



## Nanaimo Harbourfront Library invites you to get your geek on at GeekCon

*Tuesday, March 21, 2017, Nanaimo, BC:* Get your geek on at Nanaimo Harbourfront Library's second annual GeekCon on Saturday, March 25, a free one-day convention that celebrates comics, arts, cosplay, gaming and other geek cultures important to our community.

This family-friendly drop-in event runs from 10 am - 5 pm and will include gaming tournaments such as MINECRAFT and Magic the Gathering, all day board games, virtual reality (VR) demonstrations, retro gaming, swordplay demonstrations, and cosplay competitions for children and adults.

There will be music, Disney princesses, Star Wars cosplayers from the 501<sup>st</sup> Legion, a Jedi Training Academy, and a special book launch of a collection of stories written by youth from around Vancouver Island. Local artists, writers, gamers, cosplayers and other 'geek' related businesses and community groups will also be on hand to showcase and promote their passions in GeekCon's Vendor Alley. Local downtown businesses have also gotten involved to support GeekCon with discounts for GeekCon attendees.

Last year, GeekCon drew huge crowds and this year is poised to be even bigger and better. GeekCon supports a variety of literacies and encourages community engagement at every age level.

The program is free of charge and open to everyone. A complete schedule of events is attached to this release. More information is available at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/geekconnanaimo/">www.facebook.com/geekconnanaimo/</a>

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## For more Information

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1pm

2:30pm

<u>3pm</u>

12:30pm **SCHEDULE:** 

Children's Cosplay Competition 10am

**Adult Cosplay Competition** Vendor tables open

Board Game Zone open Smash & Stab with The Proving Grounds

Ladies Learning Code & MakerSpace Workshop Munchkin Pathfinder 10:15am

Breakout EDU: Zombie Apocalypse Jupiter Jill Concert for Kids

10:30am Werewolves of Nanaimo

Oculus Rift Virtual Reality Demo Blood & Iron Swordplay Demo Magic the Gathering Tournament: Standard Format

**Button Making** (registration)

11am Jedi Training Academy Little Tales Princess Parties: photos and stories

Oculus Rift Virtual Reality Demo MINECRAFT Tournament

11:30am Cards Against Humanity 501st Legion: stories and Lord Vader Says

Book Launch: A Collection of Stories from Vancouver 12pm

Island Youth Little Tales Princess Parties: sing-along and dress-making