



## ComicArtFans.com Announces Successful Production of 2nd Indie Comics Creator Con (IC3) in New Haven, Connecticut

Orlando, FL - March 31, 2025 - [ComicArtFans.com](https://ComicArtFans.com) (CAF), the global hub for everything related to collecting comic book and other narrative or storytelling art, announces its successful production of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual [Indie Comics Creator Con \(IC3\)](#) in New Haven, Connecticut.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual IC3-New Haven show was held on March 15, 2025 and featured more than 170 exhibitors including Dean Haspiel, Jim Rugg, Tom Scioli, Mike Marts, Ken Landgraf, Heather Antos, Ed Piskor Legacy, and Mahdi Khene. Read about CAF's November 2024 acquisition of IC3-New Haven [HERE](#). and watch video from year one's show [HERE](#).

"We're thrilled by the incredible response from the indie community to our IC3 show," said Kasra Ghanbari, CEO of CAF and Producer of IC3. "CAF is quickly building out IC3 as a portfolio of both in-person and virtual shows committed to providing an affordable, dynamic, and inclusive platform that brings together independent comic book creators, artists, publishers, art collectors, and fans to celebrate and support unique and diverse creators in comics. Much more IC3 news will be coming out soon, which you'll see first by signing up to our CAF newsletter [HERE](#)."

IC3's current list of events is anchored by our annual IC3-New Haven show, which is held at Southern Connecticut State University, as well as two virtual IC3 shows as part of CAF's [Comic Art LIVE \(CAL\)](#) virtual art con held twice annually in May and November. All artists that exhibited at IC3-New Haven will be invited to set up a free exhibitor booth at our 11th CAL on May 17-18, 2025 where they'll be able to post both art and printed materials for sale, as well as offer art commissions.



Key numbers from our IC3-New Haven 2025 show included:

- \* total event space more than doubled
- \* attendance increased by greater than 50%
- \* number of exhibitors increased from approximately 100 to 175
- \* Pre-show artist commissions were actively promoted with a fantastic response from the art collecting community
- \* Events expanded to include a Mini-Comic Competition and Scavenger Hunt with prizes

\* IC3-specific sketch cards were introduced to go along with special oversized sketch cards as part of both the pre-show Drink & Draw and after-show parties

\* "Panels That Matter" was introduced by IC3 Program Director Jamie Jones, with excellent attendance and participation; the panels are available for viewing on our IC3 YouTube channel [HERE](#)

\* Sponsors expanded to include [Dark Horse Comics](#), [Athenaeum Comic Art](#), [TDArt](#), [DiTullio Art Collective](#), and [Alternate Universe](#) along with returning sponsors [Comix Wellspring](#), [Cosmic Lion Productions](#), and [Monkeys Fighting Robots](#).

"The talent and passion of this year's IC3 creators were mind-blowing," said Matt Sardo, Director of Digital Communications at CAF and IC3-New Haven Showrunner. "Their overwhelming excitement made my job easy—boosting attendance and strengthening partnerships with schools, colleges, and the New Haven community. In return, the creators were rewarded with a more youthful and eager audience ready to dive into the world of indie comics. The sky's the limit for IC3 2026!"

### **About ComicArtFans.com (CAF)**

CAF is the premier website in the world serving comic book and narrative art collectors, artists, auction houses, art dealers, and artist representatives. CAF's newly launched deCAF mobile app is available globally for iOS and Android devices under "Comic Art Fans" through [Apple's App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

Every month, CAF has 15,000+ active users and 400,000+ visits from nearly 200,000 visitors that generate 3,000,000+ page views. Collectors may easily set up either free or premium galleries on CAF, where they'll find over 1,000,000 pieces of art posted by collectors in their galleries and personal classifieds, which is additionally supplemented by 100,000s of art pieces from art dealers and artist representative websites. CAF is proud to be a truly global hub, with more than half of our traffic coming from outside the United States, most notably from France, Canada, Italy, the United Kingdom, and Spain.

CAF's event division includes [Comic Art LIVE \(CAL\)](#), the biggest virtual comic art convention in the world, which is held twice annually in May and November, as well as its [Original Art Expo \(OAX\)](#) in Orlando, Florida, which has immediately established itself as the premier visual storytelling art event in the world. [OAX](#) is an art fair and trade show hybrid being developed as an annual platform to exclusively showcase the narrative arts, most especially comic book, comic strip, illustration, and collectible card art. Year three of [OAX](#) is February 20 to 22, 2026 and will again feature the Illustration Art Expo (IAX) and Card Art Expo (CAX) as part of OAX. Watch the OAX 2024 Intro Footage video [HERE](#). CAF's event division also includes [Indie Comics Creator Con \(IC3\)](#), a portfolio of both in-person and virtual shows committed to providing an affordable, dynamic, and inclusive platform that brings together independent comic book creators, artists, publishers, art collectors, and fans to celebrate and support unique and diverse creators in comics.

CAF also operates the highly active [CAL YouTube channel](#), a community resource that produces a regular slate of weekly content including interviews with prominent creators and art collectors; previews of major auction house events; the popular Dueling Dealers and Amateur Dealers of Comic Art programs pitting professional and/or amateur comic art dealers against one another; and art sale shows directly conducted with artists, artist reps, non-profits, and other fundraising groups.

Between the [CAF web site](#), deCAF mobile app on [Apple's App Store/Google Play](#), twice annual [CAL virtual convention](#), [CAL YouTube channel](#), and our [OAX](#) and [IC3](#) shows, CAF has in place the central 24/7 hub, networking tools, educational materials, and events to assist and enable everyone from the first-time art collector and early career artist to the most seasoned art collector, art dealer, and professional published artist.

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**COMIC ART FANS EVENT CALENDAR**



Comic Art LIVE (CAL)  
May 17-18, 2025  
Virtual Art Con  
[ComicArtFans.com](http://ComicArtFans.com)



Comic Art LIVE (CAL)  
November 15-16, 2025  
Virtual Art Con  
[ComicArtFans.com](http://ComicArtFans.com)



Original Art Expo (OAX)  
February 20-22, 2026  
Orlando, FL  
[OA-Expo.com](http://OA-Expo.com)