



ANIME FUSION

"This Con Goes to 11!"

OCTOBER 20-22, 2023

CROWNE PLAZA MINNEAPOLIS WEST
PLYMOUTH, MINNESOTA

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Against all odds, This Con Has Gone to 11! In honor of the occasion, we're excited to bring you the most musical year in the history of Anime Fusion. Our schedule is filled with live performances, including dance, drums, and full band concerts!

You'll also find plenty of the familiar content you know and love, plus new features such as the Hall Cosplay Contest and the Cosplay Cameos photo studio. At night, we'll pump up the volume with twice the room parties and a late-night dance featuring Greg Ayres as our guest DJ!

We're thrilled to have you with us this weekend. Crank it up and rip the knob off!

-Heather Bufkin, 2023 Co-Chair

Times have been... interesting. A few years ago, they were really interesting - to use the most polite word possible - but dealing with the aftermath and slow-going rebound has been quite the experience.

Our little con, despite its challenges and barriers, has started to grow and expand. We've gotten some new blood flowing through our veins, bringing new life to the org.

And that combination of things makes me very excited for the future, and what it could be. What we could be. We have some really awesome things to share with you, so stay tuned, and thank you for your continued support! It truly has meant the world to us, especially in the hard times.

-Damarra Atkins, 2023 Co-Chair

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR MEMBERS

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#AnimeFusion2023 #ThisConGoesto11



GET FEATURED!

Tag **@AnimeFusionCon** and use hashtag **#FusionFeature2023** for a chance to have your photos featured on our Facebook and Instagram pages!

Don't forget to also follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for convention updates, community information, and anime news! All can be found with **@AnimeFusionCon**.

BASIC RULES

- Don't break the hotel! Signs may only be posted using blue painter's tape.
- Be kind to your fellow attendees. Keep the hallways clear, watch out for large props and trailing costumes, and ask permission before taking photos.
- No sleeping in any convention spaces. No exceptions.
- No real weapons! Live steel is not allowed anywhere in the hotel, even if peace-bonded. Prop guns must be clearly identifiable as props on sight (i.e. marked with orange tips).
- Anime Fusion is an all-ages event. Please dress responsibly and keep language clean. Alcohol cannot be carried openly or brought into convention spaces.
- If it's illegal outside the convention, it's illegal inside the convention.
- Our complete costume policy, weapons policy, and harassment policy can be found online at animefusion.net.

CLOTHING & COSPLAY

- Anime Fusion is an all-ages event. All clothing worn in convention space must be appropriate for our overall PG-13 rating
- Clothing printed with pornographic imagery, including "ahegao" collage prints, is not permitted.
- The "bikini" areas of the body must be covered by solid material that is not see-through. This includes the entire buttocks and breast area, **for all genders**. Attendees who are not sufficiently covered may be asked to change clothes. Non-clothing items that can be easily lost, such as towels, are not considered sufficient covering.
- All pieces of a costume must remain in the cosplayer's control at all times. No glitter, flower petals, or anything else that might flake off and create a mess unless it has been permanently secured to the costume.
- Costumes must be safe for a crowded public space. No sharp edges or sharpened points. Footwear will be worn at all times.
- Anime Fusion is committed to providing a comfortable environment for its attendees. Attendees displaying symbols, text, or imagery that is deemed hateful or offensive may be asked to remove those items. Law enforcement uniforms that are realistic enough to cause potential confusion are not permitted.
- Out of respect for those who have lost loved ones, we ask that you not wear clothing or carry signs that make light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

HARASSMENT POLICY

We do not tolerate harassment in any form. Harassment includes offensive verbal or written comments, deliberate intimidation, stalking, following, unwelcome photography or recording, sustained disruption of panels or other events, inappropriate physical contact, unwelcome emails or social media content, and unwelcome attention. Certain clothing, text on clothing, signs, or behaviors that could be considered hate speech may also constitute harassment even if not directed toward a specific individual. Attendees asked to stop any harassing behavior are expected to comply immediately. Violators may be expelled from the convention without a refund. If you are being harassed, notice that someone else is being harassed, or have similar concerns, please contact a staff member immediately.

PARKING

The Crowne Plaza has a surface lot and a two-story parking ramp on the hotel property, along with the athletic club parking area which is also available for us to use. The Crowne has also obtained permission from the city of Plymouth for attendees to park on Xenium Lane, between Campus Drive and 34th Avenue on the west side of the road.

LIVESTREAM ONLINE CONTENT

Can't fit in Main Events for the Cosplay Contest? No problem! We will be broadcasting to Discord all weekend. Check out some of our panels, Opening and Closing Ceremonies, and the cosplay contest! If you included your Discord username on your registration form, you're all set! Look for the live stream in one of the voice chat channels.

If you need to be added to the Anime Fusion Discord, please email af_webteam@animefusion.net with your Discord username. It may take some time to process your request because our staff will be busy running the convention, so be sure to plan ahead!



GENERAL INFORMATION



REGISTRATION COPENHAGEN

Friday: 9 AM - 8 PM

Saturday: 9 AM - 8 PM

Sunday: 9 AM - 4:30 PM

BADGE PICK-UP: Identification is required to pick up a pre-registered membership badge. You may not pick up anyone's badge but your own.

