

SDSU IMLS – Forum #2
Academic Librarians Nationwide
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Who Are We? (Besides Awesome?!)

- 82.6% \$+ year institutions
- Many roles
- Focus: College students, scholars, fans
- Nonfiction, fiction, and Beyond

Comics + Social Justice... To Us!?

- Truth to Power
- Whos' the Creator
- Explore Diverse Identities
- Human Rights
- Combat Oppression
- Create Transformational Community
- Advocate + Examine

Shhhh! Is the Silencing Spreading to Colleges and Universities? How do we resist?

Spotlight: Comics are Important! (duh...)

- Programming
- Outreach
- Testimonials
- Exhibits
- Mentoring Creators
- Professional Development
- Creation

How Do We Engage Communities? What Do We Need to Do?

- Support future librarians
- Demonstrate how to use comics in curriculum and programming 1...2...3
- Sharing and collabs with other institutions
- Staffing
- Research
- Events and co-sponsorship with Global Studies departments and others!

How Can We Spotlight the Importance of Comics for Understanding Social Justice Issues?

- Topic-Specific: LatinX, Indigenous, Black Voices, and more!
- “Pilot” Projects
- DEI List
- An invitation to nearby communities
- Crowd-Funded Collections

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