator **Charles “Zan” Christensen** (Prism Comics president) discusses the special relationship between the Buffyverse and LGBT comic book fans with Buffy creators and actors, including Scott Allie, Andrew Chambliss, Jane Espenson, Drew Greenberg, **Tom Lenk**, and a special guest! **ROOM 32AB**

## 5:30-7:30PM – SHOWTIME : TIRED OF ORDINARY TELEVISION?

The casts and creative forces behind *Dexter* and LGBT-inclusive *Shameless* give sneak peeks into the new seasons. **BALLROOM 20**

## 6-7PM – LGBTX: THE X-MEN'S QUEER CHARACTERS, THEMES, AND FANS

The X-Men and their universe have always been popular with LGBT comics fans. The idea of mutants is seen as an allegory for the reality of difference and persecution, as well as community and power, experienced by LGBT people. The X-Men have also included compelling

queer characters in their roster, including the first gay superhero, Northstar. How have these themes and characters been handled? What are the plans for the future? Moderator **Chance Whitmire** (*Fanboys of the Universe*) tries to make sense of it all with panelists Peter David (*X-Factor*), **Phil Jimenez** (*Astonishing X-Men*), **Chuck Kim** (*Age of X*), Marjorie Liu (*Daken: Dark Wolverine*), Scott Lobdell (*Uncanny X-Men*), and Zack Stentz (*X-Men First Class*). **ROOM 32AB**

## 6:30-7:30PM – MANGA: LOST IN TRANSLATION

The manga business seems to be coming back, with the older companies leaner and new companies focusing on both digital and print. Panelists include **Mari Morimoto** (*Naruto*) and others. **ROOM 26AB**



JEFFREY CATHERINE JONES

## 7:30-8:30PM – JEFFREY CATHERINE JONES: THE DOCUMENTARY

A preview and discussion of the upcoming documentary feature *Better Things: The Life and Choices of Jeffrey Catherine Jones*, about the late transgender comics and fine artist. **ROOM 4**

## 8:30-10PM – DR. HORRIBLE'S SING-ALONG BLOG

Sing along with your fellow fans at this screening of the original three acts of *Dr. Horrible's Sing-Along Blog*, starring **Neil Patrick Harris**. **ROOM 6BCF**

## 9:30-10:30PM – TORCHWOOD: MIRACLE DAY EPISODE 103

Get a sneak peek at this week's new episode, "Dead of Night", starring **John Barrowman**. **ROOM 6DE**

# FRIDAY

JULY 22, HALL OPEN 9:30AM-7PM

**10-11AM – TORCHWOOD: MIRACLE DAY**  
**John Barrowman** (*Doctor Who*) and other cast members discuss the fourth installment of the hit BBC and Starz Originals co-production. **BALLROOM 20**



## 10:30-NOON – COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 202: WHEN HOLLYWOOD TAKES A SHINING...

Noted attorney **Michael Lovitz**, addresses some of the complicated issues surrounding marketing properties and creative ideas, including transfers and licensing of rights; production, merchan-

dising, and distribution agreements; and the key things you should know when Hollywood comes knocking. **ROOM 30CDE**

## NOON-1PM – ABC FAMILY: THE NINE LIVES OF CHLOE KING

An exclusive sneak peek of an upcoming episode of the LGBT-inclusive *The Nine Lives of Chloe King*, followed by a Q&A session with the cast and producers. **ROOM 23ABC**

## NOON-1PM – CBLDF MASTER SESSION 3: JAIME HERNANDEZ

*Love & Rockets* co-creator Jaime Hernandez discusses visual storytelling and creates art live. **ROOM 30CDE**



