2024 FESTIVAL GUIDE



THE LAKES INTERNATIONAL COMIC ART FESTIVAL

27-29 September 2024

Bowness-on-Windermere, Cumbria



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All festival info and tickets at the Bowness-on-Windermere Visitor Information Centre by the Lake.

Opening times:

Friday 10am to 7pm Saturday 9am to 6pm Sunday 9am to 4pm





Buy your festival passes at:

www.comicartfestival.com

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2024 FESTIVAL GUESTS

SEAN

PHILLIPS

(UK)

SIMON

THORP

(UK)

TERRY

MOORE

(USA)

THE RICKARD

SISTERS

(UK)





CLARE

HAYTHORNTHWAITE

(UK)

FUMIO

OBATA

(UK/Japan)

JUANJO

GUARNIDO

(Spain)

MARC

JACKSON

(UK)

MOHAMMAD

SABAANEH

(Palestine)

REETTA

NIEMENSIVU

(Finland)



We are very excited indeed to introduce a new element to the festival this year which aims to raise the profile of British comics globally and put more British comics out there, translated and distributed in more countries across the world. It's the second only dedicated comics rights market in the world after the Angouleme Festival in France. The Rights Market is not open to the general public but you'll feel the buzz around it (it's right next to the free marketplace) and you'll bump into many more people, mostly publishers, from a wide range of European countries (we're focussing on Europe in its first year). It is a place where British sellers will meet European buyers and, hopefully, begin to buy and sell British work (and more).

This new adventure has been funded by Arts Council England with additional support from the Adlard Foundation and Creative Scotland. There is a further strand too called British Comics Now where we take British creators out to international events to shout about the new generation of British comics artists.

A very big thank you to the funders and supporters of this new programme and a very big warm British welcome to all of our British publishers and creators and those from across Europe



Find out more at www.comicartfestival.com

Main funders











EVENT LISTINGS

FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2024

THE AVENGERS UNCIVIL WAR

FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2024 8.00 - 9.30PM AT THE OLD LAUNDRY THEATRE. BOWNESS-ON-WINDERMERE

Do you know how many Avengers there have been?

In the movies alone, the roster stands at sixteen. In the comics, well, if you include all the splinter teams, honorary members, trainees and infiltrators, there are well over 150.

But who is the ultimate Avenger – the one to rule them all?
Would it be the strongest, the smartest, the funniest? The one with
the most compelling backstory? The best leader? Or just the one
who can shout 'AVENGERS ASSEMBLE!' the loudest?

In Avengers: Uncivil War, LICAF's opening event for 2024, we're going to find out. And the ultimate arbiter will not be Thanos, Loki or even the ghost of Stan Lee. It will be you, O wielder of the live vote.

Five comics experts will each make the case for their own favourite Avengers accompanied by 4 artists drawing live and with MC Emma Vieceli. One character will be entering the Heroes' Hall of Fame. The others will just be toxic Avengers.

Join us –and help make history.

The Friday Opening Night also includes the announcement of the prestigious Sergio Aragonés International Award for Excellence in Comic Art 2024 which is presented by the NCS.

We will also announce the The Sophie Castille Awards for Comics in Translation. This is for the best translation of graphic novels into a variety of languages around the world and this year's award will again be presented in partnership with Comica and VIP Brands.



The night's events will be sponsored by the NCS

ANOTHER SLICE OF DICKIE follows in the footsteps of LICAF 2023 bringing another animated show of uninhibited humour from Dickie's second season. Experience the exclusive premiere only at LICAF! Introduced by Pieter de Poortere and Peter Rogiers. 9.30-10.30pm Laundrama free to passholders





Images: Character artwork by Jorge Fornés & Michael Lark

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to see the opening night events and other amazing events over the weekend

SATURDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2024

TIME	EVENT		
10.00am – 11.00am	Entering The Terryverse with Terry Moore Indy powerhouse Terry Moore (Strangers in Paradise, Motor Girl, Rachel Rising, Echo, Five Years and latest series Parker Girls) in conversation about his career and forthcoming projects with Alex Fitch.	Old Laundry Theatre	
10:00 - 11:00am	British Graphic Novels – Three Modern Superstars British comics are riding a wave of incredible creativity. Meet three of the hottest talents currently creating graphic magic. Each has a powerful, distinctive and unique voice – and not one has ever drawn a super-hero. Featuring Isabel Greenberg, Luke Healy and Mollie Ray.	Laundrama	
10:30am - 11:30am	Little LICAF Saturday Workshop 1 with Marc Jackson Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	Windermere Jetty Museum	
11.30am - 12.30pm	From Nightwing to Rorschach: The Spanish Invasion with Bruno Redondo and Jorge Fornés Bruno has won multiple Eisner awards for his unique takes on Batman, Suicide Squad and Nightwing. Jorge has brought his distinctive Noir-style vision to Spider-Man, Daredevil and even Rorschach. Drawing live they talk about work with Forbidden Planet TV's Andrew Sumner.		
11:30am - 12:30pm	Parody, Pastiche and P-Taking with Tom Richmond and Pieter de Poortere Tom and Pieter draw live and discuss their own unique approaches to the ancient art of taking the p – and they will also choose three great examples from history that have inspired them. In partnership Supported by as part of Flip TENDERS Flip Through Flip T	Laundrama	
12:00am - 1:00pm	Little LICAF Saturday Workshop 2 with Matt Smith Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	Windermere Jetty Museum	
1.00 - 2.00pm	Lord of the Flies – the Graphic Novel: Launch in the North event with Aimée de Jongh Come and meet the artist/adapter Aimée de Jongh and watch her recreate some of the novel's scenes with art drawn live on stage. Discover the pitfalls and privileges of adapting one of the world's most significant modern novels. In partnership Supported by Negeriands letterenfonds dutch foundation for literature		



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Event listings are correct at the time of publication, please see our website & social media for updates

TIME	EVENT		
1:00 - 2:00pm	Enter the Mulberry Tree and Fly Free: Palestinian Comics Revealed Leading academic and writer on Arabic comics, George Khoury, and multi- award-winning Palestinian comic artist and academic, Mohammad Sabaaneh, join us to provide a unique insight into this special installation which focuses on the work of twelve Palestinian comic artists. Exploring themes ranging from personal identity to geopolitics, these artists present remarkable perspectives on Palestine. In partnership BRITISH COUNCIL		
2.00 - 3.00pm	Little LICAF Saturday Workshop 3 with Reetta Niemensivu	Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	Windermere Jetty Museum
2:30 - 3:30pm	Everyone wants to work with Emma Vieceli Emma Vieceli can turn her prestigious pencil to a star-spanning variety of genres, and always produces pure magic. This is your chance to meet Emma, as we explore how one artist can play so many roles – and be so brilliant in all of them.		
2.30 - 3.30pm	Creating a Crazy Universe of a Powerful Female Energy! Known for her unique manga style, Japanese artist Junko Mizuno combines cuteness, gore and eroticism within an oeuvre that includes comics, painting, drawings, animation and toys. Junko will draw live whilst discussing her awe-inspiring wealth of work with Paul Gravett.		
3.30 - 4.30pm	Little LICAF Saturday Workshop 4 with Kev F Sutherland	Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	Windermere Jetty Museum
4:00 - 5:00pm	You Can't Draw That! The Weird and Worrying World of Dagsson With book titles such as My Pussy is Hungry and You Are Nothing, Hugleikur Dagsson has an army of fans worldwide. By day, he relentlessly produces his simple drawings infused with a dark and sick sense of humour. This event will feature plenty of audience participation, uncontrollable laughter and sharp intakes of breath.		
4.00 - 5.00pm	Doctor Who in Comics: Sixty Years in Sixty Minutes! Join Doctor Who TV series storyboard artist Mike Collins, Doctor Who Magazine (DWM) editor Jason Quinn, and former DWM editor John Freeman to create a special comic strip tale to amaze DWM readers in 2025 in just one hour! In partnership		
5.30 - 6:30pm	VIZ Comic Cartoon Giveaway Have you always dreamed of having an original piece of VIZ artwork hanging on your wall? Or perhaps it was a nightmare. Well, now that dream/nightmare can come true, because VIZ artists Graham Dury and Simon Thorp will be drawing characters on art board to give away to every member of the audience in their Live Draw.		
5.30 - 6.30pm	From page to screen: The Artist's Perspective with Sean Phillips and Andrew Sumner In this exclusive interview, Andrew Sumner from Forbidden Planet TV talks to Sean Phillips about his observations, experiences and reactions to the evolution of the forthcoming Criminal TV series and the planned filming of Pulp, on which he is Executive Producer. But what does that actually mean?		Old Laundry Theatre

