

4.30 - 5.30pm

Aya and Africa

Paris-based couple **Marguerite About** and **Clément Goubert** reveal how they developed *Aya de Yopougon*, their tender portrayal of teenage life and love in Africa's prosperous Seventies Ivory Coast. Supported by Jonathan Cape, Africa e Mediterraneo Association and Bad Idea Magazine.

Talks

Comics Britannia Rule!

Sun 4 November. Three Talks in the Nash Room, ICA. In association with BBC4's Comics Britannia. Each talk: £6, £5 Concs, £4 Members. All three talks: £14, £11 Concs, £9 Members

2.30 - 3.00pm

I Love Girls' Comics

Writer and performer **Stella Duffy**, **Jane Funnell**, author of the Radio 4 plays *43 Years in the Third Form*, *Unskinny* cartoonist **Larry Sweet** and others relish the heydays of *Girl*, *Bunty*, *My Guy* and *wend* and their lessons and legacies. Hosted by **Dr Mal Gibson**.

4 - 5pm

Achtung! Commando! The Art of War Comics

Gung-ho but blood-free, the pocket-sized *Commando* has been winning the war for over 4,000 issues. *War and Battle* Picture Library experts **Steve Holland** and **David Roach** consider the artistry and evolution of war comics with those who created them. Hosted by **David Randall**, editor of the *Mammoth Book of Best War Comics*.

5.30 - 7.00pm

Frankie Stein to Nemesis the Warlock

Weirder, grittier, darker, British comics changed radically in the Seventies. **Pat Mills** talks with fellow writer **Gerry Finley-Day**, creator of the revolutionary *Tammy*, and then with artist **Kevin O'Neill** to set the records straight from *Whizzer & Chips* and *Battle to Action's* censorship and the origins of *2000AD*. Authors will be signing their books after each talk as well as special guest **Ramón (Hookjaw) Sola**. In association with Carlton Books, Mammoth Books, Titan Books and The Book Palace.

Event

Comica Comiket: Small Press Fair

Sun 4 November, 2 - 7pm. Brandon Room, ICA. Free with ICA membership. Self-publishing in print and online is abuzz with talent. Meet the authors and buy direct from them at Comica's first small press fair.

Film

Tekkoninkreet

Mon, 5 November, 8.45pm. Cinema 1, ICA. £8, £7 Concs, £6 ICA Members. Japanese-American guest **Mitsuko Ushio** demonstrates her Disney manga hits *Ikko* and *Book and Ball* love, previews her new trilogy *Detective Jerome* and introduces an exclusive big-screen showing of anime movie *Tekkoninkreet* based on **Taiyo Matsumoto's** dazzling dystopian manga.

Theatre

Our Comic Book

Mon 5 November, 7pm. Theatre, ICA. £12, £10 Concs, £8 ICA Members. From the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and hosted by **John Hedges**, this evening is based around a screening of silent 'found' 16mm films from cult NY cartoonist **Mark Newgardner's** eclectic collection with an unlikely cabaret of theatre, visual art, music and comedy accompaniments. **Simon Munnelly's** newly commissioned live satellite link-up interview with himself and a rare presentation of **Brian Dewan's** *Deuternomy* filmstrip complete the bill.

Talk

Iraq: The Graphic War, Today & In 2011

Tues 6 November, 7 - 8pm. Nash Room, ICA. £8, £7 Concs, £6 Members. **War On Want's** *Iraq: Operation Corporate Takeover* is a docu-comic in which **Sean Michael Wilson** and **Lee O'Connor** expose Western covert goals behind the occupation, while **New Yorkers Anthony Lappé** and **Dan Goldman** project the war's technology, media and paranoia to 2011 in *Shooting War* from **Weidenfeld & Nicolson**.

Film

Persepolis

Tues 6 November 2007, 8.45pm. Cinema 1, ICA. £8, £7 Concs, £6 ICA Members. Smart, funny and distinctive, **Maryane Satrapi's** million-selling graphic novels about growing up in Iran under the Ayatollahs become an award-winning animated film, co-directed by **Satrapi herself** (France 2007, 95 mins, subtitles). Courtesy of **Optimum Releasing**.

