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From Ashley

Hello everyone and welcome to The 7th Annual Her Universe Fashion Show! After pausing our show in 2020 we are BACK and very excited to be bringing you our show virtually this year through Comic Con at Home!

The theme for this year's show is Community. When I Founded Her Universe back in 2010, we had a rule that Her Universe must always be 2 parts, a lifestyle brand but most importantly a community. A safe and positive community where fans could come together and be celebrated, supported and empowered. We laid the foundation, but the incredible community that has been built, by YOU our fans, gave us the support we needed to be here today.

Last year, when we should have been coming together at San Diego Comic Con, we found ourselves at home during unprecedented times. When we would have been giving each other hugs and high fives on the runway, we found ourselves isolated and distanced. When the date of what would have been The 2020 Her Universe Fashion Show came and went, I personally wondered if anyone would miss it?

Then one day, I received a surprise package on my doorstep. What I received inside left me speechless and sobbing happy tears. Our Her Universe Fashion Show family of designers came together to make a unity quilt. A true expression of "Geek Couture." Each square was made by a fashion show designer and it represents their design from one of our shows over the past 7 years. This is the most beautiful gift I've ever received. Not only because it's a stunningly beautiful quilt but because of what it stands for. Embroidered with the Ahsoka Tano quote, "You don't have to carry a sword to be powerful." The quilt proves that there's so much power in community. Even in the most trying times, it's amazing what we can do when we come together to help each other, no matter what... and when it comes to Fashion, that's always on trend.

Thank you for keeping the Her Universe Fashion Show spirit alive and I hope you all enjoy this year's show!

All my best,

Ashley Echelein



2021 Her Universe Fashion Show Judges



ED LABAY
VP, GMM, Hot Topic

Ed LaBay is a fanboy, Hufflepuff, JunkRat main, music lover...and the VP General Merchandise Manager for teen retailer Hot Topic. Nationally recognized for his trendspotting abilities, Ed has built his 20+ year career upon a simple mantra: “To understand the fans, you need to be a fan yourself.” He is, and it’s worked. Since joining Hot Topic in 2007 as the Buyer for Men’s Licensed Apparel, Ed has been instrumental in growing Hot Topic’s prominent position in licensing, and recently joined the Board of Directors for Licensing International.

Ed and his team have brought properties like Studio Ghibli’s *My Neighbor Totoro* and BT21 to U.S. retail, thanks to their absolute obsession with observing all things pop culture. At the same time, Ed has been instrumental in developing the partnerships necessary to build full-scale merchandising and marketing programs for blockbusters including Marvel’s Avengers and *Star Wars*, as well as fan favorites *Doctor Who* and *Supernatural*.

As the Mad Hatter to Ashley Eckstein’s Alice, Ed has been a key partner to the Her Universe brand, and was a judge at the SDCC panel that inspired the creation of the Her Universe Fashion Show.



ADRIA RENEE
HER UNIVERSE FASHION SHOW 2019 JUDGES’ WINNER

Adria Renee is a student, designer, award-winning geek couturier, all- around fangirl from San Diego, CA. Raised in a household of strong and artistic women, she has always found power in all things beautiful and feminine. Nowadays, she likes to make pretty things and spend hours consumed with fine details, explore the intersections of fashion and fandom, geek out over historical fashions, and spend all her time researching and creating looks inspired by her favorite properties.

Adria is currently a Textiles, Merchandising, and Fashion Design Master’s candidate at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln where she is honing her artist practice combining fandom and sustainability through classic and long-wearing design. For her, fashion is the ultimate tool of empowerment and self-expression.



SARAH HAMBLY
HER UNIVERSE FASHION SHOW 2019 AUDIENCE WINNER

Sarah Hamblly received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in photography from the Academy of Art University. She began her career as an intern at Paramount Pictures and moved into the world of fashion and clothing design in 2016. Her love of pop-culture stems from her family’s small video store business, where she learned to love film and television at an early age. She combines pop culture with fashion in intricate and subtle details, crafting geeky-inspired clothing with the utmost attention to detail.

