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INCIDENTAL COMICS ON DISPLAY AT THE LIBRARY

(Panama City, FL) “Confessions of a Book Fiend: Incidental Comics” by Grant Snider is on display at the Bay County Public Library for the month of January. Grant Snider writes and illustrates “Incidental Comics” which has been featured in *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times Book Review* and *The Best American Comics 2013*. Snider’s first publication of his comics will be released in April 2017 titled *The Shape of Ideas*. His work can be followed on <http://www.incidentalcomics.com/>.

Grant Snider’s comics are often focused on the writing process, libraries, and books. These themes were selected for the “Confessions of a Book Fiend” exhibit. Sarah Burris, Community Relations and Marketing Coordinator for the Bay County Public Library, asked Snider about his creative process.

“I’m constantly scribbling ideas in my sketchbook - some are good, some bad, and others completely unusable. I decide to create comics based on whatever unformed idea from my sketchbook grabs my interest. I go through periods of voracious reading and more relaxed reading, but the books I read have been a consistent source of inspiration for my comics. In an intense couple years of reading I made it through all the fiction ever published by Haruki Murakami. After I finished, my “Haruki Murakami Bingo” comic basically wrote itself. I’m also drawn to bookstores and libraries in the same way I’m drawn to museums. They are wonderful places of solitude and ideas. My comics also reflect on the joys and frustrations of the creative process. Since making comics involves the acts of both writing and drawing, I can reflect on the struggles of both pursuits.”

The “Confessions of a Book Fiend: Incidental Comics” exhibit is free and open to the public. The Bay County Public Library is located at 898 West 11th Street in Panama City. For more information about the art exhibit and library programming, call (850) 522-2100 or visit www.nwrls.com.

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