Anime Fusion reserves the right to not issue a badge to anyone who cannot prove their identity. Attendees who are 18 years or older must show a government-issued ID with their birthdate and photo to pick up their badge. If you are under 18 and do not have a way to verify your identity, a parent or guardian over the age of 18 can pick it up for you. **Please note that a photo ID is still required to enter 18+ events; your convention badge is not enough identification to attend adult programming.** In the event that your pre-registration is not found in our records, proof of payment such as a PayPal receipt will help us issue your badge. Pre-registered attendees can also pick up their badges in Operations when Registration is closed.

WALK-UP REGISTRATIONS: If you did not pre-register, you may purchase a badge at the convention. Both weekend memberships and day passes are available at Registration during normal operating hours. Day passes are valid until 9:00 AM the following day. Outside of Registration hours, full weekend badges can be purchased in Operations. Day passes are not available after hours.

WALK-UP REGISTRATION RATES: Full Weekend - **\$55**, Friday Only - **\$35**, Saturday Only - **\$40**, Sunday Only - **\$25**

FAMILY PACKS: Anime Fusion also offers a family package deal for parents or other chaperones attending with children. The walk-up price for a family pack is the standard \$50 for one adult badge, plus one or two children age 6-12 at a discounted price of \$25 each. Children 5 and under are free. Family packs are only available for full weekend memberships. Pre-registered family packs must be picked up by the registered adult. Family badges can only be transferred or converted with the Registration head's approval. Not available for sponsorships.

BADGE REPLACEMENTS: Your membership badge has value and should be taken care of like money or an ID. If you lose your badge, you can purchase a replacement at Registration for a \$20 fee. We do not offer refunds if your original badge is found, so we recommend checking with Operations and the hotel front desk to see if anyone has turned in a lost badge before you purchase a new one.

TRANSFERS: Your convention badge is a registered membership, not a ticket. You may not give your badge to anyone else or allow anyone else to use it. If you need to transfer your membership to someone else, you can do so at the Registration desk during normal operating hours. Transfers cannot be processed after hours or for badges that have already been picked up.

SPONSORS: Thank you for your support! Please make sure to stop in at Registration to pick up your T-shirt and goodie bag.

OPERATIONS STUDIO 9

Friday: 9 AM - 2:30 AM

Saturday: 9 AM - 2:30 AM

Sunday: 9 AM - 5 PM

Lost something? Got a question? Need help from staff? Operations is the convention's main office for general information, after-hours badge pickup, and the burgeoning Lost & Found. As you're wandering the halls, you can always get help and information from our Safety team, staff members in Anime Fusion lab coats, or the convention emergency hotline.

The emergency hotline number is printed on the back of every Anime Fusion membership badge and is a direct line to Operations. It accepts calls and text messages. If you ever feel unsafe at the convention and there are no staff members around, you can contact us at **612-470-2089** for immediate assistance.



VOLUNTEERS FIRESIDE LOUNGE

Friday: 2 PM - 10 PM

Saturday: 12 PM - 10 PM

Sunday: 11 AM - 3 PM

Interested in helping out? Want to get some behind-the-scenes convention experience? As a volunteer, you help make our convention possible, and you can receive rewards for your time and effort. Volunteers often check badges to keep our convention secure, serve food to the other attendees in Con Fuel, and help out in other areas where they are needed. Plus, any volunteer who exceeds 12 hours will earn a free badge to the following year's convention!



A celebration of diversity in our inspirations,
our creative communities, and our fandoms.

CONVERGENCE 2024:

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CON FUEL CONFERENCE ROOM E

Friday: 5 PM - 12 AM

Saturday: 9 AM - 12 AM

Sunday: 9 AM - 5 PM

IMPORTANT NEWS!! Con Fuel has moved! We are now located in Conference Room E.

"Con Fuel" is where we serve our attendees FREE rice, ramen, snacks, and various thirst-quenching beverages. Unfortunately, COVID cases are on the rise again, as such, we strongly encourage everyone to wear a mask in Con Fuel space when you're not eating. Please pay attention to any signs, and clear the tables when you're finished eating to make room for other attendees.

- Sleeping is not allowed in Con Fuel.
- Everybody is expected to pick up after themselves.
- Please alert staff members of any spills immediately.
- Any personal items left in Con Fuel will be taken to Operations immediately, so always start your search there.

As always, please remember that Con Fuel should not be where you get all your food. Con Fuel is meant to help sustain you, but you should have plans for other meal options; whether ordering out, going to a local restaurant, or bringing food with you.

CONCESSIONS KIOSK MAIN LEVEL

Friday: 1:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Saturday: 11:30 AM - 8:30 PM

Sunday: Closed

The Crowne Plaza operates a concessions stand outside Conference Rooms D and E where they offer a variety of items for sale, such as hot dogs, chili, pizza (simple varieties), popcorn, and chicken fingers. Toppings and condiments include cheese, onions, ketchup, mustard, bbq sauce, and mayo. A variety of sodas and drink options are also available. Napkins and utensils are provided.

