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Best-selling illustrators Kyle Kaczmarczyk and Graham Nolan featured guests at the Library's Comics Fest

Aspiring comics artists residing in Erie County are urged to show off their comic book talents by submitting up to 3 drawings to be competitively judged by age group as part of the **Buffalo & Erie County Public Library's 4th annual Comics Fest,** to be held at the downtown Central Library, 1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo on **Saturday, October 6.** The Comics Fest event occurs from **11 a.m. to 5 p.m**. and is free and open to the public.

Comics Fest will feature presentations by well-known local comics illustrators **Graham Nolan** (creator of "Bane" in "Batman,""The Phantom" on Sundays, and syndicated comic "Rex Morgan, MD") and **Kyle Kaczmarczyk** (WWII zombie anthologies FUBAR and horror comedy "Igor: Occult Detective"), plus all age activities; workshops for kids, adults and educators; a Trivia Contest, and special guests. Costumes are encouraged and prizes will be awarded! Comics Fest is presented in cooperation with Buffalo ComicCon, taking place the next day at the Buffalo Marriott hotel in Amherst.

Drawing Contest winning artwork will be displayed at the Library during Comics Fest. Original art (no copies or tracings, please) will be judged in the following categories with prizes awarded:

Ages 7-11: Drawing/Art Kit prize

Ages 12-17: \$100 gift certificate to Hyatt's Art Supply prize

Ages 18-adult: \$100 gift certificate to Hyatt's Art Supply prize

Drawing entries should be no larger than 11" x 17" and must be received at the Downtown Library **no later than October 4th** to be considered by the expert panel of

judges, who will determine winners based on precision, style and originality. There is no charge to participate.

Submissions must include:

- · artist's name,
- · artist's age,
- · contact information,
- title or description of each artwork.

Artwork may be picked up at the downtown Library after October 6.

To submit artwork:

- --Drop it off at the Downtown Library's Information Desk on the main floor, (1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, 14203);
- --E-mail: INS@buffalolib.org using subject line "Comics-Fest Drawing Contest";
- --Or mail entries to Comics-Fest Drawing Contest

BECPL Popular Materials Dept. 1 Lafayette Square Buffalo, NY 14203

For further information on Comics Fest and other upcoming Library activities, consult www.BuffaloLib.org or call 716-858-8900.

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