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PRISM COMICS is a nonprofit organization celebrating **TEN YEARS** of supporting lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender comics, creators, and readers.

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FEATURED GUESTS FOR 2013

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DAVE ZELMAN *(AL QAEDA'S SUPER SECRET WEAPON)*
DYLAN EDWARDS *(TRANSPONES)*
ION MACY *(TELENY AND CAMILLE)*
JUSTIN HALL *(GLAMAZONIA)*

SCUTTLEBUTT, INK
(MAHOU SHOUNEN FIGHT!)

**PRISM
NEEDS
YOU!**

We rely on community donations and always welcome new volunteers from all over the country. Stop by the booth to find out how you can help, or check out **PRISMCOMICS.ORG** for more info.

PRISM COMICS IS IN BOOTH #2144 (at the back of Hall C). That's your place to get autographs from the hottest LGBT comics creators, have your art portfolio reviewed by the pros, and get info about Prism Comics' annual Queer Press Grant. (See back cover!)

ADDITIONAL GUESTS

In addition to the featured guests listed at the left (who will be on hand throughout the show) Prism will be host to a number of additional special guests!

Check the listings in the Gay Agenda or stop by the booth to find out days and times to see the following creators!

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| Andy Mangels | Peter Saenz |
| Beth Dean | Phil Jimenez |
| Bob Schreck | Robert Bulanadi |
| Brad Bell | Sean Hemeon |
| David Reddish | Tara Madison Avery |
| Ellen Forney | Yves Navant |
| Gail Simone | ...and many more! |
| Jane Espenson | |

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- Andy Mangels (TwoMorrrows)..... 1301
- Dan Parent (Kevin Keller) 2842
- Eric Shanower (Hungry Tiger).....2008
- Joe PhillipsBB-08
- John Lustig..... 2302
- Kevin Boze..... 2302
- Marc Andreyko (DC Comics)1915
- Oliver Nome CC-17
- Phil Jimenez (DC, Archie)..... 1915, 2842
- Sina Grace (Skybound/Image).....2729

WEDNESDAY

JULY 17, HALL OPEN 6-9PM

6-10PM – SPECIAL SNEAK PEEK PILOT SCREENINGS

Warner Bros. Television screens the pilot episodes of three of the most highly anticipated TV series of the 2013-14 television season, including *The Tomorrow People*, from executive producer Greg Berlanti (*Arrow*). **BALLROOM 20**

10PM-2AM – MISCHIEF WITH BIANCA AND SUPER-HERO UNDERWEAR CONTEST

Rich's and Geek Knight Events present an unofficial Comic-Con Pre-Party! Drag performance by host Bianca St. James. Sign up for the Underwear contest for prizes and giveaways. **RICH'S NIGHT-CLUB, 1051 UNIVERSITY AVE**

THURSDAY

JULY 18, HALL OPEN 9:30AM-7PM

10:30AM-NOON – COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 101: I'M GOING BANANAS!

Noted IP attorney Michael Lovitz, is back with his series of programs designed to provide you with a basic legal foundation in intellectual property and related areas, including securing and enforcing your rights, contracts and licensing, fair use, social media, and much more. This first installment focuses on the basics. **ROOM 30CDE**

11AM-NOON – THE SECRETS OF WRITING SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY

Successful novelists, screenwriters, and actors each bring a different perspective to a discussion of how to write science fiction and fantasy. Includes author David Gerrold (*Star Trek, The War*

Against the Chtorr, Star Wolf) among others. **ROOM 32AB**

11:30AM-12:30PM – DC ENTERTAINMENT: ALL ACCESS

At DC Entertainment, there's never been a better time to be a comics fan! Find out what DC's top talent is has been up to! Includes LGBT fan-favorite and Prism pal Gail Simone (*Batgirl, The Movement*). **ROOM 6DE**



11:30AM-12:30PM – SPOTLIGHT ON DAN PARENT

Join a discussion of Comic-Con special guest Dan Parent's 26-year career at Archie Comics. Topics will include the creation of Archie's first gay character and series, *Kevin Keller*. **ROOM 8**