Venues

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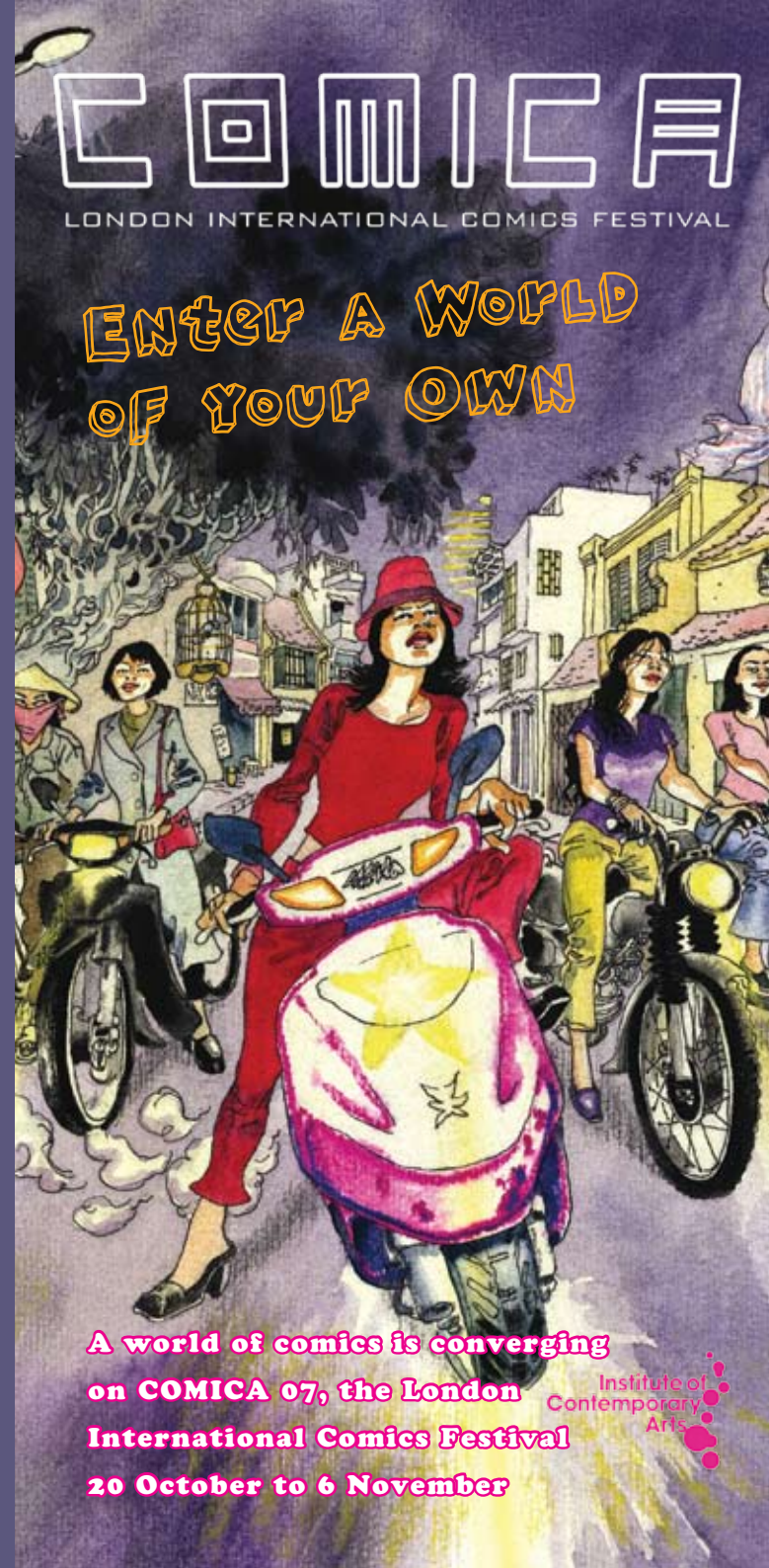
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A world of comics is converging on **COMICA 07**, the London International Comics Festival **20 October to 6 November**

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Film

Princess

Fri 19 to Tues 30 October. Cinema 2, ICA. £8, £7 Concs, £6 ICA Members

Anders Morgenthaler's adult 'Danime' animated movie is a vengeance-driven moral fable set in the porn industry. (Tartan Films, 2006).

