



ComicArtFans.com Announces Successful Production of 11th Comic Art LIVE (CAL) Virtual Art Convention

Record number of exhibitors, artists, and art posted for sale

Confirmed art sales of nearly \$1,200,000

12th CAL dates set for November 15-16, 2025

Orlando, FL - June 9, 2025 - ComicArtFans.com (CAF), the global hub for everything related to collecting comic book and other narrative or storytelling art, announced today the successful production of its 11th [Comic Art LIVE](#) (CAL) virtual art convention on May 17 to 18, as well as dates for the 12th CAL and 13th CAL, which will be held November 15-16, 2025 and May 16-17, 2026, respectively.

CAL is a twice annual (May/November) virtual art convention held on the [CAF website](#) that invites comic art collectors and fans from anywhere in the world to attend a free two-day virtual comic art convention where artworks are presented for sale directly from artists, collectors, art dealers, artist representatives, and auction houses. CAL also features our hugely popular [Mystery Sketch Event](#), a unique and fun opportunity to get convention sketches and sketch cards with artists randomly assigned from a list of emerging and established talent, as well as two days of incredible live panels and art sale shows on our [CAF+ YouTube channel](#) where you can ask questions to panelists, interact with the collecting community, and purchase art in the live chat.

"Our 11th Comic Art LIVE was a turning point where our team was able to bring together advanced functionality with both our app and browser-based site along with a huge leap in participation from the indie comics, sketch card, and artist communities along with consistent and creative promotion to produce not only our best CAL ever but a roadmap for how we'll be expanding the show with the goal for CAL to be fun and beneficial to artists and collectors while providing the lowest possible barrier for us to reach and help create new comic and narrative art collectors," said [Kasra Ghanbari](#), CEO of CAF.

Professional working artists, artists representatives, and indie artists are all invited to set up a free exhibitor booth at CAL. Art collectors with a [CAF Premium subscription](#) (\$75/year) receive a large number of benefits, including being able to set up an exhibitor booth twice a year at CAL along with access to the CAL convention halls two hours before it opens to the public.

"If you're a comic book, illustration, or card artist or artist rep, we're ready to help you add these two zero-cost art conventions to your schedule," said [Tatiana Dykes](#), Director of Events at CAF. "And if you like going to comic and pop culture conventions and love seeing the art, then our CAL shows were made for you, and you can attend these free conventions from the comfort of your home and on your phone."

Highlights for the 11th Comic Art LIVE included:

* **Attendees** - well more than 20,000 unique attendees over the weekend

- * **Exhibitors** - record number of total exhibitor booths (400)
- * **Artist Booths** - record number of artists set up with booths
- * **Art For Sale** - record number of total artworks posted for sale (7,540)
- * **Art Sales** - nearly \$1,200,000 in confirmed sales
- * **CAF Site Traffic** - page views were 4 times normal on Saturday and a record 4 times normal on Sunday
- * **Additional Site Sales** - high site traffic spilled out of CAL and into CAF's regular classified art listings leading to strong sales (in addition to confirmed sales number)
- * **Saved Art** - record number of saved art pieces by attendees (12,010)
- * **Mystery Sketch Event** - launch of sketch card tier and record number of Mystery Sketches sold (305)
- * **Art Commissions** - large number of commissions requested directly to artists or artist reps
- * **Hall I** - second CAL with Hall I dedicated to Indie creators nearly doubled in artist participation
- * **Live Panels** - 14 live panels held on our newly relaunched [CAF+ YouTube channel](#) beginning Friday night with our [Mystery Sketch Kick-Off](#) with other highlights including: [Interview/Art Sale with Mike McKone](#); [Interview/Art Sale with Eric Canete](#); [Hall I Creator Spotlight](#); [DiTullio Art Collective Art Sale/Fundraiser](#); Spotlight on Artists [Jeremy Wilson](#) and [Nir Levie](#); [Sketch Card Wars with Andrei Ausch and Tony Perna](#); [Magic the Gathering Art Collecting 101](#); and an interview with legendary [Indie comics creator/publisher Denis Kitchen](#).
- * **Checkout/Feedback System** - our new system for instant payment processing with interlinked feedback system had no technical issues and will have greatly expanded use by artists, art dealers, artist representatives, and auction houses for the 12th CAL in November
- * **Technical Upgrades/Issues** - recent deCAF app v2 release ([Apple's App Store/Google Play](#)) now includes CAF's internal email system and real-time push notifications that greatly assisted both exhibitors and attendees; no major IT issues were discovered or reported during the show

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 deCAF mobile app is now available globally for iOS and Android devices under "Comic Art Fans" through [Apple's App Store](#) and [Google Play](#). Make sure to subscribe to the [CAF newsletters](#), [OAX newsletter](#), and [CAF+ YouTube channel](#), as well as our [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) pages. Find all of our links at [Linktree](#).

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 and artists 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 20-22, 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 [CAF+ 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; info and announcements for our [CAL](#), [OAX](#), and [IC3](#) shows; 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](#), [CAF+ YouTube channel](#), and our [OAX](#) and [IC3](#) show platforms, 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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EVENT CALENDAR



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November 15-16, 2025
Virtual Art Con
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Original Art Expo (OAX)
February 20-22, 2026
Orlando, FL
OA-Expo.com



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