12-1PM – COMEDY LEGENDS OF TV LAND

Talent from shows airing on TV Land including the gay-themed *Happily Divorced* will be on hand. **INDIGO BALLROOM, HILTON SAN DIEGO BAYFRONT**

4:30-5:30PM – SPOTLIGHT ON J. H. WILLIAMS

This award-winning creator speaks on such notable and gay-inclusive works as *Promethea* and *Batwoman*. **ROOM 8**

5-6PM – BIZARRE? QUEER? PERFECT: TAMING THE WILD WEBCOMICS FRONTIER

Webcomics offer an instantaneous connection between artists and audiences—usually at a very low cost and without editorial interference. And the numbers of webcomics have grown steadily over the years. How has the proliferation of webcomics served LGBTQ creators and readers? Are webcomics serving the same purpose as the old underground “comix”? How can ambitious creators leverage the LGBTQ webcomics niche without getting pigeonholed in it? Join Prism Comics and moderator Nina Kester (*tapastic.com*) for a trip to the wild frontier of webcomics with panelists Tara Madison Avery (*Dirtheads*), Beth Dean (*blackfordestdraws.com*), Kane Lynch (*The Relics*), Alex Woolfson (*Artifice*), and others to be announced. **ROOM 28DE**

5-6PM – COMIC-CON: ANYTHING GOES

John Barrowman (*Arrow*, *Torchwood*, *Doctor Who*, *Sing Your Face Off*) discusses his past, present, and future projects, including playing the Dark Archer and Captain Jack Harkness. **INDIGO BALLROOM, HILTON SAN DIEGO BAYFRONT**

6-7PM – ANYTHING THAT LOVES: COMICS BEYOND GAY AND STRAIGHT

In the last 20 years, lesbian and gay people have made great strides toward better representation in pop culture. The road for people who are bisexual, who have fluid sexuality and gender, or who otherwise fall outside of “gay” and “straight” has been much rockier. (Ironically, they are often met with the strongest mistrust and resistance from gay people.) The new comics anthology *Anything That Loves* assembles 30 creators to delve into the complex world of nonbinary sexuality and hopes to expose some myths, offer some new insights, and



bring together an often-splintered LGBT community in a new way. Moderator Charles “Zan” Christensen and contributors to this anthology discuss the origins of the project, why it’s important, and the challenges of being a bisexual storyteller. How can bisexual creators resist pressure from both straight and gay communities to put them in categories that don’t truly fit? And how can creators effectively reach out to queer potential readers in a way that doesn’t alienate straight ones? Find out the answers to these questions and many more! With Ellen Forney (*Marbles: Mania, Depression, Michelangelo, and Me*), Lena H. Chandhok (*Pony Tale*), Josh Trujillo (*The Provider*), Kevin Boze (*The Virgin Project*), Randall Kirby (*BOP! Comics*), and Tara Madison Avery (*Dirtheads*). **ROOM 28DE**

6-7PM – DC COLLECTIBLES

Action figures, statues, busts, PVC figures—DC Collectibles has them all, and more! Join the DC Collectibles crew, including VP for creative services Kevin Kiniry! **ROOM 5AB**

6-7PM – TEEN WOLF

Join cast members of the gay-inclusive *Teen Wolf* series for a Q&A as they discuss season 3 and share a special video

presentation exclusively for Comic-Con fans. **BALLROOM 20**

6:45-7:45PM – HANNIBAL: FEED YOUR FEAR

Emmy Award-winning executive producer Bryan Fuller (*Pushing Daisies*) and cast and crew reveal juicy morsels from behind the scenes of the groundbreaking NBC drama *Hannibal*. **ROOM 6A**

7:30PM - 8:30PM – TOURNAMENT OF NERDS LIVE

Tournament of Nerds! pits two comedians against each other to battle it out in heated debate. Includes Marc Andreyko (*Manhunter*) and many more. **ROOM 26AB**