Sarah shares her creative processes with others in videos, photos, and blogs and loves talking about how pop culture and fashion can move forward into a more sustainable future. She believes fashion can be like armor, and that showing love of your favorite pop culture things is an important self-expression for younger generations. Sarah is a huge advocate for more inclusive sizing, sustainable and affordable fashion, and furthering art education so that future generations can remain inspired by pop culture, fashion, and the emerging world of geek clothing.



Dress Inspired by Jurassic World
Designed by Andrew MacLaine



Look inspired by Ahsoka Tano in *Star Wars: Rebels*
Designed by Andrew MacLaine



ANDREW MACLAINE

Andrew MacLaine is a fashion and costume designer based in Palm Springs, California. After winning the Audience Award at the inaugural Her Universe Fashion show, he has designed the hostess gowns for Ashley Eckstein every year since, including her Ahsoka Lego Couture dress and last year’s She-Ra Transformation dress. He is thrilled to be back again, and promises Ashley her gowns this year will be even more fabulous.

THE Her Universe™ FASHION SHOW 2021 FINALISTS



LISA TRUONG SHE/THEY
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The Spark - Disney Pixar's Soul

Lisa is an accomplished cosplayer and seamstress, wife, and mother to her six-year-old daughter Freyja, and two-year-old son Jonas. She spent her early childhood in the suburbs of Chicago, then moved to Southern California at age 15, where she currently resides. Lisa has always been interested in fashion. She learned to sew at a young age from her mother; and was always making dresses for her dolls and herself. Lisa believes Geek Couture is an important part of the future of fashion because geeks are no longer relegated to the shadows; limited to blocky, stiff-cotton, screen printed tees. Contemporary Geek fashion, much like the costume design it is inspired by, is showing its influence on mainstream fashion trends, and shows no sign of letting up!



KELSEY MICHELE SHE/HER
@toughtink
Like Starlight - Howl's Moving Castle

Kelsey Michele is a professional artist and designer in Orlando, Florida, with a deep love of animation, theme parks, and the world of fantasy. With a background in illustration and concept art, she brings a unique artistic eye to everything she designs. From fairies to evening gowns, she's had a passion for drawing pretty things since childhood and has channeled that into learning the skills necessary to bring her designs to life. She has always looked to tell stories in the art she creates, and that includes wearable art. Sometimes that story pulls inspiration from history or fantasy costuming, but sometimes it comes from high fashion. Geek couture in particular has been hugely influential in her work since it lets her bring more of herself to her favorite stories and share them with other fans--blending fantasy, reality, and community. She hopes to continue growing as a designer, seamstress, and crafter, finding new ways to connect with other creators & fans through her personal style.



CIAN RAMIREZ SHE/HER
 @hyliancream
 Rainbow Connection - *The Muppets Movie*

Cian is a current fashion student in a Southern California fashion program. Before enrolling in classes, she cosplayed in her free time and worked on custom costumes for clients across the United States. Having sewn since her childhood, she has been eager to try her hand at designing couture pieces for the runway. This will be her first year in The Her Universe Fashion show and is excited to be a part of this community of geek fashion enthusiasts. She hopes that her part in this year's show will bring a smile to those watching at home.



REGAN CERATO SHE/HER
 @cowbuttcunchies
 To The Bus! - *The Magic School Bus*

Regan is one half of Cowbutt Crunchies Cosplay, a cosplay couple who loves both teaching and creating beautiful, elaborate designs! She and her wife believe that cosplay is truly an art, no matter whether that involves hand-beading an elaborate gown or painstakingly bringing a character to life. She's always on the hunt for new and interesting technical challenges, picking up fresh skills and techniques with every new project. A few years however ago she began to find that her favorite characters' outfits weren't always providing the technical challenges she was after. Instead, she began to design her own spin on those characters and found an entirely new creative outlet to fall in love with! For her, designing offers the opportunity to really flex your creativity and challenge yourself, all while paying homage to your fandom favorites.



