



Children's Graphic Novel Resources



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Publishers/Vendors

Archie Comics

<http://www.archiecomics.com/index.html>

Contains everything Archie!

Bound To Stay Bound Graphic Novels Brochure

http://www.btsb.com/brochures/Graphic_Novels.pdf

This is the link to the Fall 2008 Bound To Stay Bound Graphic Novels brochure. This list does contain some titles that are not really considered graphic novels, but does contain a large number of non-fiction titles.

Broccoli Books

<http://www.brocolibooks.com/>

Carries Manga, mostly 13+ series, subscribe to their fan club e-newsletter.

Brodart

<http://www.graphicnovels.brodart.com/>

Library supplier that carries “kid safe” graphic novels.

BWI

www.bwibooks.com

A vendor that specializes in children/teen books for public libraries. They also carry library binding for all books they carry. Carries many “all ages” graphic novels and comics.

Classical Comics

www.classicalcomics.com

A new line of classics made into graphic novels to be released in November 2008. Choose between original text, English text, and simplified language for each title available.

CMX

www.CMXMANGA.COM

Carries primarily teen and mature titles

Dark Horse Comics

www.darkhorse.com

Primarily publishes teen and adult superhero & Star Wars comics and graphic novels, as well as novelty items. Publishes some older children's graphic novels. Sign up for their e-newsletter. This is a local publisher, located in Milwaukie, OR

DC Comics

<http://www.dccomics.com/dcu/>

Contains everything superhero. Provides links to other imprints under the DC Comics name.

Del Rey Manga

<http://www.randomhouse.com/delrey/manga/index.pperl>

Del Rey is a division of Random House

Diamond Comic Distributors

<http://www.diamondcomics.com> or

Diamond Bookshelf for Educators and Librarians

<http://diamondbookshelf.com/public/>

Contains educator and librarian resources, such as new & upcoming releases, lesson plans, and other important links. Includes reviews and core lists. Subscribe to their "Bookshelf" e-newsletter. Their "Bookshelf" always lists new and upcoming titles for ages 6+. This is an excellent resource!

First Second :01

<http://www.firstsecondbooks.com/>

Carries the *Sardine* series, some children's titles, and many adult titles. Contains lesson plans, author/illustrator bios, and other FAQ's. Their print catalog *does not* include age levels.

Gemstone

<http://www.gemstonepub.com/>

Carries *Walt Disney's Comics* and comic book price guides

Lerner Books

www.lernerbooks.com

Click on "Browse our Products" tab. Then scroll down, on your left will be a frame of "Browse Imprints". Click on "Graphic Universe". This imprint carries the *Graphic Myths and Legends* (non-fiction) series.

Magic Wagon/ABDO Publishing

www.abdopublishing.com

Click on "Magic Wagon" then "Graphic Planet". Carries classics, horror, biographies, and history graphic novels.

Marvel Comics

<http://www.marvel.com/>

Popular publisher of superheroes. Includes kid's activities. Also subscribe to comic books.

Oni Press

<http://www.onipress.com/>

Carries mostly teen and mature titles, but carries some children's series. They are located in Portland.

Papercutz

<http://www.papercutz.com/>

Publishes graphic novels for kids and tweens. Publishes the Nancy Drew and Hardy Boys graphic novels

Perma-Bound

<http://www.perma-bound.com>

While this publisher carries many subjects, they also carry a graphic novel line. All books are bound into library binding. Go to http://www.btsb.com/brochures/Graphic_Novels.pdf for a copy of their graphic novel brochure. You must register to use the full scale of their website.

RealBuzz Studios

<http://www.realbuzzstudios.com>

"The world's premier inspirational manga". Carries the *Serenity* series published by Thomas Nelson, a Christian publisher (<http://www.thomasnelson.com>). Online store is not operational yet.

Scholastic Graphix

www.scholastic.com/graphix

Scholastic's line of graphic novels

Spotlight/ABDO

www.abdopublishing.com

Spotlight is a division of ABDO publishing. Click on "Spotlight", then choose "Marvel" for all-ages Marvel Comics superheroes, or "Graphic Novels" for a listing of other titles. Their line of graphic novels and Marvel comics all come in library binding and are very kid friendly.

Stone Arch Books

<http://www.stonearchbooks.com/>

Publishes the Graphic Quest series, all of which are child and school friendly, low vocabulary and high interest, and includes discussion questions at the end of each book. Site includes teaching resources and lexile information.

Tokyopop

<http://www.tokyopop.com/>

The number one publisher of manga and cinemanga. Age levels are clearly marked on these books.

Toon Books

<http://www.toon-books.com/>

A new publisher that represents a whole new approach to books for emerging readers.

Top Shelf

<http://www.topshelfcomix.com>

Publishes *Owly*, *Yam*, *Johnny Boo*, *Pinky & Stinky*, and *Korgi*, all of which are appropriate for children. Also publishes a large number of adult graphic novels. Sign up for their e-newsletter.