8PM-2AM – BENT-CON AT PECS BAR

Bent-Con is partnering up with PECS Bar to inject their own dose of geeky fun to the mix. Raffle prizes, boots-to-balls measures, sexy cosplay models, drink specials (Jell-O and pudding shots!), giveaways, & so much more. Rub elbows with some of your favorite artists as you sketch/draw our models and/or willing participants! Bring your own art supplies or borrow ours for a suggested donation. The talented Marky Make Up body painting/airbrushing folks will be on hand. **PECS BAR, 2046 UNIVERSITY AVENUE**

8PM-2AM – GUYS, GAMES, AND FUN AT NUMB3RS

Global Male events and Varsity present GUYS, GAMES, and FUN! Num3ers will have two times the fun this night: the Global Male side will have hip hop and urban hits spun by talented DJs and on the Varsity side there will be videogaming and EDM and Electro hits. Both sides will have hot go-gos, drink specials, prizes and giveaways! **NUMBERS NIGHTCLUB, 3811 PARK BLVD**

FRIDAY

JULY 19 , HALL OPEN 9:30AM-7PM

10-11AM – DC COMICS: MY SECRET ORIGIN, OR HOW I BROKE INTO COMICS

Get an inside look at how some of DC Entertainment's top talent started their careers. With PRISM friend Gail Simone (*Batgirl, The Movement*) and others. **ROOM 6DE**

10:30-11:30AM – WRITING FOR TV: FROM FIRST DRAFT TO GETTING STAFFED

Writers including Jane Espenson (*Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, the gay-themed *Husbands*) share their TV writing experiences on such topics as getting started, basic script mistakes, how to get representation, and negotiating today's turbulent TV terrain. **ROOM 24ABC**



10:30AM-NOON – COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 202: BACK IN BUSINESS!

Attorney Michael Lovitz will tackle a number of the more advanced issues facing authors, artists, and designers, particularly some of the complicated issues surrounding marketing properties and creative ideas, including key things you should know when Hollywood comes knocking. **ROOM 30CDE**

11AM-NOON – SPOTLIGHT ON ELLEN FORNEY

Cartoonist Ellen Forney presents her New York Times bestselling graphic memoir, *Marbles: Depression, Michaelangelo, and Me*, a darkly funny chronicle of her struggle with bipolar disorder. **ROOM 9**

ELLEN FORNEY



11:30AM-1PM – COMICS ARTS CONFERENCE SESSION #6: MASCULINITIES/FEMININITIES

Sheila Malone (University of California, Los Angeles) investigates how Batwoman and Batgirl displace the male hero in order to fight crime and live out narratives that befit a superhero/ine in a contemporary non- hetero world where queer, disabled, and renegade motorcycling are super/powerful. Jaelyn Hymes (California State University Northridge) expands Sedgwick's theories of homosociality by applying them to Maggie and Hopey's fluid sexualities in Jamie Hernandez's "Locas" stories. Using the lens of queer theory, Eric Schlegel explores how Wonder Woman, Superman, and Batman's distinct experiences of identity can help LGBTQ individuals, and then in turn society as a whole, understand our own identities. **ROOM 26AB**

1-2PM – HUMOR IN GRAPHIC NOVELS

Writer/artists including Ellen Forney (*Marbles: Mania, Depression, Michelan-*

gelo, & Me) discuss the entire spectrum of humor-gag cartoons, self-deprecation, irony, and more in their graphic novels.

