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Teen Design Contest: Black Lives Matter, Black Literature Matters 2022

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The BCALA (Black Caucus of ALA) and GNCRT (ALA's Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table) Collaborative Committee is seeking submissions for our **2022 Teen Design Contest**. Our Committee has created a brand new list of 50 comics titles for Juvenile, Young Adult, and Adult audiences centered on Black creators, Black stories, and Black histories, and we would like the list to be formatted into a printable pdf with original cover art by a teen group. Submissions must come from an adult liaison, such as the teen group's librarian or teacher. The adult liaison will keep the teens' personal information, and the Committee will communicate with the adult liaison rather than directly with the teen group(s). See the rules here: <https://bit.ly/3nv19Be>

All skill levels are welcome. Entries are due at 11:59 pm on Sunday, May 15, 2022 through this Google form: <https://forms.gle/HPWeNkSXtERStTet6>

One winning teen group will be selected. The Committee may elect to select a short list and ask people to vote for their favorite from the short list. If so, teen groups whose designs are on the short list will be informed. The winning team will have their art printed and widely used by libraries all over the world. In addition, the winning team's library or school will be awarded \$150 to host a pizza party, or similar event, to be planned and executed by the adult liaison.

In addition to the winner, some honorable mention winners may be selected. The winner and honorable mention winners will receive free copies of some of the books on the Black Lives Matter, Black Literature Matters Comics Reading List 2022.