Graphics Novel Resources

A graphic novel is an original book length story told in comic book format (i.e. *Blankets* by Craig Thompson) or a collection of stories that have been previously published as individual comic books (i.e. *Ultimate Spider-Man* by Brian Michael Bendis).

Professional Books

A collection of essays by school teachers on pairing graphic novels with more traditional literature to foster literacy.

Provides concrete suggestions for creating, maintaining, promoting and defending a graphic novel collection.

A concise introduction to graphic novels with a focus on collection development. Includes helpful cataloging and shelving advice as well as programming ideas.


Awards

Eisner Awards
Established in 1987 and named after Will Eisner, sometimes referred to as the father of graphic novels. The Awards are given out every year in more than two dozen categories covering the best publications and creators of the previous year (such as Best Short Story, Best Graphic Album, Best Writer, and so on). Find out more information at http://www.comic-con.org

Harvey Awards
Established in 1988, The Harveys recognize outstanding achievements in over 20 categories, ranging from Best Artist to the Jack Kirby Hall of Fame. They are the only comic industry awards both nominated by and selected by the full body of comic book professionals. Find out more at http://www.harveyawards.org

Ignatz Awards
The Ignatz Awards, named for the character in the classic comic strip Krazy Kat by George Herriman, recognizes outstanding achievement in comics and cartooning. Awarded annually at the Small Press Expo. The ballot is created by a panel of five cartoonists and voted on by attendees at the event. Find more information at http://www.spxpo.com/ignatz.shtml