

SHOP holiday



Who said "Sesame Street" is just for kids? You can be "Street" smart in red knit, fleece-lined Elmo gloves or a blue Cookie Monster hat, \$39 each at Urban Outfitters, SouthSide Works.

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From now until Dec. 24, the Post-Gazette will share ideas for everyone on your gift list.

Gift ideas for the pop culture fan

Andy Warhol's best-known quote is that thing about all of us being famous for 15 minutes, but the Father of Pop Art also said, "An artist is someone who produces things that people don't need to have but that he — for some reason — thinks it would be a good idea to give them." With that in mind, here are suggestions for the pop culture maven on your list.



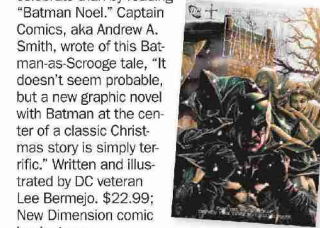
reconstructing ideas original collages include themes inspired by, for example, Pittsburgh and '80s song lyrics, like this 11-inch-by-17-inch print of Steeltown Girl. \$25; Wild Card, 4209 Butler St., Lawrenceville.



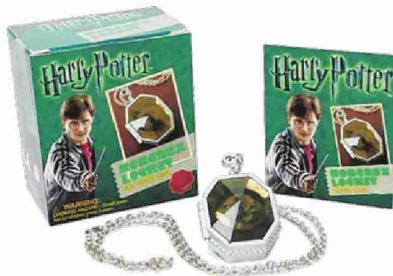
Can't get enough of the CBS comedy hit "The Big Bang Theory" and Emmy-winner Jim Parsons' Sheldon? Pop culture apparel retailer Stylin Online now has the "Soft Kitty" singing plush toy and T-shirt, sold separately and in combo. "Soft Kitty" is a ditty that Sheldon teaches to his neighbor, Penny, so she can sing it to him as his mother used to when he was sick. Press the paw, and Soft Kitty (\$29.99) will sing it to you. Women's combo is \$44.99; men's, \$44.99-\$47.99. www.StylinOnline.com/softkitty.



It's Pittsburgh, so there must be a Batman theme this Christmas, and what better way to celebrate than by reading "Batman Noel." Captain Comics, aka Andrew A. Smith, wrote of this Batman-as-Scrooge tale, "It doesn't seem probable, but a new graphic novel with Batman at the center of a classic Christmas story is simply terrific." Written and illustrated by DC veteran Lee Bermejo, \$22.99; New Dimension comic book stores.



When Bella Swan gets married to the love of her life, vampire Edward Cullen, in the film "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn — Part 1," her parents give her the gift of something old and blue, her grandmother's hair comb with newly added sapphires. A replica of the comb in a velvet box is available from several online outlets, including for \$25.99 at entertainmentearth.com.

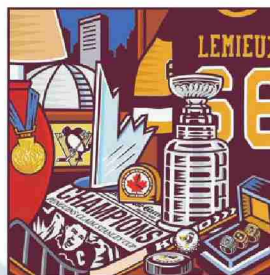


Harry Potter Slytherin's Locket Horcrux Kit and Sticker Book, \$8.95 at Barnes & Noble, is inspired by the blockbuster film "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part II." This kit contains a replica of the locket that was one of Voldemort's Horcruxes and stickers highlighting the quest to destroy it. (Quick recap: A Horcrux is an object in which dark wizards and witches can hide a fragment of their souls for the purpose of attaining immortality.)

Pop culture and science fiction are a match made in the cosmos, and nowhere do they intersect more than in the "Star Trek" and "Star Wars" universes. For the fan of one, the other or both, there's the book "Star Wars vs. Star Trek: Could the Empire Kick the Federation's A**? And Other Galaxy-Shaking Enigmas," (paperback, \$14.95) by Matt Forbeck (around \$1.1 at Amazon.com).



A still life print of Mario Lemieux's "Night Table" by pop artist Burton Morris comes signed by the artist and Penguins' great for \$2,500, with a portion of the proceeds going to The Mario Lemieux Foundation. The 66 limited edition canvases are available through Maser Galleries, 5427 Walnut St., Shadyside (www.masergalleries.com).



Only at The Andy Warhol Museum on the North Shore will you find the "Fifteen Minutes Box: Homage to Andy Warhol," a collection of recordings and images curated and produced by Jeff Gordon and Path Soong from the exhibition at The Warhol through Jan. 8. The "Box" includes four vinyl records, three CDs, liner notes, artist photos and sixteen 12-by-12-inch color offset lithographs of each artwork. \$600.



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