ComicFest 2021 is Tallaght Library's first-ever comics festival and is supported by the Creative Ireland Programme South Dublin.
Most events are due to take place in Tallaght Library but this is subject to change.

AN EVENING WITH DECLAN SHALVEY AND STEPHEN MOONEY

Declan Shalvey and **Stephen Mooney** are two of the most prolific and successful Irish comic creators currently working.

Declan has worked extensively for major American publishers such as Marvel, DC, Image and Dark Horse drawing titles such as *Moon Knight*, *Thunderbolts* and much more. He has also written two crime graphic novels set in Ireland, *Savage Town*, illustrated by Philip Barrett, and *Bog Bodies*, illustrated by Gavin Fullerton, both published by Image Comics.

Stephen's work is mainly published by IDW publishing in the USA. He's drawn several mini-series based on well known TV properties such as *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*, *Angel*, *Spike* and *The A-Team*, and cinema's *The Mummy*. Most recently he's been working on his creator owned pulp adventure series 'Half Past Danger', set in an alternative history World War II.

Don't miss what should be a fascinating conversation as these two experienced comic professionals discuss their work and the comics industry in general.

Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie. Suitable for adults and young adults.

> WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 1 - 8 PM

'BAGS' AND 'BOG BODIES' : THE PROCESS OF MAKING A GRAPHIC NOVEL

An in depth look at the process of making a graphic novel with illustrator **Gavin Fullerton**. **Gavin** is an illustrator who works in animation and comics. He has been a storyboard artist for shows such as *Space Chickens in Space* and has been self-publishing his comics since 2015. His first graphic novel *Bags (Or a Story Thereof)* based on the short story by *Over the Garden Wall* creator Patrick McHale, was published in 2019. He was the artist on the graphic novel *Bog Bodies*, written by Declan Shalvey and published by Image comics in April 2020.
Suitable for ages 15+. Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie

> FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 3:30 - 4:30PM

HOW TO CREATE A COMIC BOOK STORYLINE

During this **online workshop** you will learn the basics of storytelling and constructing a comic with **Jaime Lalor**.

> FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2:30 - 4 PM

You will learn how to use paneling, explore character group dynamics, the infinite possibilities of stylistic expressions you can use to express and enhance your story and more.

Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie
Suitable for ages 12+

HOW TO START MAKING COMICS

In this talk for teenagers aged 12+ acclaimed comic book creator **Hugh Madden** will share his extensive experience and let you in on the process of making your own comics.

> TUESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 6:30 - 7:30PM

Hugh is a Cork artist based in Dublin He is heavily inspired by Irish history, myth and folklore, by the stories of the people around him and the beauty of the natural world we all inhabit.

Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

SUPERHERO STORIES AND CRAFTS

Join us for a super stories and crafts session with the super staff of Tallaght Library. The theme will be 'How to create your own superhero'.

> TUESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Suitable for 7-12 year olds.
Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

STORY WRITING : THE MAD TIMES

This creative writing workshop will transport the children as journalists on an imaginary journey to MAD City, where there are earthquakes splitting Bluebell River and a blue light has filled the sky!
Focused on mastering the art of fact and fiction, this workshop will delve into the techniques of both worlds, as **Maeve Devoy** details the importance of seeking the truth and using your own voice.

> WEDNESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 4 - 5 PM

Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie
Suitable for ages 12+

STORY WRITING : FIGHTING WITH WORDS

There is no story without conflict. This workshop with **Maeve Devoy** focuses on the drama - building it and putting it out - and the challenges our characters must face in order to progress. By identifying the reasoning behind events and their consequences, the students will discover what it takes to keep their readers reading, alongside the strength it takes to create change, once they have the heart to fight with their words!

> SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 12 - 1 PM

Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie
Suitable for ages 12+

OBSERVATIONAL STORYTELLING

Discover how to take ordinary, everyday life and turn it into material for compelling storytelling.
Join author/illustrator **Sarah Bowie** as she guides you through observational exercises and shows you how to use words and images to describe your own inner life and the world around you.

THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 3:30 - 5 PM

Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie.
Suitable for ages 12+

MANGA PORTRAIT WORKSHOP

At this workshop artist **Shota Kotake** will teach you how to draw a Manga style portrait.
Each child will be given example sheets of Manga style portraits and face parts to reference then they'll make Manga portraits of each other with help and guidance from Shota. It's lots of fun!

SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 10 - 11:30 AM

Suitable for 7-12 year olds.
Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

COMIC FIGURES IN ACTION

The Comic Figures in Action workshop will focus on creating figures with movement and action! We will also look at techniques of drawing and shading as well as how to create your own original superhero with illustrator **Mico Hassett**.

SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 3 - 4 PM

Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie.
Suitable for ages 12+

DESIGN YOUR OWN SUPERHERO

Join author and illustrator **Alan Nolan** as he talks about his favourite superheroes and his superhero graphic novel *Destination: Homicide*, learn how to draw a super-powered animal, and design your very own superhero!

MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Suitable for 7-12 year olds.
Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

THE PHYSICAL CREATION OF COMICS

A hands-on workshop in which kids will learn how comics are made and get a chance to create their own comic book page from a professional script.
Triona Farrell has worked as a comic book colourist for major comic book publishers such as Dark Horse, Vault, Image and Marvel working on titles such as *Stranger Things*, *Captain Marvel*, *Hawkeye* and many more.

THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 6:30 - 8PM

Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie.
Suitable for ages 12+

MANGA PEOPLE OF TALLAGHT

Artist **Shota Kotake** will create Manga portraits of local residents, which will be exhibited in the library all through Comicfest.
No booking required.

MONDAY 15TH - SATURDAY 20TH

We're looking for a range of local people to sit for portraits in Tallaght Library on Saturday November 13th. At the end of the exhibition you can take your portrait home and keep it.
Email jmangan@sdublincoco.ie to express your interest.

DRAW AND DEVELOP YOUR OWN CHARACTERS

A comic cannot come to life without its characters.
In this workshop with **Ashwin Chacko** we will learn to use simple shapes to develop and maintain a consistent character.

MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 6:30 - 8 PM

Ashwin Chacko is a storyteller and motivational speaker based in Dublin who specialises in positive visual storytelling.

Suitable for ages 12+
Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

SUPERHERO MASK MAKING

Get into character at Tallaght ComicFest and transform into a superhero at this free mask making session with illustrator **Mico Hassett**!

SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 10 - 1PM

No booking required.
Suitable for ages 3+

CREATE YOUR OWN ZINE

Explore how to make zines and use them to illustrate your own story with **Louise Boughton**. In this workshop, you will create simple mini books and create a short 'silent' narrative to communicate your idea using only drawings.

Louise Boughton is an artist, maker and educator at Ballyfemot College of Further Education for the past twenty years

THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 10 - 12 PM

Suitable for Transition Year students.
School bookings only.

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MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 11 - 12 PM

For 3rd to 6th Class. School bookings only.

COMIC STRIPS AS A MEDIUM ; A PRACTICAL WORKSHOP

In this intensive two-hour session we will look at what a comic strip is and how it works with **Michael Connerty**. You will create your own comic strips, thinking about how they can be used to tell stories about your own life and express your own ideas.

WEDNESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2 - 4 PM

Michael Connerty is a lecturer in Film, Animation and Visual Culture at IADT.

Suitable for Transition Year students
School bookings only.

MAKE YOUR OWN COMIC

Join creator **Sarah Bowie** and discover how to create a character and send them on a crazy adventure! You'll write and draw your own story and learn how to make it into a comic.

FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 10 - 11 AM

For 4th to 6th Class. School bookings only.

WE'RE GOING TO THE ZOO

Join sisters Kitty and Clara for a day at the zoo, filled with animal facts and lot's of drawing. After a fun Read-Along, creator **Sarah Bowie** will show you how to draw your very own cartoon animals!

FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 11:30 - 12:30 PM

For 2nd to 4th Class. School bookings only.

ANIME ILLUSTRATION WORKSHOP

This anime workshop will focus on creating characters with costumes in the Anime style of illustration with illustrator **Mico Hassett**. We will also discuss the emotional impact of different styles of illustration and how they portray images that are different from actual human bodies.

THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 10 - 11 AM

For 3rd to 6th Class. School bookings only.

HOW TO DRAW YOUR FAVOURITE ANIMAL

Learn how to draw your favourite animal from professional comic book creator **Hugh Madden**. Hugh is heavily inspired by Irish history, myth and folklore, by the stories of the people around him and the beauty of the natural world we all inhabit.

TUESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 10 - 11 AM

For 3rd to 6th Class School bookings only.

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