

**“Discovering Belgium through the *bande dessinée* and other pedagogical uses of the *bande dessinée* in teaching French,”
Professional Development for
French World Language Teachers**

How do we have our students discover a Francophone country through the *bande dessinée*? Taking the example of Belgium, the country of the *bande dessinée* par excellence, we will present several activities based on *Tintin* and *The Smurfs*: learning and practicing vocabulary, cultural activities exploring the history of *bande dessinée* and of Belgium, discovery of Belgium’s geography, and reading and listening activities. We will also discuss how to use *bandes dessinées* as a prompt for conversation, or to broach certain topics such as sports or war, and finally, for more advanced courses, to introduce a literary text.

This workshop will be led by Dr. Dominique Licops, Lecturer in French at Northwestern University with the participation of special guest, comic book artist and author, Emile Bravo.

Refreshments will not be served, so please bring a snack or eat before hand. Limited parking is available.

CPS teachers will receive 3 CPDUs for your participation. To register, e-mail your name, school name, and levels of French you teach to Amy Hammerand at AAHammerand@cps.k12.il.us by Monday, March 16th. Please register as soon as possible as space is limited! Thank you!

Saturday, March 21, 2009
9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. (sign-in from 8:00-8:30 A.M.)
Ogden Elementary School,
24 West Walton Street, Chicago, Illinois

