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Public Libraries to Host Library-Con Borderland Heroes, Free Comic Convention Comic, Manga, Cosplay Enthusiasts Invited

EL PASO, Texas—The El Paso Public Libraries is excited to announce *Library-Con: Borderland Heroes*, a free, family-friendly comic convention happening from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, September 20 at the Main Library, 501 N. Oregon.

Library-Con is a celebration of comics, pop culture, and creativity, inviting fans, collectors, artists, gamers, and industry professionals to come together for a day of fun and discovery.

“Library-Con: Borderland Heroes is a fantastic way to bring the community together around shared interests in comics and popular culture,” said Public Libraries Director Norma Martinez. “We’re excited to host this event and provide a welcoming space for creativity, learning, and fun.”

Visitors can explore a variety of exhibitors showcasing rare finds, new releases, and beloved classics. The convention also features a talented Artist Alley with local industry professionals displaying their craft, participating in meet-and-greets, and inspiring creativity among attendees. There will also be a Cosplay Contest where visitors can display their creative costumes in front of a panel of industry judges.

The family-friendly event includes gaming stations for interactive play and panel discussions, as well as workshops for insightful conversations and learning opportunities. The sessions will cover topics ranging from comic book creation and storytelling to cosplay techniques and industry trends.

In addition to comics and gaming, the event includes vendors offering collectible items and memorabilia, as well as food booths to keep visitors energized throughout the day.

To celebrate Library-Con, all branch libraries are hosting free comic-based events and activities leading up to the event.

On Friday, September 19, the Public Libraries will partner with Margin Notes Bookbar to present Villains Take the Night, an 18+ event from 6 to 9 p.m. at 7460 Cimarron Market Ave. This evening celebration will feature a cosplay contest, live music, a night market, and exciting prizes.

For more information about Library-Con, as well as all the services and programs provided by the El Paso Public Libraries, visit www.ElPasoLibrary.org or visit the Public Libraries social media sites.

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