



FUNHOUSE, a New, Interactive Book Fair Presented by Desert Island and The Drawing Center

March 24–25, 2018

Main Gallery, Drawing Room, Lab

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New York – On the weekend of March 24 – 25, Desert Island and The Drawing Center will present FUNHOUSE, a new, interactive book fair at which guests can make their own books in collaboration with resident cartoonists and illustration artists.

FUNHOUSE guests will interact with resident artists to create unique pages for one-of-a-kind books to be assembled at the fair. The resident artists will also have their own publications available for purchase at General Store within the FUNHOUSE fair, with games of chance, author signings, special activities, and giveaways of artists' books. A SIDESHOW of talks, lectures, and presentations will be organized by *FORGE*. art magazine's Matthew James-Wilson. Additional spectacles, like life-size interactive cut-outs and funhouse mirrors will provide wacky fun and photo-ops galore!

FUNHOUSE artists include: Gabrielle Bell, Lilli Carré, Rob Corradetti, Joanna Fields, Laura Perez-Harris, Abby Jame, Jeff Ladouceur, Sarah Lammer, Gary Lieb, Richard McGuire, Ben Passmore, Oskars Pavlovskis, Monica Ramos, Jim Schuessler, R. Sikoryak, Whit Taylor, Matthew Thurber, Thu Tran, Mark Wang, Kriota Wilberg, Kelsey Wroten, Gina Wynbrandt, and JooHee Yoon. FUNHOUSE is organized by Gabe Fowler of Desert Island and Molly Gross of The Drawing Center. The logo was created by Richard McGuire.

FUNHOUSE Book Fair
March 24–25, 2018
11am–5pm
Tickets \$10 via Eventbrite

SIDESHOW Talk Series
Saturday, March 24 & Sunday, March 25 at 11:30am, 1:30pm, and 3:30pm

Sideshow will be programmed by Matthew James-Wilson of *FORGE*. art magazine.

ku! Magazine Comic Zine Workshops
Saturday, March 24 & Sunday, March 25, 12:30–4:30pm
Tickets \$40 via Eventbrite

ku! comic zine workshop, lead by artist Oskars Pavlovskis from Riga, Latvia, will be a collaborative comic drawing experience suited for participants of any age and skill level. The workshop will focus on the creation of short experimental comic stories based around the FUNHOUSE theme. Together the participants will take part in creating a unique self-published comic zine, which will be printed and assembled during the workshop and each participant will receive a copy.

FUNHOUSE social platforms
INSTAGRAM: @funhousebookfair
TUMBLR: @funhousebookfair
TWITTER: @funhousefair



A selection of FUNHOUSE artists from L to R: Thu Tran, Rob Corradetti, JooHee Yoon, Monica Ramos, Jeff Ladouceur. Sarah Lammer, Oskars Pavlovskis, Whit Taylor, and R. Sikoryak. Go to our instagram feed @funhousebookfair to see work by all the artists.

ABOUT DESERT ISLAND

Desert Island is a unique illustrated book store in Brooklyn. The modestly sized shop is packed with art from top to bottom-and the decor includes an enormous handmade chandelier, painted cartoon cut-outs, elaborate paisley wallpaper, sculptural remnants of former window displays, and piles of *Smoke Signal*, the free comics tabloid published by the store. Any artist can sell comics or zines at Desert Island, making for a fun mix of unexpected creations from all over the world.

ABOUT THE DRAWING CENTER

The Drawing Center, a museum in Manhattan's SoHo district, explores the medium of drawing as primary, dynamic, and relevant to contemporary culture, the future of art, and creative thought. Its activities, which are both multidisciplinary and broadly historical, include exhibitions; Open Sessions, a curated artist program encouraging community and collaboration; the *Drawing Papers* publication series; and education and public programs.

LOCATION, HOURS & ACCESSIBILITY

35 Wooster Street between Broome and Grand Streets in SoHo, New York.
Gallery hours are Wednesday–Sunday 12pm–6pm, Thursday, 12pm–8pm.
Tickets: \$5 Adults, \$3 Students and seniors, Children under 12 are free, and free admission Thursdays 6–8pm.

The Drawing Center is wheelchair accessible.
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