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Embassy of Belgium invites Tintin to Delhi



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The Embassy of Belgium is hosting a cultural event on the theme "Tintin and Asia" with the following activities:

- Screening of Tintin Cartoon series for children in collaboration with interested schools and NGO's;
 - A series of screenings of film documentaries on Tintin;
 - An exhibition of Tintin memorabilia and art;
 - A panel discussion on Tintin and Hergé, for which **the Former Personal assistant/Secretary of Hergé, Mr. Alain Baran**, has been invited as well as the Director of one of the film documentaries, **Mr. Henri de Gerlache**;
- The other Panellists include:

1. Mr. P. de Jacquelot, Journalist – Tintin connoisseur;
2. Mr. J-P. Muller, Trade representative Wallonia trade Office – Tintin connoisseur;
3. Ms. Amruta Patil, Comic book artist
4. Mrs. Alka Pande, Curator
5. Mr. Puneet Gupta, Translator of Tintin in Hindi
6. Ms. Manjula Padmanabhan, Writer

The audience is invited to come and discover more about the life of Tintin and his spiritual father Hergé at Teen Murti Auditorium and Foyer on 11th and 12th February 2012.

More information about the programme can be found on: <http://www.diplomatie.be/newdelhi/>

Admission to all the events is free of charge.



About Tintin and its importance to Belgium

With **more than 700 comic book authors**, Belgium has more comic strip artists per square kilometer than any other country in the world! It is in Belgium that the comic book culture has grown from a popular medium into **an art itself**, and has influenced renowned artists.

Within the world of comic books, Tintin occupies a special place since young Belgian journalist throughout the years has become **part of the Belgian national cultural heritage**.

It is because what you're about to see originates from Belgium, was made in Belgium, was born in Belgium.

Indeed, Tintin was **born in Brussels in 1929**, son to his spiritual father, the Belgian author **Hergé**.

Tintin's adventures have been **translated into more than 90 languages and dialects**. Recently, he has been translated in Hindi.

Tintin has also inspired many films directors in Europe in the last decades. Eventually he has conquered Hollywood with the 3D film made by Spielberg and released at the end of last year.

For more information on Tintin, please visit: <http://us.tintin.com>

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