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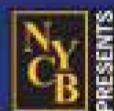
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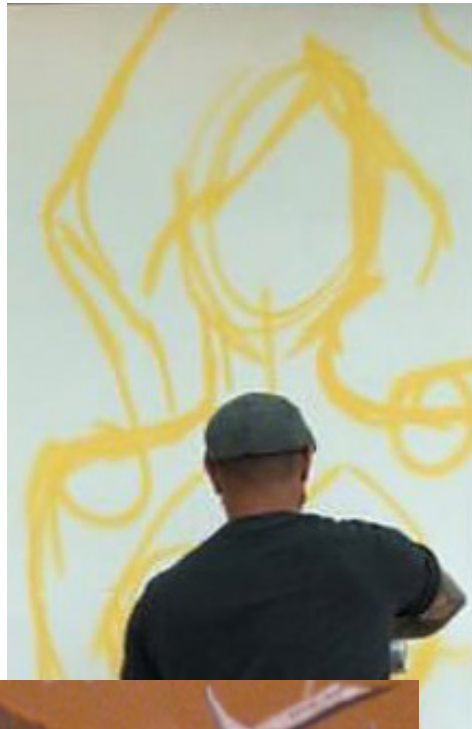
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Cradle-Con Returns Celebrating Comics, Collectibles



Sat, June 1st 10am - 7pm - Sun, June 2nd 10am - 5pm

Day of Event Tix \$25 Adult; \$12 Kids (2-12)

Advance Tickets Now - May 31st \$20 Adults; \$10 Kids (2-12); Weekend Pass \$30

Free Parking www.cradlecon.com

Cradle of Aviation's Own Non-Profit Con Celebrates Local Talent, Cosplayers, & Community and All Your Favorite Characters

Garden City, N.Y. May 8, 2019 – The Cradle of Aviation's own non-profit, comic, & collectible con, Cradle Con, is back with new artists, cosplayers, panels, and vendors celebrating Long Island and all our favorites; Star Wars, Avengers, Funkos, Marvel, DC Comics, Doctor Who and more. Special guests include innovative and beloved comic book artists Edgardo Miranda-Rodriguez, John Snyder III, Pat Shand, and Jay Stuart. Activities include Jedi Training, Star Wars and Avenger cosplayers, Retro Video Game Lounge, costume contests, and more. Cradle-Con is a local, non-profit, affordable, accessible event where local artists, vendors, and cosplayers are celebrated and where attendees of all ages can find their passion and have fun. Save when you buy tix online before 5/31 for savings. Visit cradlecon.com for complete list of guests, vendors, panels, and exciting experiences available.



“Cradle-Con is the newest comic and pop culture experience on Long Island. We have grown in our second year based upon the demand for us to bring the convention back after our inaugural year success. Our focus is on comics, local artists, local vendors, and local cosplayers because they are truly the people that make this subculture continue to grow into the phenomenon that it is. We here at the museum are all fans of some aspect of comic culture and pop culture so we try to design a convention that we would want to attend as well as keeping it as locally grown as possible.” – Seamus Keane, Director of Special Events

COSPLAY Over 50 professional cosplayers will be appearing with Cosplay Contests for convention attendees (Saturday, ages 16+; Sunday 15 and under). · Local, affordable, accessible event where local artists, vendors, and cosplayers are celebrated and where attendees have many choices of entertainment; can relax and have fun

The Cradle of Aviation Museum and Education Center is home to over 75 planes and spacecraft representing over 100 years of aviation history and Long Island's only Giant Screen Dome Theater. Currently, the museum is celebrating “Countdown to Apollo at 50” sponsored by the Robert D.L. Gardiner Foundation, showcasing Long Island and Grumman's significant role in the Apollo program. The Museum was recently recognized and listed on New York State's National Register of Historic Places as a significant part of American history. The museum is located on Museum Row, Charles Lindbergh Blvd., in East Garden City. For more information call (516) 572-4111 or visit www.cradleofaviation.org.



Cosplay favorites from the 501st Region, Empire City Garrison group return portraying beloved Star Wars characters interacting with attendees for photos and fun. Also returning is the entertaining Saber Guild –Endor Temple performers offering two Train to Be a Jedi experiences, Padawan Training for ages 5-12 and Intro to Light Saber Choreography for ages 13+. And attendees can extend their Endgame experience with Cradle Con first time visitors, the non-profit, New York Avengers featuring Cosplayer and Co-Creator of Sam Comic, Samantha Catalano and cosplayer and podcaster, Babs Butcher.