ROOM 9

1:30-2:30PM – HASBRO AND IDW: TRANSFORMERS, MY LITTLE PONY, G.I. JOE, AND MORE

Secrets will be revealed and hints will be dropped, courtesy of the IDW editorial team, plus a powerhouse lineup of fan-favorite creators, including artist Phil Jimenez! **ROOM 8**

2-3PM – A LOOK AT KEVIN KELLER

Archie Comics introduced Kevin Keller, the first openly gay character in the Archie universe, in *Veronica* #202 in fall of 2010. Kevin's first appearance proved so popular that the issue sold out, prompting Archie to issue a reprint for the first time in its history. Kevin's stories as a teenager and as an adult in *Life With Archie* have made history in other ways by bringing LGBTQ issues and diversity to whole new audiences and winning the prestigious GLAAD Media Award in 2013. Kevin Keller writer/artist Dan Parent, Mike Pelletterito (president, Archie Comics), Nina Kester (*taptastic.com*), Jeff Krell (*Jayson Comics*), and moderator Ted Abenheim (president, Prism Comics) discuss the creation of Kevin Keller and his impact on comics and fans. **ROOM 28DE**

2-3PM SHOWRUNNERS DOCUMENTARY FILM PANEL: SHOWRUNNING: THE HARDEST JOB IN ENTERTAINMENT?

Showrunners, a new documentary film that takes the audience behind the scenes, into the writers' room and on set with candid interviews with 20 of today's top showrunners, including Jane Espenson (*Husbands*). A ticketed event. **LYCEUM**

3-4PM – MATTEL AND DC COMICS: A CELEBRATION FOR COLLECTORS OF ALL AGES!

Mattel & DC toy folk including VP creative services DC Entertainment Kevin Kiniry announce new product lines and give you a few special sneak peeks from the DC Comics toy lines! **ROOM 25ABC**

3-4PM – SNOOPY: A RETROSPECTIVE

Paige Braddock (creative director, Schulz Creative Associates, *Jane's World*), and others discuss the much-misunderstood pet of Charlie Brown. **ROOM 28DE**

3-4PM – SPOTLIGHT ON JEREMY COX

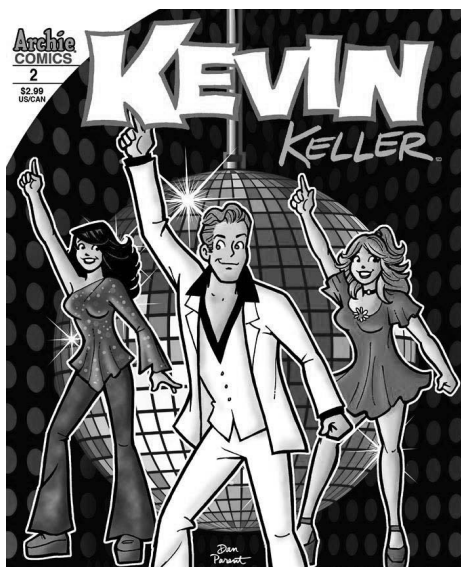
Writer/artist Phil Jimenez interviews comic colorist and San Diego native Jeremy Cox. **ROOM 9**

3-4PM – THE CHARACTER OF MUSIC

Composer and executive producer teams discuss the dynamics of music in film and television. Includes Bryan Fuller (*Hannibal*), and others. **ROOM 32AB**

3:15-4PM – THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL VIDEO PRESENTATION AND Q&A

Hit thriller *The Following* returns to Comic-Con for a second year, with



series stars and creator/executive producer Kevin Williamson (*Scream*). **BALLROOM 20**

4-5PM – CELEBRATING STRANGERS IN PARADISE'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Terry Moore (*Strangers in Paradise*, *ECHO*, *Rachel Rising*) talks about 20 years of living and writing with queer-themed Francine and Katchoo. **ROOM 23ABC**

4-5PM – IDW: THE PANEL TO END ALL PANELS

IDW's annual panel extravaganza is back, including writer Marc Andreyko. **ROOM 4**

5:30-6:30PM – DC COMICS - THE NEW 52

Learn what's coming next with the New 52 from PRISM friend Gail Simone (*Batgirl*, *The Movement*) and others. **ROOM 6DE**

6:15-7:15PM – DARK HORSE: JOSS WHEDON

Friend-of-the-gays Joss Whedon gives insight into *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, *Serenity*, and more! **BALLROOM 20**