FAMILY ACTIVITY ROOM STUDIO 11

Here with your family, or maybe you just like to color? Anime Fusion is happy to provide a fun place for parents and kids of all ages to take a break and hang out in our Family Activity Room! One of our goals is to bring families together via anime; so come on over for a family-friendly room featuring small crafting activities, anime coloring sheets, and more!

As a reminder: This room is intended for parents and children to enjoy together. Please do not leave your children unattended anywhere at the convention.

QUIET ZONE STUDIO 13

Sometimes the hustle and bustle of convention life can be too much, and you need a nice quiet space to relax. Anime Fusion has a dedicated low-sensory quiet room that is close to the rest of the convention, but separate from all the action, for you to utilize whenever you may need it. We provide fidget toys, comfortable seating, and soft low-level lighting to help you relax. If for whatever reason you need someone to assist you, feel free to grab one of our staff members in the lab coats or with a staff badge. Safety members too!

MANGA LIBRARY STUDIO 12

There's nothing like curling up with a good book. Anime Fusion is proud to bring you its very own manga library! Rediscover an old favorite or check out something new in this comfy reading nook. We are also accepting donations of your used manga to help build up our collection. Ask a staff member how you can help make a difference!

AMBASSADOR ROW VIKING LOUNGE

Like going to anime conventions? Want to learn about other events in the area? If you answered yes, head over to the Ambassador Row just outside of Main Events to visit with representatives from other local conventions and groups. Some will even have merchandise and registrations available to purchase.



GREG AYRES

Greg Ayres has been screaming into microphones for close to 22 years now! With over 376 credits to his name, he has managed to play a variety of characters that are almost as colorful as his hair. He is honored to return to his role of Son Goku this year in Saiyuki Reload Zeroin, having worked on the Saiyuki franchise for over 20 years. He can currently be heard as Yu Nishinoya in Haikyuu, and as Chai in Shenmue The Animation on Adult Swim. Some other recent roles include Chota Segawa in Alice in Borderland (OAV), Sho Utsumi in SSSSGridman, Frost in DragonBall Super, Geo in Sony Pictures' Starship Troopers: Traitor of Mars, Jiro in Concrete Revolutio, Ryyuuou Edogawa in Doreiku, Koji Koda in My Hero Academia, and he even makes an appearance as Popuko in Pop Team Epic.

He is proud to be a part of the new "Pink Harvest" productions from Sentai Filmworks, in the roles of Izumi Sena in Lovestage, and Yabase in Hitorijime My Hero. Some other recent favorites include Nagisa Haruki in Free and Free Eternal Summer, MonoKuma in Danganronpa, Clear in Dramatical Murder, Doug in Gangsta, Zenji Marui in Food Wars, Ganta Igarashi in Deadman Wonderland, Heihachi Hayashida in Samurai 7, and Kouichi Sakakibara in Another. Some of his all-time favorite roles include Chrono in Chrono Crusade, Kaoru Hitachiin in Ouran High School Host Club, Hideki in Nerima Daikon Brothers, Youhei Sunohara in Clannad, Yuki in The Wallflower, Leo in Ghost Stories, Satoshi Hiwatari in DnAngel, Kaworu Nagisa in the Director's Cut of Neon Genesis Evangelion, Tomoki Sakurai in Heaven's Lost Property, and Negi Springfield in Negima.

Of all of his many roles, his favorite will always be the real life role of "Little Brother" to voice actor Christopher Ayres. The little guy with a big Sippy Cup, and even bigger heart - who touched the world with his "Love and Laughter."



KAZHA

Kazha is a rock band founded by a Japanese singer-songwriter Kazuha Oda and a guitarist Hideki Matsushige in 2009. Kazuha and Hideki are ESP Guitars and Mesa Boogie Artists.

Kazuha Oda is a classically trained singer who has worked in various genres of music from Classic to Heavy Metal. Her work has appeared on the iTunes Top 100 charts of numerous countries for a significant amount of time. She is an Official Ambassador of "Music Export Memphis" and currently touring nationally, representing the Birth Place of Rock'n'Roll, Memphis, Tennessee.

After the release of their first album in 2010, Kazha made its first U.S.A. debut performing at San Francisco's Asian Heritage Celebration, sharing the stage with hip-hop group Far East Movement. In September 2010, the band made its first Anime Convention debut. Since then, they have been performing at numerous Anime and Comic Conventions and Festivals around the world. Kazha has shared the stage with national artists such as George Lynch, Tracii Guns, LA Guns, Y&T, and Trapt until now. Around 2015, the band gradually started to move their base of operations to Memphis, TN.

Kazha represents a new future of music: a fusion of cultures and musical viewpoints that create their sound, combining the softness of a falling feather and the heaviness of a hurricane.

<http://www.kazha.net/>
<http://www.facebook.com/kazha.official>
<http://www.youtube.com/kazhaofficial>



SAMURAI DAN

Samurai Dan has been training and teaching the martial science of the Samurai warriors for over 25 years. Founder of the Samurai Combative Concepts organization, Dan travels the US and Canada, dedicated to keeping the arts of Japan's greatest warriors alive. Aided by his amazing wife Jillian, and their adorable Akitas, the dynamic duo teach a variety of classes and lectures at cons everywhere.

