

Report From the Convention of Literary Conventions

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The 2022 Convention of Literary Conventions (CLC) is over, and what a year it was. There were surprise guests, big announcements, and lots of fun along the way. In case you couldn't tune in or attend this year, we've recapped the biggest moments, so you don't miss out on all the news.

Building up to the event, CommAssociation was teasing a big reveal, and they did not disappoint. CEO Nathaniel Oxford-Comma made an appearance to tell everyone once and for all that they all need to use the Oxford comma. "It was always my grandfather's wish for everyone to be on the same page about this." He even got the crowd involved in a pneumonic chant to remember, pointing to them to shout "COMMA" as he said "The Oxford comma is necessary *point*, fun *point*, and fantastic!" over and over. After seeing such an engaged crowd, it's going to be rough when he is forced to make the same announcement in a few years.

The TrueCrime conglomerate has recently come under fire for depicting stories that harm the living families of the victims in said stories. To avoid further scandals, they will use pseudonyms for all the people in the stories they tell. With the false names, they will be able to tell stories that satisfy their consumers' dark curiosity without anyone being able to find and research the real people. To pair with the announcement, they've also unveiled their next series: "The Crimes and Horrors of Bed Tundy."

The Deus Ex Machina panel nearly fell apart when the moderator started to refuse questions that didn't mention his new haircut and how much of a handsome boy he was with it. Luckily, his mother just so happened to be walking by, and she was able to distract him with assurances of how handsome her little man was while audience members asked their questions.

If you've been on the internet at all the last few days, you probably saw that hologram Edgar Allan Poe made an appearance to read from *The Raven* and debate with Stephen King about what's "actually scary." In a surprising twist, they both decided that nothing was scarier than Nathaniel Oxford-Comma's toupee. Said Poe: "Does he believe we do not see? Is he a fool? I fear his wrath as his wigmaker must. He must not catch me in a trance. Alas, I cannot help but stare."

Twitter has decided to use the SafeAlert software to make sure the same thing isn't said by a million different people each day. This news hit Gen-Z hard. An anonymous representative stated "...we will bounce back and find another source for our profound statements, but it's [going to] be a long road." Exceptions will be made for anyone who tweets their appreciation for SpaceX, Tesla, PayPal, or the new Twitter management.

For an in-depth look at all of the news from CLC 2022, our writers have compiled a list at [this link](#). We hope you've enjoyed this Spark Notes version of the weekend. If you have, please consider donating to our website. We rely on the generosity of our readers to continue publishing our work. I plead to you from my customized platinum keyboard, don't take away our bi-weekly staff retreats to Cabo. They really help with our writing.