RAINE EMERY SHE/HER
 @raineemery
 Lady Mystère - *Miraculous Ladybug*

Raine Emery is a freelance costume designer and fashion design degree holder from Salt Lake City, Utah. She grew up with a love for all things sparkly, colorful, magical, and creative; her excitement and joy for dressing up and designing clothing only grew with age. Raine's main objective with fashion design is to tell a story through the shape, colors, fabrics, and overall presence of the design. She strives to think out of the box and achieve the unimaginable—her passion lies with stepping into the unknown and jumping into whatever sewing project beckons to her next. Raine discovers inspiration from various films, strong female characters, music, unique fabrics, extravagant costumes, and nature. In addition to designing and all things sewing, Raine has been involved in the cosplay and geek community ever since 2012. She has found that in being herself, she delights in breaking the mold of expectation and pursuing thrilling creative endeavors. Furthermore, her entry into The Her Universe Fashion Show 2021 has brought newfound excitement with not only pushing the boundaries of her design skillset, but also with being amongst a group of like-minded creators to inspire and expand her experience.



MARISSA SOTO SHE/HER
 @Obsessed_Design
 Stay Toasty - *Ghostbusters*

Marissa Soto is a fashion designer, photographer, artist and a proud geek from Watsonville, California. Her love of fashion began when she was younger after watching her grandma sew. Seeing the way clothes can transform a person is powerful. Marissa has always been obsessed with movies and television. Originally wanting to be a Costume Designer, she has instead merged her love of costumes and fashion into everyday geek couture inspired streetwear. Marissa believes geek couture is the beginning to a whole new era of fashion. It's a true representation of what we fans are passionate about and who we are as members in the geek community. A geek herself, Marissa knows firsthand that specialty clothing is unique and carries sentimental value. Marissa wants to create pieces inspired by pop culture and fandoms. Geek couture is more than just a graphic t-shirt, a hat, or a jacket; it's wearable art that represents us as individuals and the community that understands us when no one else can.



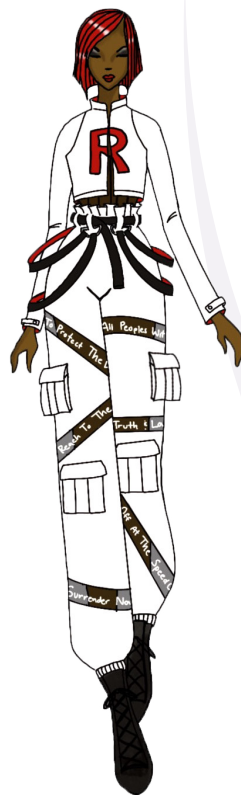
VERONICA BLUMBERG SHE/HER
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Ground Zero - Boku No Hero Academia

Veronica Blumberg is an uber geek girl from Normal, Illinois. She has always been into cosplay, costumes and dress up. She created her first cosplay costume herself at age 10 for a local comic convention. She was blessed to be part of a sewing class taught by a very talented, experienced woman when Veronica was 15. This class culminated in Veronica's first ever fashion design creation which she modeled herself during the annual fashion show. This experience placed her with other like-minded young women and propelled her to pursue her passion as a costume designer at Illinois Wesleyan University. Veronica has designed for several shows at the University and is scheduled to design for a large production in her final year. Being a fan of so many different media forms from anime, video games, comics and movies has led Veronica to design some truly fun costumes inspired by strong female lead characters. She has shown off her creations at comic conventions in multiple states and plans to attend DragonCon this fall. It has been her dream to participate in the Her Universe fashion show at the San Diego ComicCon since she watched her first show in 2015. Her Universe creations have been a real inspiration for Veronica and she is super honored to participate this year.



TEIHLOR JOHNSON SHE/HER
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To Unite All Fashions Within Our Nation - Pokémon

Teighlor Johnson is an endearingly awkward (her words) 90's kid living in Orlando, FL. Learning to sew from her grandmother when she was little, Teighlor has always loved the way clothing can tell a story. That, combined with her love of fantasy, anime, and comic books, it's no surprise she ended up developing her own geeky designs to express herself. Growing up without a lot of representation in the fandom community, Teighlor became determined to become her own representation, and through the Her Universe community, found like-minded individuals who helped give her the sense of community and belonging she had been looking for. When she isn't sewing, Teighlor likes to lounge on the couch watching the latest Netflix release with her husband and gremlin of a cat, Calcifer. She also runs her own chainstitch embroidery business, Teighlor Made Co. This is Teighlor's 6th time entering, and her 1st time as a finalist. She's really excited to present her design to you all.