GUEST PERFORMERS



PRINCEWELCOMEMATT

Also known as Pippin Panic, Drag King, this cosplayer and funny little guy started making content and performing in 2017 using the name 'princewelcomematt'. He lives in Minnesota and has won two Minneapolis-centric titles. He is a cast member of the Saloon, produces shows with Lush Theater and Lounge, and his tagline is 'The Cartoon Character of the Twin Cities'.

In addition to drag, he has managed escape rooms, majored in clowning, been like 4 different genders probably, went viral for the wrong reasons, won a dozen or so awards, and his next show is at Lush on November 2nd!

@princewelcomematt on Instagram, Tiktok, all over really!



HAUS OF HADES

Join Panic and friends while they perform their hearts out as your favorite characters! Super queer, super weird and super premium artists from all over the Twin Cities will surprise you with the silliest, sexiest and stupidest acts you've ever seen, and all they demand are your cheers... And perhaps a dollar bill or two? ;)



HARISEN DAIKO

Since 2013, Harisen Daiko has shared the power and energy of taiko with the Greater Twin Cities Metro Area of Minnesota. They can commonly be found performing at a variety of cultural, educational, and social events. Whether you are new to taiko or a seasoned fan, Harisen Daiko provides an unforgettable experience of Japanese kumidaiko with a Midwest flair.



MIDNIGHT MINXES

The Midnight Minxes is a fantastical Nerdlesque variety group from all over the Midwest! Composed with multifaceted stage performers with eclectic talents from all shapes, sizes, and backgrounds. Our inspiration for our acts stems from our love of nerdy pop culture, such as: anime and comics to video games and tv shows. Each performer has a unique flavor of expression, whether it be cutesy and comedic or sultry and elegant, Midnight Minxes is certain to captivate with our surprising tricks and magical flair.

Bringing to life new ideas and providing astounding content for our audience to enjoy. Thank you so much, from all of us, and watch out for the Midnight Minxes as we unravel in a city near you!



THE SABER LEGION - MINNESOTA CHARTER

Come check out the Minnesota Charter for the Saber Legion, an organization with a focus on armored LED saber combat! This talented crew will be bringing Anime Fusion an exhibition match followed by a Q&A. You can also visit their ambassador table outside of Main Events to learn more about their organization.



BB DESIGN

Brittney (they/she), known as BBDesign in the community, started their cosplay journey in 2004 and never looked back. BBDesign has competed in over a dozen cosplay competitions winning multiple Best in Show and Master Craftsmanship Awards. They have had the opportunity to travel to different conventions across the US and have been nationally published in articles about building confidence through cosplay. BBDesign's home will always be the Upper Midwest, but loves traveling and meeting new people through cosplay and conventions. Outside of cosplay, BBDesign is also a Master Instructor as a 4th degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do and is a multinational gold medalist in competitive sparring. They are also a graphic designer and artist, oftentimes selling in artist alleys if not running around being a dork in cosplay. After 19 years in the cosplay world, BBDesign gives back to the community that has given them so much through hosting panels, cosplay judging, cosplay guest opportunities, and contest coordinator in the Upper Midwest.

www.facebook.com/bbdesigncosplay

Instagram: @bbdesigncosplay

photo credit to: @erikjawsphoto



HAMSTER DAYDREAM

Hamster Daydream (Theo) is a multi-award winning cosplayer from Nebraska. They aim to highlight the intricate details you can add to a cosplay, from beading to weathering, in order to make your cosplay one of a kind. For them, no detail goes unnoticed. They also strive to be as transparent as possible about the cosplay building process: from happy surprises to the "oh no"s. As a self-taught crafter in all aspects, from sewing to 3D printing, all mistakes are opportunities to learn. When Theo isn't fighting their 3D printer, they are spending time with their hamsters and playing video games.

Instagram: @hamster.daydream



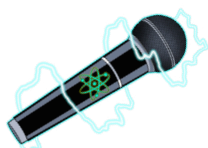
SARTORIAL JUTSU

Ashley, one half of Sartorial Jutsu Studios, joins our judging panel from right here in Minnesota! Ashley is most known for her award winning custom textiles and teaching workshops. Her sewing and fiber studio focuses on textile fabrication, natural plant dyes, weaving, hand spinning thread and yarn, and costuming. Ashley has recently merged her day job and cosplay life with the creation of Sartorial Physical Therapy & Wellness LLC, which caters to artists, crafters, and fellow nerds. Her husband Lucas, the other half of SJS, is the brain behind "Trivia Jutsu" and has taken over the 3D printing and prop work for this epic duo. Both enjoy teaching, and are happy to be here to share knowledge on ergonomics, self care, safe binding, and similar health and wellness topics.

Instagram: @sartorialjutsucosplay

Photo Credit to: HayleySteinPhotography

AUTOGRAPH SESSIONS



Greg Ayres will be signing autographs in the Viking Lounge on Saturday from 12pm-1pm.

Kazha will be signing autographs in the Viking Lounge after each of their concerts.

