

# **Page to Panel – How to Make Manga by Irina Richards**

**A 40 Artist Educator Resource:**  
Be Inspired by Irina Richards



In this fabulously illustrated resource, Cambridgeshire-based artist Irina Richards shows AccessArt how to make manga.

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aiming to highlight and celebrate artist-led teaching and facilitation.

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## Page to Panel – Creating Comics Based on Books by Irina Richards

This resource is based on a series of workshops that I recently developed and carried out in collaboration with Cambridgeshire Libraries/[ImagiNation East](#).

The young people participating in the project took part in a Reading Challenge, where they had to read four books during the summer. They then chose one of the books, and adapted an extract from it into manga format as a creative response to what they had read.

This activity encourages young people to read for pleasure and to convey their own vision of the story they read. It could be particularly beneficial for students who may find a lot of writing difficult, e.g. those with dyslexia.

In addition, this activity could be used as an interdisciplinary project, as it could combine Art and Design, English, and even ICT (if the students choose to finish/letter their comics digitally, for example). The resource is most suitable for KS2 and KS3 learners, but can be adapted to suit KS1 as well.

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