8-9PM – HUSBANDS: THE NEW MARRIAGE

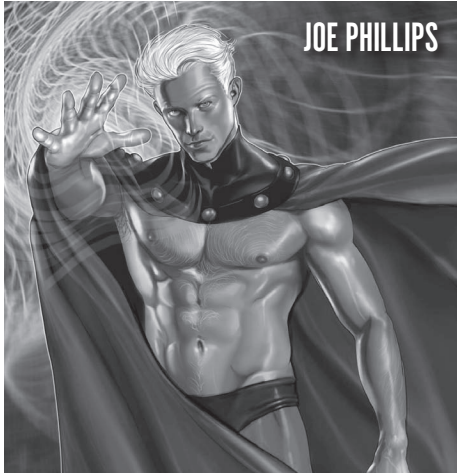
The hit series *Husbands* has just completed filming its first new content with the CW, and has already had a big year with the release of the hardcover *Husbands* comic book. Hear about the bouquet of new plans, new stories from the set, and the show's ring of bigger-than-big guest stars. Creators Jane Espenson and Brad Bell are joined by *Husbands'* co-stars and crew. **ROOM 7AB**

8-9PM – THE FUTURE TOMORROW: 22ND CENTURY, COMIC CONS, AND PUBLISHING

Futuristic insight into the next 100 years of comic cons, publishing, media, art galleries, and museums? Panelists include David Gerrold (SF author/screenwriter, *Star Trek*) and others. **ROOM 4**

8-10PM – SYFY PRESENTS THE WILL EISNER COMIC INDUSTRY AWARDS

The 25th annual Eisner Awards honor comics creators and works in 30 categories. Presenters will include actor John Barrowman (*Doctor Who*, *Torchwood*, *Arrow*), and nominees including multiple LGBT creators. **INDIGO BALLROOM, HILTON SAN DIEGO BAYFRONT**



8-10PM – PRISM COMICS' 10TH ANNIVERSARY ART RECEPTION AT ALEXANDER SALAZAR GALLERY

Alexander Salazar Fine Art will be hosting a wine reception to celebrate 10 years of Prism Comics and the amazing art of fan-favorite Joe Phillips! Come casual and mingle with other LGBT and LGBT-friendly art and comics lovers. Meet artist, Joe Phillips, and see his great new artwork. The gallery is within easy walking distance of the San Diego Convention Center at 7th and Broadway. **ALEXANDER SALAZAR FINE ART, 640 BROADWAY**

9:30PM-2AM – HEROES VS. VILLAINS AT RICH'S NIGHTCLUB

Geek Knight Events and Rich's Present the 9th Annual Heroes vs Villains Unofficial Afterparty, with cosplay/costume Contest! DJ Marcel will be spinning EDM, superhero themes, videogame

themes, and K-POP and J-POP in the back bar, while DJ Will Z will be spinning urban Hits in the front bar. Free body painting, CD giveaway of Iggy Azalea's hit single "WORK"! Come early... last year they had to stop letting people in! **RICH'S NIGHTCLUB 1051 UNIVERSITY AVE**

SATURDAY

JULY 20, HALL OPEN 9:30AM-7PM

9-10AM "HUSBANDS" AT PRISM COMICS

Jane Espenson, Brad Bell and Sean Hemeon of the webseries *Husbands* will be appearing at the Prism Comics booth first thing on Saturday. **BOOTH 2144**

10:30AM-NOON – COMIC BOOK LAW SCHOOL 303: MORE!

Noted attorney Michael Lovitz, addresses some of the more advanced (and often confusing) issues facing the creative and business communities, particularly in light of the ever-expanding worlds of new media, self-publishing and social networking. **ROOM 30CDE**

12-1PM – ARCHIE COMICS: THE HOTTEST PUBLISHER IN THE INDUSTRY

Team Archie comes together in San Diego to reveal what surprises are in store for the future of the iconic teens of Riverdale. The panel includes Archie creators such as cartoonist Dan Parent (*Kevin Keller*), and will be moderated by the writer of the *Archie* movie, Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa (*Afterlife with Archie*). **ROOM 9**

