

Calvin & Hobbs

Bill Watterson Grand Prix 2014

Elected as Grand Prix 2014, Bill Watterson is considered by many as the last great master of comic strip, this very distinctive genre of American comics. His worldwide famous serie *Calvin & Hobbs* received the Alph-Art best foreign album in Angoulême 1992, before Bill Watterson decided to stop the cartoon in 1995.

The exhibition will present the seasonal aspect of the serie, and show as well how Bill Watterson has shaped a genre that stayed almost unchanged since the beginning of American comic strip



Jirô Taniguchi

The dreaming man

Twenty years after the first French translation of *The Walking Man*, the Festival pays tribute to Jirô Taniguchi. With more than thirty published titles, Jirô Taniguchi became for french speaking readers, one of the most famous and popular mangaka

Best known for his introspective work and intimate atmosphere such as in *A distant neighborhood*, awarded in Angoulême 2003, yet, Jirô Taniguchi has shown in his bibliography a multifaceted inspiration, equally comfortable in action and movement as in a contemplative style. This creative diversity will be the theme of the first monographic exhibition dedicated to Jirô Taniguchi ever presented in Europe.

The magic world of Moonins

The Finnish illustrator and artist Tove Jansson created the Moomins in 1945. This cheerful and colorful family of small white trolls has since enchanted many generations of children. Declined in multiple forms (novels, comic books, serials, cartoons,...) the Moomins will celebrate their 70 years in 2015 while Tove Jansson would have been 100 this year ! The Moomins exhibition is organized by La Cité internationale de la bande dessinée et de l'image.



Jack Kirby “The king of comics”

With his well-deserved title of « King of comics » Jack Kirby has developed the most influential aesthetic in comics of North American superhero. Yet Jack Kirby remains not very well known by the general public. His genius has been overshadowed by the huge fame of the characters he has created with Stan Lee; Captain America, The Fantastic four, Kamandi, The New Gods... The exhibition will highlight the extraordinary drawing skills and talent of this complete artist.

Kinky & Cosy

Watch out, they're coming ! Twin sisters Kinky & Cosy are a much less innocent than they appear. Created in 2001 by Nix, this brilliant Flemish comic author, the serie is now recognized for its satiric and hilarious humor. This sparkling and irreverent verve takes its source from the Flemish humoristic tradition. The exhibition will be animated in the spirit of a happening. You can count on Nix and some of his Flemish fellow to live a totally crazy and cheeky adventure. For the occasion, an anniversary issue of the legendary magazine Kinky & Cosy will be released.

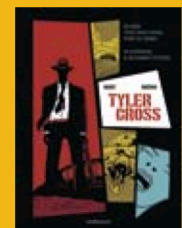


L'employé du moi

Belgian publishing house, L'employé du moi was founded in 1999, evolving in different forms, this publisher notably implanted in 2007 the site grandpapier.org, a platform for accommodating comics from all backgrounds. L'Employé du moi claims this multifaceted approach that changes throughout exchanges, experiences, and encounters through a community of authors such as Sacha Goerg, Max de Radiguès, Simon Roussin, Ulli Lust...

Fabien Nury

An exhibition entirely devoted to a scriptwriter! Fabien Nury is the new maestro of the scenario. These last fifteen years, he has worked with authors as different as Christian Rossi, Sylvain Vallee, Bruno, Robin and Thierry, and has signed series of a remarkable diversity (*Il était une fois en France*, *Tyler Cross*, *W.E.S.T.*, *Silas Corey* ...). This exhibition pays a tribute to a talented scriptwriter's journey, and deeply explore the process of shared creation.



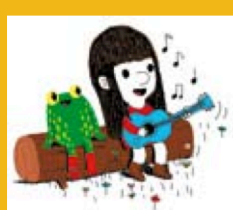
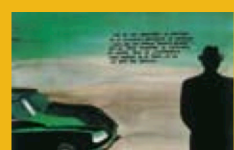
Expo/concert The blues devil

Eternal archetype of a rebellious black America, poor and proud, the bluesman figure haunts contemporary musical fantasy. Based upon the album *Love in vain* the biopic created by the “duet” Mezzo et Dupont devoted to the life of the most legendary blues musician Robert Johnson. An unprecedented exhibition evokes the human and artistic journey of this bluesman. In echo to the exhibition, and exceptional drawing concert will reunite on stage, Mezzo and two bluesman from Mississippi, for a unique music and drawing performance.

Alex Barbier

Both painter and cartoonist, Alex Barbier's career began in the 70s for the monthly magazine *Charlie* and the Square editions.

Through pictorial compositions, quit distant from classic cartoon, he favors the inner voice rather than dialogues, his narrative style unfolds over a serie of confidential wanderings. The author of *Lycaon* (reissued by Frémok in 2003) and *Dernière bande* (2014), a book in which he signed his farewell to comics.



Anna et Froga

Anna is a sweet and nifty little girl, her animal friends have character traits that remind strangely those of humans. Anna explores the vast world in their company, crazy laughter guaranteed! As funny as talented, Anouk Ricard has developed for several years an easily recognizable universe. The serie *Anna et Froga* has met an increasing success since the publication of the first volume of in 2008 this exhibition will be a première for this artist.

Pavillon Jeunes talents

At the heart of the city, Pavilion Jeunes Talent hosts tomorrow's authors. During four days non-stop events, conferences, digital workshops, and professional opportunities through networking events with editors and professionals. This year, an exhibition signed by William Lines Chauchat (winner of Jeunes Talent contest in 2010).



Paroles d'auteurs

As every year, the festival offers many occasion for the public to meet with the authors through debates, workshop conferences and much more...

Cultura Official Selection area

In a friendly and warm ambiance this year again, Cultura team welcome festivalgoers.

The program this year:

- Discover the albums of the Official Selection (reading space)
- Dédicaces and meetings with authors
- Public participation vote for the Fauve Cultura price
- Animations specially dedicated to young public on Thursday.

Cultura offers a rich program, which symbolizes his commitment for culture, discovery, and fun.

...And many more events to be detailed in the upcoming program !

Feel free to contact us for any further information

A bientôt !