COSPLAY CONTEST



RULES AND PROCEDURES

GENERAL GUIDELINES:

All participants are required to sign-up or check-in at the Cosplay Lounge (Helsinki Room) on Friday, attend the stage orientation meeting on Saturday morning (Helsinki Room), and attend the Cosplay Contest show that evening. You will be notified of specific times on Friday for Greenroom and Craftsmanship Judging (if applicable).

Any sign-ups for the contest on-site at Anime Fusion will be at the Cosplay Lounge (Helsinki Room). Sign-ups will be open on Friday until all reserved spots are filled. We have a maximum of 40 spots this year. At-con sign-up will not be available Saturday.

To access the stage, cosplayers will need to pass through a small hallway and climb a few stairs, so please plan your costume accordingly. You may also have one handler per group if necessary. If more are required, please contact Cosplay staff as soon as possible. Our Cosplay staff is also willing to help if you consent and do not have a handler.

All costumes must adhere to the general Cosplay Rules of the convention.

PROPS:

Any props or materials brought onstage MUST be brought offstage with you. No glitter, confetti, liquids, or other material that might make a mess may be used onstage. Open flame, lasers, strobe effects, fog/smoke machines, and projectiles are NOT permitted. There can be NO LIVE STEEL or real weapons on stage! Any prop guns must be obviously props (i.e. marked with an orange tip), cannot be pointed at the audience at any time, and fingers must remain off the trigger at all times.

STAGE GUIDELINES:

Any stage combat must be safe for all participants and convention property. All stage combat must be reviewed by con staff prior to competition. All stage combat must stay on the stage.

There will be no live microphone use or live speaking on stage. If you would like custom audio played during your skit or walk-on performance, you must sign up using the early sign-up form on the Anime Fusion website. NO AUDIO will be accepted on site. For more information on this, please see our full rules available on the Cosplay webpage.

The contest is an all-ages event. All content must be appropriate for a PG-13 rating.

COMPETITION RULES:

There are three categories in the cosplay competition: Craftsmanship, Performance (skits), and Exhibition. Cosplayers may enter both Craftsmanship and Performance with the same outfit.

There are three levels of competition:

- Novice: Contestant has won 0-1 major awards
- Journeyman: Contestant has won 2-3 major awards
- Master: Contestant has won 4 or more major awards or gains income through cosplay commissioning or works in costume or clothing alterations (professional).

CRAFTSMANSHIP:

If you choose to participate in craftsmanship judging, you will select a time at sign-in on Friday in the Cosplay Lounge (Helsinki Room)

At least 80% of the costume must be made by the participant or, if you are modeling a costume you did not make, the creator must be present during your judging.

PERFORMANCE:

All entrants are by default signed up as walk-ons unless otherwise stated during sign-up.

Skits:

This category is for individuals or groups who wish to perform a skit on stage. Skit performers must have pre-recorded audio limited to two minutes and thirty seconds (2:30). All skits must occur entirely on stage.

Walk-ons:

This category is for individuals who wish to display their costume and model for pictures. Walk-ons are limited to 45 seconds.

EXHIBITION:

The Exhibition category is for cosplayers who want to show their costumes or skits without competing for any awards. Exhibition entries must follow all applicable rules regarding their performance.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Exceptions to previously-stated rules can be made at the sole discretion of Cosplay Contest Coordinators. These exceptions are not guaranteed.

All questions regarding exceptions must be made by Friday at the Cosplay Lounge (Helsinki Room). Any rule infringement can and will result in disciplinary action by the Cosplay staff. The Cosplay staff reserves the right to remove any participants based on conduct, safety, or any other reason deemed sufficient. A full version of these guidelines is located on the Anime Fusion website.

VENDOR INFORMATION



DEALERS ROOM

REGENCY ROOM

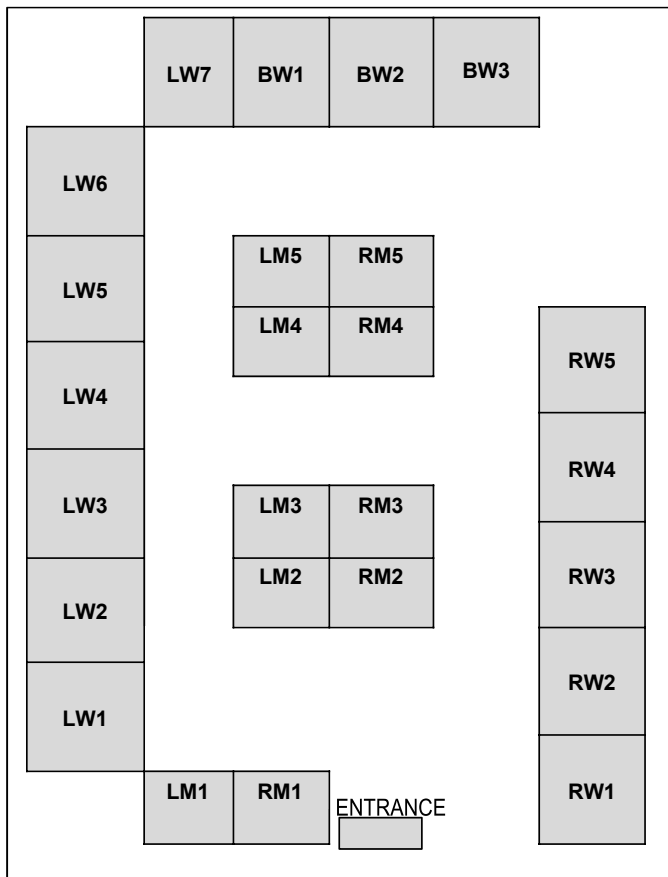
Friday: 2:30 PM - 7 PM

Saturday: 10:30 AM - 6 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM - 4 PM

Sponsors may enter the vendor hall 30 minutes early each day.

