

Cosplay Guidelines

Entry

- Registration entry forms are available online and need to be turned in at the Orange Public Library & History Center, Taft Branch Library, or El Modena Branch Library by Friday, August 30. Check in at the Welcome Booth on Saturday, September 14 from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. during the event.
- Contestants 17 years of age and under must have parent/guardian sign the entry form.
- Contestants must arrive to the Community Room by 2:15 p.m.

Judging

- Cosplay competition will take place at 2:30 p.m. in the **Community Room**.
- Age groups: Newborn-12; 13-17; and 18+. Children 12 and under may wear store-bought costumes but are encouraged to enhance the costume. Teens and Adults: Costumes may be store-bought but must be modified by at least 50-75%.
- Judging Criteria:
 - a. Craftsmanship
 - b. Presentation
 - c. Accuracy
- Contestants must provide a reference source for their costume. Judges are not familiar with every movie, TV series, or video game.
- Judges' decisions are final.

Cosplay Rules

The Library reserves the right to refuse entry to any costume that the Library deems inappropriate.

- Only **one** costume per contestant allowed.
- Contestants need to be dressed in cosplay attire by start of the competition.
- Contestants under age 13 MUST have a parent/guardian present in the library.
- For safety reasons, footwear must be worn at all times.
- No skates, rollerblades, skateboards, etc.
- No nudity, adult content, gore, violence, or hate symbols allowed. This is a family-friendly event.
- Weapons and/or props must be made of plastic or foam and obviously fake. Weapons/props not meeting this guideline are NOT permitted. Blades and working projectiles (including but not limited to water pistols, silly string, and slingshots) are not allowed.
- No battles.
- Contestant must be present to win when winners are announced on the day of the event at 3:30 p.m. or after competition has ended.
- Personal belongings are not to be left unattended. The Orange Public Library is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Oversized costumes are discouraged as library walkways and rooms may not accommodate your costume.
- All contestants must be respectful of cosplay contest organizers, judges, library staff, and library patrons. Inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.
- All contestants are responsible for abiding by the Library Rules of Conduct.

These guidelines apply to every person in costume. With the exception of makeup, masks must be removable and done so at Orange Public Library staff request. Staff have the right to modify these rules on the spot. The Orange Public Library reserves the right to refuse entry or ask any person to leave at any time due to an inappropriate costume. Cosplay is not consent; please treat others with respect.



COSPLAY CONTEST

Saturday, September 14

2:30 – 3:30 PM

All Ages

**Orange Public Library & History Center
Community Room**

TO REGISTER AND FOR MORE INFO, VISIT:

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/OPLCC-COSPLAY-CONTEST](https://bit.ly/oplcc-cosplay-contest)



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