

## 43rd Annual Russ Manning Promising Newcomer Award

Submissions are now being accepted for the 2026 Russ Manning Award for the most promising newcomer in comic art. The award will be presented on July 24 during the Eisner Awards ceremony at Comic-Con International in San Diego.

**The deadline for all submissions is May 29.**

### Qualifying and submission rules:

1. The artist must be a newcomer to the comic field, with no professional work published prior to January 2022.

Exceptions:

- A. Work done as an uncredited assistant to another artist
- B. Small press with a print run of 500 or less
- C. A one-shot in a new talent anthology comic

2. The artist's work must have been published prior to submission.

3. A sample of the artist's work must be included.

4. A sample of the artist's pencil work should be submitted if it was inked by another artist.

5. If multiple names are credited to the work, what the artist contributed must be made clear.

6. If selected as a nominee, the artist (or publisher) should be prepared to provide 25 copies of work to be sent to the judges.

**Submissions, along with the following form, should be sent to:**

**Russ Manning Award  
Comic-Con International  
4375 Jutland Drive  
San Diego, CA 92117**

*For questions email [jackie@comic-con.org](mailto:jackie@comic-con.org)*

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This form may be duplicated for additional nominees.

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### Here are my nominees for the 2026 Russ Manning Award

Artist: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Work(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Publisher: \_\_\_\_\_

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