JENNIFER CLARK SHE/HER
@jclarkcostumes
The Stylish Nomad - Avatar: The Last Airbender

Jennifer is a costume and fashion designer originally from St. Louis, Missouri, now based on the West Coast. She has been designing and creating clothing since she got her first American Girl doll at the age of 10 and her grandmother taught her how to sew. Since then she has designed costumes at theaters across the country, dipped her toes in the film industry designing a few short films, graduated from UC Irvine with a Masters in Costume Design, and was a finalist in the Her Universe Fashion show in 2019. Jennifer has a passion for storytelling and creating fantasies which led her to fashion. Everybody is telling their story to the world through what they wear, fashion gives us the opportunity to inject a bit whimsy and imagination into our everyday story, and provides people with the ability to present themselves to the world. The designs and fashions Jennifer strives to create are ones that empower and enable everyone to not only have a wearable piece of art but also gives everyone the chance to be their authentic selves.



HAILEY JENSEN SHE/HER
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Lore Couture - Lore Olympus

Hailey Jensen is a fine artist, digital illustrator and self-taught seamstress from California. As a Halloween obsessed kid, she played dress up throughout her childhood, while also reading as many books & watching as many cartoons as she could. She let all those passions push her into sewing, excited that she could make & wear costumes from her favorite media. Starting out by making a Merida costume after seeing *Brave* in theaters, she's delighted to have learned enough about sewing to design her own looks. She now combines her artistic inspirations of nature, fantasy & historical costuming to influence all her creative endeavors, especially with her look this year. As an avid devourer of all things pop culture, designing geek couture is a dream come true. Drawing fashion inspired by a fantasy world she enjoys & getting to make that into a wearable garment is the perfect combination of all her interests.



KATIE COLLEEN SHE/HER
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The Red Coat and Hat - *Carmen Sandiego*

Katie Colleen is a disabled designer, cosplayer, and YouTuber from the Pacific Northwest. She is striving to make fashion more inclusive and to inspire confidence.

In her teenage years, Katie developed a degenerative cartilage disorder and eventually needed the help of various mobility aids. Using mobility aids as a young person posed many challenges for growing self confidence. During this time, she also developed a passion for sewing and designing. It was only a matter of time before Katie incorporated her love for sewing into her journey for self confidence. She enjoys decorating forearm crutches and wheelchairs to match her various cosplays and designs. Katie's vision is for fashion to be inclusive of mobility aids by making them part of the design.



CHRISTINE GEIGER SHE/HER
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Starlet Witch - *Marvel Studios' WandaVision*

Christine lives in Los Angeles, California. She first moved to LA to attend Otis College of art and design. After graduating with her BA in fashion design she went on to 10+ years of experience as a swimwear designer for many different brands and labels. She deeply missed traveling, cosplaying at conventions, and going to movie theaters this past year and looks forward to returning to all of them. Her passion for reading, drawing and games has really gotten her through 2020.



EMILY GILMER SHE/HER
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Hoist The Couture - *Pirates of the Caribbean*

Emily Gilmer is a self taught designer from Orlando Florida. Growing up all over the world, one of the things that was consistent in her life was her passion for all things fandom. She is now the Head of Apparel Development and Graphic Designer for 3N2 Sports, after graduating from Flagler College with a BA in Graphic Design. She also worked as the Assistant Costume Designer at Flagler. Emily has been creating fandom inspired looks since she was a kid, but started sewing them herself while she was a freshman in college. In 2016 Emily created her own brand she designs under called Geeky Girl Fashions. Under this brand she creates everyday fandom inspired looks as well as award winning cosplays. In 2014 Emily saw the first Her Universe Fashion show and knew that this was the place for her, a group of like minded people also creating fashion for people like her, and so the long journey began. She entered for the first time in 2016 and every year since and is proud to finally be participating for the first time this year. As Walt Disney said, "If you can dream it, you can do it", and that rings true, the struggle is long, but the reward is worth the heartbreaks.



