THE COMIC BOOK FAN'S WORST

NIGHTMARE

GUILTY! OF OWNING COMIC BOOKS!

STARRING:

CANADA CUSTOMS

AN INNOCENT FAN

& THE GHOST OF WERTHAM!

WHY THE CBLDF NEEDS YOUR HELP... TODAY!
THINK IT CAN’T HAPPEN AGAIN? IT CAN! AND EVEN WORSE!

CONSIDER THE CASE OF “BRANDON X”...

CANADIAN BORDER, 2010

AN AMERICAN COMICS FAN, BRANDON X, IS STOPPED AT THE BORDER BY CANADA CUSTOMS OFFICIALS ...

AFTER AN INTRUSIVE SEARCH OF ALL HIS BELONGINGS,

AUTHORITIES DECIDED THE HORROR AND FANTASY MANGA ON HIS LAPTOP WAS THE MOST HORRIBLE THING OF ALL...
Brandon X was arrested, and charged with possession and importation of child pornography because of the comics on his computer!

Why? Read on!

Manga is hugely popular with kids, but strange and alien to parents and authority figures. There are adult themes in some manga that are misunderstood and vilified by people looking for sinister content. ...sound familiar?

This same moral panic almost destroyed the comics industry in the '50s!

The ghost of Wertham still walks among us!
AND IT'S NOT JUST MANGA! COMICS OF ALL TYPES ARE BEING TARGETED BY AUTHORITIES AT DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL BORDERS!

CAN YOU COME WITH US MA'AM?

JUST MENTIONING COMICS CAN GET YOU SEARCHED!

AND WHY?
TO QUOTE R. CRUMB, "IT'S ONLY LINES ON PAPER!"

YET ACCORDING TO LAWS IN CANADA AND THE U.S., A DRAWING OF A THING (NO MATTER HOW ABSTRACT AND NO MATTER THE INTENT) IS CONSIDERED JUST AS BAD AS THE THING ITSELF...

Leci n'est pas une pipe.

WHICH IS COMPLETELY CRAZY! AND BORDERS ON "THOUGHT-CRIME"!
In June 2011, Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia wrote in the opinion on Brown vs EMA... Many in the late 1940's and early 1950's blamed comic books for fostering a "preoccupation with violence and horror" among the young, leading to a rising juvenile crime rate. But efforts to convince Congress to restrict comic books failed.

This decision (referred to an Amicus Brief filed by the CBLDF) brought the comic book scare of the '50s into public record, and condemned it as a mistake. Yet, in the same week, the CBLDF announced it's support of Brandon X, who is still awaiting trial in Canada, and facing a year in prison, just for owning comics! The witch hunt continues!
THE COMIC BOOK LEGAL DEFENSE FUND
NEEDS YOUR HELP TO KEEP BRANDON X OUT OF JAIL.
TOGETHER, WE CAN FIGHT THE GHOST OF WERTHAM
AND PROVE THAT OWNING COMICS IS NOT A CRIME!

HERE’S HOW
YOU CAN
HELP SUPPORT
THIS IMPORTANT
CASE!

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