



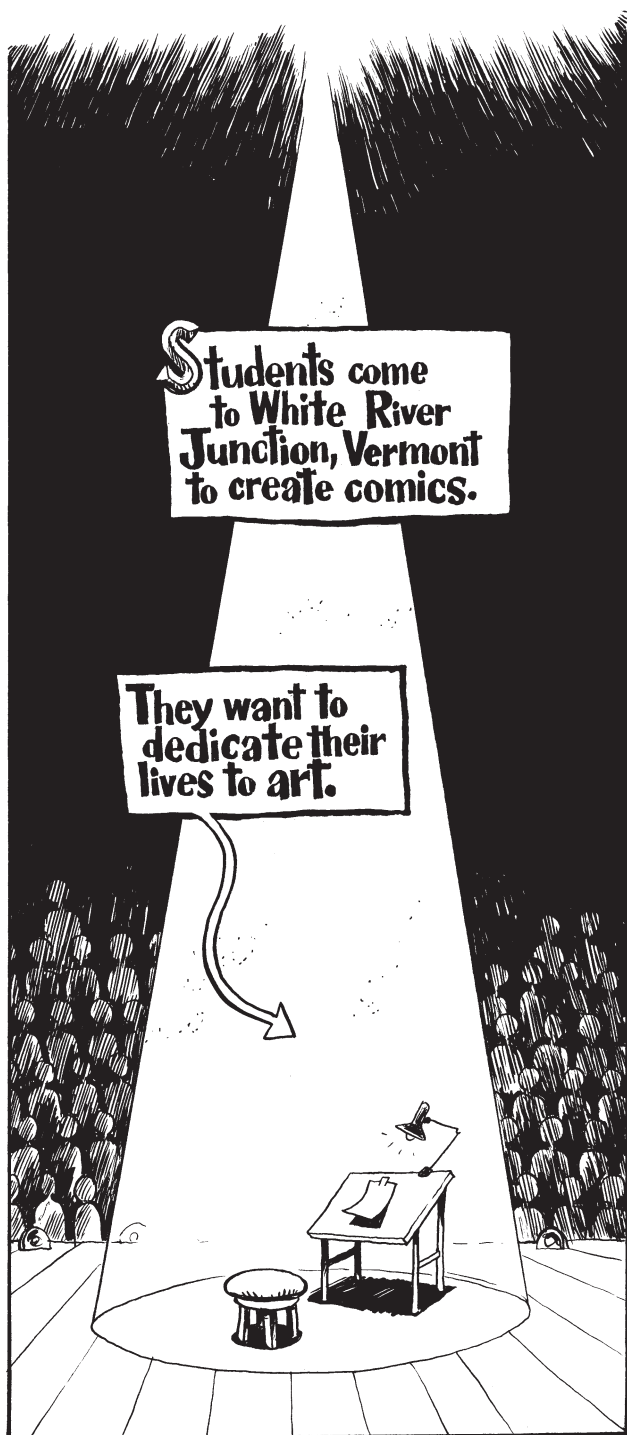
**the CENTER for
CARTOON STUDIES**
in six acts

ACT I

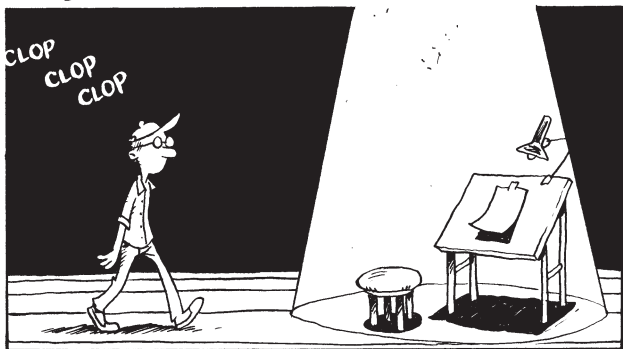
**IF YOU NEVER START SOMETHING
YOU CAN'T FAIL AT IT**

Students come
to White River
Junction, Vermont
to create comics.