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RETRO VIDEO GAMING The Long Island Retro Video Game Expo presents The Retro Video Game Lounge at Cradle-Con 2019, featuring over 50 classic video games, play classic titles like Nintendo, Sega Genesis, Super Nintendo, N64, and PlayStation. We are also dusting off some of the arcade classics from the museum collection such as Pac-Man, Donkey Kong, Spy Hunter, Tetris, Frogger, Space Invaders, Street Fighter II, Mortal Kombat and many more. And offering classic tournaments for players of all levels.

VENDORS Over fifty beloved comic, toy and collectible vendors including Long Island's own Best Comics (New Hyde Park), 4th World Comics (Smithtown), and The Comic Box (Massapequa)

About Cradle Con Cradle-Con was founded in June 2018 in an effort to raise funds for the Cradle of Aviation's Museum and Education Center's Women in STEM Education programs. The programs are designed to empower and enrich education for girls and young women to excel in the science and tech-based jobs of the future.



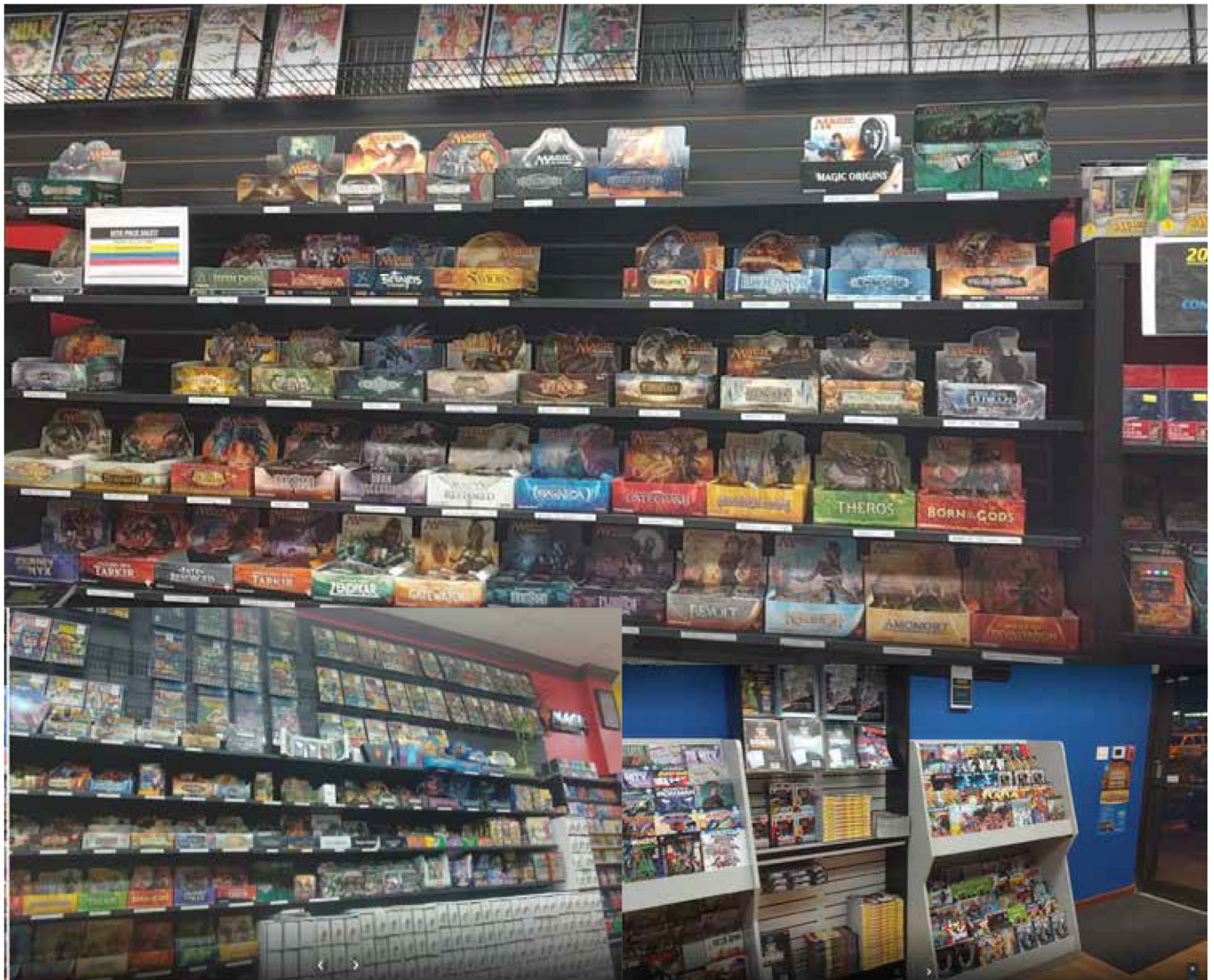






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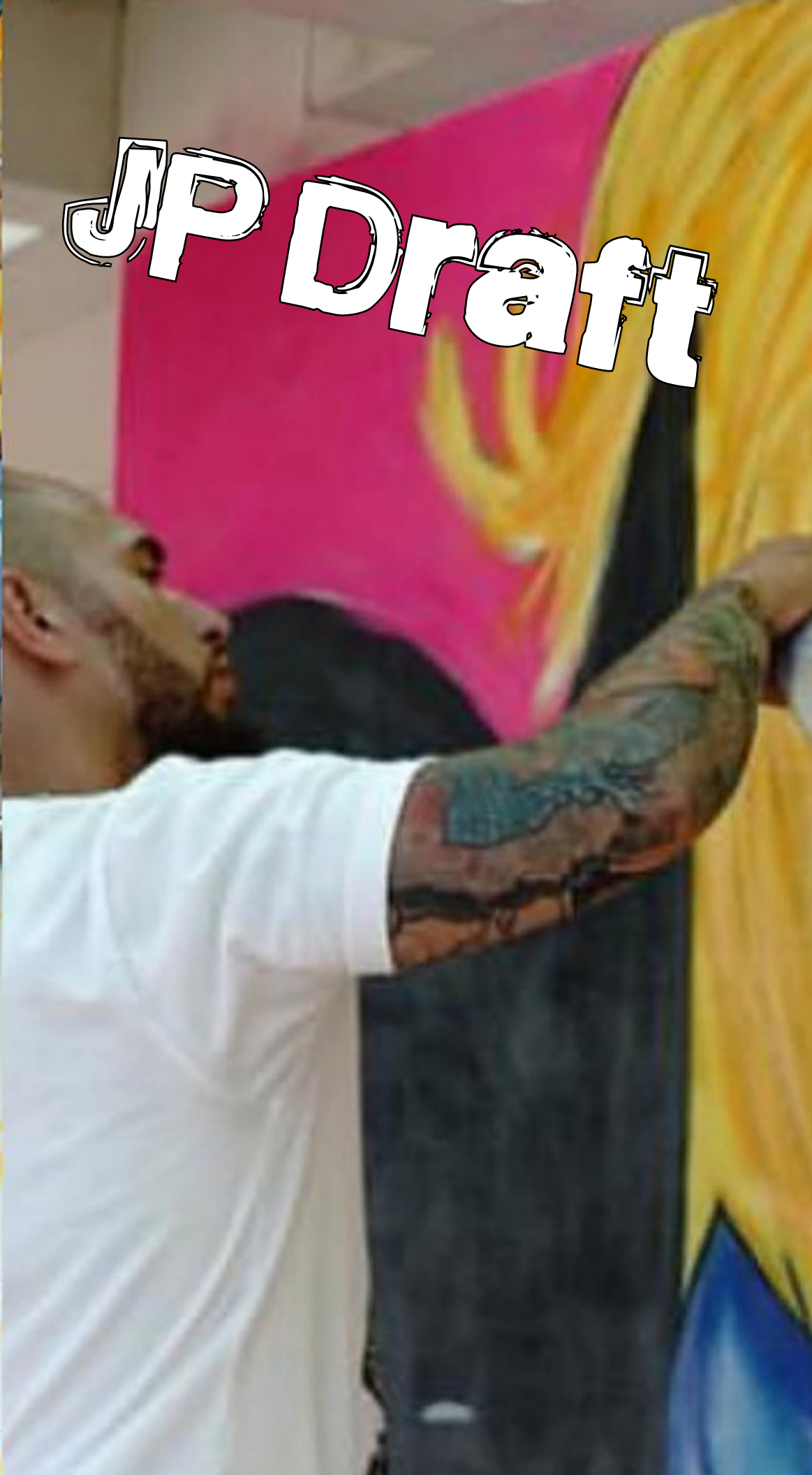
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JIP Draft



Street art Meets Cradle Con

An 8 foot by 8 foot, graffiti canvas piece sponsored by; Existence Plus, Cradle of Aviation and Blick Art Supplies, done by the artist Jean Paul Saliba (Draft) was raffled off at Cradle Con 2018. The piece gives us a perfect example of girl power depicting the three hallmark female characters from DC comics. A family friendly side by side pop art cartoon rendering of the Supergirl, Batgirl and Wonder Woman.

Jean Paul Saliba (Draft) has been an artist since the early 2000s. Gaining much of his inspiration from aerosol artists; Enme Oner, Tag and Seen, comic book artist the likes of Jim Lee and Todd Mcfarlane and tattoo artists such as Tattoo Lou, and Popo. Along with inspiration from classical artist such as Francisco Poble and Salvador Dali.



