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GALERIE CHAMPAKA (Bruxelles)

GALERIE 9^E Art (Paris)

at BRAFA

(Brussels Antiques & Fine Arts Fair)

THE COMICS ART OF THE WORLD

The **GALERIE CHAMPAKA** (Brussels) and the **GALERIE 9e ART** (Paris) combine their expertise to present at **BRAFA** a very special stand devoted to the comics art of the world.

Two galleries serving the Ninth Art

The Galerie Champaka has enabled comics to make their entrance to the Sablon, the district of Brussels dedicated to galleries of antiques and art. Its select programming has rapidly made it an essential point of reference.

Its precursor, the Galerie 9e Art, situated at the foot of Montmartre, continues to work for the wider recognition of comics art. Its founder, Bernard Mahé, is also an international specialist in American comics from 'The Golden Age'.

Brussels-Paris

For nearly a century, the swing of the pendulum between Brussels and Paris has been the driving force behind European comics. The links between the Ninth Art and the city are numerous. Born in the press, an urban product, comics are to a large extent created by and for city dwellers. Countless stories and their moods revolve around the urban universe.

The stand of the galleries Champaka and 9e Art presents nine major artists of the Ninth Art, all of them builders of a universe and all still in their creative prime : François Avril, Ever Meulen, Miles Hyman, André Juillard, Jacques de Loustal, Frank Pé, François Schuiten, Joost Swarte and Zep. Each of them has produced a diptych which reveals their personal vision of Paris and Brussels, always avoiding any clichés.

The Comics Art of the World

Open to the world and to varied graphic styles, these nine creators have invited their fellow graphic artists.

Some are invited because they were among the founders of comics who enabled it to gain recognition. These include : Barks, Caniff, Chaland, Eisner, Foster, Franquin, Gillon, Herriman, Jacobs, McCay, Raymond and Will.

Others, still active, continue to enrich this art form : Alice, Bilal, Cosey, Crumb, de Crécy, Fred, Giraud, Giardino, Guarnido, Lauffray, Mariscal, Mézières, Moebius, Muñoz, O'Neill, Sempé, Yslaire and others...

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