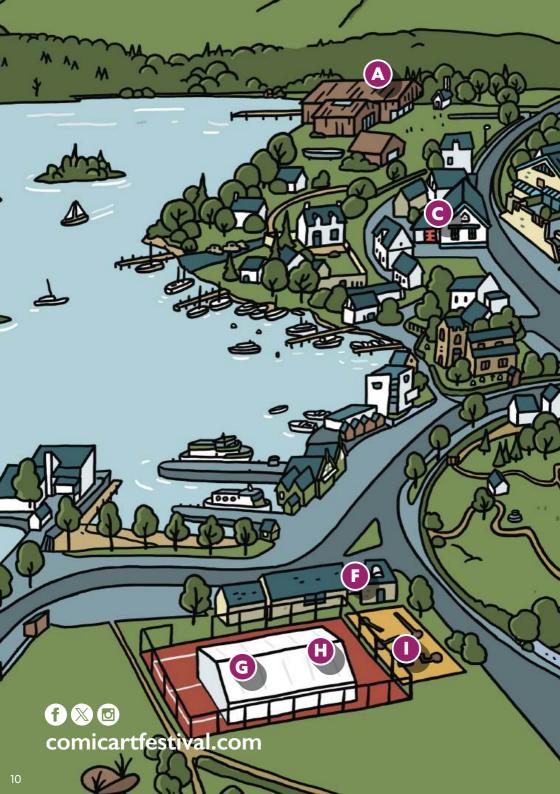
SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

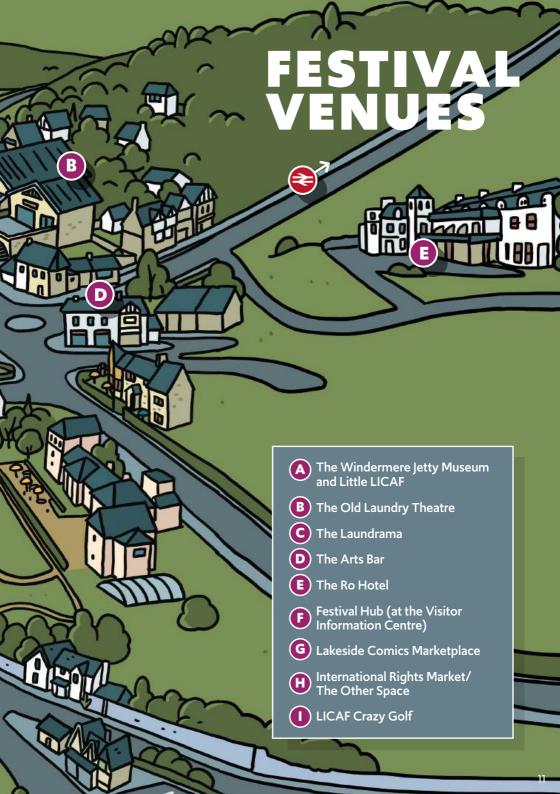
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10.00 - 11.15am	Black Dog: The Dreams of Paul Nash by Da By huge demand LICAF is proud to bring ba commission, premiered in 2016, Black Dog: Dave McKean. This multi-media performand a captivating musical score and spoken wor	Old Laundry Theatre	
10.00 - 11.00am	Blacksad Juan Díaz Canales and Juan Guarnido redefir storytelling in their Blacksad stories, carving animalistic and intimately human. In 2024, L Juan Guarnido who will draw live and discus classic comics phenomenon with Alex Fitch	Laundrama	
10.00 - 10.45am	Three European artists you need to know Each year we present artists from Europe who have grabbed our attention and who we want you to discover. This year is no exception, and we are excited to present to you three artists: Karel Osoha (Czech Republic), Nina Six (Belgium) and Reetta Niemensivu (Finland). In partnership with		
10:30 - 11:30am	Little LICAF Sunday Workshop 1 with Marc Jackson	Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	Windermere Jetty Museum
11.00am - 12.00pm	Collaborating with the Dead The Rickard Sisters talk about the unique joys and challenges of making graphic adaptations of Edwardian political novels. Hear what motivates their choices, how they go about the process and the tricks of adapting edgy contemporary fiction that the passage of time has turned 'historical'. Hosted by Pavel Korinek.		
11.30am - 12:30pm	Desert Island Comics with Paul Gravett He's the godfather – some would even say t comics industry. What are the five comics he And what would his luxury item be? Join us	Laundrama	
11.45am - 12.45pm	Comics can Change the World with Victoria Lomasko (Russia) and Mohammad Sabaaneh (Palestine) Comics have the ability to provoke and challenge their readers through their combination of words and pictures. Here we feature two artists who are working on the frontline of freedom of speech - Victoria Lomasko from Russia (now based in Berlin) and Mohammed Sabaaneh from Palestine. Victoria and Mohammad will present examples of their work followed by a discussion that will explore the issues for freedom of speech raised by the imperatives that drive this work, and the contexts in which it takes place.		Old Laundry Theatre

