

SATURDAY SCHEDULE

Archie: Life, Afterlife and Beyond

Talk about the major events happening at Archie Comics – from the hit horror series AFTERLIFE WITH ARCHIE to the upcoming “Death of Archie” in the pages of LIFE WITH ARCHIE and much more – with an all-star cast of Archie staff and stars, including Co-CEO/Publisher Jon Goldwater, President Mike Pellerito and Red Circle Editor and SVP – Publicity and Marketing Alex Segura.

Comic Book Club - Live!

Nerdist's Comic Book Club is a live talk show and podcast hosted by Pete LePage, Justin Tyler, and Alex Zalben! With special guests from the worlds of comic book, and comedy. Come be part of the live podcast, and win prizes!

Creator Connection

Meet your next creative partner in this fun, interactive networking session. Many indie titles and careers have been launched through this panel. Bring business cards & samples of your work. This is the panel that has literally helped complete strangers form creative teams and publish comic books. This is the original and best Creator Connection. Be there and launch your career. Hosted by Buddy Scalera of ComicBookSchool.com. Support by Matt Balogh.

Kickstarter and Comics: How to Fund Your Dream Project

Join Craig Engler from Kickstarter as he talks about how you can use Kickstarter.com to fund your comic project. He'll walk you through how the site works, how to get your comic campaign started and answer any questions you may have. You'll also hear from a panel of fellow comics creators who've successfully used Kickstarter and who will share their tips and tricks for running a successful campaign.

MARVEL: Next Big Thing

Want to start reading Marvel comics? There's no better time than Marvel NOW! And there's no better place to learn about our thrilling and creatively diverse All-New Marvel NOW series than this panel! PLUS – What cataclysmic event begins this September in AVENGERS and NEW AVENGERS? And what exactly is the monumental fall 2014 Avengers and X-Men event, AXIS? You've got questions and we've got answers! Don't miss exciting discussion of current and future projects as editors & writers spill the beans on all things MARVEL! Panelists include Executive Editor Tom Brevoort, Peter David (All-New X-Factor), Greg Pak (Storm), and other Mighty Marvel Guests!

MARVEL'S All-New Young Guns

Marvel's newest superstar illustrators – assembled on one stage! Originally launched in 2004, the Young Guns program has shined a spotlight on the best and brightest in the comic book industry early in their careers. Now, join Marvel's ALL-NEW YOUNG GUNS as they unveil exclusive imagery, explain their methods and influences, discuss how they got into the industry and more! The panel will include Mahmud Asrar (Wolverine and the X-Men), Nick Bradshaw (Guardians of the Galaxy), David Marquez (Miles Morales: The Ultimate Spider-Man), Sara Pichelli (Guardians of the Galaxy), Valerio Schiti (New Avengers), and Ryan Stegman (Inhuman).



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Mike Allred Spotlight

Come check out this interview with ultra-talented artist Mike Allred. Moderated by Professor Ben Saunders, hear about Mike's classic style and how it was incorporated from Madman to the recently launched Silver Surfer, and everything in between.

Reimagining the Female Hero

For many years in superhero and action adventure comics female characters were often limited to the roles of girlfriend, mom, or femme fatale. But the number of central female protagonists in action-adventure and superhero comics is now growing. In the pages of these comics, women take on heroic roles that for years were confined to male characters. Join some of the best female creators in contemporary comics to discuss the rise of the female hero!

Rocket Girl: Past and Futures

Creators Amy Reeder and Brandon Montclare try to catch up on the blazing trail of ROCKET GIRL. Dayoung Johansson is a teen cop from an alternate 2014 who jetpacks back in time to the very real bad old days of 1980s New York City. As the hit Image Comics series finishes its first arc, Amy and Brandon look back at the origins of the comic and preview what thrills are coming next. Mixed in with the story teases, learn what it was like to pilot the launch of a new creator-owned ongoing series!

Secret Identities: Transgender Themes in Comic Books

Transgender comic book characters have caused a stir this year, but comics have addressed transgender themes since the Golden Age. Indie and mainstream comics have been written and illustrated by transgender talent too. Join a panel of writers and artists who will discuss the impact of transgender characters, and how transgender comic book creators have influenced the industry over the years.

The Silver Age of Comic Book Art

In this review of comic book superheroes' personification of American ideals and values, and how they changed during the turbulent 1960s, based on comic book art historian Arlen Schumer's award-winning book—back in print in a revised edition (in print and digital)—the works of 8 legendary comic book artists are shown: Infantino, Ditko, Kirby, Kane, Colan, Kubert, Steranko and Adams. You'll see where Hollywood's superhero movies come from—and you'll see comics like you've never seen them before!



