

# CARTOON CROSSROADS COLUMBUS<sup>\*</sup>

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## **CARTOON CROSSROADS COLUMBUS NAMES SECOND WAVE OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

### **Comic Artists Terri Libenson, Tom Tomorrow and Frank Santoro Join 27 other special guests for the Fifth Year Cartooning Festival**

SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 (COLUMBUS, OHIO)—Cartoon Crossroads Columbus (CXC) announced the remaining special guests for the fifth-annual festival held venues around Columbus.

CXC added Terri Libenson, the strip cartoonist behind The Pajama Diaries and the middle-school artist and writer behind the Emmie & Friends Series. Terri will be participating in featured signings at the Columbus Metropolitan Main Library on Saturday from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm.

Tom Tomorrow, the much-loved icon of the post-war generation will bring his This Modern World to meet fans and advocate on both his own behalf and for client publication The Nib. He will appear at CCAD's Canzani Auditorium on Saturday, September 28 at 8 p.m.

The festival also welcomes returning 2018 guests Liana Finck and Georgia Webber, MK Czerwiec and Rachel Lindsay and the newspaper cartoonist Hilary Price. They join the other special guests announced in July -- Dav Pilkey (Captain Underpants and Dog Man series), Mike Mignola (Hellboy and the Bureau for Paranormal Research and Defense), Ann Telnaes (Washington Post) and others.

"I'm super happy with this group of cartoonists for our fifth show," said CXC Festival Director Tom Spurgeon. There is so much artistic skill on display, and we're hitting our major themes such as The Nib's financial crisis from multiple angles."

While Libenson has connections within the political cartooning world intersecting with the Festival through the presence of the national members of the Association of American Editorial Cartoons, she is becoming better known for her hybrid works aimed at middle schoolers.

Cartoon Crossroads Columbus is a 501(c)3 devoted to artistic expression via cartoon, promoting Columbus as an international arts destination and teaching younger generations of cartoonists how to thrive in that profession.

Cartoon Crossroads Columbus 2019 will host these artists and several others during the September 28-29 weekend. <http://www.cartooncrossroadscolumbus.com>

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