

GET INVOLVED

Be a part of CBLDF's important work by getting involved!

Here are a few ways you can join the team.

Share Your Voice

Spread the word about CBLDF! Whether you're writing about free expression online or reading CBLDF publications, your participation makes a difference. You can stay informed by following @cblfd online. Identity censorship can't prevail against a community that supports free expression!

Donate or Join

You can also show your support by donating or becoming a member. Visit cblfd.org to find out more about the critical work you're supporting!

○ \$30 | ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Official 2020 CBLDF member card, designed by Matt Wagner!

○ \$50 | SUPPORTER MEMBER

Comics Code Authority notebook and CBLDF pen, exclusive embroidered patch, and 2020 member card.

○ \$100 | ADVOCATE MEMBER

Exclusive 2020 member t-shirt, Comics Code Authority notebook and ballpoint pen, embroidered patch, and 2020 member card.

○ \$250 | DEFENDER MEMBER

All of the above, plus a Comics Code Authority hoodie!

○ \$500 | PROTECTOR MEMBER

All of the above, plus a CBLDF zip-up fleece shell!

○ \$1,000 | CHAMPION MEMBER

All of the above, plus a CBLDF-exclusive hardcover edition of Jack Kirby's *Challengers of the Unknown*!



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TO SIGN UP ONLINE!

○ PLEASE SEND NO PREMIUMS



CBLDF FIGHTS FOR EVERY VOICE TO BE HEARD

Comic Book Legal Defense Fund stands up to bans of LGBTQ+ creators, books, and events all over the country. When prejudice, bigotry, and injustice are used to target diverse stories, we're at the front lines fighting back.

The right to free expression is frequently attacked in the form of challenges and bans of books, public events, and coursework featuring diverse voices. Right now, new laws are being proposed seeking to recast LGBTQ+ content as obscene or harmful to minors, and to punish libraries for hosting events like Drag Queen Story Time. CBLDF is fighting these wrong-minded efforts.

Read on to learn more about CBLDF's current work. When you get involved, it makes us a larger force for good. Help us continue this important work by becoming a member today.



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CBLDF FIGHTS AGAINST IDENTITY CENSORSHIP

CBLDF leads the fight against the rising trend of identity censorship, in which books and speakers are targeted based on the identity of the author or characters in a book. **LGBTQ+ content is the most frequent target of this kind of censorship, and CBLDF is fighting back.**

Library Censorship Bills

This year Missouri and Tennessee proposed legislation to create "parental library review boards" who would decide to move or remove books they deem to contain "age-inappropriate sexual material." The bills would punish libraries with loss of funding for non-compliance, and librarians would be criminally charged for offering minors materials the board found to be age inappropriate. CBLDF is speaking out against these bills which are explicitly targeting events like Drag Queen Story Time and attempting to recast LGBTQ+ content as sexual in nature.

Event Bans

These bills are part of a disturbing trend of biased overreactions to LGBTQ+ events held at public libraries. This past summer Leander, Texas banned community use of the public library meeting rooms in order to cancel a library-sponsored event by best-selling trans comic book author Lilah Sturges, in addition to other LGBTQ+ events, in a blatant act of discrimination. CBLDF led a national protest demanding the restoration of the event and created resources to help other communities overcome similar challenges.

Book Bans & Challenges

CBLDF recently fought challenges to *Fun Home*, *Drama*, *Pride: Harvey Milk & The Rainbow Flag*, *Lily & Duncan*, *I Am Jazz*, *George*, and *My Brother's Husband* by providing resources, letters of support, and substantive aid. Thanks to these efforts, many of these books remain available.

Follow and share our work!



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COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Legal Action

CBLDF's legal team is at the forefront of protecting our community's rights. Our 2020 legal work to date includes:

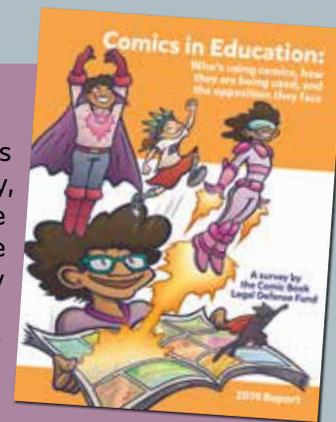
- Providing legal and financial support for a group of cartoonists at risk of having their work altered, confiscated or suppressed in a copyright battle.
- Providing support to defend against attempts to ban *Drama* by Raina Telgemeier in Wyoming and *Seven Deadly Sins* in Texas, with positive results in both cases.

Last year CBLDF provided legal support in 14 cases, supporting retailers, readers, and creators whose rights were at risk. Thanks in part to CBLDF's intervention, none of these cases went to court.

Always make CBLDF your first call in a First Amendment Emergency at 888.88.CBLDF! Our lawyers are available at a moment's notice! We provide substantive support including legal referrals, behind-the-scenes counseling, letters of support, resources, and other tools to protect your rights!

Publications & Research

CBLDF's publications and research initiatives create a better informed comic community, helping to prevent censorship and encourage free expression. Recent projects include **Comics In Education**, a groundbreaking survey gathering practical data about how comics are used in schools. Visit www.cbldf.org for our daily news blog and the latest new tools from the CBLDF community!



Training & Resources

CBLDF creates training, resources, and education opportunities to help teachers, students, and librarians fight censorship. We launch public campaigns addressing identity censorship and produce a wide range of tools, including webinars, online study guides, and more.

Check out our webinars and resources to help combat identity censorship by visiting: cbldf.org/identity-censorship

