



HELP THE CBLDF...

DEFEND COMICS



THE FIRST
AMENDMENT GUARANTEES
OUR RIGHT TO FREE EXPRESSION,
BUT POP CULTURE HAS TOO
OFTEN ATTRACTED THE SCRUTINY
OF CENSORS OVER THE
YEARS...

...AND "MORAL
PANIC" HAS GIVEN
THESE CENSORS
MANY TARGETS...



FROM KING KONG
AND TARZAN...

...TO ROCK MUSIC
IN THE '50s...




...EVEN CLASSIC
LITERATURE IS ATTACKED!

...HEAVY METAL
IN THE '80s...



...AND RAP
AND HIP HOP
IN THE '90s...



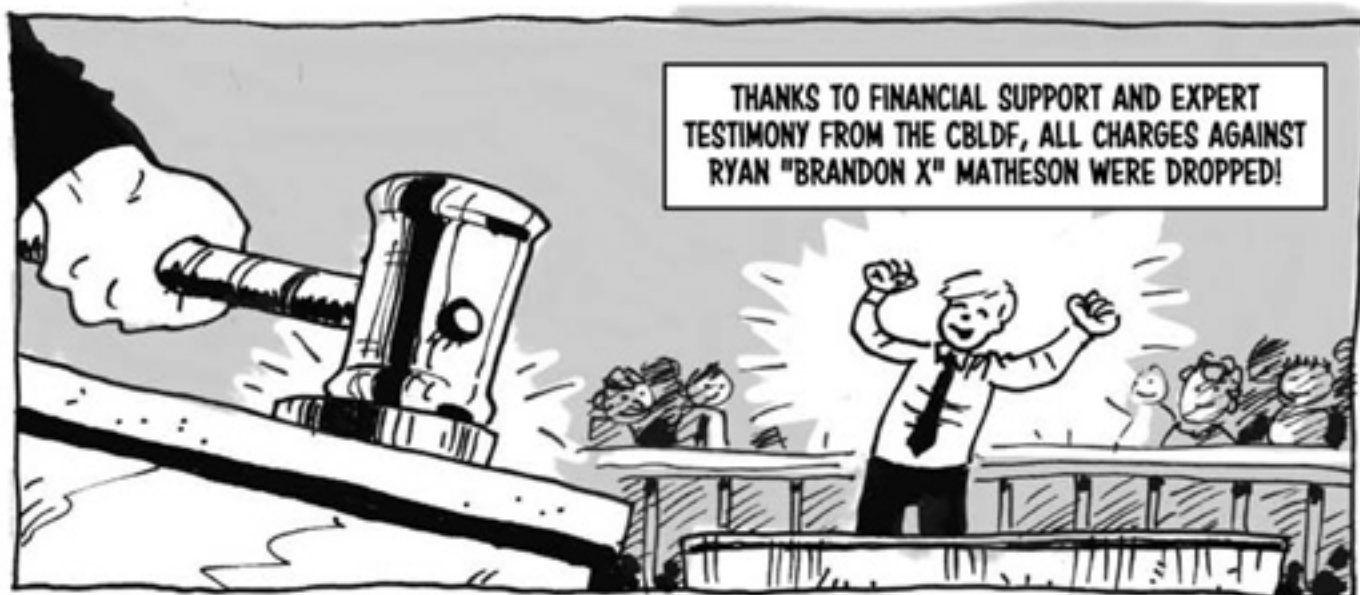


BUT COMICS HAVE
ALWAYS BEEN HIT
THE HARDEST!



THIS IS
WHERE THE COMIC
BOOK LEGAL DEFENSE
FUND COMES IN!

THE ANTI-CENSORSHIP
WORK OF THE CBLDF IS VITAL,
AND MORE IMPORTANT THAN
EVER! IN 2012, WITH THE HELP OF
OUR MEMBERS, WE WERE ABLE
TO DO MORE THAN EVER
BEFORE!



THANKS TO FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND EXPERT TESTIMONY FROM THE CBLDF, ALL CHARGES AGAINST RYAN "BRANDON X" MATHESON WERE DROPPED!



BECAUSE OF THE INNOCUOUS MANGA ON HIS LAPTOP, RYAN WAS SEARCHED AND ABUSED BY CANADIAN AUTHORITIES WHO WRONGLY ACCUSED HIM OF IMPORTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY.



NOW A FREE MAN THANKS TO YOUR DONATIONS, RYAN SPEAKS AT CONVENTIONS TO HELP OTHERS PROTECT THEIR RIGHTS!




