



Impact Comics In-store Signing

As an enduring supporter of Australian comics and local creators, Impact Comics is proud to commemorate the release of *CAB: Collaborative Auto-Biography* in Canberra by hosting an in-store signing session with creator, Matt Huynh.

In-Store Appearance and Signing

25th August 1.30pm – 5pm

Impact Comics
Level 1, 45 East Row,
Canberra ACT 2601

Impact Comics has been Canberra City's sole comic book and pop culture retailer since September 2004.

CAB: Collaborative Auto-Biography

CAB: Collaborative Auto-Biography is a 72page graphic novel collection of short autobiographical comics drawn from the experiences of a dozen young residents and visitors to the suburban South-Western Sydney communities of Cabramatta and Canley Vale. The collection tours Sydney's suburbia guided by the autobiographical experiences of its residents and visitors instead of landmarks or attractions.

CAB: Collaborative Auto-Biography aims to revalue the mundane environments we unassumingly pass every day by showcasing the personal memories, minor miracles and true tragedies hidden in its cracks and corners. The graphic novel demystifies the artistic process by engaging a variety of ordinary individuals to transform their everyday experiences into a visual/literary expression.

CAB: Collaborative Auto-Biography was launched in April 2007 and accompanied with a week-long exhibition showcasing the graphic novel's entire body of original artwork. It has since been showcased in forums hosted by Sydney Writer's Festival and the Department of Family, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Artist Biography

Matt Huynh is a Sydney based comic creator who often operates under the pseudonym, *STIKMAN*. Huynh has been creating comics for years and has in that time self-published a fistful of work in styles and genres varying from surrealist fantasy to humour, drama, romance, dark fairytales, autobiography and science fiction. His fluid, inky illustrations have been found in a variety of projects, anthologies and publications, including; *DeeVee 2007*, *Aqua Leung*, *Space Doubles*, *Voiceworks* and the *Triptych 2006* concert.

His body of comic work has earned acclaim from the *Ledger Award for Excellence in Australian Comic Arts and Publishing* in 2006 (*Best Small Press Title - "Happy Birthday, Anyway"*) and 2005 (*Best New Talent Deserving Of Wider Recognition*); and the 2004 and 2005 *Ozcomics 24 Hour Comic Challenges*.

Huynh has also conducted community-focused instructional comics workshops and illustrated for organisations including the *South Western Sydney Health Service*, *NSW Youth Week* and *Harcourt Educational Publishing*.

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