In the Dealers Room, you'll find a full range of merchandise to suit any fandom. From games to collectible figures, it's all here!



2023 DEALERS

- LW1: B4Tech
- LW2: CosplayMooMoo
- LW3: Sakura's Blossoms
- LW4: Sakura's Blossoms
- LW5: Highlander Games MN
- LW6: Highlander Games MN
- LW7: Pop Heart Studios

- LM1: Archimdes Azure Creations
- LM2: Chill Vibes Worldwide
- LM3: Anime Anything
- LM4: PokePalooza
- LM5: Ivy Lace Mace

- RM2: Tabletop Shop
- RM3: Nekomi
- RM5: The Spooky Sniper

- RW1: Fast Food Anime
- RW2: Fast Food Anime
- RW3: Fast Food Anime
- RW4: Fast Food Anime

- BW1: Pop Heart Studios
- BW2: Fragmented Nostalgia
- BW3: Fragmented Nostalgia





ARTIST ALLEY CONFERENCE ROOMS B & C

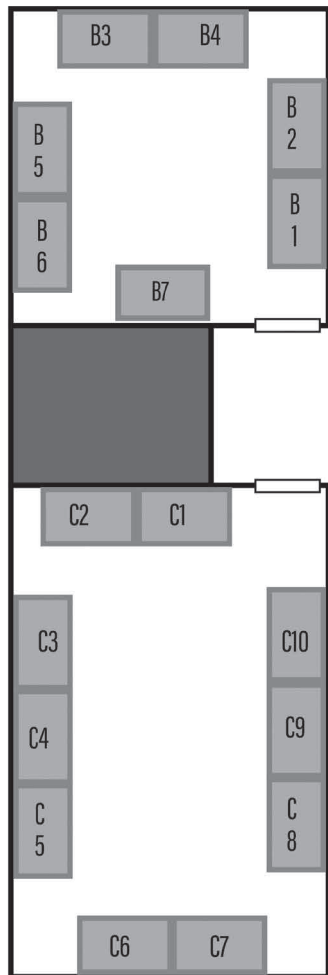
Friday: 2:30 PM - 7 PM

Saturday: 10:30 AM - 6 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM - 4 PM

Sponsors may enter the Artist Alley 30 minutes early each day.

Looking for a handmade product, a fanart print or button, or maybe a cute new plushie? Head over to Conference Rooms B and C on the main floor to visit our awesome, local artists! They make a wide variety of products from prints to cosplay pieces. Come support local artists and get something unique at the same time!



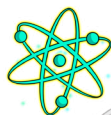
2023 ARTISTS

- B1: MevrouwRoze Studios
- B2: tauruslovestaurus
- B3: BluuuoArt
- B4: Toast Studios and Peppered Olive Designs
- B5: Ouji Studio
- B6: Love Rainie
- B7: DeckItOut

- C1: Nakama Nerd-Op
- C2: Wolf Dynasty Studios
- C3: Fried Unicorn Studio
- C4: KnotJustaCrocheter
- C5: The Art of C.K.
- C6: Squishy Citrus Studio
- C7: Enrique Draws
- C8: Lemon Penguin
- C9: Black Brook Oddities
- C10: Rude Katana LLC

HALLWAY TABLES:

- Dapper Raptor Studios
- Craft Quest
- Lumiscuro
- Scout Bennett
- EGreywood Art
- Bird + Egg
- Mel Shardae



ANIME FUSION MERCHANDISE COPENHAGEN ROOM

Friday: 10AM-7PM

Saturday: 10AM-6PM

Sunday: 10AM-4:30PM

Looking for a fun way to commemorate your time at Anime Fusion? Look no further than our Merchandise department! Located right next to Registration, you can pick up some cool Anime Fusion-themed souvenirs like t-shirts, buttons, lanyards, and more! Special music-themed items for this year!



GNOME GAMES TABLETOP GAMING CONFERENCE ROOM F

Friday: 2 PM - 12 AM

Saturday: 10 AM - 12 AM

Sunday: 10 AM - 3 PM

Gnome Games brings the finest in tabletop fun and games to Anime Fusion. There's a full schedule of tabletop events, a huge game library available for guests to play all weekend long, and literally tons of board and card games to purchase so you can take a little bit of Anime Fusion fun home to enjoy again! Bring your Magic, Pokemon, and Yu-Gi-Oh cards and let's play! Stop in and play with the Gnomes in Conference Room F on the Lower Level.

Registration for all events opens 30 minutes before the event.



TABLETOP GAMING EVENTS

ALL WEEKEND

PLAY FOR KEEPS!

