

## **EXPERIENCE CREATIVITY AT IMAGE EXPO: A 3-DAY CELEBRATION OF CREATOR OWNED COMICS!**

Berkeley, CA – 21 November 2011 -- IMAGE EXPO is coming! Experience the creativity of the men and women making the best creator owned comics in America at this one-of-a-kind celebration commemorating the 20th Anniversary of Image Comics!

IMAGE EXPO is a three-day celebration of creator-owned comics happening at **the Oakland Convention Center**

. Image partners Robert Kirkman, Erik Larsen, Todd McFarlane, Marc Silvestri, and Jim Valentino, will be the guests of honor, appearing throughout the weekend for signings, panels, and special events. Other special guests include Image founders Rob Liefeld, and Whilce Portacio, plus the creators of today's best creator-owned comics, including: Joe Casey, Jay Faerber, Jonathan Hickman, Ryan Ottley, Richard Starkings, Fiona Staples, and Brian K. Vaughan.

IMAGE EXPO is Northern California's premiere comic con experience in 2012. The three-day event takes place at the Oakland Convention Center in the heart of the bustling nightlife and restaurant center of downtown Oakland, CA on February 24-25-26.

IMAGE EXPO isn't just about Image Comics, it's a celebration of independent creativity in comics. The exhibit floor is open to anyone who makes creator-owned comics. We're also going to be hosting unique programming for fans, aspiring creators, and library professionals. We'll be continuing our tradition of supporting the Comic Book Legal Defense Fund's important work to protect creators and retailers by hosting special events including a massive benefit auction.

Get in on the ground floor and sign up for your exhibitor or artist alley space today! Contact [info@ImageComicExpo.com](mailto:info@ImageComicExpo.com) for more information about the show and how to sign up to exhibit.

**ABOUT AMAZING COMIC CONVENTIONS** Amazing Comic Conventions is a leading promotional company operated by Jimmy S. Jay and Jay Company Comics. The Amazing Arizona Comic Con is their signature event, kicking off the Comic Con Season each January. The Amazing Arizona Comic Con is the premiere destination for graphic novel pop culture in the Southwest. The 2012 Amazing Arizona Comic Con takes place January 6-7-8 at the Mesa Convention Center, in the Phoenix Metropolitan area. Guests for the upcoming event include Walking Dead creator/executive producer Robert Kirkman, legendary creator Rob Liefeld, Batman artist Greg Capullo, and many more. For more information, visit [www.AmazingArizonaComicCon.com](http://www.AmazingArizonaComicCon.com).

**ABOUT IMAGE COMICS** Image Comics is a comic book and graphic novel publisher founded in 1992 by a collective of best-selling artists. Image has since gone on to become one

of the largest comics publishers in the United States. Image currently has five partners: Robert Kirkman, Erik Larsen, Todd McFarlane, Marc Silvestri and Jim Valentino. It consists of five major houses: Todd McFarlane Productions, Top Cow Productions, Shadowline, Skybound and Image Central. Image publishes comics and graphic novels in nearly every genre, sub-genre, and style imaginable. It offers science fiction, romance, horror, crime fiction, historical fiction, humor and more by the finest artists and writers working in the medium today. For more information, visit [www.imagecomics.com](http://www.imagecomics.com).