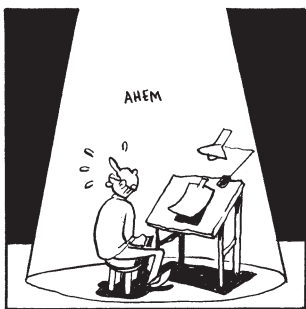
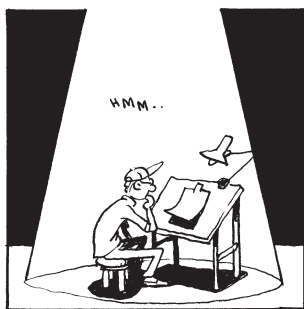
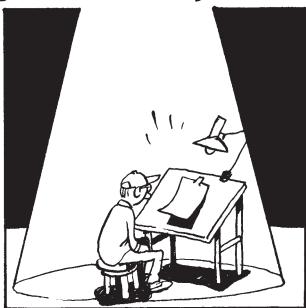
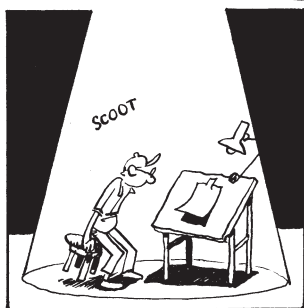
**They want to
dedicate their
lives to art.**



It's not a rational choice.



It's a courageous, foolish & uncertain path.



**The Center for
Cartoon Studies
does all it can
to help.**



ACT III

INSIDE OUT

They are not creating
something from nothing ~

**They carry inside themselves
all the impressions, assumptions,
aspirations & stories that they've
been soaking up since they came
into this world.**





Most of it is junk.
But it's their junk.
They try to shape
it into something
meaningful,
something they
can share.

ACT III

PEOPLE DRAW,
THINGS HAPPEN

The Center for Cartoon Studies opened in 2005. Six years later, the collective act of drawing comics has lit up White River Junction.

In the spring of 2011, in recognition of the electrifying effect CCS has had on the local economy & culture, the school was awarded a \$255,000 Vermont Community Development Program grant.





