



WHY PEOPLE LARP

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LARP is an acronym for Live Action Role Play, an activity, game or sport that is played out by larger group of people, both men and women. There are many ways to do a LARP, it can be a controlled scenario, as if it was a play, with strict rules and regulations. It may just be a simple meeting of historical recreationists, or simply a group of people who want to reenact a simple battle scene.

Most people who are involved in LARPing are imaginative and may be socially different. They generally like genre fiction and are probably very intelligent. The social differences are what bring most of them together. They understand what it is like to be different and are glad to meet others like them.

Role-playing is a way to become someone else. It helps to bring players out of their shells. They tend to shed the shyness and speak up about what is on their minds because in a LARP no one will ridicule their ideas. There are different reasons to play a LARP and there are different types of LARPing as well.

Usually when participating in a role play, you'll find distinctively different types of players who play for different reasons. Some people view it as a competitive sport (the battle oriented role plays), others may simply view it as a fantasy game. Some players enjoy it as a medium to share a story, or act out history.

Some players enjoy LARPing or acting out favorite stories they enjoy reading, or other games they played in the past. It becomes a way to escape the reality, and live a fantasy life.



LARPing is a way that people can involve themselves with their favorite fantasy stories. Those that have a passion for the fictional stories can become so immersed in them that participating in a LARP can make them feel like they belong there. It is like knowing the characters and the settings of the stories and being able to create that world and be a part of it.

There are three types of people that LARP. The dramatist – the people that like to act out following a story. There is the gamer – those that like to figure things out and take part in battles. Finally, there is the immersionist. This one wants to become his or her favorite character. Playing the character is the most important part of his or her enjoyment of the activity.

Overall, many people like LARPing and find a great deal of enjoyment from acting out different roles in different settings from stories of different genres. It's a great way to lose oneself in a character or story.

