



Join us January 18th at 4:00pm CT as we kick off a new three-part GNCRT #LibcomixOnline webinar series: Be Prepared! "What to do when a comics challenge comes"

- **BEFORE a challenge: Jan 18, 2023 at 4:00pm CT** [Register NOW](#)
- DURING a challenge: Mar 15, 2023 (time TBD)
- AFTER a challenge: May 17, 2023 (time TBD)

Comics and Graphic Novels are amongst the most popular, most lauded, and most loved items on our shelves - and amongst the most banned and challenged materials of the past few years. Hear from librarians, educators, and advocates on the front lines of comic book and graphic novel bans and challenges and what you can do to be prepared!

Our panel on **Jan 18th at 4:00pm CT** will discuss and share their strategies to prepare **BEFORE** a comics challenge comes - including collection development advice, comics advocacy, and how the history of comics censorship continues to impact the medium.

REGISTER: https://ala-events.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_azCokteSSM-SFiVnKd9htA

TIME / DATE: Wednesday January 18th, 2023 at 4:00pm CT

DETAILS: Webinar is FREE & is open to all comics advocates - ALA and GNCRT members and non-GNCRT and non-ALA members alike.

SPEAKERS:

- **Shauntee Burns-Simpson** Associate Director, Center for Educators & Schools at the New York Public Library
- **Mary Grahame Hunter** Youth services librarian Ferndale Area District Library & member Michigan Library Association's Intellectual Freedom Task Force
- **Candice Mack** Teen Services Manager, Los Angeles Public Library
- **Carla Riemer** (Moderator) Blogger, advocate, school librarian and member of the GNCRT Addressing Comic Book Challenges Committee



The [Graphic Novels and Comics Round Table](#) (GNCRT) of the American Library Association is dedicated to supporting library staff in all aspects of engaging with graphic novels and comics, including collection development, programming, and advocacy. In 2022 in response to the record number of comic book and graphic novel challenges and bans the GNCRT launched the [Addressing Comic Book Challenges Committee](#) to better support library workers to prepare for and address comic book bans and challenges.

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