Exhibition

Aleksandar Zograf

Sat 20 October to Tues 6 November. Book Art Book Shop. Free entry

Hand-made comics of dreams and war by Serbian cartoonist Zograf.

Exhibition

Manga Shakespeare

Sat 20 October to Tues 6 November. Bodhi Manga Café & Gallery. Free entry

Artwork from Neil Madellors's original manga adaptations of The Tempest, Richard III and A Midsummer Night's Dream.

Conversation & Live Music

Jeffrey Lewis: His Music and His Comics

Sat 20 October, 2 – 3pm. Nash Room, ICA. £6, £5 concs, £4 ICA Members

The New York anti-folk singer-songwriter and comic-book artist in an intimate, illustrated acoustic set and conversation with Everett True, editor of Plan B magazine, and comedienne Joie Long.

Event

24 Hour Comics Day

Sat 20 October, 3 - 11pm. Brandon Room, ICA. Free with ICA membership

See a stellar array of talents working live to create 24-page comics in only 24 hours, while weblinks update this unique global happening.

Event

Graphic Short Story Prize

Sat 20 October, 5pm. Brandon Room, ICA. Free with ICA membership

Observer Literary editor Robert McCrum announces the winner of the first Observer/Jonathan Cape/Comica Graphic Short Story Prize.

Talks

Lingua Comica: Asia-Europe Cultural Exchanges

Sat 20 October. Three Talks in the Nash Room, ICA. In association with the Asia-Europe Foundation.

Each talk: £6, £5 Concs, £4 Members. All three talks: £14, £11 Concs, £9 ICA Members

3.30 – 4.30pm

Lingua Comica: Manga and World Comics

Comica director Paul Gravett introduces the 14 Asian and European creators in the Lingua Comica comics lab: Matt Aaltonen (Finland), Paolo Cortese (Italy), Sophie Darog (France), Donnata Derris (Ireland), Vishwagiri Ghosh (India), Rommel Jesus (Philippines), Choi Juhwan (Korea), Gabor Kiss (Hungary), Kaori Kuriyama (Japan), Sarah Makhtar (Malaysia), Ken Niumura (Spain), Astia Nasir (Indonesia), Thanh Phong (Vietnam) and Tom Smith (UK); followed by renowned Japanese expert *Read One* who reveals the intense exchanges between manga and comic artists in the rest of Asia, Europe and beyond.

4.30 – 5.30pm

Bandes Dessinées: Between Angoulême & Hanoi

Mixing reportage and romance, acclaimed French auteur and tutor Gerald Gervais (Les fantômes de Hanoi) shares his passion for Vietnam, where he has discovered a fresh generation of comics geniuses.

5.30 – 6.30pm

Indian Comics: From Calcutta to Brick Lane

Sarnath Banerjee explains his path to becoming India's premier graphic novelist with Corridor and The Barn Owl's Wondrous Capers from Penguin, and his plans for their ambitious follow-up, Route.

Event

24 Hour Comics Day

Sun 21 October, Noon – 3pm. Brandon Room, ICA. Free with ICA membership

Be there as artists here & worldwide complete their masterpieces.

Talks

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2.30 – 3.30pm

Make Mine Manga!

Why are creators everywhere so inspired by Japanese comics? Paul Duffield (UK), artist on The Tempest, Chis Kutsuwada (Japan/UK), Anna Mercedes (USA), Rob Doss (UK) and mangaka from Best New Manga Vol.2 share their passions with the book's editor Nya.

4.00 – 5.00pm

Webcomics: Comica Collaboratorjes

Webcomics wizard Daniel Martin-Gandberg (Last Sane Cowboy) guides you through experiments in online comics, including cutting-edge blog collaborations by Lingua Comica's participants.

5.30 – 6.30pm

Manhua: China Comics Now East Beats West?

Learn why Chinese comics are on the rise, at home and abroad, from China's Yinhan Li (Spirit Marked), Hong Kong's Mr Clement (Yeah Kou Phobia), Taiwan's Tim Yu (Puppetbear) and other guests.

