



Sztriptíz Indie Comics Fair @ The ArtYard in a joint project with BP Comics!

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# SZTRIPTÍZ™

INDIE COMICS FAIR | BUDAPEST

Sztriptíz Indie Comic Fair (SZT) is a two-day long Budapest based art festival of indie comic books organized by The ArtYard in collaboration with BP! Comics. The fair features comic presentations, projections, artist talks, workshops and the launch of an anthology of the 10 best indie comic stories from Central and Eastern Europe (CEE).

SZT pays homage to the playful yet masterly art of Indie comic book designs. Indie comics present an alternative to the traditional comic narratives, putting forward a wide range of subjects, styles and genres. Often self-funded and more art oriented, Indie comics increasingly shatter the boundary between comic and fine art, introducing thought provoking storylines, diverse characters to which people can relate to and interact with.

A special edition anthology, printed in Risograph, will be launched at the event featuring the graphic novels of 10 artists. Additionally, the artists will present their portfolios personally and engage with the public through sales, comic signing, workshops and artist talks – converting the exhibition space into a highly interactive space for art.

## **Continuous Programs**

### **Comic Jam**

Hosted by: Zoltán Fritz

FREE

Freestyle comic stories during the SZT fair. Add your personal anecdotes to the stream of drawings and chats with a bunch of comic enthusiasts. Visitors are welcome to contribute to the on-going strip-chain during the fair with spontaneous elements/heckling!

### **About the host**

Zoltán Fritz is an animator, illustrator and ceramic artist. He has created numerous comic stories, participated in comic speeches, designed covers and produced animations. As one of the founding members of the MKA - Hungarian Academy of Comics - he is very active in the comic art scene.



## **Projections**

FREE

An endless loop of projection broadcasting animations and illustrations will be waiting visitors in the chill out lounge.

## **Publishers' talk about comic markets**

04.08 Friday 18.30-19.30

Moderated by: Antal Bayer

FREE

The discussion is in English

During the discussion Antal Bayer and Michal Slomka will discuss how publishing houses operate. Through their conversation light will be shed on topics such as how publishing houses select artists, what criteria they take into consideration. They will summarize their personal experiences, in particular, what the possibilities are for comic artists from Central-Eastern Europe in western markets.

About the moderator

Antal Bayer is the Hungarian translator of copious well-known comic books (Asterix, Batman, Pókember, Largo Winch). He is the founder of the Hungarian Comics Association and one of the initiators of the International Comics Festival of Budapest. Bayer continuously contributes as columnist to the Filmworld magazine, his critiques are published mostly in the HCA Comics Blog and his personal publications. As the director of the publishing house Nero Blanco Comix, he persistently provides visibility opportunities for Hungarian artists and those international authors who are lesser known in Hungary.

## **Workshops**

Register at [info@artyard.gallery](mailto:info@artyard.gallery)

Let us know the name of the workshop you would like to attend in the SUBJECT

## **Draw/fold/pass/print workshop**

04.09 Saturday 10:30 – 12:30

Hosted by: Árpád Szigeti

Workshop for ages 7 +

Participation fee: 3.500 Ft

The workshop is in Hungarian - English speakers can participate.

Unleash your imagination by joining the Draw/Fold/Pass/Print Risograph workshop. This workshop gives the participants a chance to create humorous comic creatures. Draw a picture sequence by concealing, folding and passing to your fellow workshop mates who will add their doodles in the same way. The whole process and of course the final image is always highly amusing whilst working on your team building skills. The end results will be printed in Risograph and collected in a publication for everyone to take home.

About the host

Árpád Szigeti is the founder of Hurrikan Press - a Risograph print studio & independent publisher based in Budapest - and the CEO of Secco & Fresh a collective providing wall decorations for hostels, bars and shops.



### **Street Sauce workshop**

04.08. Friday – 17:00-20:00

Hosted by: Marcus Goldson

Workshop for ages 12+

Participation fee: 6.000 Ft

The workshop is in English - Hungarian speakers can participate.

In the Street Sauce workshop you can create a collective comic book based on Budapest's characters by using mixed media materials. Marcus Goldson will show you how to build characters that are representative of Budapest. Peeps you see regularly - families enjoying a day out, the man on the street, people on the bus or pensioners relaxing at the baths and the atmosphere of different settings – the metro, a park or the street determines the narrative putting the ordinary in the limelight and showing people being people.

#### About the host

Marcus Goldson is a Budapest based artist born in Kenya. His paintings, watercolors and prints are ironic visual diaries, witty observations of real life, uncovering the most grotesque and yet familiar to us. From a bus ride in Budapest to his wildlife paintings, the artist captures the essence of life, full of humor and colors.

### **Photonovella - A novel way of telling a tale**

04.09. Saturday – 15:00-16:30

Hosted by: Marcus Villaça

Participation fee: 4.500 Ft

The workshop is in English

You are welcome to bring your smartphone or tablet with you.

The aim will be to create a two-page narrative arc by using photography - a PHOTONOVELLA. We will explore alternative methods of storyboarding combining photography and line drawings, how to find and use copyright-free images, seeing storylines in everyday objects and situations, the photo-collage as a storytelling medium and exploration of available phone and tablet apps.

#### About the host

Artist Marcus Villaça is the appointed curator of the Sztriptíz Anthology who has been creating comics for 6 years. Former art director of New York based magazines, his experience led to the founding of an alternative newsweekly in Barcelona - BCN Week - and pioneered hybrid photo-novella/comic approach to alternative comics.

### **Afterparty @ Brody Studios**

The event series of SZT will be followed by a galvanizing after-party hosted by Brody Studios. Join us for a well earned cocktail or two and maybe your creativity will still be buzzing on the dance floor later. Admission is free of charge.

Live act & party

DJ Slanki feat. László Heigl

<https://www.facebook.com/djslanki/>

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