MCKENNA FELLOWS SHE/HER
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Portals - *The World Between Worlds - Star Wars: Rebels*

McKenna Fellows is a graphic designer, self-taught costumer/special effects artist, and huge nerd from Apex, North Carolina. A love of movies, video games, and all things creative began from watching Star Wars at the age of 4, and has since expanded into several fandoms and creative mediums. McKenna believes the best way to learn is to try and try again, and has applied this technique to multiple artistic endeavors, but especially with fashion and sewing. As someone who was once afraid of sewing machines, McKenna wanted to challenge herself by entering the Her Universe Fashion Show. Growing up wearing the same fandom shirts as her younger brother, McKenna has been inspired by the surge and support of nerdy fashion in recent years. After witnessing the HUFS in person, she decided to take the plunge and apply. Not only to see if she would be able to bring her design to life, but to have the chance to meet other like-minded designers who enjoy bringing their love of fandoms and fashion together.



SKYLER BARRETT SHE/HER
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Chess Can Be Beautiful - The Queen's Gambit

Skyler Barrett is a costumer, couture designer, and seamstress from Orlando, Florida. Skyler began sewing when she was just seven years old, learning from her mother and grandmother, and she grew up assisting them with seamstress and design work for figure skating costumes. After receiving tickets to a convention for her 13th birthday, she began using the skills she had learned to create cosplay costumes. Not long after taking up cosplay as a hobby she realized her passion for creating her own costume designs and geek fashion pieces, both couture level and ready to wear. Skyler finds inspiration in many places, from film characters and musicals to theme park architecture, and she is drawn to geek couture for its unique storytelling potential. As a lover of avant-garde and camp style, she loves pushing the boundaries of fashion and costume design while developing new sewing techniques to use in her work. Her favorite part of geek couture design is expressing the story of her inspiration through the details of her designs, finding ways to add subtle nods to different aspects of the source material. Skyler currently works as a freelance designer and seamstress while working towards her degree in Theater Design.



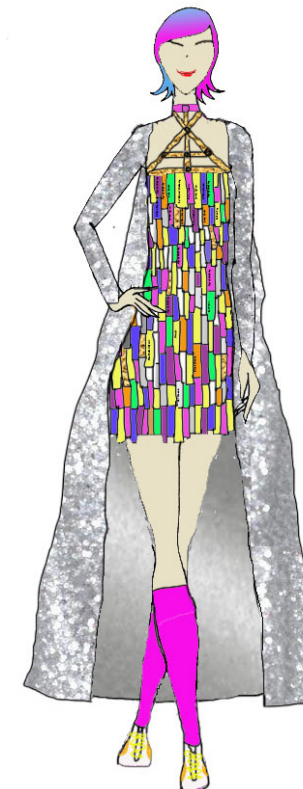
COLIN COOK HE/HIM
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Taka's Pride - The Lion King

Colin spent most of his youth scouring the forests for signs of magic, elves, and lost civilizations. With his head always in the clouds, he loved dressing up and telling stories. From pretend games to the stage, he was usually in one costume or another. It is here he learned the transformative power of clothes. The difference between Pauper and Prince, proud night and scheming servant, is first told through their clothing. After teaching himself how to sew, he began to make clothes that told his own story. He found turning fandom into fashion to be empowering in several ways: not only do we get to embody what inspires us and literally walk the footsteps of our heroes, but it also brings together our community by giving perfect strangers common ground. Colin was able to find confidence and empowerment through the threads he wore and is honored to have a place in the Her Universe legacy, giving that gift to others.



JILL N. NOFZIGER SHE/HER
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Agatha All Along - Marvel Studios' WandaVision

Jill grew up in the small town, Snohomish, WA, where her interests in fashion and fantasy at an early age (Disney most of all!) put her sights beyond her hometown. Her love of design ultimately drove her to change course from a BA in cognitive psychology to pursue her dream career as a designer. She is thrilled to have been a finalist in the 2018 and 2019 Her Universe Fashion Shows! She currently works a "day job" in hospitality, but continues her passion of designer freelance. Jill currently resides in Ventura with her husband, welsh corgis, and black cat, and is honored to be a graduate of FIDM in fashion design and advanced theatre costume design. As a child, Jill remembers being told that her interests were for "babies". "Geek Couture offers a wonderful opportunity to those of us who felt inadequate as a child to be empowered through fashion."