Want to play for keeps? We'll take sign-ups for Play for Keeps for any game on our shelves. Once we get 4 players, we'll contact you, set the start time and you'll get to play for the game! Entry fee varies.

FRIDAY

POKEMON TOGETHER

4:00 PM

Entry fee: Free

Bring your deck or your DS and play Pokemon! Casual and informal league - all official Pokemon Cards are okay to use. Promo cards for all active players.

YU GI OH - ADVANCED FORMAT

5:00 PM

Entry fee: \$5

Let's duel at Anime Fusion! We will play 3 rounds. Win a match, win a booster or OTS pack.

MAGIC DOMINARIA UNITED DRAFT

7:00 PM

Entry fee: \$20

Draft Magic Dominaria United (3 boosters per player). 3 rounds. Win a match, Win a booster.

ARE YOU A WEREWOLF

9:00 PM

Have a howling good time with this large group game of social deduction.

18+ GAMING - CAH, WHAT DO YOU MEME, RED FLAGS AND MORE!

9:00 PM

Time for a little after-dark fun and games. Grab one of the demo games from the Gnomes or bring your own. Must have an 18+ ID to sit at these tables!

SATURDAY

POKEMON TOGETHER

10:00 AM

Entry fee: Free

Bring your deck or your DS and play Pokemon! Casual and informal league - all official Pokemon Cards are okay to use. Promo cards for all active players.

YU GI OH - ANIME FUSION DUELIST OF THE CON TOURNAMENT

12:00 PM

Entry fee: \$5

Duelists - join us for the Anime Fusion Duelist of the Con Tournament! Win OTS packs, winner will get a playmat! 3 rounds, undefeated duelists play off single elimination.

DIGIMON TOURNAMENT

1:00 PM

Entry fee: \$5

3 rounds. Win a match, win a booster. Promos and other prizes also awarded.

MY HERO ACADEMIA CARD GAME

2:00 PM

Entry fee: \$5

Casual play with promos and booster prizes.

CARDFIGHT VANGUARD (OVERDRESS) TOURNAMENT

3:00 PM

Entry fee: \$5

3 rounds. Win a match, win a booster. Promos and special prize packs too!

TABLETOP GAMING



SATURDAY, CONT.

WEISS SCHWARZ TOURNAMENT

Entry fee: Free

Whether your favorite anime is Attack on Titan, Sword Art Online or Konsuba - there's a Weiss Schwarz Deck for you. Bring yours and let's play! Promo cards for all players.

4:00 PM

ANIME FUSION COMMANDER OF THE CON TOURNAMENT

Entry fee: \$5

Planeswalkers, bring your Commander Deck for a multi-player smackdown at Anime Fusion. No proxies, and current DCI Commander rules are in effect. Only one can be crowned the Anime Fusion Commander of the Con!

6:00 PM

RED DRAGON INN - IN CONTROL OF THE CON

Entry fee: Free

Play Red Dragon Inn, with promo cards and prizes.

7:00 PM

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Have a howling good time with this large group game of social deduction.

9:00 PM

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9:00 PM

SUNDAY

POKEMON TOURNAMENT (STANDARD FORMAT)

Entry fee: \$5

It's time to play Pokemon! Bring your standard deck. We will play 3 rounds. Win a match, win a booster!

10:00 AM

MAGIC CONFUSSION! UNFINITY DRAFT

Entry fee: \$25

Magic players, let's get crazy with an Unfinity Draft! 3 rounds. Win a match, win an Unfinity booster.

11:00 AM

VIDEO GAMING

VIDEO GAMING

CONFERENCE ROOM I

Friday & Saturday: 10 AM - 1 AM

Sunday: 10 AM - 5 PM

Chomping bits and smashing pixels! We've got your video gaming needs covered. No tricks! We treat you to all the gaming time you'd like! Just make sure to occasionally eat, sleep (somewhere else), and keep yourself clean! Come check out our arcade cabinets, or duke it out with your friends over a game of Smash Bros.! Retro more your style? We will have games for NES, SNES, Genesis, N64, and more! Come play!

VIDEO GAMING EVENTS

BLACK SHEEP MN

CONFERENCE ROOM H

This year, our competitive tournaments will be a set of awesome retro fighters courtesy of Black Sheep Gaming - Minnesota!

Friday:

Vampire Savior - 5PM

TMNT X Justice Turbo - 7PM

Saturday:

Street Fighter III: 3rd Strike - 2PM

Bust a move 4 - 5PM



For more information: <https://www.start.gg/tournament/anime-fusion-retro-black-sheep-tournaments/details>

JACKBOX GAMES (18+)

PANEL 3

Saturday: 7:30 - 9:30 PM

You know we can't go a con cycle without this staple! Audience's choice of games, most if not all party packs available! Come for the laughs, stay for the shenanigans!

SPECIAL FEATURES



KITAKU MAID & BUTLER CAFE

STUDIO 2

Kitaku Maid & Butler Cafe is excited to serve you again at Anime Fusion! Join the maids and butlers for yummy snacks, cute dances, and fun for people of all ages and interests!

