



**Stanislaus County Library**

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### **Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library to host fanfiction contest for teens**

*Local library to offer teens a chance to celebrate NaNoWriMo, with a twist*

As writers from around the world celebrate National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) this November, the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library is encouraging local teens to take on a creative writing challenge of their own.

Beginning Thursday, Nov. 1, ages 12 to 18 are invited to write works of fanfiction inspired by their favorite fandoms. Each work must be 10,000 words or less and submitted by Friday, Nov. 30.

“We want to encourage teens to share their stories and write!” said Jessica Geiss, children’s librarian at the Salida Library. “Writing a whole novel in a month is a daunting task, but practicing your writing skills through fanfiction can be a great start.”

Participants are asked to email their submissions to [salida@stanlibrary.org](mailto:salida@stanlibrary.org). The email should include the participant’s name, fandom, and contact phone number. Submissions are limited to one per person. The winner will be announced on Monday, Dec. 17.

The Salida Library is located at 4835 Sisk Road. For more information, please call the library supervisor, Wayne Philbrook, at 209-543-7353. Information on regularly occurring library programs can be found at [www.stanislauslibrary.org](http://www.stanislauslibrary.org), under the “Events and Classes” tab.

#### **About the Stanislaus County Library**

The Stanislaus County Library engages all members of the community and offers access to information, knowledge, and the tools for innovation and personal development. With 13 locations throughout the county, the Library offers a diverse collection of free materials, computer access and Wi-Fi, Story Times, programming for all ages, and more. To learn more about the Library’s wide array of programs and services, visit [www.stanislauslibrary.org](http://www.stanislauslibrary.org).

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