

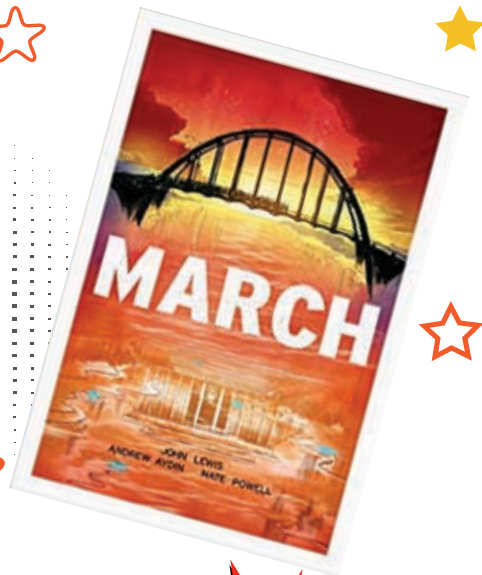
Can **YOU** create a comic about social justice through non-violence?

What story would **YOU** tell through words and images about racism, gender discrimination, bullying or any social injustice?



**CONFLICT AND PEACE INITIATIVE**  
invites you to join the

# Social Justice Comic Contest!



**Congressman John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell**, the National Book Award winners for the graphic novel trilogy *March*, are coming to Ann Arbor on **NOVEMBER 27, 2017!**

In honor of their visit, we invite you to create your own social justice comic. By participating, you can **win awesome prizes**, and **have the chance to meet the great Nate Powell!** And maybe you and your comic can also help **CHANGE THE WORLD!**

**SUBMISSION GUIDELINES, CRITERIA, AND PRIZES ON THE BACK**

Contact **Ashley Bates** with questions: [asbates@umich.edu](mailto:asbates@umich.edu).

**COMICS ARE  POWERFUL!!!  
DID YOU KNOW ...?**

The 10¢ comic book *Martin Luther King and the Montgomery Story* (1957) played an important role as a primer on nonviolent resistance in the civil rights movement. It inspired nonviolent protests in Latin America, South Africa and the Middle East, and inspired the graphic novel trilogy *March*, which has received numerous prestigious awards, including the 2016 National Book Award.



# Submission Guidelines

- \* Create your own comic with a maximum of 5 pages, including the cover page.
- \* Your comic should deal with a social justice issue and ideally non-violence.
- \* Each submission must be the creative and original work of the contestant(s).
- \* Computer-generated images are acceptable as long as they are your original work (no clip art).
- \* Submit your comic in TWO formats: as a PDF (for the judges) and a JPEG file (for display purposes). Highly recommended: 300dpi resolution and CMYK color profile.

!!! Link for submitting comics will be available on **AUGUST 1, 2017** at [sites.lsa.umich.edu/marchingforward/](http://sites.lsa.umich.edu/marchingforward/)

!!! Upload your comics by **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2017 at 11:59PM.**

Winners will be announced by **NOVEMBER 25.**

## Judging

Entries will be evaluated and scored based on the following criteria:

**USE OF THE THEME SOCIAL JUSTICE**

**OVERALL STORY CREATIVITY**  
**AND ILLUSTRATIONS**

Submissions will be divided into three age group categories— **ages 14 and under; 15-18; and 19 and older.**



**Winning comics will be displayed in the Michigan Theater foyer during the keynote event AND published in the Vault of Midnight's new magazine.**



### PRIZES FOR EACH GROUP:



\$100 gift certificate to Vault of Midnight



\$50 gift certificate



\$25 gift certificate