# CIMICS FIRUM INDUSTRY

**Delegate Information** 

Thank you for submitting an abstract to Comics Forum 2025. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to Leeds for what promises to be a fascinating conference. We hope that this document includes all the information you may need at this point, but if you have any questions that are not covered here, please contact us at <a href="mailto:comicsforum@hotmail.co.uk">comicsforum@hotmail.co.uk</a>.

# **Location and Times**

Comics Forum 2025 will take place at Leeds Art Gallery and Central Library 0900-1700 on the 13th and 0900-1630 on the 14th of November. The two buildings are physically connected internally. Registration will take place in the Art Gallery, so we recommend heading there first.

- The address of the Art Gallery is: The Headrow, Leeds, LS1 3AA.
- The address of the Central Library is: Municipal Buildings, Calverley Street, Leeds, LS1 3AB.

# **Presentation Facilities**

PowerPoint will be available, and we can run PPT or PPTX formats. Please bring your presentation on a USB stick; if possible, we would like to avoid using multiple computers as this tends to slow events down significantly, as panels are chaired by their participants. If you wish to use an Apple device and cannot format it to run on a Microsoft system, please make sure you bring the relevant connector.

Please note, presentations may be displayed on flatscreens rather than projected, so avoid including lots of small text on slides.

### Accommodation

The hotel we recommend for quick access to the conference venue is:

### **Travelodge Leeds Central Vicar Lane**

97 Vicar Lane, Leeds, LS1 6PJ

0871 984 6337.

Other hotels include:

# **Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Leeds City Centre**

Granary Wharf Sales Office, Park PI, Leeds, West Yorkshire LS1 4BR 0113 241 1000.

#### **Holiday Inn Express**

Armouries Drive, Clarence Dock, Leeds, West Yorkshire LS10 1LE 0113 380 4400.

# **Hotel ibis budget Leeds Centre**

The Gateway North, Crown Point Road, Leeds LS9 8BZ 0113 245 0725.

# **Premier Inn Leeds City Centre**

Westgate House, 100 Wellington Street, Leeds, West Yorkshire LS3 1LW 0871 527 8582.

### **Travelodge Leeds Central Hotel**

Blayds Court, Blayds Yard, Off Swinegate, Leeds, LS1 4AD 0871 984 6155.

# Food

The conference dinner will take place on the evening of the 13<sup>th</sup>. We will circulate registration details for the conference dinner closer to the event.

We will also organise a meet up on the evening of the 12<sup>th</sup> for those who are in Leeds before the start of the conference. If you would like to join us for something to eat on the 12<sup>th</sup> please let us know.

### **Travel**

Air: The closest airport to Leeds is Leeds-Bradford (LBA). There are regular buses from there into the city centre and back (take the FLYER A1 service). The bus and coach station is within walking distance of the conference venue (10-15 mins) but we would advise you to check a map before you arrive so you have an idea of where you are going; you can get a taxi from just outside the bus station if you prefer. If you are also planning to attend the Thought Bubble convention in Harrogate, the FLYER A2 runs between Harrogate and Leeds Bradford Airport. Details of the airport buses can be found here: <a href="Travel by bus or coach">Travel by bus or coach</a> Leeds Bradford Airport.

The nearest large airport is Manchester Airport (MAN). There are regular trains and coaches from the airport interchange (it will take 1-2 hours to reach Leeds from Manchester but can be significantly cheaper than LBA).

**Coach:** National Express (<a href="http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx">http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx</a>) and Megabus (<a href="http://uk.megabus.com/">http://uk.megabus.com/</a>) both offer coach travel to Leeds from various locations.

**Train:** Leeds train station is a short walk from the conference venue.

### **Tourism**

There are many tourism opportunities within Leeds and the surrounding areas. See <a href="https://www.visitleeds.co.uk/">https://www.visitleeds.co.uk/</a> for more information.

# **Draft Programme**

See attached PDF.