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## Oberlin History Comic Book Receives OMA Award

***Oberlin: Origins and Onward!***, the Oberlin Heritage Center’s engaging new history comic book, was honored with the Ohio Museums Associations’ Visual Communication Award earlier this month. The Heritage Center was one of 14 institutions from around the state to be recognized.

The Visual Communications Competition was initiated in 1984 to recognize creative excellence in the print and digital publications of Ohio museums. More than 1500 Ohio museums are eligible to submit materials; “Gold” and “Silver” awards are given in each of six categories based upon size of the institutional budget. The Heritage Center received the “Silver” award competing among other small and mid-size museums.

Elizabeth Schultz, Museum Education and Tour Coordinator, accepted the award at a dinner hosted by the Ohio Museums Association on Sunday, April 15, at the Cincinnati Museum Center as part of the 2012 Ohio Museums Association Annual Conference.

***Oberlin: Origins and Onward!***, created by historian, author and illustrator, Bentley Boyd, was published by the Oberlin Heritage Center in December 2011. Boyd will offer a public program about the making of the comic book, on Tuesday, May 22 at 7:15 p.m. at Kendal at Oberlin’s Heiser Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

The Oberlin History comic book is available for purchase (\$6.95, with a 10% discount to OHC members) at the Oberlin Heritage Center’s Museum Store, Ben Franklin (13 West College Street), the New Union Center for the Arts (39 South Main Street) and Kendal at Oberlin’s Cardinal Shop. For more information about the Oberlin History comic book, visit [www.oberlinheritage.org](http://www.oberlinheritage.org) or call (440) 774-1700.

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