TIME	EVENT			VENUE
12.00 - 1.00pm	Little LICAF Sunday Workshop 2 with Pieter de Poortere	Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	LITTLE LICAF Parameters Comic Art Fettion	Windermere Jetty Museum
12.15 - 1.15pm	Kate Charlesworth: National Treasure If you can get to your mid-70s without ever wavering from your beliefs, no matter the obstacles and produce art that never dips in quality across decades you'll be a National Treasure! Kate Charlesworth talks about her life, her work and her latest book with John McShane.			The Other Space
1.00 - 2.00pm	Kafka's Legacy in Comics Franz Kafka's impact on comics, particularly Czech comics, is vast and we are lucky to welcome the leading expert on Kafka and his legacy, Pavel Korinek. At the heart of this event will be the launch of a new comic by internationally-acclaimed UK artist, Fumio Obata entitled Finding Franz.			Laundrama
1.15 - 2.15pm	Drink and Draw Live with Dan Panosian In this laid-back session, Dan will let his pencil do the talking, live-drawing while being interviewed about his stellar career by Forbidden Planet TV's Andrew Sumner as they share a couple of drinks. Other artists may well pop in too. Why don't you?			Old Laundry Theatre
1.30 - 2.30pm	Inside the Mind of Sherlock Holmes This extraordinary book is respectful of the original Victorian work but provides a clever and appealing story for the modern reader thanks to some dynamic storytelling. Its creators, Cyril Lieron and Benoit Dahan, join us from France to reveal its inner workings. In partnership with ROYNINGLINI ROYNINGL			The Other Space
2.00 - 3.00pm	Little LICAF Sunday Workshop 3 with Tom Richmond	Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	LITTLE LICAF Polars torrollous Conic Art Festiva	Windermere Jetty Museum
2.45 - 3.45pm	The Batman: The Big Draw In this live draw finale we will challenge four artists to draw Batman in refreshing and, possibly, bizarre new scenarios which you, the audience, will create. Featuring Sean Phillips, Michael Lark, Bruno Redondo and, to spice it up, Junko Mizuno.			Old Laundry Theatre
3.00 - 4.00pm	71,0mme, 012.000101, 7.1110011110		The Other Space	
3.30 - 4.30pm	Little LICAF Sunday Workshop 4 with Patti Ramos	Workshops on first-come, first-served basis	LITTLE LICAF Palare Formation	Windermere Jetty Museum









LICAF FRINGE



Show 'n Tell – The Sequel by Dan Berry and David Gaffney

Saturday 28 September 7-9pm at the Laundrama

Ten exceptional comic book creators take to the stage, treating you to live readings accompanied by captivating projected images of works-in-progress and acclaimed publications. John Allison, Kate Charlesworth, David Gaffney, Isabel Greenberg, Luke Healy, Aimee de Jongh, Bobby Joseph and Kevin Raymundo will perform alongside the premieres of two brand new commissions

SHOW

especially for the event from Emma Vieceli and Dan Berry. Enjoy the relaxed ambience, drop in and out at your leisure and seize the chance to experience this unique crossover of live performance and comics. Bar and snacks available throughout.

Dickie Invasion Part 2

14 September-24 October at Joeys Café, Claife Heights

Dickie was created by Pieter de Poortere more than 20 years ago. He's the ultimate loser, naive and a bit stupid, Dickie that is not Pieter! Despite this, he manages to survive on his own, thanks to both his opportunism and cowardice. Dickie and Vicky Go Wild at Joeys Café, Claife Heights 14 September-24 October.

