

Sudden Session

Graphic Novels Q & A

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Target Performance Hall at Open Book, 1011 Washington Ave. S., Mpls.

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Registration is required at www.loft.org

Mark Siegel

Editorial Director of First Second Books (New York)

Meet acquiring editor **Mark Siegel** of First Second books, Macmillan's acclaimed graphic novel imprint, which *Boing-Boing* dubbed "one of the great literary comics presses of the modern world." In this session, gather information on the graphic novel today, current trends in publishing, and insights of the creative process for writers and artists in this unique, blossoming medium.

About Mark Siegel:

In 2006, **Mark Siegel** launched an ambitious collection of graphic novels in every age category, in a wide range of themes and styles, with talent from all over the world. In its first year, *American Born Chinese* became the first comic ever nominated for a National Book Award, and soon afterwards, the first to win the coveted librarians' Printz Award. Many beloved indie cartoonists make up First Second's stellar author line-up, from Sara Varon to Scott McCloud, Jessica Abel to Paul Pope, Eddie Campbell to Joann Sfar, and many others—including seasoned talents and newcomers, with projects in fiction and nonfiction, for children and for adults. In addition to First Second, Mark Siegel has a number of projects of his own, has illustrated several award-winning pictures (*Seadogs*, *Long Night Moon*, *To Dance*) and is currently serializing an adult graphic novel online (www.sailortwain.com).

