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DEFEND COMICS

PROTECTING FREE SPEECH TODAY
THROUGH EDUCATION TOMORROW
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Logos of various comic book publishers and distributors
It's been a great year for the Comic Book Legal Defense Fund! With the help of supporters like you-

We've fought censorship by protecting creators and readers from legal action, and helped prevent censorship with a huge burst of education work!

We were on the road every month, delivering lectures and presenting programs in classrooms, conventions, libraries, and law schools across the U.S., and on into Canada, and even Japan!
WE’VE EXPANDED OUR LECTURE PROGRAM WITH THE NEW HISTORICAL SERIES COMICS ON TRIAL, PLUS THE NEW PRESENTATIONS RAISING A READER, BANNED COMICS, AND DEFENDING MANGA!

WE TEACH THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ABOUT THEIR RIGHTS EVERY YEAR!

THESE CONVENTION-TESTED PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN SO POPULAR THAT WE’VE EXPANDED THEM INTO EDUCATIONAL PUBLICATIONS FOR TEACHERS, LIBRARIANS, AND PARENTS...
...Like raising a reader, a handbook for parents and educators about using comics to instill a love of reading in young fans...

This guide is a fun, illustrated tool by Meryl Jaffe, PhD, with illustrations by Babymouse's Matthew Holm, and it shows how comics can actually help advance literacy and learning in young readers! The more educators understand about comics as a teaching aid, the less likely they are to dismiss or censor them!
THERE'S ALSO CBLDF PRESENTS: MANGA, A HANDBOOK FOR LIBRARIANS & PARENTS ABOUT THIS POPULAR, BUT MISUNDERSTOOD CATEGORY. WRITTEN BY MANGA EXPERTS, THIS BOOK GIVES LIBRARIANS AND PARENTS THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO UNDERSTAND AND DEFEND MANGA!

AND MANGA NEEDS TO BE DEFENDED FROM CENSORS CONSTANTLY!

THE CBLDF IS NOW PROVIDING THE TOOLS TO PROTECT MANGA WHEN IT'S CHALLENGED, AND TO PREVENT CENSORSHIP BY INCREASING UNDERSTANDING OF ITS FORM AND CONTENT!!
WE DIDN’T JUST SPEND 2013 MAKING TOOLS TO STOP CENSORSHIP — WE ALSO ACTIVELY FOUGHT IT! LIBRARIES AND SCHOOLS ARE HOUNDED BY CENSORS AND MORAL WATCHDOGS WHO WANT TO BAN COMICS...

THIS YEAR ALONE SAW CHALLENGES & BANS OF ALAN MOORE, MARJANE SATRAPI, KEIJI NAKAZAWA, ALISON BECHDEL & OTHERS!

WHEN SCHOOL SYSTEMS TRY TO BAN MODERN CLASSICS LIKE PERSEPOLIS*, WE ARE REMINDED HOW MUCH WORK IS STILL NEEDED TO PROTECT OUR RIGHT TO READ!

*CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, 2013. (THIS IS ONLY ONE EXAMPLE OF SCHOOL CENSORSHIP THIS YEAR, VISIT CBLIFORG FOR MORE)
We also worked hard providing legal assistance to those in need. This year, we had several cases where artists or readers came to us with First Amendment emergencies, and we solved their legal troubles before they escalated and went public. That’s why we’re here!

In addition to providing legal aid, we also created a variety of important resources about protecting your rights! CBLDF.org has new “Know Your Rights” FAQs, obscenity case files...

...and even more to help individuals and law students alike!
WE DID A LOT OF IMPORTANT WORK IN 2013. WE DID ALL OF THIS, AND ALSO MAINTAINED A DAILY NEWS BLOG, A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER, A WIDE RANGE OF RESOURCE ARTICLES AND MUCH MORE!

BUT WE CAN’T DO IT WITHOUT YOU! YOUR DONATIONS MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO FIGHT CENSORSHIP!

WE ARE ABLE TO HELP, EDUCATE, AND GROW THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE OF YOUR DONATIONS. WE CAN WORK TO PREVENT FUTURE CENSORSHIP BECAUSE OF YOUR DONATIONS. WE CAN BUILD A SAFER FUTURE FOR ARTISTS, RETAILERS, PUBLISHERS, AND FANS, FREE FROM CENSORSHIP, WITH YOUR HELP!

PLEASE HELP US CONTINUE THIS IMPORTANT WORK!

SO JOIN OR DONATE TODAY! 2013 MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE THIS GREAT "MEMBER EXCLUSIVE" SHIRT WITH ART BY JAIME HERNANDEZ! JOIN THE TEAM IN 2013!
HOW TO SUPPORT THE CBLDF!

- SIGN UP FOR OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
- VOLUNTEER LOCALLY BY CONTACTING INFO@CBLDF.ORG
- JOIN TODAY OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2013
- GIVE A GIFT MEMBERSHIP TO A FRIEND
- DONATE MONEY

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☐ $250 DEFENDER MEMBER INCLUDES: MEMBERSHIP CARD AND LONG SLEEVE T-SHIRT AS WELL AS A LIMITED EDITION LETTER PRESS PRINT FEATURING 2013 MEMBERSHIP CARD ILLUSTRATION, BUTTON SET, STICKER SET, COMICS CODE AUTHORITY WATER BOTTLE, AND YOUR CHOICE OF CBLDF EMBROIDERED POLO SHIRT OR THE NEW “FREE SPEECH FIGHTER” HOODED SWEATSHIRT!

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