Featuring farmer Dickie and his partner Vicky and some of their best adventures plus some very special landscape paintings with unexpected cameo appearances.



part of the Comic Art Trail, created by Mehdi Annassi (Morocco)

An irresistible story told over a series of murals around the centre of Bowness village. Find and follow the story ...once you find one it will give you a clue as to where the next one is. More information from our festival hub on Glebe Road and from our festival volunteers.





The Viz Pub Ouiz

No idea what it will be nor how clever you'll need to be. There will be guestions and there will be prizes! Come on your own or with a team (more than one person is a team!). Pub Quiz Master Simon Thorp (and family).

Festival Stand Up

9-10pm

Two exclusive stand ups from two comics creators who also do stand up. Luke Healy is a cartoonist and comedian from Ireland. He performs and teaches at the UK's biggest (and best) comedy theatre The Free Association in London. He likes comedy.....and brevity.

Hugleikur Dagsson is an Icelandic artist, mostly known for his sick cartoons. Straight (kind of) from the Edinburgh Festival Fringe with a peek at his stand-up show 'No Idea', a collection of unfinished thoughts about sexual time travel, cat skinning and dead popstars.

Festival Karaoke

10-11.30pm

Non-singers essential! Give your vocal chords a good workout and bond with your festival guests and festival-goers. This year there'll be spot prizes....obviously for the worst and weirdest renditions.



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LICAF 2024 EXHIBITIONS



Enter the Mulberry Tree and Fly Free focuses on the work of twelve Palestinian comic artists. Exploring themes ranging from personal identity to geopolitics, these artists present remarkable perspectives on Palestine. The clamour of the past decades has tended to obscure the everyday lives and unique creativity of Palestinian comic artists and Enter the Mulberry Tree and Fly Free seeks to reveal these unheard voices and experiences.

Curated by one of the leading academics and writers on Arabic comics, George Khoury, together with leading Palestinian comic artist and academic Mohammed Sabaaneh, this exhibition brings together work by a surprising and exciting range of groundbreaking comic artists.

A Lakes International Comic Art Festival exhibition supported by the British Council







The Lakes International Comic Art Festival would like to thank Jason Quinn, Ed Hammond, Paul Scoones and Ian Snell for their help assembling this special celebratory exhibition – and all those who created the comics in the first place.

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COMIC ART TRAIL

This year our comic art trail can be found in and around various shops and businesses in Bowness.

Have a look around town to find work showcasing some of our visiting artists. You will also find artwork produced by the schools that we worked with on our Comic Potential project. Each piece of artwork has a QR code for further info.

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	BUSINESS	ARTIST/SCHOOL	
	Tourist Info Centre	Pieter de Poorter - Dickie Strip (Loch Ness)	
	Atkinson and Son	Sandgate - Comic Potential	
	The Treat Stop	Vickerstown Primary School - Comic Potential	
Ð	Bryson's	Terry Moore - Strangers in Paradise	
	Roly's Fudge Pantry	Cambridge Primary School - Comic Potential	
	Costa	Sean Phillips - Star Wars	
	British Heart Foundation	Jorge Fornes - Batman	
	The Hen House	Junko Mizuno - Women's Truck	
	Antiques on High	Aimee de Jongh - Lord of the Flies	3
	Rebel + Rose	Mollie Ray - Giant	
	Taylors of Bowness	Dan Panosian - Conan	
2	Chocco Bar	Marc Jackson - Goof	
3)	Brackens of Bowness	Isabel Greenberg - Young Hag	
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	SPAR	Tom Richmond - Ghostbusters	
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LITTLE ROOM COMICS



LICAF EVENTS ARE TOTALLY FREE

No booking required, just turn up

LICAF wouldn't be the same without the energy and talent of our Little LICAFers! Each year more than 300 young people, aged 12 and under, and their families participate in free workshops led by some of our best guests as well as other activities including badgemaking, face-painting, cosplaying and more. Led by the brilliant Marc Jackson and family of Room for Comics and MaccPow fame and this year featuring a celebratory Doctor Who exhibition with some extra-terrestrial visitors.