WE CONTINUE TO PAY DOWN HIS LEGAL FEES THROUGH OUR FUNDRAISING--WE ARE HOPING TO RESTORE THE REMAINING \$34,000 OUT OF THE \$75,000 THE CASE COST.




WE ARE ALSO A SPONSOR OF BANNED BOOKS WEEK,
A NATIONAL CELEBRATION OF THE FREEDOM TO READ.
LEARN WHAT COMICS HAVE BEEN BANNED AND
HOW YOU CAN HELP AT WWW.CBLDF.ORG!

*("THE COLOR OF EARTH",
FIRST SECOND BOOKS)



THE CBLDF IS DOING MORE THAN EVER TO RAISE AWARENESS OF COMICS' RIGHTS! OUR EDUCATION ACTIVITIES HAVE US LECTURING ABOUT COMICS CENSORSHIP TO LAWYERS, LIBRARIANS, ACADEMICS AND FANS ALL OVER THE WORLD AT SYMPOSIUMS, COLLEGES, AND COMIC CONVENTIONS!



WE ARE CONTINUING TO BUILD OUR BEST PRACTICES GUIDES FOR STORES AND LIBRARIES, WITH NEW ARTICLES ALL THE TIME!

WE'VE ALSO COMPLETELY REBUILT OUR WEBSITE AS AN EVEN BETTER RESOURCE FOR STUDENTS (OR ANYONE) TO LEARN MORE ABOUT COMICS CENSORSHIP! THERE ARE CASE FILES, COURT DECISIONS, AND MORE!"

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WE'VE HELPED STOP CASES BEFORE THEY EVER WENT TO COURT! THE CBLDF HELPS COMICS FANS AND ARTISTS FACING BOTH CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS, AND CIVIL SUITS THAT THREATEN THEIR FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS!



THE CBLDF'S PUBLICATIONS ARE MORE ROBUST THAN EVER, WITH OUR NEW WEBSITE BEING UPDATED EVERY DAY WITH CENSORSHIP NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD, AND ADVISORY TOOLS TO HELP PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF STUDENTS, RETAILERS, AND FANS.



IN THE 1950s, MORAL PANIC
ALMOST KILLED COMICS...




THE COMIC ART FORM IS MORE POPULAR THAN EVER, BUT THE THREAT OF CENSORSHIP LOOMS OVER EVERYTHING WE DO.



FREE EXPRESSION IS TOO OFTEN TAKEN FOR GRANTED, BUT ITS LIMITS ARE DANGEROUSLY CLOSE, AND CENSORS PUSH THE LINE CLOSER ALL THE TIME.