12-1PM – HOW I MET YOUR MOTHER

For the first time ever, the hit sitcom visits Comic-Con to kick off its final season with an exclusive look at the show and a panel featuring Neil Patrick Harris (*Dr. Horrible's Sing-Along Blog*) and others. **INDIGO BALLROOM, HILTON SAN DIEGO BAYFRONT**

1-1:35PM – JUST US GUYS

An upcoming film preview: Scott is a gay father who is best friends with his straight teenage son, Max. Find out how these two got into Comic-Con, who Scott's new feisty employee is, and what they think the difference is between a geek and a nerd. Participating filmmakers include Clinton Steeds (Disney Channel's *I Didn't Do It*), Mark Litton (*Mighty Morphin' Power Rangers*), Chris Lilly (creator/writer), and moderator J. P. Karliak (*Marvel Mash-Ups*). **MARRIOTT HALL 2, MARRIOTT MARQUIS & MARINA**



1-2PM – CELEBRATING TEN YEARS OF PRISM COMICS

In 2003, a new champion appeared on the comics scene, determined to make the industry a better place for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender comics creators and readers. The nonprofit Prism Comics was founded by a small group of comics fans to provide a network for LGBTQ comics professionals and fans through their website, events, and convention appearances. Prism Comics has grown and now supports the next generation of creators through The Prism Comics Queer Press Grant. And diversity in the comics industry has grown as well. Where once LGBTQ comics and characters were marginalized, now they are frequently stepping into the spotlight. Moderator Justin Hall (*No Straight Lines*, *Glamazonia*, Prism advisory board) and panelists Ted Abenheim

(president, Prism Comics), Tara Madison Avery (*Dirtheads*, Prism board), Paige Braddock (Jane's World, Prism advisory board), Charles "Zan" Christensen (co-founder, Prism Comics; Northwest Press), Roger Klorese (Prism board), Jon Macy (*Teleny and Camille*, Prism Queer Press Grant chairperson) and Andy Mangels (co-founder, Prism Comics) offer a look back at where Prism Comics started, celebrate how far they've come, and a peek into the future of where the queer comics scene might be headed. **ROOM 28DE**

1-2PM GAIL SIMONE AT PRISM COMICS

Gail Simone (*Batgirl*, *Secret Six*) will be signing copies of her new book *Red Sonja* at the Prism Comics booth. **BOOTH 2144**

2-4PM PHIL JIMENEZ AT PRISM COMICS

Phil Jimenez (*New X-Men*, *Invisibles*, *Fairest*) signing at the Prism Comics booth and doing portfolio review for aspiring creators. **BOOTH 2144**

3-4PM – BOB SCHRECK AT PRISM COMICS

Bob Schreck (Legendary Comics) signing at the Prism Comics booth and doing portfolio review. **BOOTH 2144**

3:30-4:15PM TRUE BLOOD

Mixing romance, suspense, mystery, and humor, the gay-inclusive *True Blood* is in its sixth season June 16 on HBO. Come meet the cast and crew! **BALLROOM 20**

4-5PM "HUSBANDS" AT PRISM COMICS

Jane Espenson and Brad Bell of the web-series *Husbands* will be appearing at the Prism Comics booth. **BOOTH 2144**

4:15-5:15PM – SUPERMAN'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Join a star-studded panel, including cast, filmmakers, artists and writers from Superman's illustrious 75-year his-

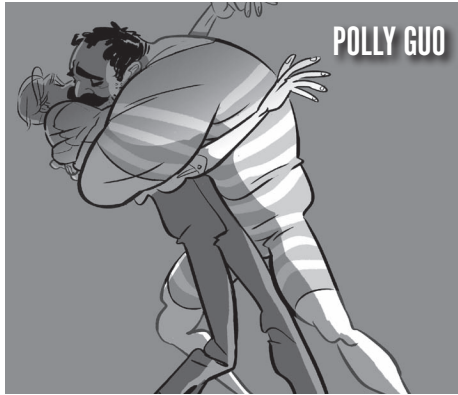
tory, including Jack Larson (the original Jimmy Olsen from *Adventures of Superman*)! **ROOM 6A**