## 1-2PM – PUBLISHING QUEER: PRODUCING LGBT COMICS & GRAPHIC NOVELS

Queer-themed comics, once solely the domain of the gay press, are breaking into the mainstream. What are the challenges and rewards of producing this work and getting it in front of an audience hungry for the material? How can it be marketed and publicized, both to an LGBT readership and beyond? Should queer cartoonists self-publish or look to established publishers? Moderator **Justin Hall** (*Glamazonia: The Uncanny Super-Tranny*, Prism Comics Talent Chair) leads a spirited conversation with a diverse panel of publishing pros: **Brian Andersen** (self-publisher, *So Super Duper*), **Charles "Zan" Christensen**

(publisher, Northwest Press), **Jacqueline Cohen** (publicist, Fan-  
tagraphics), Shannon O'Leary (comics  
editor and journalist), **Bob Schreck**  
(editor-in-chief, Legendary Pictures), and  
**Tony Valenzuela** (executive director,  
Lambda Literary Foundation). **ROOM 9**

### **2:30-3:30PM – SPOTLIGHT ON SEYMOUR CHWAST**

A ward-winning designer and illustra-  
tor Seymour Chwast is interviewed by  
noted designer and comics enthusi-  
ast **Chip Kidd**. **ROOM 8**

### **4:30-5:30 ART OF DESIGN**

Good design is often invisible, but this  
panel of experts talk about the art of  
design and how it relates to comics  
in particular, with noted designer  
**Chip Kidd** (*Shazam! The Golden Age of the World's Mightiest Mortal*) and  
others. **ROOM 24ABC**

### **5:30-6:30PM – TRUE BLOOD PANEL AND Q&A SESSION**

Mixing romance, suspense, mystery,  
humor, and LGBT characters, the Emmy  
and Golden Globe nominated *True  
Blood* will see its main cast onstage!  
**BALLROOM 20**



### **5:45-6:45PM – SPARTACUS: VENGEANCE**

A preview of the LGBT-inclusive *Sparta-  
cus: Vengeance*, expected to air on Starz  
in January 2012 includes an appearance

by cast member and lesbian favorite Lucy  
Lawless (*Xena: Warrior Princess*), and  
others. **ROOM 6BCF**

### **8:30-11:30PM – THE WILL EISNER COMIC INDUSTRY AWARDS**

The 23rd annual Eisner Awards, the  
“Oscars” of the comics industry, will  
be given out at a gala ceremony. LGBT  
creators up for awards include triple-  
nominated **Jim McCann**, (*Return of  
the Dapper Men*), **Eric Shanower** (*The  
Marvelous Land of Oz*), and **Chip Kidd**  
(*Shazam! The Golden Age of the World's  
Mightiest Mortal*)! Doors open for pro  
and VIP seating at 7:30 and for attendees  
at 8:15. **INDIGO BALLROOM, HILTON SAN  
DIEGO BAYFRONT**



### **10PM-2AM – “HEROES VS VILLAINS” PARTY AT RICH'S SAN DIEGO**

A costume contest, go-go heroes and  
guys in spandex gear and super-hero  
costumes! Join in the fun by getting your  
own body painted to take on the guise of  
your favorite super-stud. Cover charge is  
\$10 at the door, \$3 off with Comic-Con  
Badge until 11:00pm. **(OFF-SITE) RICH'S  
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# SATURDAY

JULY 23, HALL OPEN 9:30AM-7PM

## 10:30AM-NOON – COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 303: TO TWEET OR NOT TO TWEET

Attorney **Michael Lovitz**, author of the sold-out *The Trademark and Copyright Book* comic book, addresses some of the more advanced (and often complicated) issues facing the creative community, particularly in light of the ever-expanding worlds of new media. **ROOM 30CDE**

## 11AM-NOON – ARCHIE COMICS: THE FUTURE OF RIVERDALE AND BEYOND

Archie Comics representatives, including Dan Parent (creator of Archie's newest hit *Kevin Keller*) present a look into the future of Archie stories! **ROOM 23ABC**

## NOON-1PM – TERRY MOORE

Terry Moore fills you in on the latest news about his upcoming new series, and plans for the 20th anniversary of lesbian-inclusive *Strangers in Paradise* in 2013. **ROOM 9**



