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Art Center Gets Graphic on December 1

Summit, NJ (November 12, 2018)—The second annual edition of Getting Graphic: Novels, Memoirs & Comics, will take place at the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey on December 1, from 12–7 PM. Incredibly popular last year, this free event for all ages will feature graphic novelists, graphic memoirists, and comic book artists showcasing and discussing their work, signing books, and selling merchandise at tables set up throughout the Art Center. Artist talks will occur in the Main Gallery throughout the day, and children can participate in a comic book workshop that will be held during the event: A workshop for children ages 6–9 will take place from 12:30–2 PM at the cost of \$35 and a workshop for children ages 9–12 will take place from 2:30–4 PM for \$50. Food and drinks will also be available for purchase from local food trucks.

Artists appearing at Getting Graphic include:

- Julia Alekseyeva
- Doug Baron
- Brian Buniak
- Gabrielle Bell
- Lena Chanhok
- Sean Dillon
- Darrell Goza
- Liana Kangas
- Kirsten Kramer
- G.R. Lear
- Courtney Menard
- Michael Parla
- Lauren Purje
- Paul Swartz
- Colleen Tighe
- Lauren Weinstein
- Glenn Whitmore
- Heather Willems

“Graphic novels, memoirs, and comics have become wildly popular across so many age groups,” said Sarah Walko, director of education and community engagement at the Art Center. “It’s not that surprising, when you really think about it. It’s a genre ripe for exploration, because of the way it lends itself to so many styles of storytelling. This annual event exposes the audience to as many of these examples as we can fit in the building, and gives visitors an opportunity to meet the artists themselves. Whether you’re a fan or an aspiring artist, chances are you’ll be able to find a style that suits your taste—that’s the beauty of this art form.”

About the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey

For 85 years, the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey has been exclusively dedicated to viewing, making, and learning about contemporary art. Recognized as a leading non-profit arts organization, the Art Center’s renowned Studio School, acclaimed exhibitions, and educational outreach initiatives serve thousands of youth, families, seniors, and people with special needs every year.

The Visual Arts Center of New Jersey is located at 68 Elm Street in Summit, NJ. Adult and children’s group tours are available throughout the year. Gallery Hours: Monday to Wednesday and Friday, 10 AM–5 PM; Thursday, 10 AM–8 PM; and Saturday & Sunday, 11 AM–4 PM. Please call 908.273.9121 to confirm holiday hours. Visit artcenternj.org for more information.

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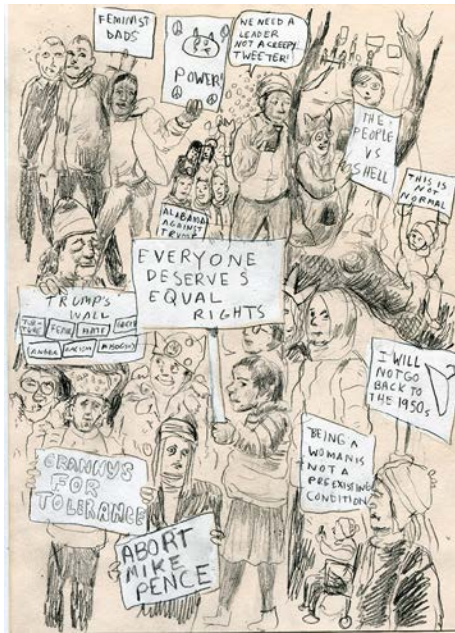
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