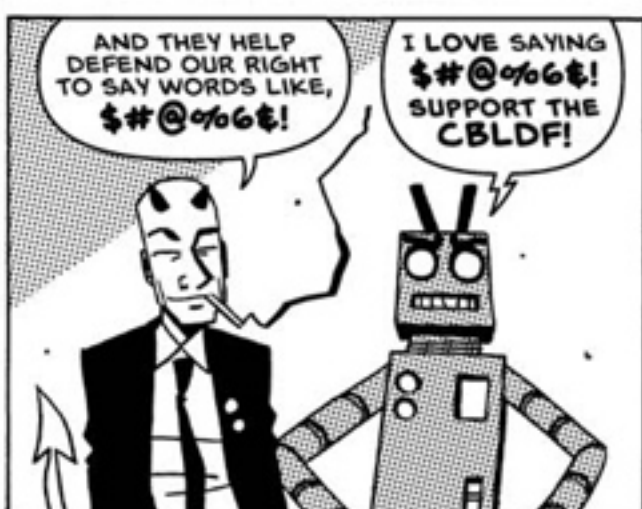
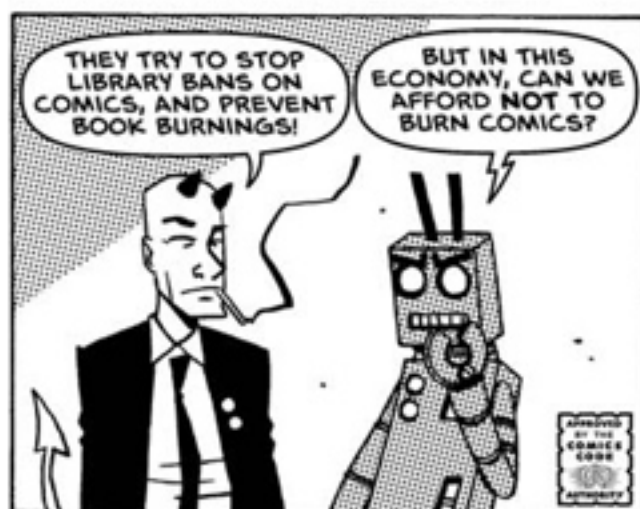
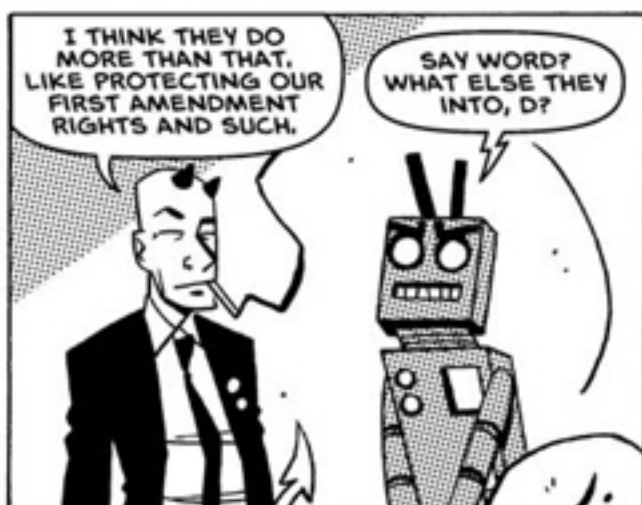
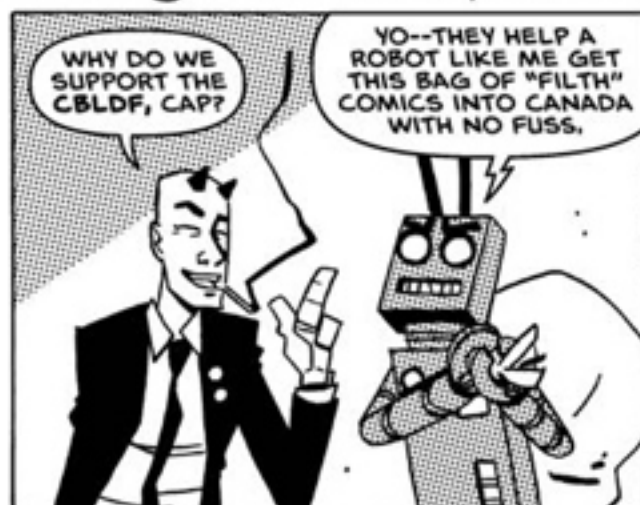
WE HAVE TO STAND TOGETHER--
FANS, CREATORS, RETAILERS, PUBLISHERS, STUDENTS, EDUCATORS, LIBRARIANS...
TOGETHER WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT CENSORSHIP AND MORAL PANIC,
AND ENSURE THAT FREE EXPRESSION HAS NO BOUNDARIES!



BY JOINING OR DONATING
TODAY, YOU HELP US KEEP THIS
FIGHT GOING! THERE ARE TONS OF GREAT
INCENTIVES FOR MEMBERSHIP, BUT THE
MOST IMPORTANT INCENTIVE IS
KNOWING THAT...

...*YOU* ARE HELPING
THE ART FORM YOU LOVE
GROW, WITHOUT FEAR OF
CENSORSHIP!

**JOIN OR
DONATE
TODAY!**



DONATION FORM!

— I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

- MEMBER (\$25) MEMBERSHIP CARD
- SUPPORTER (\$50) CARD, BUTTON SET, WINDOW CLING
- ADVOCATE (\$100) CARD, BUTTONS, CLING, CHOICE OF 1: WATER BOTTLE, TOTE BAG, OR T-SHIRT
- DEFENDER (\$250) CARD, BUTTONS, CLING, CHOICE OF 2: WATER BOTTLE, TOTE BAG, OR T-SHIRT
- PROTECTOR (\$500) CARD, BUTTONS, CLING, WATER BOTTLE, TOTE BAG, T-SHIRT, EXCLUSIVE PRINT
- CHAMPION (\$1,000) ALL OF THE ABOVE PLUS SIGNED GRAPHIC NOVEL OF YOUR CHOICE:
MAUS, WATCHMEN, PREACHER DELUXE EDITION, HABIBI
- TO MAKE MY DONATION GO FURTHER, PLEASE SEND NO MEMBERSHIP PREMIUMS.

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