

12:45-1:45 Exclusive Q&A with the writers of *The Office*—Meet the writers of the EmmyAward-winning comedy *The Office* and hear them talk about their favorite episodes, characters, and fun behind-the-scenes stories. Moderated by cast member **Rainn Wilson** (Dwight Schrute), panelists include executive producer/showrunner **Greg Daniels** (*The Simpsons*) and writers **Jennifer Celotta** (*Amy Richter Controls the Universe*), **Michael Schur** (*Saturday Night Live*), **B.J. Novak**, **Lester Lewis** (*The Larry Sanders Show*), **Gene Stupnitsky** (*Year One*), **Lee Eisenberg** (*Year One*), **Mindy Kaling** (*Matt and Ben*), **Justin Spitzer** (*Scrubs*), **Ryan Koh** (various commercials), and **Anthony Ferrell** (*The Audacity*). **Room 6A**

12:45-2:00 DC: A Guide to Your Universe—Dan DiDio (senior VP/executive editor, DCU), **Jann Jones** (senior coordinating editor, DCU), and Ian Sattler (senior story editor, DCU), and countless DCU talent gather for a panel that's not to be missed. Now that the *Final Crisis* is upon us, what lies ahead for your favorite heroes? Join **Keith Giffen** (*Legion*, *Anthill*, *Amphibian Bug: Year None*), **Geoff Johns** (*Action Comics*, *Green Lantern*), **Aaron Lopresti** (*Wonder Woman*), **Brad Meltzer** (DCU: *Last Will and Testament*), **Grant Morrison** (*Batman*, *Final Crisis*), **Gail Simone** (*Wonder Woman*), **Phillip Tan** (*Final Crisis: Revelations*), **Peter Tomasi** (*Green Lantern Corps*), **Judd Winick** (*Titans*), and others to get the answers. **Room 6B**

1:00-2:00 Aspen Comics in 2008 and Beyond—Join the Aspen Comics team of creators and artists as they highlight the upcoming Aspen products debuting in 2008 and beyond! Catch a exclusive glimpse of all the new Aspen Comics titles including *Fathom*, *Soulfire*, *Shrugged*, *Executive Assistant*: *Iris* and much more! Featuring **Peter Steigerwald** (*Soulfire*), **Ale Garza** (*Fathom*), **Mitch Gunnell** (*Shrugged*), **JT Krul** (*Soulfire*, *Fathom*), **Vince Hernandez** (*Soulfire*, *Shadow Magic*), **Beth Setalo** (*Soulfire*), **Mark Roslan** (everything), **David Wohl** (*Executive Assistant*: *Iris*), and hosted by **Frank Mastromarco** (*Shrugged*). The Aspen crew will answer all your questions Aspen-related in a special Q&A session, so don't miss your chance to meet and greet with Aspen's finest. All fans in attendance will receive a gift courtesy of Aspen Comics. **Room 2**

1:00-2:00 Diamond Select Toys: Minimates—Join Diamond Select Toys' director **Chuck Terceira** and the rest of the Minimate creators for a glimpse of what's to come for the number one block figure brand in the world. Ask you questions, make your requests and get a sneak peek at future Minimate designs! **Room 3**

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1:00-2:00 Will Eisner Tribute—A tribute to and panel discussion about legendary artist, cartoonist, educator, and entrepreneur **Will Eisner**, who played an important role in the growth of comics and sequential art from the Golden Age of Comics through the acceptance and dynamic growth of the graphic novel. Panelists include **Michael Uslan** (producer, *Batman*, *The Spirit*), **Paul Levitz** (publisher and president, DC Comics), **Denis Kitchen** (cartoonist, publisher, Eisner's agent), **Carl Gropper** (Eisner's nephew), **Jon B. Cooke** (editor, *Comic Book Artist*, educator), and **Andrew D. Cooke** (director/producer of *Will Eisner: Portrait of a Sequential Artist*). **Room 8**

1:00-2:00 Dollhouse—When news broke that **Joss Whedon** was returning to television with a vehicle for "Buffy" alum **Eliza Dushku**, legions of fans around the world rejoiced. Although most will have to wait until January to learn more about the exciting new project, Comic-Con fans will hear it straight from Joss and Eliza in person! **Ballroom 20**

1:00-2:00 Podcasting Superheroes: The 10th Wonder and House of Eli Podcasts—Join hosts **Derek Russell** and **Graham Hancock** of the popular *Starville House of Eli* (*Smallville*) and **10th Wonder** (*Heroes*) podcasts for a discussion and Q&A session about producing fan-created podcasts and managing online communities. **Room 24A**

1:00-2:00 Comics Arts Conference Session #11: Twomorrows Publishing and The Academic Community—TwoMorrows Publishing is known for celebrating the art and history of comics, and the company has been making inroads into the academic community with its line of "how-to" books, magazines, and DVDs. Now you can have your chance to hear, and to participate in, a dialogue with TwoMorrows to find out how to strengthen the relationship between the publisher and the academic community. What TM publications do you speak to you and your students, and what educational niches do you see that TwoMorrows can fill for the academic world? Publisher **John Morrow** and editor **Danny Fingerot** (*Write Now!*) represent TwoMorrows in this revealing exchange of ideas. Peter Cogan (Institute for Comics Studies) speaks from the academic viewpoint. And **Durwin Talon** (*Panel Discussions*, Savannah College of Art and Design), and **John Lowe** (*Working Methods*, Savannah College of Art and Design) have a foot in both worlds. Q&A to follow. **Room 30AB**

