



Greetings!

On behalf of the Board of the East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention, Incorporated (ECBACC, Inc.), it is with great pleasure that we announce the 17th Annual East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention (ECBACC) with a reception occurring **Friday, May 18, 2018**, and the full convention **Saturday, May 19, 2018**, in Philadelphia, PA.

We will provide activities promoting literacy and creativity in youth, innovative workshops, informative panel discussions, exciting award presentations, and myriad activities. Listed below is an overview of the planned itinerary for ECBACC 2018.

The 17th Annual East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention Reception and Kick-off

Friday, May 18, 2018, 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

TECH Freire Charter School / 2221 N Broad St / Philadelphia, PA 19132

Free Admission

We will honor comic book excellence by presenting the **Glyph Comics Awards**, which recognizes the best in comics made either by, for, or about African-descended people. While the recipients of these awards are not exclusively authors and artists of African descent, the Glyph Comics Awards does its best to honor and recognize those creators making great contributions to the African image in graphic novels, comic strips, and comic books. By doing so, we hope to encourage more diverse and high-quality work across the board and to inspire new creators to add their voices to the field.

The 17th Annual East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention (ECBACC 2018)

Saturday, May 19, 2018, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

TECH Freire Charter School / 2221 N Broad St / Philadelphia, PA 19132

Free Admission

Tentative workshops: Writing, Drawing, and the Comics Industry. There will also be multiple panel discussions, a costume contest and an all-day marketplace to buy and sell comic books and related items.

Special Note: If you are interested in purchasing a table for the marketplace, please fill out the enclosed form and return to the drop box listed by the specified deadline. For general information, please feel free to e-mail us at: Tables@ecbacc.com.

Thank you,

Yumy Odom, President, ECBACC, Inc.

Akinseye Brown, Vice President, ECBACC, Inc.

Shenkarr Davis, Secretary, ECBACC, Inc.

Stephanie Brandford, Treasurer, ECBACC, Inc.



ARTIST & VENDOR REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

ECBACC 2018 will be held on **Saturday, May 19, 2018**.

Please note: We expect you to complete your set-up at least 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the Convention. Vendors can set up starting 9:30 a.m. Marketplace hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Registration Deadline: **Friday, April 13, 2018**

The one-table registration fee is **\$110**, which includes one **6' x 30"** table with two chairs and up to three participant badges.

The two-table registration fee is **\$200**, which includes two **6' x 30"** tables with four chairs and up to four participant badges.

Wait List Registration Period Begins: **Saturday, April 14, 2018**

The wait list registration fee is **\$240**, which includes one **6' x 30"** table with two chairs and up to three participant badges.

NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE.

CANCELLATIONS: If you cancel your confirmed space reservation in the last 30 days before the opening day of the show, you will NOT receive a refund. Upon opening day of show, if you have not set-up or contacted convention management [(267) 536-9847], after 10:30 AM your space will no longer be available, with no reimbursement to you. Unused locations will be allocated at the discretion of convention management for media partners, activity facilitation, information sharing, etc.

Tables will be assigned during the registration period in order of confirmation. Availability will be limited by the space and configuration restrictions of the TECH Freire Charter School. You will receive registration confirmation via e-mail after receipt and review of (1) the completed and signed registration form, (2) full payment of selected fees, and (3) samples of works for sale. To facilitate set-up, bring a copy of your confirmation e-mail as proof of registration. Unused locations will not be made available to unregistered vendors.

In the event that the venue cannot accommodate additional tables, you will be notified of your registration being in wait list status. Should any cancellations be received, registrations in wait list status will be confirmed as replacements in the order that all requirements were completed. Registrations in wait list status as of the start of the convention will have payment refunded in the manner it was received.



ARTIST & VENDOR REGISTRATION GUIDELINES (cont'd)

Electrical access is available at the venue for an additional cost of **\$40**. This is due upon payment of table registration fees. Availability is limited and will be allocated in order of completion of all registration requirements. This service cannot be guaranteed after the registration deadline.

Small easels are permitted and banners can be hung from the front of your table if they do not interfere with the professional on either side of you. **NO SOLICITATION IS ALLOWED OUTSIDE OF YOUR DESIGNATED SPACE.**

ECBACC 2018 is a family-oriented show and we request that everyone take special care in the sale and display of adult material. If at any time you are asked by Convention Management to cover and/or remove an item from the view of our younger attendees, you must do so immediately, or you will be asked to leave the marketplace floor. If asked to leave, you will not receive a refund.