PAT SHAND

Writes comics (Robyn Hood, Family Pets, Vampire Emmy & the Garbage Girl), novels (Charmed for HarperCollins/Joe Books), and pop culture journalism (Sad Girls Guide, Blastoff Comics). He lives in New York with his girlfriend and their veritable zoo of cats. He's big on cats, comics, and cats again.



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EDGARDO MIRANDA-RODRIGUEZ

Comic Book Writer, Artist

Edgardo Miranda-Rodriguez is the Creative Director and owner of his own Brooklyn-based production and creative services studio, Somos Arte. With close to 20 years of experience, Edgardo has delivered exemplary services in graphic design for both digital and print for such clients as Atlantic Records and Columbia University. Under the leadership of our Creative Director Edgardo Miranda-Rodriguez, our studio provides graphic novel production, web design/development, branding, key artwork and video production. In addition, Edgardo is a curator of art exhibitions having already produced three original art exhibitions based on Marvel comics.

Edgardo continues to be recognized widely for his work on CNN, The New York Times, Washington Post, NPR and numerous other media outlets as a graphic novelist having already produced his creator owned project, the critically acclaimed La Borinqueña. In addition he has produced graphic novels under the Darryl Makes Comics imprint which he co-owns with Darryl DMC McDaniels (from RUN DMC), and the comic book series Freak written by Emmy award winning writer John Leguizamo. He has also written for Marvel Comics critically acclaimed anthology Guardians of the Galaxy: Tales of the Cosmos.



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JOHN K. SNYDER III

Comic Book Writer, Artist

John K. Snyder III has been a veteran in the comics field for over thirty years, and has worked for nearly every major publisher throughout his career. John is known for his distinctive, graphic style and attention to detail in his work. Credits include work on key issues of the 1980's run of SUICIDE SQUAD as well as covers for the 2007 mini-series. Other published/licensed covers and trading card, pin-up, and gallery pieces include well-known subjects such as GREEN LANTERN, VAMPIRELLA, STAR TREK, STAR WARS, THE SHADOW, THE SPECTRE, PLANET OF THE APES, JONNY QUEST, THE SPIRIT, and many others. Additional cover work includes a run of classic cover re-creations for THE OVERSTREET PRICE GUIDE featuring the FANTASTIC FOUR, DAREDEVIL, THE HULK, THOR, X-MEN, IRON MAN, and the Golden Age JUSTICE SOCIETY. In collaboration with Matt Wagner, Snyder co/re-imagined DOCTOR MID-NITE(Pieter Cross)for DC Comics. Other work includes the landmark GOD AND THE DEVIL storyline of Matt Wagner's GRENDL. John is also known as the creator of the groundbreaking alternative comic series FASHION IN ACTION, featuring the adventures of an all-female celebrity protection agency in the late,



far-out 21st century. John also co-created the 1980's series LEO KRAGG:THE PROWLER with Timothy Truman and Michael Price. Also,in collaboration with Matt Wagner, John co-created LADY ZORRO for Dynamite. JUST ANNOUNCED! John's Graphic Novel adaptation of LAWRENCE BLOCK'S classic detective novel EIGHT MILLION WAYS TO DIE featuring MATTHEW SCUDDER, published by IDW, is now available from booksellers, bookstores, and comic shops everywhere!

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J. K. SNIDER III

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Recently I got to speak with Brandon “The Irish Hammer” Teague. An inspiring young man, with dreams, and goals of being an MMA champion, Teague is determined to make that happen.

KS

Brandon, thank you for taking the time to speak with me!! I know your story, and journey, most people don't. Brandon tell everyone a little about yourself...

BT

My name is Brandon Teague I'm born with cerebral palsy and I'm a future mma fighter and I'm a special Olympics athlete and deputy sheriff as well.

KS

When did you decide that you wanted to be a mixed martial artist?

BT

Since I was 7 years old I wanted to be a fighter my first fight I watched Forrest Griffin vs Stephen Bonnar TUF season 1 finale it changed my life.

KS

What styles of fighting do you currently do?

BT Boxing.

KS

You have many medals and accolades tell us about them?

BT

I compete in 100 meter dash slalom and I have the support of you my friends and my family it wouldn't be possible without support I love reaching new levels.

KS

Who are some of the fighters you look up to?

BT

BT Michael Chandler Royce Gracie Chuck Liddell Jessica Eye MVP GSP Matt Hughes Forrest Griffin and Frank Mir.

