

Just Humor Us: Comic Strip Contest

Rules and Regulations

1. Submissions must be library-themed and the registrant's original art and writing. They must not infringe on anyone else's work.
2. Only individual submissions will be accepted for this contest. Getting editing help and feedback from others before submission is allowed, but the updates must be made by the single registrant whose name is associated with the comic strip.
3. Applicants under age 18 must have approval of an adult guardian.
4. **Respectful content:** Entries must adhere to respectful standards and avoid content that is:
 - Sexually suggestive or explicit
 - Violent or threatening
 - Discriminatory based on race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or other personal characteristics
 - Profane or vulgar
5. For judging consistency and for winners' art to be featured in *Oxford Free Press*, **comic art must be done in the following ways:**
 - Hand-drawn by the cartoonist applicant. (No AI or computer-generated art for this contest!)
 - Either black & white or color.
 - If in color, done in marker only, so that it can easily be scanned.
 - With the cartoonist's signature or initials somewhere within the panels.
 - **Without any writing on the back**, so that it can be easily scanned.
 - The writing on the panels must be legible.
6. The physical sign-up sheet must be fully completed and signed.
7. The original comic strips will not be returned and may be kept for a future fun archive.
8. Registrants must come into the library to turn in the comic strip entries along with the filled-out forms paperclipped to the entries. Do not staple.

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Filling in all blank lines completely and legibly is required.

Cartoonist's name: _____

Cartoonist's age: _____

If under 18 years old, name of adult guardian (write "n/a" if over 18):

Cartoonist's (or guardian's, if under 18) phone number: _____

Cartoonist's (or guardian's, if under 18) email: _____

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I give permission for *Oxford Free Press* to include my comic strip in one of its issues if it wins first place in its age bracket. And I give permission for Oxford Lane Library to display my comic strip if it ranks within the top three in its age bracket.

Signature of the cartoonist: \_\_\_\_\_

Also signature of adult guardian, if under 18 years old (write "n/a" if over 18):

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_