Talk

Lingua Comica: The Global Language of Graphic Literature

Sun 21 October, 8pm. The Library, The French Institute. £3, £2 Concs

From thrillers to docudramas, travelogues to autobiography, Gérald Gervais (Les Fantômes de Hanoi), Inart (5 Is The Perfect Number) and Séra (Impasse Rouge, Water & Earth) discuss how Euro-comics are being enriched by cultures and subjects from all over the world. In association with the Asia-Europe Foundation.

Talk

Benoît Peeters: Manga, Mon Amour

Mon 22 October, 6.30pm. Petite Salle, The French Institute. £3, £2 Concs

The Belgian writer of the visionary Cities of the Fantastic with François Schuiten discusses his career, with a focus on Japanese comics and culture to launch Tokyo is my Garden, now in English.

Talk

Fumetti; Maestros

Tues 23 October, 7pm. Nash Room, ICA. £8, £7 Concs, £6 Members

Two of Italy's most powerful contemporary graphic novelists, Inart (5 is the Perfect Number, Baobab) and Gigi (Garage Band, Notes for a War Story) discuss their personal themes and techniques.

Supported by Jonathan Cape and Macmillan Books.

Talk

London: City of Disappearances

Fri 26 October, 6.30pm. Great Hall, Bishopsgate Institute. £10

Details: Penned in the Margins, 020 7375 0258. Tickets: www.wegotickets.com/event/22452

Alan Moore, Michael Moorcock and Ian Sinclair present readings from this book's new edition, plus guest performance-art poets.

Music and movement

Illustrated London Noise Comica Edition

Fri 26 October, 8pm. ICA Bar. £4, £3 Concs, Free to ICA Members before 10pm

The ILN collective digs deep into their bag of obscure vinyl gems to explore the world of comic book heroes and cartoon capers.

Talk

Great British Comics

Wed 31 October, 10.30 – 11.30am. Linbury Room, Dulwich Picture Gallery. £10 or £8 for Friends.

From Rupert to Judge Dredd, discover how favourites old and new have reflected our foibles, fears and fantasies with Paul Gravett.

Talk

Halloween: Comics That Go Bump In The Night

Wed 31 October, 7pm. Nash Room, ICA. £8, £7 Concs, £6 Members

Can comics truly terrify? Jamie Delano, David Hine, Chris Blythe, Ian Edgington and D'Ignell dissect horror in comics, from Nevermore, adapting Edgar Allan Poe's macabre tales, to modern chillers Hellblazer, Strange Embrace and Angel Fire.

Supported by Carlton Books and SelfMadeHero.

Film

Halloween: 30 Days Of Night

Wed 31 October, 8.30pm, Cinema 1, ICA. £8, £7 Concessions, £6 ICA Members

A Halloween special preview of a fantastically gory film based on the graphic novel by Steve Niles and Ben Tempelsmith. Preview courtesy of Icon Films. (Director David Slade, US 2007).

Theatre

Halloween: Ear Cinema

Wed 31st October – Sat 3rd November, 6.30pm & 8pm.

Late night performance 31st October 10.30pm, ICA. £8, £7 Concessions, £6 ICA Members

An immersive theatre experience where film, live art, animation and sound-art create a spooky 3D aural picture-story. Running time 25 mins, 30 people per session early booking advised. PLUS: Installation open daily 12 - 5pm, Free with day membership.

Talk

Posy Simmonds and Tamara Drewe

Thurs 1 November, 7pm. Nash Room, ICA. £8, £7 Concs, £6 ICA Members

In a conversation with Lisa Appignanesi, Posy Simmonds discusses and draws characters from her new graphic novel Tamara Drewe.

Talks

Enter A World of Your Own

Sat 3 November. Two Talks in the Nash Room, ICA (see Aya and Africa over the page)

Each talk: £6, £5 Concs, £4 Members. Both talks: £10, £8 Concs, £6 Members

3.00 – 4.00pm

Laika: Sputnik 2's Cosmonaut Dog

On the 50th anniversary of Russia's launch of the first living creature into space, Nick Abainza presents an audio-visual essay about Soviet-era secrets and his graphic novel about plucky dog Laika.