KS

Do you think there should be an organization or division for athletes with disabilities?

BT Absolutely.

KS

What is it like being a deputy sheriff?

BT

It's a fun roller coaster I love patrolling and getting the bad guys off the streets it's an adrenaline rush.

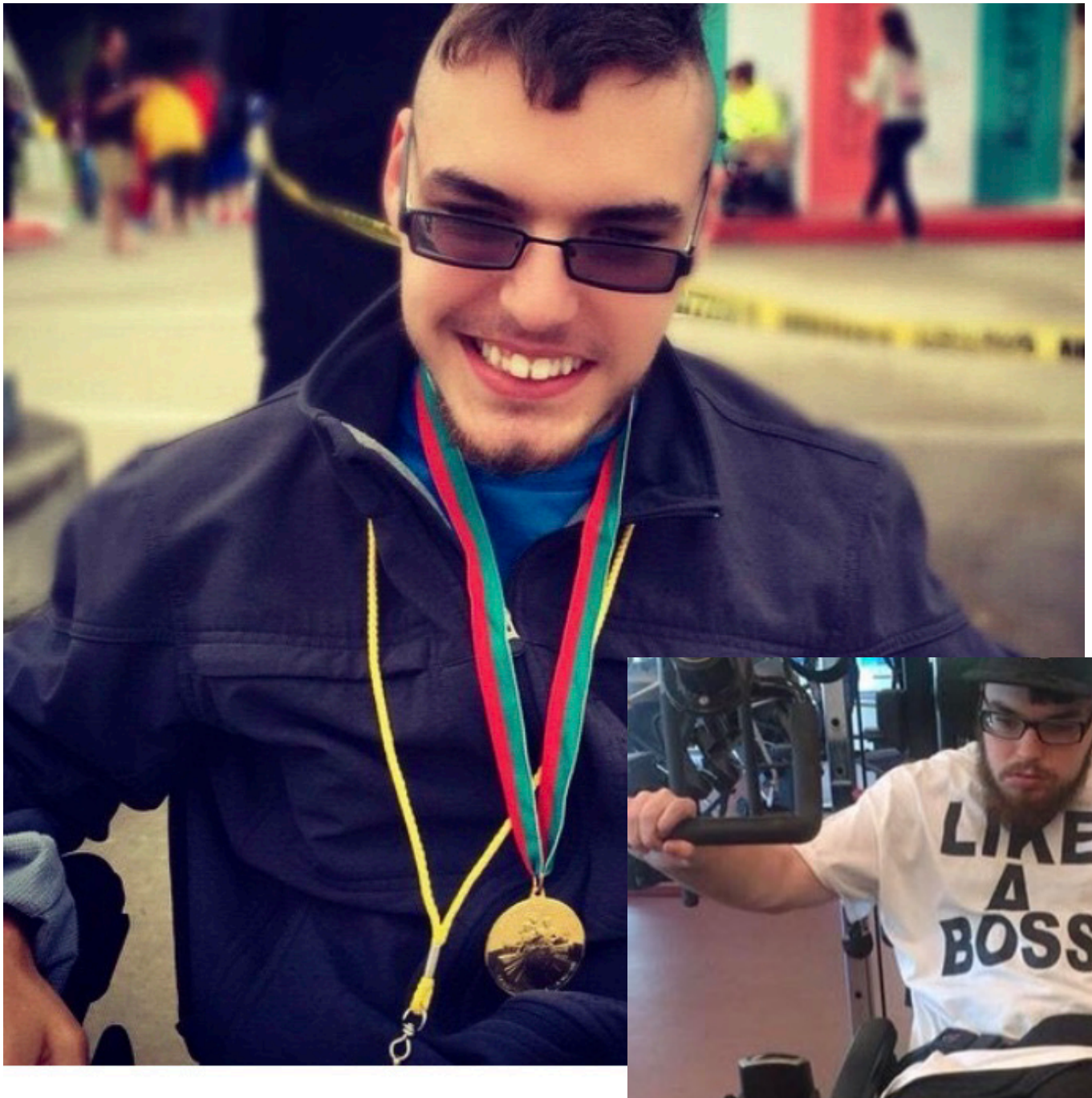
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Where does your name come from?

BT

My name came from my ancestors that came to America all the way from Ireland and I came up with the nickname the Irish hammer because my hands hit hard like a hammer hitting a nail.

KS



Wl:

BT

I'm one determine fighter I never quit and I always keep coming that's what a warrior Iam.

KS

Where can everyone follow your amazing journey?

BT

Twitter &IrishHammerMMA Instagram Teaguetheirishhammer

KS

Thank you so much again for taking the time to speak wit me Brandon.

