

We're very excited to announce the opening of our new exhibition *Drawing Back: Cartoon Critiques of America*, which will run from June 9 through September 23 2006. Please join us for the opening reception this Friday, June 9 at 6 pm (press preview from 12-5 pm), and meet featured poster artist Mike Flugennock as he takes us on an informal tour through his work.

To accompany the exhibition (and amplify the cartoon theme over the next few months), our newsletter launches a four-part Reflections series, each of which will explore different topics within the comics, cartoons and graphic novels literature. This week's Reflections focuses on political cartoons in history, from their early origins in caricature through their 19th C. renaissance in newsmagazines and their 21st C. manifestation in cartoon wars. Notes from the Library, our series by Ayo Ngozi, grounds this discussion with a select sample of books and periodicals on political cartoons drawn from Provisions' shelves. As we build our library collection at Provisions (note: watch for our new Graphic Novels acquisition list!) we invite visitors to make their own cross-disciplinary connections between books and art, periodicals and web resources, beginning either with our onsite library resources or with the online content of our newsletter and website. Also in this issue's Notes, Don Russell offers closing thoughts on an innovative educational event and partnership that emerged from *Other Than Art*, the multi-site exhibition that ends its run at Provisions this week.

Finally, a reminder to register for an upcoming program: the Just Films Teach-In on Saturday, June 24, co-hosted by American University's Center for Social Media. Don't miss this unique opportunity to learn more about films for change in all their dimensions - aesthetics, politics, practice -- with leading scholars, cultural property lawyers and filmmakers. Whether you're a budding filmmaker and cinema activist, or interested in cultural citizenship and public media, please step up and enroll today! Get more information at the Just Films' website.

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*Drawing Back: Cartoon Critiques of America*  
June 9 - September 23, 2006  
Opening Reception, June 9 2006, 6 pm!  
Press Preview, June 9 2006, 12-5 pm

An exhibition in two parts:

*Why Do They Hate US?*  
Views from the international media. A survey exhibition of recent editorial cartoons from around the world. Organized by the Cartoon Art Museum

Protest Posters by Mike Flugennock  
Views from the street. Political resistance cartoon  
posters from DC's own maverick artist.

Cartoon Film Series, Fridays from July 7 2006, 7 pm

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Saturday -12pm-5pm  
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