

Jason Turner Comic Collection

**An Inventory of the Collection Held in Rare Books and Special Collections,
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Description

Title: Jason Turner Comic Book Collection

Dates: (ca. 1988 – 2009)

Extent:

Biography: Jason Turner is an artist, cartoonist and Vancouverite who was born in Manitoba in 1970. He is now perhaps best known for his graphic novel *True Loves*, which was published by New Reliable Press in Vancouver in 2006, jointly authored with his wife (and frequent inspiration) Manien Bothma. Beginning in high school with his comic *The Roadhouse Stickler*, Turner has self-published a large collection of comics and drawings, including several lengthy series, that are often inspired by or deal directly with the locations in which he is living or has visited. It is this pervasive sense of awareness and appreciation for his surroundings that runs most often through his work, and this theme was certainly part of the highly favorable reception of *True Loves*, which was nominated for the “One Book, One Vancouver” award in 2007. Turner continues his writing and drawing today, though most of his work has been moved online in recent years.

Custodial History: Comics acquired from the author in one accrual in June 2009.

Accruals: Further accruals are expected.

Finding Aid: File list available, collection is catalogued [Call Number: _____]

Scope and Content: This collection contains the majority of comic strips, self-published short works and full comic books and series that the author has written to this point. It also contains two graphic novels that were jointly written with Manien Bothma, titled “True Loves,” which has gained some prominence and noteriety for its depiction of the Vancouver area and was nominated for the “One Book, One Vancouver” award. RBSC also expects to acquire Turner’s future comic books.

Collection consists of the following items:

1. The Roadhouse Stickler (self-published, late 1980s)
2. The Postscript Banquet (1993)
3. Five Vodka Bottles I have Known (ca. 1993)
4. Edgar’s House (1993)
5. Big Red and Ultra J In Security Comics (1993)
6. Industrial Soap 1 (1994)
7. Very Quiet 1-10 (1995-1996)
8. Chase Not (1996)
9. Jump City 1-8, 10, 12-13 (1996-1998)
10. ZZLE 1-6 (1996-1997)
11. Vinegar (formerly ZZLE) 7-10, 10.5, 11-18, 20 (1997-2005)
12. Two Feet Gone 1-2 (1997-1998)
13. Captain America (ca. 1997)

14. Emotion: That Hamster Feeling (1997)
15. Jason and the Faeries (1997)
16. Jason and the Faeries, second copy w/ different cover (1997)
17. Cock (self-published, 1998)
18. Mexican Hat 1-12 (1998-1999)
19. Jason and the Cartoon Ducks (self-published, late 1990s)
20. 'Tards! (self-published, late 1990s)
21. 'Tards! Two (self-published, late 1990s)
22. Kung Fu Park (self-published, ca. 2000)
23. My last 6 beers (Strongman Press, 2000)
24. Jason and the Really Long Commute (self-published, 2000)
25. 5 Things I'll Miss about North Van / 5 things I won't miss about North Van (ca. 2000)
26. Brainjam and the Bear: Number One (2001)
27. Hand Wound comics (2001)
28. Parable of the Duck (2001)
29. The Ketchup Secret (ca. 2001)
30. Duke 1-2 (2004)
31. True Loves (2006)
32. Walk to Work (2006)
33. True Loves 2: Trouble in Paradise (2009)

File List

1-1) Jason Turner, *The Roadhouse Stickler* (late 1980s)

1-2) Jason Turner, self-published comics (1993)

- a. *The Postscript Banquet*
- b. *Five Vodka Bottles I have Known*
- c. *Edgar's House*
- d. *Big Red and Ultra J in Security Comics*

1-3) Jason Turner, self-published comics (1994-1999)

- a. *Industrial soap 1* (1994)
- b. *Chase Not* (1996)
- c. *Captain America* (ca. 1997)
- d. *Emotion: That Hamster Feeling* (1997)
- e. *Jason and the Faeries* (1997)
- f. *Jason and the Faeries: based on a true story* (1997)
- g. *Cock* (1998)
- h. *Jason and the Cartoon Ducks* (late 1990s)
- i. *'Tards!* (late 1990s)
- j. *'Tards! Two* (late 1990s)

1-4) Jason Turner, *Very Quiet* 1-10 (self-published, 1995-1996)

- a. *Very Quiet: VQI Young Men Spaces* (1995)
- b. *Very Quiet: VQII Meat Meet Food* (1995)
- c. *Very Quiet No. III: VQIII Detour Guide* (1995)
- d. *Very Quiet number four: VQIV M.I.A.* (1995)
- e. *Very Quiet number five: VQV Good Enough to Eat* (1995)
- f. *Very Quiet number six: VQVI Complaint Section* (Kobold Press, 1995)
- g. *Very Quiet number seven* (1996)
- h. *Very Quiet number eight: VQVIII Laugh Like a Reed* (1996)
- i. *Very Quiet number nine: VQIX Junk Acquaintance* (1996)
- j. *Very Quiet number ten: VQX Brief Satisfactions* (1996)