EMILY BLAKE SHE/HER
@The_Color_Witch
The Fantabulous Fashion of One Harley Quinn - Birds of Prey and the Fantabulous Emancipation of One Harley Quinn

Emily Blake loves color. She is a self-taught designer living in Los Angeles, working in the film industry as a script supervisor by day and experimenting with art supplies and fabric by night, always trying to find the prettiest color combination and the coolest technique. She can't draw very well, but she can throw color on anything. She loves stories about women finding their power, and sees geek fashion as a way for all of us to capture a little of that power for ourselves every day.



VIVIEN LEE SHE/HER
 @freshfrippersy
 This is the Way - *Star Wars: The Mandalorian*

Vivien Lee is a cosplayer, historical costumer, and vintage fashion enthusiast from Northern California whose sewing experience and interests span many eras and genres including sci-fi, fantasy, 18th century, Regency, Victorian, Edwardian, and every decade from the 1910s - 1950s. She loves the dedication and handwork found in historic clothing, the craftsmanship and attention to detail found in vintage fashion, and the storytelling and wow factor found in movie costumes. Vivien is inspired by all the wonderful friends she's made in the costuming and sewing community, and is a proud member of the Official Rebel Legion and the Greater Bay Area Costumer's Guild. She believes everyone has the right to feel attractive and powerful in their clothing, and geek couture is a celebration of individuality and community at the same time.



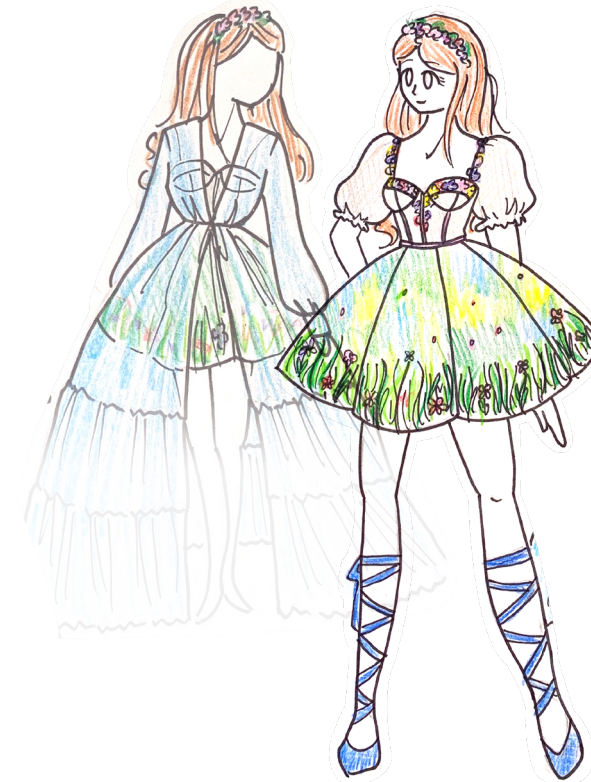
BREANNE CREMEAN SHE/HER
 @thegeekstress
 Painting Class - *The Joy of Painting with Bob Ross*

Breanne is a mild-mannered marketer and Michigan mom by day, and a maker by night. When she's not working or spending time with her family, she's likely to be found in the basement tinkering with all kinds of designs and artistic activities. She enjoys fashion, cosplay, and historic fashion, as well as illustration and comic arts, model making, miniatures, and learning whatever new skill or technique she can. She's also the owner and artist behind the fantasy accessory brand, Creature Clutches on Etsy. The space where fandom and fashion meet is a perfect storm for self-expression that Breanne loves to play in. She likes to find the solutions to making things happen, whether that's figuring out how to fabricate something tricky, or finding the perfect detail to complete a new design, the joy for her is in the process and in discovering the "why" behind everything.



