

BIG APPLE COMIC CON "Back to Spring" SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 25-26 2023, THE NEW YORKER HOTEL, 481 8TH AVE @ 34TH ST.

After our sold out December 17th 2022, "Christmas Con," BACC, NYC's original comic con is rolling out our **3**RD **Annual** "Back To Spring" event. Now into our **26**th year, BACC is an essential NYC comic book and pop culture collectible event, and a national hub for comic book collectors and traders. Many of the biggest dealers in the country attend and some of the greatest collectible books are exhibited, bought, sold, traded.

The **BACC Back to Spring event** will include over 100 artists, guests, exhibitors, and cosplayers, with a special focus on **up and coming artists from the NYC area**. **Guests include:**

- Legendary Marvel Comics creator, writer, and editor <u>Roy Thomas</u> who wrote more than 1200 titles, edited over 1000 Marvel books, and is responsible for thousands of subjects produced while Editor-in-Chief at Marvel from 1972 to 1974. Roy is the real deal, a giant of the Silver Age and the man who opened the Bronze Age of comic books. Roy is bringing two exclusive, very limited edition, Variant Covers.
- The King of Indie Animation, twice Oscar nominated <u>Bill Plympton</u>. In 1991, Plympton won the Prix Spécial du Jury at the Cannes Film Festival for <u>Push Comes to Shove</u> which was featured on MTV's animated series Liquid Television. Bill's cartoons have appeared in the NYTimes, Rolling Stone, Vanity Fair, and his video animation credits include over a dozen <u>Simpsons</u> episodes.
- <u>Alitha Martinez</u> 2018 Eisner Award, and GLAAD Media Award winner (<u>World of Wakanda</u>). Innovative, versatile (*Iron Man, Moon Girl, Black Panther, Nubia, Archie*), a complete master of the craft and culture, Alitha's unique style and humane vision emerge whatever <u>subject she creates</u>, her skills just keep growing.
- Best selling Author (books, comics, graphic novels), playwright, screenwriter, actor, teacher <u>Clay McLeod</u>
 <u>Chapman</u> is at the forefront of horror writing (<u>Ghost Eaters</u>, <u>Whisper Down the Lane</u>). The NYTs noted how
 "Chapman uses the macabre to explore the humanity of his characters and reveal an almost spiritual side to
 the horrific." Clay's comic book credits include <u>Marvel Spiderman</u>, and cutting edge <u>comic book horror</u>
- The master blaster himself <u>Jim Steranko</u>, whose daringly bold style and vision changed the future of comics
- Russ Braun the artist behind <u>Jimmy's Bastards</u>, and Marvel's hit <u>Where Monsters' Dwell</u>, whose long and storied career began at <u>DC comics with Batman and Justice League</u>
- <u>Jamal Igle</u>, Inkpot Award winner, artist, editor, art director, creator of the hit comic <u>Molly Danger</u>. His work for <u>DC</u>, <u>Marvel</u>, and Image, from Starship Troopers, Green Lantern, to <u>Supergirl</u>, Iron Fist/Wolverine to Venture, and Nightwing have distinguished him as a master stylist and a major voice of the new generation.
- <u>James Sherman</u> a unique comic book artist whose pencils and inks balance color and realism over a 50 year career from <u>DC</u> to <u>Marvel</u> (Superboy, Justice League, Startrek, Punisher, X-Men, Spiderman ...)
- <u>Ulises Farinas</u> artist and illustrator of <u>Star Wars</u>, co-creator of <u>Amazing Forest</u>, Cloudia & Rex, Motro, and Gamma (Dark Horse), Lockjaw (Marvel). His most recent work is Dungeons & Dragons
- Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductees <u>The GO-GOs</u>, the most famous female rock band in history. Drummer Gina Schock and Guitarist Kathy Valentine
- A two "Back to Spring" animation, cosplay and horror film fest, with cartoons from the 1930s and 40s, horror shorts, trailers and clips from Paramount's <u>Dungeons and Dragons</u> and Disney's <u>Mandalorian</u>.
- Best of all we will be screening Robin De Levita's award winning Cosplay thriller <u>LOST COS</u> on Saturday and Sunday.
- And there is more, including an exclusive Sunday Meet and Greet with Roy Thomas (20 guests only).

Origins of Play will again offer a comprehensive, **playable history of video games**. Pick your favorite from *Space Invaders* to *Super Smash Bros* and play all day (or park the kids and enjoy our **panel events**).

Our partner, and the best comicbook sales platform, <u>HipComic</u> is onboard with free books, and a special membership offer. As is CGC dealer and CGC Signature Series Facilitator, <u>Captured Collectibles</u>.

Of course, BACC's rightfully famous Cosplay contest, with prizes by our partner Ultimate Wireless.

All of this in the spacious ballrooms of the Art Deco masterpiece New Yorker Hotel (481 8th Ave @34th St). www.bigapplecc.com



Big Apple Comic Con "Back To Spring is Saturday & Sunday March 25-26 2023 10am-7pm (early admission 9am) Tickets: General Admission \$35 Saturday; \$30 Sunday; VIP Admission \$90; Two day General Admission \$50; Kids under 14 \$15; Kids under 10 are Free. Meet and Greet with Roy Thomas \$220 (Includes Sunday VIP admission)

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