## 12:45-1:45PM – DC: THE DARK AND THE EDGE

From the shadowy corners of the new DC Universe comes a startling array of new series including gay-inclusive **Stormwatch**, written by Paul Cornell, and more! **ROOM 6DE**

## 1-2PM – ROBERT KIRKMAN

Join Image Comics for an in-depth discussion and Q&A with writing juggernaut Robert Kirkman, creator of LGBT-inclusive *The Walking Dead*. Moderated by **Sina Grace**. **ROOM 25ABC**



## 2-3PM – LEGENDARY COMICS

Join Legendary Comics editor-in-chief **Bob Schreck** (*All-Star Superman*), to find out about upcoming releases. **INDIGO BALLROOM, HILTON SAN DIEGO BAYFRONT**

## 2-3:30PM – COMICS ARTS CONFERENCE SESSION #12: POSTER SESSION

The Poster Session scholars will be ranged around the room to discuss their presentations in small-group and one-on-one discussions. Includes the Queer Poster Group, in which Courtney Schneider (School of the Art Institute of Chicago) compares the treatment of homosexuality in serialized media; Ashley Pitcock (Henderson State University) asks whether *Buffy the Vampire Slayer's* movement into bisexuality was a sign of the times or a gimmick to sell comics; Michael Harrison (Monmouth College) investigates how Spanish comics authors La Peña in *Mondo Lirondo* and Ivan Garcia in *Capitan Eclipse* use fantasy in distinct ways to communicate a 21st century queer Spanish identity. In the Gender Poster Group, April Murphy (University of North Texas) seeks to examine how fears of female power, depicted in the new



*Batwoman* and the relaunched *Wonder Woman*, are tied to a pattern of historical uneasiness with same-sex bonding.

**ROOM 26AB**

### **2:30-3:30PM – TV GUIDE MAGAZINE PRESENTS: SUPER SUPERNATURALS**

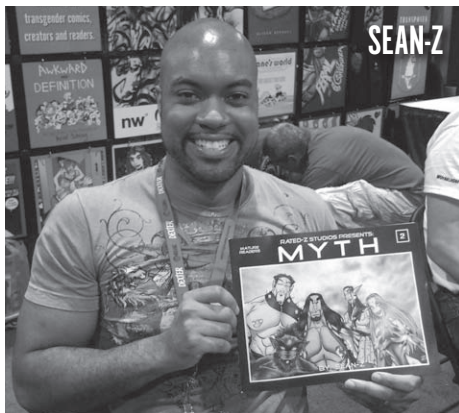
Panelists include **John Barrowman** (*Torchwood*), and members of the LGBT-inclusive casts of *True Blood* and *Teen Wolf*. **ROOM 5AB**

### **3-4PM – DARK HORSE: JOSS WHEDON**

Joss Whedon talks about his LGBT-inclusive *Angel & Faith* and *Buffy Season 9* comics! **INDIGO BALLROOM, HILTON SAN DIEGO BAYFRONT**

### **3:30-4:15PM – THE VAMPIRE DIARIES SCREENING AND Q&A**

The cast and creative team behind *The Vampire Diaries*, including executive producer/writer **Kevin Williamson** (*Scream*), screen footage from the new show and take your questions. **BALLROOM 20**



### **4-5PM – BENT COMIX: THE NEXT WAVE OF GAY CARTOONING**

A small band of independent gay cartoonists joined forces in 2008 to create *Bent Comix*. Initially intended as a distribution cooperative, Bent has morphed into something much more dynamic: a true creative

community. Last year they created Bent Con, the world's first queer comics show. Now they're expanding the convention, their membership, and their mission. In a world where the queer media are disintegrating and publishing is a risky venture, *Bent Comix* shines a light. Moderator **J. D. Glass** (*Core*, Prism Comics secretary) talks to the panelists about their part in creating the future of gay comics. They include **Dave Davenport** (*Hard to Swallow*), **Jeff Krell** (*Jayson*), **Steve MacIsaac** (*Shirtlifter*), **Brad Rader** (*Harry and Dickless Tom*), **Jody Wheeler** (*DoorQ.com*), and **Sean Z** (*Myth*). **ROOM 4**