We require that you submit a sample of your work with your application. Samples may take the form of photographs of your items for sale or display and/or high resolution color photo copies of your book covers and at least eight (8) interior pages. ECBACC, Inc. reserves the right to decline a potential vendor's application due to his or her products that we may deem "not in kind with our convention codes/standards." There can be no product changes or product line additions after an application is filed, without the written consent of ECBACC, Inc.

Absolutely no selling of illegal or bootleg DVDs, CDs, or VHSs is permitted on premises.

In our efforts to maintain a high level of professionalism in our marketplace, we ask that all vendors come prepared with the following:

- 1) Business cards and/or flyers with appropriate contact information, including a means to contact your company after ECBACC 2018
- 2) Staff / Volunteers that are professional in appearance and behavior
- 3) Products for exhibition and/or sale that are clean and professionally exhibited without exposed tape, staples, or other fastening
- 4) Customer bags large and durable enough to hold and carry sold products
- 5) Currency necessary to make change for customers
- 6) Set-up that hides storage of personal belongings, inventory, materials, and discards
- 7) Charged cell phone, if regular off-site contact is necessary

All trash, display items, leftover giveaways, decorations, etc., must be taken with you or placed in recycling or trash bins when you leave. If ECBACC, Inc. needs to clean your space after the Convention, you will be charged a base fee of **\$100** on future registrations.



ARTIST & VENDOR REGISTRATION GUIDELINES (cont'd)

Limited parking is available along Broad Street next to the TECH Freire Charter School. Parking availability is limited; early arrival is recommended. Items can be unloaded at the atrium entrance to the street and transported to the first floor marketplace.

Security staff and volunteers will be on the premises during the event day to assist with crowd management.

ECBACC, Inc. reserves the right to take staged and candid photographs of any and all convention participants during ECBACC. ECBACC, Inc. reserves the right to use these images in magazines, newspapers, flyers, internet outlets, or electronically transmitted advertisements associated with ECBACC, Inc. promotions.

ECBACC, Inc. will assume no responsibility for loss, injury, damage, or liability of any other kind, except as a result of ECBACC, Inc.'s own negligence. The Sponsor/Exhibitor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention, Incorporated, its officers, directors, and agents from any and all claims including, but not limited to, those based upon property damages, personal injuries, taxes and/or loss, in any way related to Sponsor's/Exhibitor's participation in the Convention, and resulting from Sponsor's/Exhibitor's negligence, including reasonable attorney's fees. Sponsors/Exhibitors are encouraged to remove all valuables from their booths after the close of the Convention on Saturday, May 19, 2018. The East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention, Incorporated, and its officers, directors, and agents assume no liability for loss of or damage to exhibitor's property, except where such loss or damage is the result of ECBACC, Inc.'s own negligence.



ARTIST & VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM
 Please complete and print clearly in all sections of this form

Name (badge #1):	
Name (badge #2):	
Name (badge #3):	
Name (badge #4 with 2 nd table):	
Company Name (for listing):	
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone Number:	Fax Number:
E-Mail Address:	
Website:	
Twitter:	
Facebook:	
Instagram:	
Item(s) you will sell: <i>We require that you submit a sample or image of your work with your application.</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> My work contains adult material (Must be obscured from casual view)	

Registration Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2018 Must be submitted online
<input type="checkbox"/> Please reserve one (1) exhibitor table for \$110.00. Enter up to three (3) names for badges.
<input type="checkbox"/> Please reserve two (2) exhibitor tables for \$200.00. Enter up to four (4) names for badges.
<input type="checkbox"/> Please provide one (1) electrical access plug for \$40.00.

Wait list Registration Period Begins: Saturday, April 14, 2018 Must be submitted online
<input type="checkbox"/> Please reserve one (1) exhibitor table for \$240.00. Enter up to three (3) names for badges.

Payment must be made in full at the time of registration.

Submit payment online:
<http://www.ecbacc.com/wordpress4/shop/>

Submit registration form and samples:
<https://www.transferbigfiles.com/dropbox/ECBACC2018>

ECBACC, Inc. reserves the right to refuse any application deemed inappropriate at our discretion. Please review the guidelines carefully prior to signing this form. By signing the registration form, the Sponsors/Exhibitors confirm that they have read, understand, and agree to abide by ALL rules, regulations, and limitations of liability outlined in this document:

Signature: _____ Date: _____