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Archie: Sonic, The Hedgehog and Mega Man

Get the inside scoop on what's coming up in Archie's best-selling "Action" line of video game titles, including SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, SONIC UNIVERSE and MEGA MAN, with SONIC/MEGA MAN editor Paul Kaminski, Sonic and Mega Man assistant editor Vincent Lovallo and artists Ryan Jampole, Jamal Peppers and Jon Gray!

Creating Comics: Inside the Art of Visual Storytelling

Former Marvel Comics Executive Editor Carl Potts will give a presentation demonstrating the basic concepts from his new book, *The DC Comics Guide to Creating Comics: Inside the Art of Visual Storytelling*, focusing on telling clear and compelling stories in the comics / graphic novel format. This will be an abbreviated version of the seminars Potts gave at DC Entertainment's NYC and Burbank offices.

Creator vs. Corporate Owned Comics

There seems to be more and more comic books owned by the artists and writers that create them. We have Image Comics, Dark Horse Comics, and self-published comics. The creators that make such comics don't have to answer to an editor. They can write and draw the kind of comic books that they want to write and draw. This is much different than the work-made-for-hire comics that are being published by the likes of Marvel Comics and DC Comics.

DC COMICS – Batman 75th Anniversary

For the last 75 years, Batman's crusade against the corrupt and evil has permeated across the DC Universe and beyond! Join some of the comics' biggest talents who are behind the Dark Knight adventures for an exclusive look at what's in store for the World's Greatest Detective! There has never been a better time to walk the streets of Gotham City!

Howard Chaykin Spotlight

We are incredibly excited to have the legendary Howard Chaykin at Special Edition. Join us as he goes over his distinguished, decades-spanning career in this very rare appearance.

Marvel Unlimited+ MEMBERS ONLY Event

Join Executive Editorial Director of Digital Ryan Penagos as well as Marvel editors and top creators for a private panel discussion of what's happening inside the Marvel Universe. Get FREE merchandise (while supplies last), sneak peeks of upcoming comics, Q&A Session to answer all your burning questions and more! Marvel Unlimited Plus Members ONLY – show your Member Card or confirmation email at the Marvel Booth for event credentials.

MARVEL: 75 Years of Marvel

2014 marks the 75th anniversary of *Marvel Comics #1* – The comic that started it all, giving birth to the entire Marvel Universe! Come celebrate this momentous occasion as fans join legendary Marvel creators to discuss 75 amazing years! PLUS – What is Marvel doing throughout 2014 to celebrate? The full scoop here! Panelists include Senior Editor Nick Lowe, Chris Claremont (Nightcrawler), Peter David (All-New X-Factor), Ryan Stegman (Inhuman) and other Mighty Marvel Guests!



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Self Publishing

Successful creators Batman/Superman writer Greg Pak (Vision Machine, Code Monkey Save World), Brandon Montclare and Batwoman artist Amy Reeder (Rocket Girl), and Vertigo writer Amy Chu (Girls Night Out) share their self-publishing insights. Be prepared to take notes - we'll cover the nuts and bolts of creating your own print and digital comic, tough topics like finding an audience, and importantly, the money stuff!

SEXY, STRANGE AND SILLY: Lost Superheroes of the Golden Age

More than 700 different superheroes appeared in comic books published between 1938 and 1946. A tiny handful of those heroes are still with us, but the rest have faded into obscurity. Some were sexy, some were silly, and some were downright strange. What makes one concept lasting and even "mythic" - and another one merely goofy? What can we learn about superhero fantasies today from the first generation of comic book heroes? Join Professor Ben Saunders, the Director of the Comics Studies Program at the University of Oregon, for a historically revealing and often hilarious discussion exploring some of the weird and wonderful "lost" characters of the Golden Age.

Valiant Comics

As New York's own Valiant Entertainment steamrolls into yet another super-summer, find out what the future holds for their power-packed VALIANT FIRST line-up of new series - including RAI, ARMOR HUNTERS, THE DELINQUENTS, THE DEATH-DEFYING DR. MIRAGE, and more - right here! Join an all-star panel of Valiant creators and staff, including Fred Van Lente (The Delinquents, Archer & Armstrong), Joe Harris (Armor Hunters: Bloodshot), Executive Editor Warren Simons, and Chief Creative Officer Dinesh Shamdasani, for an exclusive round of news, artwork, and announcements - only at Special Edition: NYC!



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