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Press Release

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**Keith Knight, the “Other” Black Cartoonist, Appearing
at Main Library Saturday, October 22, 2:00 p.m.**

Award-winning cartoonist Keith Knight invades the Midwest with his one-cartoonist slideshow, celebrating the release of two new books: *The Passion of the Keef: the Fourth K Chronicles Compendium* and *The Beginner’s Guide to Community-Based Arts*. Mr. Knight will appear at the Main Library, 800 Vine Street, on Saturday, October 22 at 2:00 p.m.

Knight will be spinning strange and humorous tales of censorship, race, politics, and being mistaken for *Boondocks* creator Aaron MacGruder (who wrote the foreword to *Passion*). The tour will take Knight to nine cities in ten days, including Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Cincinnati, the Twin Cities, Madison, and Milwaukee from October 18-28.

Knight’s work can be seen in publications across the United States, including *Salon.com*, *Mad Magazine*, the *Funny Times*, *Buzz*, *ESPN the Magazine*, and *Boston’s Weekly Dig*.

The Beginner’s Guide to Community Based Arts is a comics-illustrated travelogue that documents real artists at work revitalizing communities across the United States, including Ricardo Levins Morales, an artist with the Northland Poster Collective in Minneapolis. Joining Keith on the tour will be *Beginner’s Guide* co-author, Mat Schwarzman.

This is Knight’s fifth collection of comics. His other books include *Dances with Sheep*, *Fear of a Black Marker*, *Red, White, Black & Blue* (all Manic D Press), and *What a Long Strange Strip It’s Been* (Top Shelf). For more on Keith Knight, visit <http://www.kchronicles.com/>

An exhibition in the Art & Music Department, **Comic Revolutions: Underground Comix, Graphic Novels & Manga**, showcases three important phases in the history of comic books. The exhibition, which runs through October 30, also features works of distinguished local practitioners. The tri-state area is home to many prominent comic/graphic novel writers and artists, from pioneers of the underground comix movement, such as Justin Green, to a current manga star, David Mack.

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