1-5) Jason Turner and Jesse Bochner, *Jump City* 1-8, 10, 12-13 (various, 1996-1998)

- a. *Jump City 1* (Kobold Press, 1996)
- b. *Jump City 2* (Kobold Press, 1996)
- c. *Jump City 3* (self-published, 1996)
- d. *Jump City Four* (self-published, ca. 1996)
- e. *Jump City 5th* (self-published, ca. 1996)
- f. *Jump City Six* (Bochnerturner Overdrive, 1997)
- g. *Jump City Sven [Seven]* (self-published, ca. 1997)
- h. *Jump City 8* (Bochnerturner Overdrive, 1997)
- i. *Jump City 10* (BochnerTurner Overdrive, 1998)
- j. *Jump City 12* (BochnerTurner Overdrive, 1998)
- k. *Jump City 13* (BochnerTurner Overdrive, 1998)

1-6) Jason Turner, ZZLE 1-6 (self-published, 1996-1997)

- a. *ZZLE One* (1996)
- b. *ZZLE Two* (1996)
- c. *ZZLE 3* (1996)
- d. *ZZLE Four* (1996)
- e. *ZZLE Five* (1997)
- f. *ZZLE Six* (1997)

1-7) Jason Turner, *Vinegar* [Formerly ZZLE] 7-10, 10.5, 11-18, 20 (self-published, 1997-2005)

- a. *Vinegar Seven: Sunday on a September Beach* (1997)
- b. *Vinegar Number Eight: Lost in the Details* (1997)
- c. *Vinegar Number Nine: Small Works* (1997)
- d. *Vinegar Number Ten: Gasoline Rainbow* (1998)
- e. *Vinegar 10.5: Jason & the Children* (1998)
- f. *Vinegar Number Eleven: Anger in the Shoebox* (1998)
- g. *Vinegar 12: The Losebag* (Strongman Press, 1999)
- h. *Vinegar Thirteen: Tales of the High Seabus* (Strongman Press, 1998)
- i. *Vinegar Number 14: More High Seabus Adventures* (Strongman Press, 1999)
- j. *Vinegar 15: Buenas Tardes Amigo* (Strongman Press, 1999)
- k. *Vinegar 16: Goodbye Hangovers* (Strongman Press, 1999)
- l. *Vinegar 17: Small Works 1998-2000* (Strongman Press, 2000)
- m. *Vinegar 18: April Transit* (Strongman Press, 2001)
- n. *Vinegar 20: Touch Me, Toronto Stories 2002-2004* (2005)

1-8) Jason Turner, *Two Feet Gone* 1-2 (self-published, 1997-1998)

- a. *Two Feet Gone Number One: Wash Out* (1997)
- b. *Two Feet Gone Number Two: Roll Over* (1998)

1-9) Jason Turner, *Mexican Hat* (self-published, 1998-1999)

- a. *Mexican Hat 1* (1998)
- b. *Mexican Hat 2* (1998)
- c. *Mexican Hat 3* (1998)
- d. *Mexican Hat 4* (1998)
- e. *Mexican Hat 5* (1998)
- f. *Mexican Hat 6* (1998)
- g. *Mexican Hat 7* (1998)
- h. *Mexican Hat 8* (1998)
- i. *Mexican Hat 9* (1998)
- j. *Mexican Hat 10* (1999)
- k. *Mexican Hat 11* (1999)
- l. *Mexican Hat 12* (1999)

1-10) Jason Turner, self-published comics (2000-)

- a. *Kung Fu Park* (self-published, ca. 2000)
- b. *My last 6 beers* (Strongman Press, 2000)

- c. *Jason and the Really Long Commute* (self-published, 2000)
- d. *5 Things I'll Miss about North Van / 5 things I won't miss about North Van* (ca. 2000)
- e. *Brainjam and the Bear: Number One* (2001)
- f. *Hand Wound Comics* (2001)
- g. *Parable of the Duck* (2001)
- h. *The Ketchup Secret* (ca. 2001)
- i. *Walk to Work* (2006)

1-11) Multiple authors, *Duke 1-2* (self-published, 2004)

- a. Dave Lapp, Dalton Sharp and Jason Turner, *Duke number one*
- b. Jason Kieffer, Dalton Sharp and Jason Turner, *Duke number two: Daveless*

1-12) Jason Turner and Manien Bothma, *True Loves* (Vancouver: New Reliable Press, 2006) and *True Loves 2: Trouble In Paradise* (Vancouver: New Reliable Press, 2009)