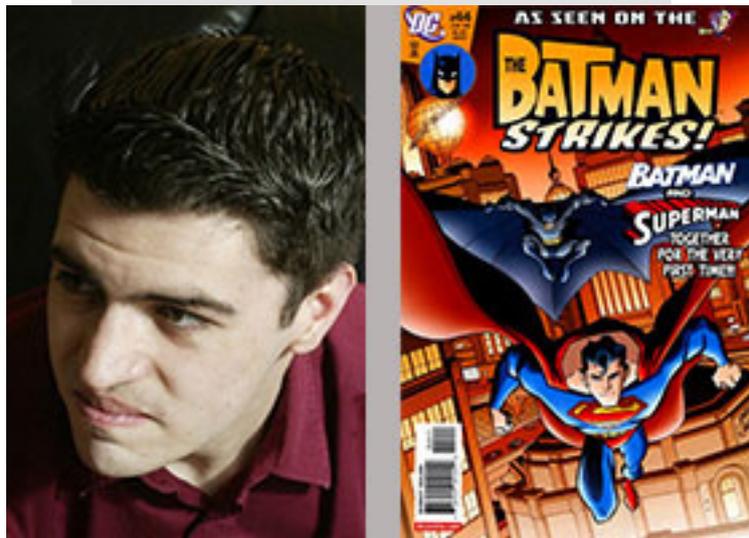


# *The Power of Pictures*

**A Project Day for Teachers and Students at the English Theatre Frankfurt with Josh Elder, award-winning graphic novelist**

*Programme arranged by the U.S. Consulate Frankfurt in cooperation with Theatre in Education Service (TIES).*



Tuesday, 14th October 2014 - for International Schools (Age Group 10-15 year olds)

Wednesday, 15th October 2014 - for German Schools (ab dem 3. Lernjahr Englisch, Klasse 7 bis 9)

## **Programme**

### **Behind The Mask (students and teachers)**

Josh Elder, award-winning graphic novelist (Mail Order Ninja, Adventures of Superman, StarCraft: Frontline) and "Comics Ambassador" for the US State Department, discusses his work in the comic and video game industry and how he uses comics to teach through his nonprofit organization Reading With Pictures. The presentation will conclude with an audience Q&A session.

**14th October 2014 and 15th October 2014 - 11.00 am - ca. 12.30 pm**

### **Making Comics the Ninja Way! (students and teachers)**

Learn how to create your own comics and graphic novels with award-winning comic creator and editor Josh Elder (Mail Order Ninja, Adventures of Superman, StarCraft: Frontline)! Covering everything from basic cartooning to advanced storytelling techniques, the presentation will include a Q&A session and hands-on comic creating activity.

**14th October 2014 and 15th October 2014 - 2.00 pm - ca. 3.00 pm**

## Reading With Pictures: A Seminar on How and Why to Use Comics in the Classroom (teachers)

Josh Elder, an award-winning graphic novelist (Mail Order Ninja, Adventures of Superman, Comics That Make Kids Smarter) and founder of the nonprofit literacy organization Reading With Pictures, will discuss how comics and graphic novels can enhance student engagement, improve the efficiency of instruction and increase overall educational efficacy in virtually any subject. Resources detailing best practices and recommended reading lists will be provided to all attendees.

**14th October 2014 and 15th October 2014 - 3.00 pm - ca. 4.00 pm**

### Schedule

**11.00 am - ca. 12.30 pm - Reading and Discussion**

**12.30 pm - 2.00 pm - Lunch break**

**2.00 pm - 3.00 pm - „Demonstration“ for teachers how to use comics in the classroom:  
„Making Comics the Ninja Way“**

**3.00 pm - 4.00 pm - Workshop for teachers „Reading with Pictures: A Seminar on ....“**

(students, who must wait for their teachers, have the chance to participate at an interactive backstage tour and improvisation practise on stage)

### About Josh Elder

By day, Josh is a mild-mannered graphic novelist known for co-creating the nationally syndicated comic strip Mail Order Ninja for writing titles like Scribblenauts Unmasked and Adventures of Superman for DC Comics and for editing the Comics That Make Kids Smarter anthology for Andrews McMeel Publishing. By night, Josh serves as Executive Director of the 501(c)3 nonprofit Reading With Pictures and Comics Ambassador for the US State Department, spreading the word about comics in the classroom to the far corners of the globe!

### How to apply

Please send an E-Mail to

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### Costs

Students € 3

Teachers € 15 (incl. handouts and book)

We will provide you with the book:

***Reading With Pictures: Comics That Make Kids Smarter (English)***

by Josh Elder