

**ONE BOOK, ONE PHILADELPHIA**  
**GRAPHIC ARTS CONTEST**

In this year's *One Book, One Philadelphia* selection, *The Complete Persepolis*, Marjane Satrapi shared the impact of the events in her life growing up in Iran and beyond through a combination of graphics and words. For this year's *One Book, One Philadelphia* School District Graphic Arts Contest, you will be asked to create a comic strip panel that depicts an event in your life that had an impact on you. This event may have changed the way you view the world and the path you plan to follow, now and in the future.

**Eligibility**

- This contest is open to students in grades six through twelve who attend a Philadelphia Public or Charter School and who have read the *One Book, One Philadelphia* selection, *The Complete Persepolis*.

**Deadline Date**

- Submit your entry to Vera Da Vinci, Office of High School Reform, Education Center – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 440 North Broad Street by February 26, 2010. Winners will be announced by March 5, 2010.

**Artwork**

- Students may create their comic strip panel utilizing a software program such as Comic Life, Illustrator, or In Design or may create their panel without the use of a computerized program.
- For students using traditional art materials any 2 dimensional medium may be employed; e.g. colored pencils, oil pastels, pen and ink, water color, tempera, mixed media
- Entries may not be larger than 22" x 28".
- All entries should include the name of the student, their home address, telephone number, school name and teacher name on the back of the piece.

**Awards for Participation**

- All students who submit an entry will receive the graphic novel, *American Born Chinese*.
- Teachers of winning students will receive a copy of *Making Comics* or *Understanding Comics: The Invisible Art*.
- In addition, six winning students (three middle school and three high school) will receive gift certificates and will have their work displayed at the One Book, One Philadelphia closing event at the Central Library on March 17, 2010.