5:15-6PM ARROW

Arrow series cast and crew including executive producers Greg Berlanti (*Green Lantern*), Marc Guggenheim (*Eli Stone*) will take aim at San Diego with a special video presentation and panel discussion. **BALLROOM 20**

5:30-6:30PM – STAR TREK ENTERPRISE BRIDGE RESTORATION AND SCI-FI MUSEUM

David Gerrold (writer, *Star Trek*) and other guests discuss a massive project that will become the world's first interactive educational Sci-Fi Museum. **ROOM 26AB**



5:30-7PM – GAYS IN COMICS XXVI

Whether it's the high-flying world of capes, spandex, and gravity-defying breasts or wondrously down-to-earth slice-of-life, the LGBTQ presence in comics has evolved beyond inclusion and visibility. Moderators Roger Klorese (Prism Comics board) and Paige Braddock (*Jane's World*) explore the next level of authentic LGBTQ storytelling with panelists Shannon Walters (KaBOOM!), Eisner Award nominee Justin Hall (*No Straight Lines: Four Decades of Queer Comics*), Polly Guo (*Strongman and Pianist*), Shena Wolf (Uclick/Universal Press Syndicate), Sina Grace (*Li'l Depressed Boy, Not My Bag*),

and Alex Woolfson (*Artifice, The Young Protectors*). The panel will be followed by the annual Prism Comics Gays Comic Fan Mixer and Silent Auction hosted by and benefiting Prism Comics. **ROOM 6A**

5:55-6:55PM – THE TOMORROW PEOPLE PILOT SCREENING AND Q&A

Cast and crew from *The Tomorrow People* visit along with executive producer Greg Berlanti (*Green Lantern*) and others. **ROOM 6BCF**

6-7PM – DISSECTING BRANDS: HOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT MAKES BATMAN BATMAN?

Have you ever seen a movie or read a book and thought, that didn't feel like the character or franchise? Entertainment creators including Marc Guggenheim (executive producer/writer, *Arrow*) offer an in-depth journey on how to dissect characters and franchises. **ROOM 30CDE**

6:30-7:30PM – LION FORGE COMICS FALL LINEUP

Some of your all-time favorite TV shows from the '80s are coming to comics with Lion Forge! Joining the event will be creators Joe Philips (*Doctor Who*) and others. **ROOM 26AB**

7-8PM – GAYS COMIC FAN MIXER AND SILENT AUCTION

Following the Gays in Comics XXVI panel is the annual Prism Comics Gays Comic Fan Mixer and Silent Auction, hosted by and benefiting Prism Comics. Mingle with comics fans and creators and stay for the special drawing of the "Comics Gift Basket" and the silent auction of incredible comics items, including original art. **ROOM 6A**

9:30PM-2AM – L.L. BEAR SCI-FI SPECTACULAR AT RICH'S NIGHTCLUB

Rich's, Cub Club SD, and Glitterati Media present L.L. BEAR: A SCI-FI SPECTACULAR. Hot cub go-gos, sci-

fi-themed costumes, drink specials and giveaways. DJ Taj will spin EDM, House, and Electro. **RICH'S NIGHTCLUB 1051 UNIVERSITY AVE**

SUNDAY

JULY 21, HALL OPEN 9:30AM-5:00PM

1-2PM – ALL-AGES COMICS HAVE ARRIVED

Quality all-ages comics are back and better than ever! KaBOOM! editor Shannon Watters conducts a lively conversation with all-ages creators about this phenomenal resurgence! **ROOM 24ABC**

1:30-2:30PM – SHATTERING CONVENTION IN COMIC BOOK STORYTELLING

This panel of comic book authors discuss their experiences writing diverse and innovative work for big franchises, indie, small press, and web comics. PRISM friend Gail Simone (*The Movement*) and others will discuss diversity without stereotyping, creating compelling heroes and villains, and reader advocacy. **ROOM 23ABC**