### **4:30-5:30PM – FURTHER OVER THE RAINBOW: A FIRST LOOK AT DOROTHY OF OZ**

Join cast and crew from the anticipated new 2012 animated musical *Dorothy of Oz*. **HALL H**

### **5:15-6PM – THE SECRET CIRCLE SCREENING AND Q&A**

The coven is coming to Comic-Con! Cast members join executive producers/writers **Kevin Williamson** (*The Vampire Diaries*), and others. **ROOM 6BCF**

### **5:30-6:30PM – TEEN WOLF**

MTV's critically acclaimed and LGBT-inclusive hit series *Teen Wolf* hosts cast and crew for a Q&A session. **ROOM 24ABC**

## 5:30-7PM – GAYS IN COMICS: YEAR 24!

As mainstream companies DC and Marvel continue to frontline gay characters such as Batwoman and Northstar and hire top-level gay or gay-friendly creators, independent publishers and creators are publishing unequivocal content spotlighting gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender characters, to the cheers of the thousands of fans who are out of the comic book closet. Founding moderator **Andy Mangels** (*USA Today* bestselling author of *Star Trek* novels and *Iron Man: Beneath The Armor*) hosts Robert Kirkman (*The Walking Dead*, head of Image Comics's Skybound imprint), **Chip Kidd** (author, editor and designer, *Bat-Manga*, *Rough Justice*), Dan Parent (writer/artist, *Archie*, *Betty & Veronica*, creator of Archie's new gay character and series, *Kevin Keller*), **Jon Macy** (writer/artist of *Teleny and Camille* and Prism Queer Press grant recipient for *Fearful Hunter*), Paul Cornell (writer, TV's *Doctor Who* and DC Comics's upcoming *Stormwatch* and *Demon Knights*), and Greg Pak (writer, *Incredible Hulks*, co-writer, *Alpha Flight*, *Here*). Plus a special video appearance by J. H. Williams III (co-writer/ artist, *Batwoman*). And there's always a surprise or two. **ROOM 6A**

ORIGINAL ART BY STEPHEN SADOWSKI  
AVAILABLE AT THE PRISM COMICS SILENT AUCTION



## 7-8PM – GAYS IN COMICS MIXER AND PRISM COMICS SILENT AUCTION

A reception hosted by **PRISM Comics**, the nonprofit organization that supports LGBT comics, creators, and readers. Mingle with comics fans and creators plus stay for the special drawing of a Comics Gift Basket and the silent auction of hot comics items, including books and statues from DC Comics and Taschen, exclusive Con action figures and toys, original art by Alex Ross, JH Williams III, Dan Parent, **Phil Jimenez**, Carla Speed McNeil, **Stephen Sadowski**, and autographed items from Paul Cornell, **Chip Kidd**, **Jon Macy**, and others! **ROOM 6A**

<b>GAYS IN COMICS YEAR 24</b> <b>SATURDAY JULY 23rd</b> <b>5:30-7pm</b> <b>Room 6A</b>	 <b>ANDY MANGELS</b>	 <b>DAN PARENT</b>	 <b>ROBERT KIRKMAN</b>	 <b>CHIP-KIDD</b>
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the ALL-STAR panel EVERYBODY'S talking about!  
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ORIGINAL BATWOMAN ART BY J.H. WILLIAMS III  
AVAILABLE AT THE PRISM COMICS SILENT AUCTION



# SUNDAY

JULY 24, HALL OPEN 9:30AM-5:00PM

## 10-11AM – DIVERSITY AND FANDOM 102: HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Fans, consumers and creators from underrepresented groups have more outlets for speaking up. This panel explores how those voices can be added to conversations with geeky business interests and fan communities. **ROOM 24ABC**