Tyndale

www.tyndale.com

This Christian publisher is starting their own line of manga books. Three titles out are *Manga Metamorphosis*, *Manga Messiah*, and *Manga Bible*

Viz Media

www.vizmedia.com

Primarily publishes anime and manga series. Includes age ratings on their products.

Zondervan

www.zgraphicnovels.com

A Christian publisher with a couple of new lines of children's graphic novel series.

Review Sources

The Comics Journal

<http://www.tcj.com/>

Provides readers with a mix of industry news, professional interviews, and reviews of published works on a monthly basis.

Diamond Comic Distributors

<http://www.diamondcomics.com>

Contains reviews of many graphic novels

ICV2 Guide: Manga and Anime

<http://www.ICV2.com>

\$59.00 for a one-year subscription of 7 issues. Contains manga review for all ages.

Kidsreads.com

<http://www.kidsreads.com>

This popular site now offers graphic novel and manga reviews.

School Library Journal

<http://www.schoollibraryjournal.com/>

Devotes a section in their book review section for graphic novels. Publishers are also advertising their graphic novels throughout the journal. If you subscribe to their e-newsletter, often times there will be a link to their kid's graphic novel blog. Or visit their website and click on the blog link to "Good Comics for Kids".

Wizard Universe

<http://www.wizarduniverse.com/>

Covers all new products in the world of comics, TV animation, and other related items.

Comic Book Periodicals that Review Comics & Graphic Novels

Comic Buyer's Guide

www.cbgxtra.com

The Comics Journal

www.tcj.com

Indy Magazine

<http://www.indyworld.com/indy/>

Kids Love Comics

www.kidslovecomics.com

Wizard: The Guide to Comics

<http://www.wizarduniverse.com/>

Additional Online Resources

Comic Books for Young Adults: Guide for Librarians

<http://ublib.buffalo.edu/lml/comics/pages/>

Comics in the Classroom

www.comicsintheclassroom.net

Includes lesson plans, recommended titles for elementary aged readers, plus other insightful information.

Free Comic Book Day

www.freecomicbookday.com

Free Comic Book Day is a single day when participating comic book shops across North America and around the world give away comic books absolutely free* to anyone who comes into their stores. **Next day is Saturday May 9, 2009**

GNLIB-L; Graphic Novels in Libraries

<http://www.angelfire.com/comics/gnlib/>

Graphic Novels in Libraries list-serv for librarians. This has been steady in the past with a handful of postings a week, but they have been looking for a new host and may be out of commission for the moment.

How to subscribe to GNLIB-L: send a blank email message to gnlib-l-subscribe@topica.com. The server will then add that email address to the mailing list. You must send the subscription request message from the email address at which you wish to receive the GNLIB-L messages.

How to post a message to GNLIB-L: Address an email message to gnlib-l@topica.com. When it receives the message, the server will check to see if you are a member of the group (e.g. you "signed up," or subscribed). If so, then it will forward your message to every member of the list.

PW Comics Week

www.publishersweekly.com/subscribe.asp

A weekly e-newsletter put out by Publisher's Weekly.

An e-newsletter published by Publisher's Weekly. Go to the site and scroll down to the "e-newsletters" section. While this newsletter mainly contains adult content, it does often time does promote children's and all ages graphic novels.

Blogs

Good Comics For Kids

<http://www.schoollibraryjournal.com/blog/540000654.html>

A blog with posts about new graphic novels and comics for kids from School Library Journal.

The Graphic Classroom Blog

<http://graphicclassroom.blogspot.com>

Highlights graphic novels and comics that can be added to the classroom or library with detailed reviews. This site is a lot of fun

Books

Getting Graphic!: Comics for Kids by Michele Gorman
Linworth Books, 2008, ISBN 1586833278

Getting Graphic!: Using Graphic Novels to Promote Literacy with Preteens and Teens
By Michele Gorman, Linworth Books, ISBN 1586830899

Going Graphic: Comics at Work in the Multilingual Classroom by Stephen Cray, Heinemann,
ISBN 0325004757

Graphic Novels 101: Selecting and Using Graphic Novels to Promote Literacy for Children and Young Adults: A Resource Guide for School Librarians and Educators by Philip Charles Crawford, HiWillow Research & Publishing, 2003, ISBN 0931510910

Graphic Novels in Your Media Center: A Definitive Guide by Allyson W. Lyga, Libraries Unlimited, 2004, ISBN 15911581427

The Librarian's Guide to Graphic Novels for Children and Tweens by David S. Srchay, Neal-Schuman Publishers, 2008, ISBN1555706266

Spanish Resources

Comic Guide in Spanish

www.guidelcomic.com

An all-Spanish site providing information on over 250 different comics as well as up-to-date new titles and where to find them. This site is in Spanish. If you do a Google search with the URL, you can chose the translate option to view in English.

Public Square Books

<http://www.publicsquarebooks.com/aboutus.php>

The leading publisher of graphic novels/manga in Spanish for the U.S. Latino market.

