



IT WAS SO MUCH FUN THE FIRST TIME,
WE'RE GOING TO DO IT AGAIN!

Claremont Museum of Art launches second series of **ARTOON**
after school cartooning classes at El Roble Intermediate School.

Welcome to ARTOON 2.0! This is the second year **ARTOON**, an original Claremont Museum of Art after school arts education project, will take the art of cartooning to the "tween" (pre-teen) age group at Claremont's El Roble Intermediate School. A select group of seventh and eighth grade students will develop a signature character and storyline, around which they'll create an original graphic novel or comic book concept. The 2014 **ARTOON** classes will begin on Tuesday, January 14th.

ARTOON students, also called *ARTOONISTAS*, will once again work under the tutelage of El Roble's art teacher, Wendy Kubiak. Joining the **ARTOON** program full time this year is L.A. professional cartoonist and comic book artist, Javier Hernandez. Javier participated last year in two classes as a guest cartoonist. This year, he'll provide continuity over all 8 classes by sharing his cartooning talent, tips and insights into the creation of signature comic book characters.

Rounding out this year's **ARTOON** team is L.A. professional cartoonist and graphic novelist, Jules Rivera, who will visit the **ARTOON** classroom on Tuesday, January 21st, to help students develop their graphic novel style and inking marker technique.

Each *ARTOONISTA* will create an original large format (15 in. x 20 in.) page from their comic book or graphic novel concept. The page may contain from one to six panels. Finished student cartoons will once again be exhibited on the 8 ft. X 24 ft. ART WALL located at the east end of The Packing House in the West Village. The ART WALL exhibition will be unveiled with a public artist reception on Friday, March 21st at 5:30pm for the whole community to see. This year's **ARTOON** exhibition will replace the 2013 exhibition, which is still available for viewing until March 8th when the process of installing the new 2014 exhibition will begin.

Due to space limitations, the **ARTOON** after school program is offered to no more than 40 students who have been selected on a first come, first served basis. The **ARTOON** curriculum of eight after school classroom lessons will be presented on Tuesdays beginning January 14 and continuing January 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25 and March 4.

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--Lori Evans Lama, Creator & Director, ARTOON