Workshop timings

SATURDAY

10.30-11.30am

Workshop 1 with Marc Jackson

12.00-1.00pm

Workshop 2 with Matt Smith

1.00-2.00pm LICAF Lunch

2.00-3.00pm

Workshop 3 with Michael & Keli Lark

3.30- 4:30 pm

SUNDAY

10:30-11:30

Workshop 1 with Marc Jackson

12:00-1.00

Workshop 2 with Pieter de Poortere

1.00- 2.00pm LICAF Lunch

2.00-3.00pm

Workshop 3 with Tom Richmond

3.30- 4:30 pm



SIGNING SCHEDULE

All signings take place at La Belle Adventure space in the Marketplace except for those highlighted which will take place at individual exhibitor tables.



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SATURDAY 28 SEI	PTEMBER 2024	SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2024		
10.30 - 11.30am	Sean Phillips and Jacob Phillips	10.00 - 11.00am	Isabel Greenberg, Mollie Ray, Luke Healy	
11.30am - 12.30pm	Terry Moore	11.00am - 12.00pm	Karel Osoha and Reetta Niemensivu	
12.45 - 1.30pm	Emma Vieceli and Nina Six	12.00 - 1.30pm	Dave McKean	
1.00 - 2.00pm	Tom Richmond at NCS Table	12.15 - 1.15pm	Rickard Sisters at SelfMadeHero Table	
1.00 - 2.00pm	Pieter de Poortere at Fanfare Table	1.00 - 1.45pm	Juanjo Guarnido	
1.30 - 2.30pm	Bruno Redondo and Jorge Fornés	1.45 - 2.30pm	Mohammed Sabaaneh, Viktoria Lomasko	
2.30 - 3.30pm	Aimée de Jongh	2.00 - 3.00pm	Kate Charlesworth	
3.30 - 4.30pm	Dan Panosian and Michael Lark	3.00 - 4.00pm	Cyril Lieron & Benoit Dahan	
4.30 - 5.30pm	Junko Mizuno			

Please bring your own books or purchase in advance from La Belle Adventure



Saturday 28 September 10.00am - 6.00pm

ВООК

in the Marketplace

Sunday 29 October

10.00am - 5.00pm

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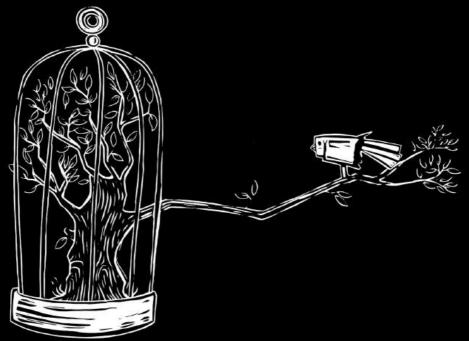
Festival Bookseller 2024 is La Belle Adventure who bring their exciting approach to promoting and selling comic books to LICAF having set up a brand-new shop and a programme of events on Leith Walk. Edinburgh. Annabelle is one half of an incredible duo who have moved to the UK from France and bring with them decades of expertise and passion for comics from around the world.



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Enter the Mulberry Tree and Fly Free

Palestinian Comics Revealed



The Old Fire Station, Windermere Jetty Museum
26th – 30th September 2024
10.00am – 4.00pm

Left Bank Leeds, Cardigan Road, LS6 1LJ 6th – 28th November 2024

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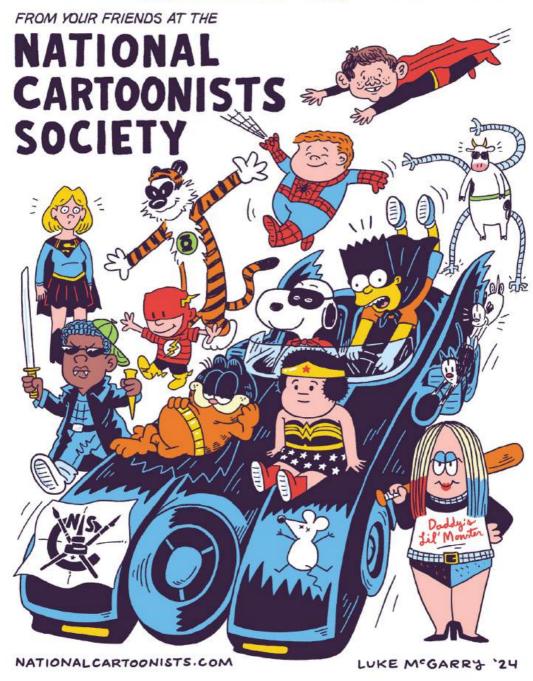








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