

## **DARKWING Contest**

**Darkwing #0** is a promotional comic book based on the novel series “Darkwing” which will be presented at the Lucca Comics & Games 2013 festival. It will contain a short story, a tribute gallery and some information about the novel series. The target of this project is to introduce the world of Darkwing to new readers with a quality product that would catch their interest and, in turn, give visibility to the contributing artists.

The book will be sold during the festival at the stand of the publisher **Ute Libri** with a promotional discount, then it will be made available to the main distribution. Ute is a book publisher that is now opening to comics and will be present at the Lucca festival for the first time, presenting some brand new graphic novels.

All interested artists may access the contest by creating a custom illustration, according to their own style and taste, based upon the Darkwing universe. Illustration must be in black and white, though sending a color version as well is allowed.

The story from the comic book will be released for free online.

Participants must send an illustration portraying one or more characters of Darkwing, possibly in a situation involving one or more heroes against one or more villains (for image reference see the Bible of Darkwing from the official website [worldofdarkwing.com](http://worldofdarkwing.com)).

### **1. Participation restrictions**

The contest is open to Italian and foreign artists alike, with no age limit, but minors must present a parental authorization. Each participant can present one or more unpublished works, not awarded in other contests, exclusively related to the book.

### **2 . Technical specifications**

The choice of the art technique is free. The comic book size is 17x24 cm (about 6,7 x 9,5 inches), thus the illustration format must be equal or in scale with these measures. Send a high-quality JPG file at 300 dpi resolution. Illustrations can be the result of teamwork, but joining to the contest requires a single subscriber.

### **3 . Selection of the illustrations and contest winner**

The jury will select, to its unquestionable choice, the illustrations to appear in the comic. Among the selected works, one (contest winner) will be chosen as cover for the book and receive a prize of **€100** (\$130).

### **4. Rights**

By taking part in the contest, the authors allow the publishing of their works inside the comic book, on the official website and by any other mean and media for promotional aims to the organizers of the contest and to [UTE LIBRI](#), requiring no compensation in exchange. The organizers of the contest are bound to always give credit to the legitimate author. **The rights on the works belong to the respective authors.**

The authors of the published works, in the event they use the same artwork to other purposes or publications, must credit the original publication on the comic book.

**5. Artwork delivery:** please send via email the digital artworks to: **Davide Cencini – [duckwing@gmail.com](mailto:duckwing@gmail.com)** adding all personal data about the authors (full name, address, phone number, mail address) no later than **September 5th, 2013**. Feel free to use the same address for any request.

The publisher UTE LIBRI reserves all rights for use and publication as stated. Participants will be notified via email about the jury's decision.

By taking part in the contest, all participants accept the rules stated above.

For reference:

<http://worldofdarkwing.com/> | <https://www.facebook.com/worldofdarkwing>

Art gallery: <http://worldofdarkwing.com/art-gallery/>

Darkwing Bible with character guide: <http://worldofdarkwing.com/bibbia/>

English-speaking artists can download a full reference file about the characters here:

<http://worldofdarkwing.files.wordpress.com/2013/07/darkwing-character-reference-for-english.pdf>