## 10-11AM – GLEE

Creator/executive producer **Ryan Murphy**, creator/executive producer **Brad Falchuk**, and stars of *Glee* present a sneak peek at *Glee: The 3D Concert Movie* featuring never-before-seen footage, behind-the-scenes secrets, and Q&A session. **HALL H**

## 12:30-1:30PM – MARVEL: FEAR ITSELF

Big announcements that'll change the future of the Marvel Universe, with Greg Pak (*Alpha Flight*), and others. **ROOM 6DE**

## 3:30-4:30PM – TOM AND JERRY & THE WIZARD OF OZ PREMIERE SCREENING

A new animated retelling of the classic tale mixes *Tom and Jerry* & *The Wizard of Oz*. **ROOM 6A**

## 4-5PM – BUFFY: THE MUSICAL

The screening of the *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* musical episode "Once More With Feeling" is Comic-Con 2011's big closing event! **HALL H**



## 5:30-8PM – COMIC BEARS AT THE HOLE

It's become a con tradition that comic bears and those who love them retire after the Con to The Hole for their famous outdoor beverage bust and barbecue. More than a few pros have been spotted there over the years as well, enjoying some R&R on the patio! **(OFF-SITE) THE HOLE, 2820 LYTTON ST. (619) 226-9019.**

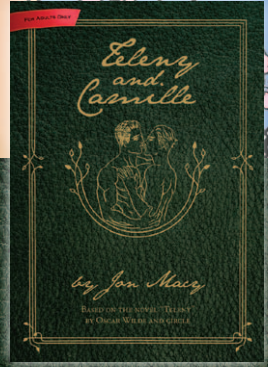
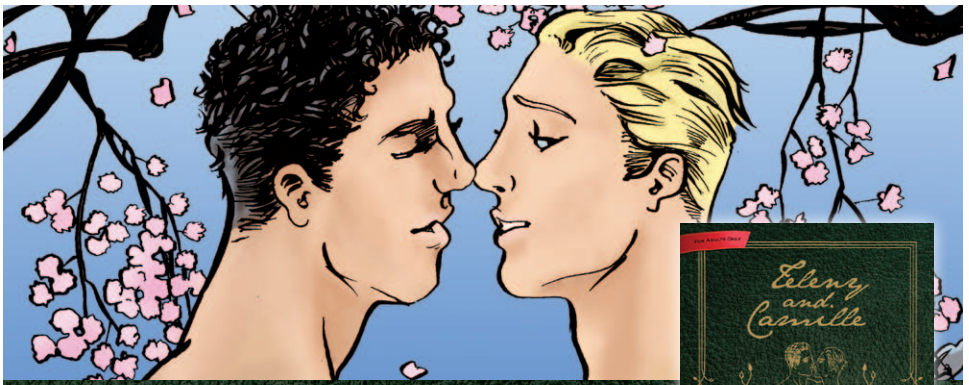
# MONDAY

JULY 25

## NOON-5PM – BEACH PARTY A-GO-GO

All locals (and those not in a hurry to head home), can join the fifth annual post-Con decompression session at clothing-optional Black's Beach. For more information, talk to **David Maxine** at the Hungry Tiger Press booth (#2008). **(OFF-SITE) BLACK'S BEACH.**





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**TELENY AND CAMILLE  
BY JON MACY**

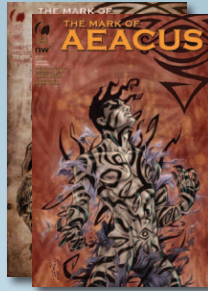


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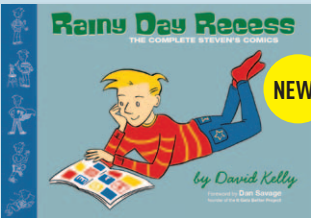
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