3:30-4:30PM – BUFFY THE MUSICAL ONCE MORE WITH FEELING

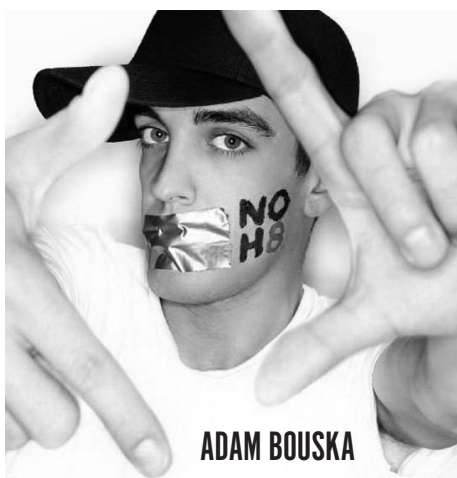
For those who love musicals, here's a screening of the *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* musical episode "Once More with Feeling" as Comic-Con's big closing event! **ROOM 6BCF**

3:50-4:40PM – SONS OF ANARCHY

Get an inside look into the world of FX's highest-rated series ever, with the series creator, plus executive producer/director Paris Barclay (*NYPD Blue*), and the full cast! **HALL H**

4-5PM – END BULLYING! RESPONDING TO CRUELTY IN OUR CULTURE

Have you or someone you love been a target of bullying? Join this life-changing



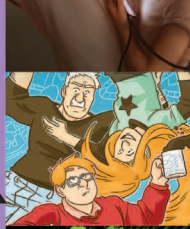
discussion on how to overcome bullying, and learn strategies to create witnesses and allies out of bystanders. NOH8 makes it's first-ever Comic-Con appearance, with founders Adam Bouska and Jeff Parshley along with Jane Espenson (*Once Upon a Time, Husbands*), Brad Bell (*Husbands*), Chase Masterson (*Doctor Who: Big Finish*), Bonnie Burton (*Girls Against Girls: Why We are Mean to Each Other and How We Can Change*), Jenna Busch (entertainment editor, Fan TV), and Ashley Eckstein (*Star Wars: The Clone Wars*). Special topics include geek bullying, LGBT bullying, cyberbullying, and analyzing how media and entertainment affect attitudes toward bullying and aggression. Moderated by author (and mother of Katie the Star Wars Girl) Carrie Goldman (Harper Collins' *Bullied: What Every Parent, Teacher, and Kid Needs to Know About Ending the Cycle of Fear*). **ROOM 4**

5:30-8PM – COMIC BEARS AT THE HOLE

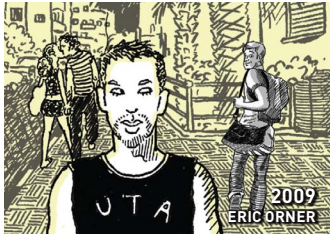
The con tradition continues: comic bears and those who love them retire after the Con to The Hole for their famous outdoor beverage bust and barbecue. More than a few pros have been spotted there over the years as well, enjoying some R&R on the patio! **THE HOLE, 2820 LYTTON ST**



THE GAY AGENDA



Comic-Con International is the largest comics convention in the world! With so many events to choose from, we've had to narrow down the listing to material that we feel will have the highest appeal for LGBT comics fans. For full descriptions, consult your Comic-Con Program and the daily updates with corrections, cancellations and additions.



2006
MEGAN GEDRIS



Did you know **Prism** is the **only** organization in the comics industry giving an annual financial grant to aspiring comics creators?

That award is the **Queer Press Grant**, awarded each fall at the Alternative Press Expo (APE) in San Francisco.



Support emerging LGBT comics creators with a donation to Prism today!



2010
TANA FORD

2009
ED LUCE

THE DEADLINE TO APPLY IS SEPTEMBER FIRST.

Get forms, submission guidelines, a list of previous recipients, and lots more info about the grant at:

PRISMCOMICS.ORG/GRANT



2011
ROBERT KIRBY