ACT IV

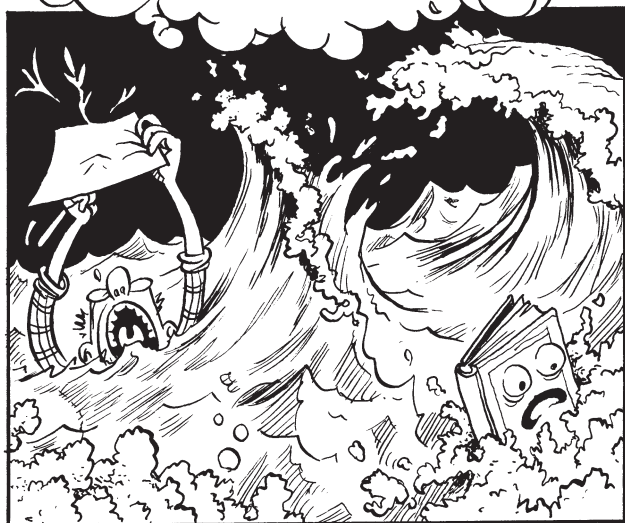
COME HELL OR

HIGH WATER

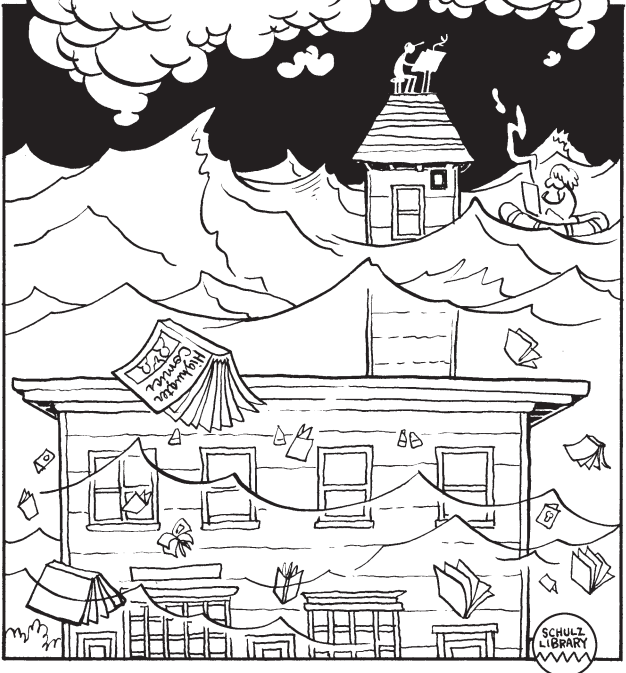
2011:
The economy sucks.



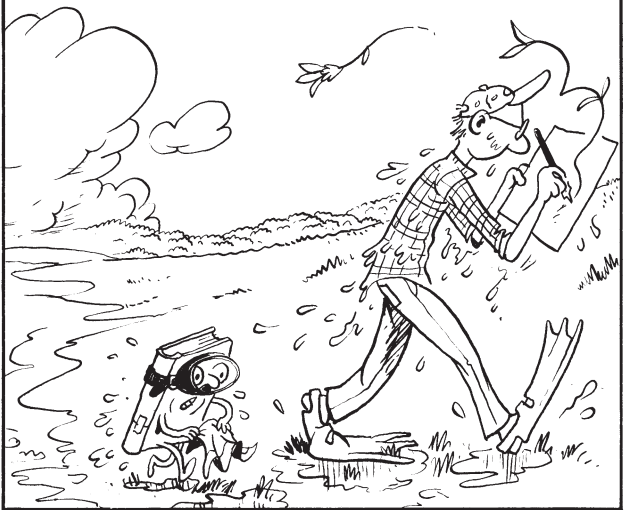
Print is dead.
(Or so they say.)



**Hurricane Irene flooded
the White River & forced CCS to
evacuate the Schulz Library
from its home in the
old Firehouse.**



