

2016 GCA SUBMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Greetings 2015 Glyph Comics Award Submitter. We thank you for choosing to participate in our annual program and competition highlighting the best in Black Comics!

Please read the Submissions Requirements carefully; any information that is missing automatically disqualifies your application.

Eligibility

Any comics publisher – small, large, corporate, independent, self-published – as well as online comic creators and cartoonists for newspapers and other periodicals, are invited to submit Black-themed material released from **January 1 - December 31, 2015** for consideration for award recognition. The Committee defines Black-themed work as any comic with any combination of the following: a Black protagonist(s), or at least a Black character(s) pivotal to the direction of the story; a setting(s) or a theme(s) that explores the Black experience within the United States and/or abroad, past, present, and/or future; and/or a comic of any kind written and/or illustrated by a Black creator(s).

Method of Entry

Being an official GCA Submitter will require you to send your work directly to GCA Submissions Dropbox. **HARD COPIES ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED.** Please find the official GCA Submissions Dropbox link below. Before pressing the “SEND NOW!” Button, be sure to add “GCA Submission 2016” and your email address within the “Optional Message” window.

<https://www.transferbigfiles.com/dropbox/GCA2016>

Online comic creators and newspaper/periodical cartoonists with websites should send a direct URL link to their site or page. Daily cartoonists must have a minimum of one month’s work archived and available for viewing; weekly cartoonists a minimum of two months.

Each copy of your submitted publication must be accompanied by an official GCA Submission Form. You can obtain an official GCA 2016 Submissions Form from the official ECBACC website under: ECBACC 2016 menu / Registration Forms. You are required to email a copy of your GCA Submission Form to the GCA Chair, Pamela Thomas, Pamela.Thomas@ecbacc.com.

**The Deadline for Electronic Entries is Sunday, January 31, 2016.
(Must be received by Sunday, January 31, 2016 11:59:59 PM EST)**

10 Awards

There are 10 awards categories. Nine (9) of which a GCA Submitter’s works will be judge by official GCA Judges. The final award is The Fan Award For Best Comic.

*“The Fan Award” submissions are entered by general fans/public. A submitter will not have the ability to “submit” work(s) for Fan Award judging. Judges will not have a hand in picking or selecting nominees for the Fan Award.

- Story of the Year
- Best Writer
- Best Artist
- Best Male Character
- Best Female Character
- Rising Star Award
- Best Cover
- Best Comic Strip or Web-comic
- Best Reprint Publication
- *Fan Award For Best Comic**

Delivery / Return

All work entered for GCA Submissions are non-returnable. Judges, GCA Committee and the ECBACC, Inc. are not responsible for returning materials to the submitter, publisher, or originator, and are not responsible for materials damaged during delivery to GCA Committee or the official GCA Submissions Dropbox.

The GCA Judges are:

- Regine Sawyer , Owner, Writer, Creator Lockett Down Productions Publications
- Grace D. Gipson – Doctoral Student in African American & African Diaspora Studies at University of California Berkeley
- Michael A. Gonzales – Author, Free Lance Writer and Blogger
- Jiba Molei Anderson, MFA – CEO Groit Enterprises, Publisher –Blaxis Publishing, Creative Director – Cedar Grove Publishing
- Mark A. Randolph – Free Lance Writer

Nominations

Nominations will be made public no later than March 28, 2016. Submitters may find the official 2016 GCA list of Nominees on the official ECBACC website and Facebook page. If you are unfortunately not nominated, a letter of thank you will be sent to you ASAP for your participation.

GCA Ceremony

All are welcome and invited. The 2016 Glyph Comics Awards ceremony will be held at the East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention (ECBACC) Friday, May 20, 2016.

If there are any further questions about GCA Submissions Process, please contact the GCA Chair, Ms. Pamela Thomas for further information. Again, we hope that this process is a pleasant and enjoyable experience. Thank you for your participation.

All the best,

Pamela Thomas

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