KATARINA WHITMARSH-MONROE SHE/HER
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 Vader In Vogue - *Star Wars*

Katarina Whitmarsh-Monroe is a creator, cosplayer, actor, and designer originally from Pennsylvania. She has been making clothing and costumes since she was young, starting with hand-sewing scraps of fabric to make clothes for her dolls. That early spark for sewing developed into a passion and for the past 12 years, she has been creating various designs based on the fandoms she loves. Her mother likes to say that "every day is Halloween" with Katarina as she has been finding ways to mix fandom and fashion for most of her life! Geek Couture has helped her express who she is, show off what she loves, and is a constant source of creative inspiration. Extravagant and fantastical gowns inspired by fairytales and fashion have always captured her imagination and are her favorite looks to design. Throughout this experience, Katarina has been grateful for her husband and family for their constant encouragement and for her ever so helpful cat-assistant, Rory!



ELI EBBERTS SHE/HER
 @eliebberts
 The Confessions Dress and Blue Tint Dressing Gown - *Twilight*

Eli Ebberts is a cosplayer, YouTuber, and costume designer living in the beautiful Pacific Northwest. Eli grew up trading Pokemon cards in the cafeteria and racing home after school to watch Sailor Moon on TV, needless to say geek culture will always be a major driving force in her life. She has been creating her own costumes for more than a decade and holds a BA in Theater Arts, which she uses to bring her favorite characters to life through skits and photos. Eli finds inspiration in powerful female characters who aren't afraid to be feminine and vulnerable, while still staying strong and fighting for what's right. She strives to be a source of positive energy and encouragement to those around her, always reminding her audience to "keep sewing, stay positive, and have fun." When she's not sewing Eli can be found baking sweet treats or performing as a net idol. Eli is absolutely thrilled to be a part of this year's Her Universe Fashion Show and cannot wait to share her design.



KATHRYN HENZLER SHE/HER
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Clan Fraser Couture - *Outlander*

Kathryn Henzler is a composer, performer, designer, translator, writer, athlete, nerd, and animal-rights activist from Perrysburg, OH. Having been a vegan for 8 years, Kathryn makes it a point to utilize sustainable and cruelty-free fabrics and materials. She developed an interest in fashion in junior high school and started cosplaying a few years later after realizing her true potential as a huge nerd. After college, she started designing for independent films, museum exhibitions, figure skating, couture shows, and theatre productions. Geek Couture is a large part of what she currently designs, and she believes it is hugely important in the future of fashion because it allows both designers and consumers to express their passions in an open, non-judgmental way, giving them a safe space in fandoms, conventions, and the real world to be wholly themselves. She is inspired by nature, literature, music, and architecture, and her designs mainly evoke the ethereal and whimsical, with occasional forays into more sleek and powerful looks.



LYNLEIGH SATO SHE/HER
@lynleighlove
Lady Whistledown Reveals the Runway - *Bridgerton*

Lynleigh Sato is from Redondo Beach, California. Growing up in an artistically strong household, drawing was her preferred creative outlet. It wasn't until after high school, that a taste for fashion was sparked upon attending Anime Expo in 1999. Watching the masquerade opened the doors to a community of energetic cosplayers and the desire to construct beautifully tailored costumes of her favorite characters. Subsequently, her mother taught her how to sew, gifted her a sewing machine, and the saga began. Lynleigh graduated from FIDM in 2004 and later earned a BFA in Fashion and Costume Design. She started her own Lolita fashion business and has worked briefly backstage at Disneyland as a seamstress fixing costumes. Lynleigh believes "Cosplay is not just a hobby, it's a way to show your love of a subject to others around you. Evolving cosplay into fashion is a way for everyone to experience the same enjoyment I have had as a cosplayer



SARAH TIMM SHE/HER
@breathcue
Wait For It - *Hamilton*

Sarah is a costume designer and technician originally from Ukiah, CA and currently living in Orange County. She grew up performing onstage in theatre, choir, and dance. She first started altering and making her own clothes in high school, thanks to her mother's guidance. Sarah studied Fashion Design at the Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising, and continued to the advanced program in Theatre Costume Design. She currently works as a costume designer and cutter/drafter in theatres around OC, including South Coast Repertory and Fullerton College. During lockdown in 2020, she and a colleague started a costuming podcast called The Costume Plot! Sarah is proud to be a part of the diverse and impactful world of geek couture, where you can express yourself and your appreciation for pop culture freely, creatively, and without judgement. She is deeply grateful for the support of her parents and sister/fabric advisor, Anna.





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