1:15-2:00 Spotlight on Tite Kubo—VIZ Media welcomes prolific manga (graphic novel) creator **Tite Kubo** for a series of rare in-person appearance. Mr. Kubo is the creator of the wildly successful manga series *Bleach* and *ZOMBIEPOWDER*. Both series are published domestically by VIZ Media, and *Bleach* is currently serialized in *Shonen Jump*. This is the first time the artist will appear at a North American convention. Mr. Kubo, along with his editor, **Atsushi Nakasaki**, will provide insight regarding his past, current, and future projects. **Room 7AB**

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1:15-2:00 Warner Bros.: Terminator Salvation—In the highly anticipated new installment of *The Terminator* film franchise, set in post-apocalyptic 2018, Christian Bale stars as John Connor, the man fated to lead the human resistance against Skynet and its army of Terminators. But the future Connor was raised to believe in has been altered in part by the appearance of Marcus Wright (Sam Worthington), a stranger whose last memory is of being on death row. Connor must decide whether Marcus has been sent from the future or rescued from the past. As Skynet prepares its final onslaught, Connor and Marcus both embark on an odyssey that takes them into the heart of Skynet's operations, where they uncover the terrible secret behind the possible annihilation of mankind. **Ballroom 20**

1:30-2:30 Comic Book Law School Afterschool Special: Gone But Not Forgotten!—Welcome to a very special episode of Comic Book Law School, as panelists explore the world of public domain, orphan works, and the loss of rights under U.S. intellectual property laws. In recent years, publishers have uncovered the comic book equivalent to the elephants' graveyard—characters long thought expired suddenly rising from ashes, spruced up and offered to the modern world. Trademarks abandoned or expired are now claimed by newcomers. The right of revocation places a cloud over previously clear ownership of intellectual property rights. Through the Orphan Works Bill Congress has made a renewed attempt to provide guidance on works whose creators can't be identified: the ever-present, and often misunderstood, fair use doctrine. A panel of attorneys—**David Brafnik**, **Alexander Harwin**, and **David Lizerbman**—join moderator **Michael Lovitz** to shed light on these cutting edge issues facing companies and creators and discuss the impact on the creative community of recent decisions and pending legislation in these areas. Note: *The Comic Book Law School seminars are designed to provide relevant information and practice tips to practicing attorneys, as well as practical tips to creators and other professionals who may wish to attend.* [This program is approved for one credit of California MCLE.] **Room 4**

1:30-2:30 Things That Go Bump—Monsters and haunts continue to fascinate authors and readers alike. Authors who'll be talking about these supernatural themes include **Joe Hill** (*Heart-Shaped Box*), **Max Brooks** (*World War Z*, *The Zombie Survival Guide*), Adrienne Barbeau (*Vampires of Hollywood*), Chris Marie Green (*Vampire Babylon novels*), Jeffrey J. Mariotte (*River Runs Red*), and **Natasha Rhodes** (*Dante's Girl*). Moderated by **Maryelizabeth Hart** of *Mysterious Galaxy*. **Room 5AB**

1:30-2:30 SLG Publishing—SLG publisher and president **Dan Vado** discusses current and upcoming projects from SLG/Amaze Ink. Gargoyles writer **Greg Weisman** will be on hand to discuss his two new upcoming non-Gargoyles projects. Other creators attending are to be announced. **Room 10**

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1:30-2:30 Writing 101: Creating Characters—Marv Wolfman has been writing comics for more than 40 years and has created such legendary characters as Blade, Bullseye, Black Cat, The New Teen Titans, Deathstroke The Terminator, and hundreds more. As he's done for the past four Comic-Con's, Marv conducts his personal writing seminar, this year discussing the art of creating characters. There will be time available for Q&A. **Room 30CDE**

2:00-3:00 Warhammer Online—How do you take an entire universe with years of rich storytelling behind it and transfer it seamlessly—and in a compelling way—to a new medium? EA Mythic's *Warhammer Online: Age of Reckoning* is giving the online gaming treatment to the celebrated Warhammer universe, and creative director **Paul Barnett** will talk about the challenges involved with satisfying the legion of Warhammer die-hards while also providing a solid and unique experience to MMORPG veterans. **Room 2**

2:00-3:00 Attack of the Show!—*Attack of the Show!* is G4's irreverent interactive daily live "variety" show that paves the inside track to today's entertainment, technology and pop culture. Hosts Kevin Pereira, Olivia Munn, comic book expert Blair Butler and show producers give fans a rare opportunity to get a behind-the-scenes look at how this show brings obsessed viewers all the up-to-the-minute news on Internet culture, technology, comic books, gadgets, live events and more. Get a glimpse of a day in the life of a daily tech show. **Room 3**

2:00-3:00 Comics: Across Every Medium—Paul Feig (creator of *Freaks & Geeks*), David Goyer (Batman Begins), Chip Kidd (*The Learners*), Whitney Matheson (USA Today's Pop Candy blog), and Brad Meltzer (*The Book of Lies*) are five superstars who make headlines in television, film, the graphic arts, journalism, and novels. But they all have comic in common. This isn't just a trend. Join them for a discussion on the influence comics play in their work. It'll be like a 21st century *Breakfast Club*—but with better references. Moderated by audiobook master Scott Brick (*The Chronicles of Thomas Covenant*). **Room 6A**

2:00-3:00 Spotlight on Bryan Hitch—Superstar penciller **Bryan Hitch**, the artist with the widest range of comic book titles, returns to San Diego to discuss his work on titles such as *Ultimates* and *Ultimate Fantastic Four*. **Room 7AB**

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