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Here's a Geek Week Sneak Peek - OCL's FanNation 2021 Begins November 8

TOMS RIVER – Enjoy games, crafts, celebrity chats, and contests for a full week during the Ocean County Library's FanNation 2021, Monday, November 8 through Sunday, November14. Registration for events is under way at www.theoceancountylibrary.org/teens/fannation.

Enjoy virtual panel discussions with three special guests:

- "Shonen/Shoujo," Ivan Velez, Jr. Explore comics for boys and girls with the "Planet Bronx" writer/illustrator, who will share tips for storytelling, character development, and marketing.
- "The Art of Voice Acting," Aaron Dismuke Learn the recording process, and how to become a voice actor.
- "Level Up Your Role Play," Morgan Conroy Get tips for enhancing your role- play skills in tabletop RPGs from the "Taking Initiative" podcaster.

Send us a snap of your fandom finery and you might win a prize in our Virtual Cosplay Contest. Enter through Monday, November 1 at social@theoceancountylibrary.org. Cast your vote on OCL's Facebook beginning Monday, November 8. Find the cosplay Holy Grail in our online Cosplay Quest.

Let your inner geek groove to the Library's <u>Freegal</u> FanNation playlist. Get "Take & Make" craft kits at the Library's Toms River Branch. Read three books in November and be eligible for prizes in OCL's <u>Beanstack</u> challenge.

Online activities include a "Dungeons and Dragons" adventure, pop culture and K-Pop trivia, and a "Would You Rather" challenge. Visit OCL on YouTube for a ramen-cooking demonstration, a FanNation puppet show, and instructions for special crafts.

The Library's Spotify channels will feature a discussion of hot new graphic novels and an actualplay "Dungeons and Dragons" podcast that pits OCL librarians against their magical counterparts at Candlekeep.

See the FanNation schedule and register for events at www.theoceancountylibrary.org/teens/fannation. Keep up with Library happenings on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Spotify and YouTube.

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