**Grist for the mill.
We keep making comics.**

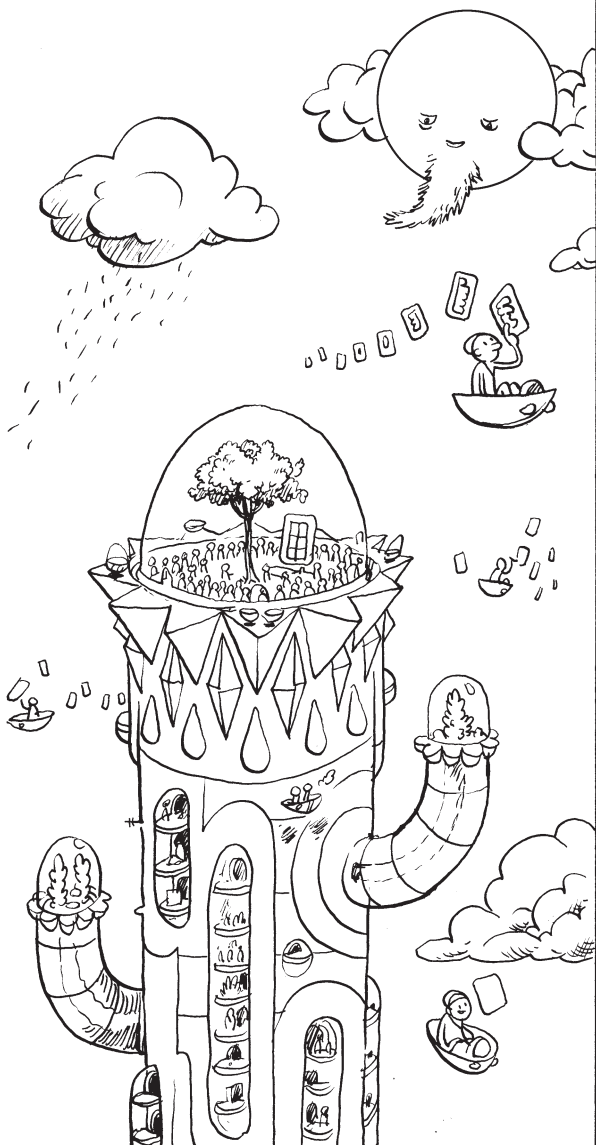


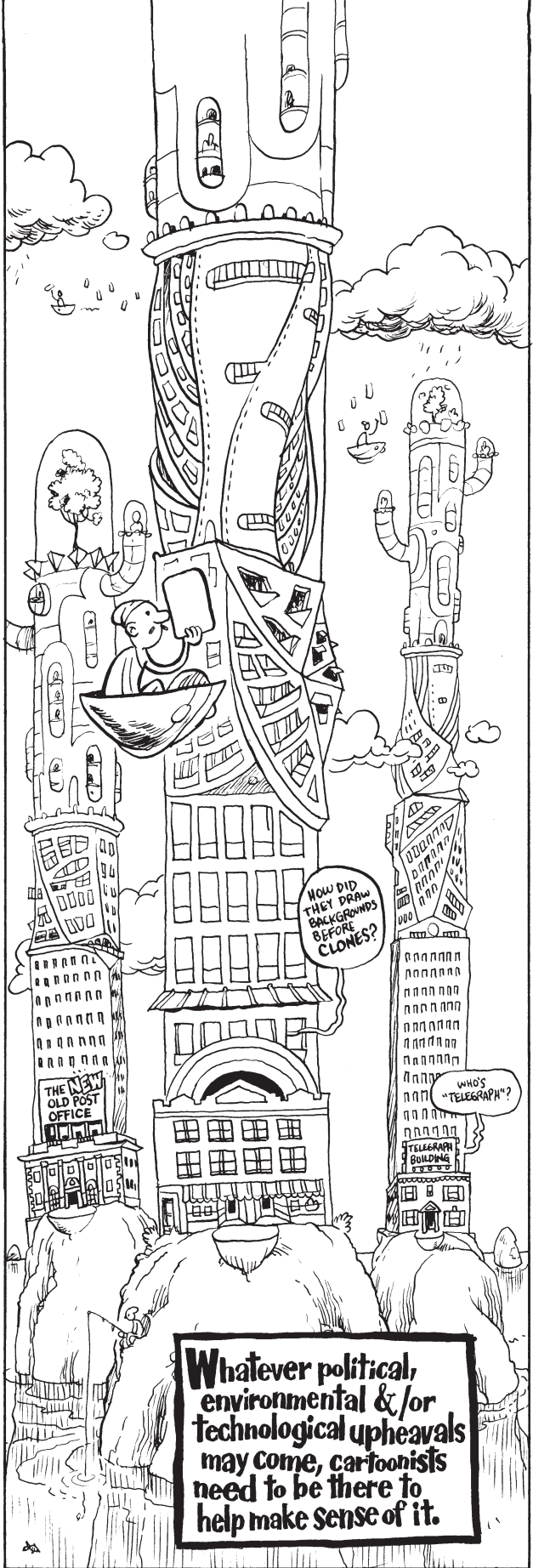
ACT V

THE FUTURE

Entering our seventh year, CCS can no longer be considered a plucky startup.

We've successfully achieved liftoff ~ the next step is making sure the school is built to last.





Whatever political, environmental &/or technological upheavals may come, cartoonists need to be there to help make sense of it.

FINAL ACT:

AN ACT OF KINDNESS!

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