

Comics Forum 2013: Small Press and Undergrounds

21st and 22nd of November

Leeds Central Library



Keynote: Paul Gravett in conversation with Roger Sabin

This year features a fantastic lineup of speakers and papers, including:

Gareth Brookes: Small Press Comics and Fine Art **Aysel Demir:** Political Humor Is Absolutely A "Serious" Job! **R.Finn:** Using a webcomic comment thread to gauge reader experience **Cameron Fletcher:** "Amateur" Hour **Graphixia:** Brenna Clarke Gray, Damon Herd, Hattie Kennedy, Ernesto Priego, Peter Wilkins and David N Wright: Small is the New Big: The Comics Criticism Blog as Small Press **Ian Horton:** Dave Sim's *Cerebus the Aardvark*: Self-publishing, the Direct Market and Creative Freedom **David Huxley:** 'I still have 50 Copies in the Attic': British Regional Underground comics 1970- 1980 **Martin de la Iglesia:** Early manga translations in the West: underground cult or mainstream failure? **Paddy Johnston:** From Random House to Rehab: Julia Wertz and the Small Press **John Miers:** Metaphor, financial crisis, and the small press **Louisa Parker:** Small Story – Big Picture **Laura A. Pearson:** Nina Bunjevac's "Alternative" Catwoman in 'Bitter Tears of Zorka Petrovic' **Mihaela Precup:** 'It came from Alpha Centaur looking for love': The Mutant and Non-human Body in Denis Kitchen's *Bizarre Sex* (1972-1982) **Dan Smith:** Revisiting Donald Parsnips' Daily Journal **John G. Swogger:** Underground Archaeology: Comics as alternative agents of professional discourse **Lise Tannahill:** Assessing *Olole*: Vehicle for Breton Pride or Source of Shame? **Christopher J. Thompson:** Comix Narrative Parody: Hunt Emerson's *Rime of the Ancient Mariner* **Lydia Wysocki, Jack Fallows and Mike Thompson:** Epic themes in awesome ways, or how we made Asteroid Belter: *The Newcastle Science Comic*

1 day pass (21st or 22nd): £10

2 day pass (21st and 22nd): £20

4 day pass (two day Comics Forum pass + 2 day Thought Bubble Convention pass (SRP £22)): £35 (save £7!)

To register, simply email comicsforum@hotmail.co.uk with the phrase 'CF2013 Registration' in your subject line and tell us your name and how many tickets you'd like.

On the evening of the 21st we will also be running a book launch for Paul Gravett's latest work, *Comics Art*. The launch will take place at Travelling Man Leeds from 1700-1830.



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