Please note that the Kitaku Cafe is a separately ticketed event and you will need both an Anime Fusion convention badge and a cafe ticket to attend. Tickets are available for purchase in the hotel lobby near Registration.



AMTGARD ACTION ROOM

CONFERENCE ROOM G

Friday: 4 PM - 10 PM

Saturday: 11 AM - 8 PM

Sunday: 11 AM - 4 PM

Have some fun with foam in our boffer room, hosted by Twin Cities Amtgard! Interested in fast-paced medieval combat? In Amtgard, you can use safe boffer replicas to take the field in everything from one on one tournaments to large wars. Amtgard is a world-wide organization dedicated to medieval and fantasy combat sports and recreation. They use padded weapons, fantasy and authentic clothing, and imagination to immerse players in a world of heroic combat, quests, crafts, and more.

No matter if your interest is competitive sports fighting, finding an outlet for your creative talents, or honing your leadership skills, Amtgard has something to offer you!

The chapter of Amtgard within the Twin Cities is called Greenharbor and they play at Lakefront Park in Prior Lake, Saturdays 1pm - 4pm.



For midwesterners, check them out at midwestlarp.com, or at amtgard.com.

TC Amtgard will provide everything you need to join in on the action. They will be opening the doors each day of the con for instruction and games. Bring your friends, your family, and your enemies and hit them with foam swords. Visiting spectators are welcome, but participation is encouraged!

PHOTO STUDIO FEAT. COSPLAY CAMEOS

STUDIO 3

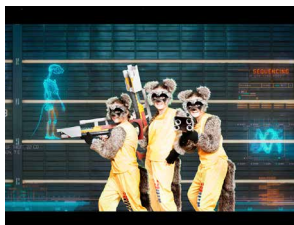
Friday: 2:30 PM - 7 PM

Saturday: 10:30 AM - 5 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM - 4 PM

Have you ever wanted your cosplay shown on the next level? Stop in to the Cosplay Cameos photo booth to get your FREE basic photo (white background), or if you want to power up to 9000, a commissioned photo with a photoshopped background appropriate to your cosplay character. Put you and your cosplay into the anime or show it comes from, and make yourself part of the story!

Please note that the only official photographers for the convention are those mentioned in the Staff List, and in conjunction with the Photo Studio. None of our photographers will charge money for photos outside of the Photo Studio's custom offerings.



COSPLAY LOUNGE

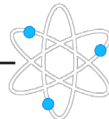
HELSINKI ROOM

You enjoyed it so much that our Cosplay Lounge is now a permanent fixture in our Cosplay Corner! Stop by during operating hours to adjust your costume, do some quick repairs, or just take a load off away from crowds to hang out in a chill space. The Lounge offers table seating, a cosplay first aid station, a small photo area with backdrops, and the ever-helpful Cosplay Staff! Cosplay contest sign up/registration also happens in this space for those participating or interested in the contest.

COSPLAY LOUNGE RULES:

- No photography is permitted in this room outside of the designated "photography area." Please respect our resting and repairing cosplayers.
- Do not leave your personal belongings in the Lounge. Anime Fusion Cosplay Staff are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- If it's not yours, don't touch it - at least not without asking first.
- No food or drinks that could stain if dropped or spilled. Grapes are great! Grape juice is a no-no!
- Please pick up after yourself when you leave. No one likes litter.
- Non-consumable cosplay first aid kit items and tools should not leave the room. Please do your repairs in the Lounge.

SPECIAL FEATURES



ROOM PARTIES

LOWER LEVEL

We would like to invite everyone from the convention to a party! That's right, anyone that has purchased an Anime Fusion badge is able to attend. And the best part is, it's free (but don't forget to tip if you can)!

As always, these wonderful parties can't happen without you, the attendees. We would like to thank our numerous party hosts this year for taking the time and effort to provide us with awesome experiences! We are so excited to have such a variety of options, and it's all thanks to you!

Important FYI's:

- Any 21+ room parties require a valid government ID to enter.
- To find the party area, take the guest rooms elevator to the ground floor or take the stairs down from the sleeping room wing.
- Only those that have applied and registered with Anime Fusion can be permitted to have an open-door room party. Any other unofficial parties will be asked to close their door.

Costumer's Conclave

Friday: 8 PM - 12 AM

Saturday: 8 PM - 12 AM

A quiet retreat where con-goers can come to discuss all aspects of costuming/cosplay. Tea and advice will be available, as well as displays of costumes and photos. In -room costume-related programming may also be offered.

E-Tank X Café Leblanc [*21+]

Friday:

All Ages Hours 2 PM - 7 PM

21+ Hours 8 PM - 2:30 AM

Saturday:

All Ages Hours 1 PM - 7 PM

21+ Hours 8 PM - 2:30 AM

An actual anime fusion.

Minicon: Next Gen [21+]

Friday: 7:30 PM - 2:30 AM

Saturday: 7:30 PM - 2:30 AM

Minicon is the longest running volunteer-run sci-fi Convention in the Midwest. We'd love to show you how our fannish community likes to party (we were the last party standing every single night at Convergence)! Of course we will always have Blog, the official Drink of Minicon.

Retro Rewind

Friday: 6 PM - 12 AM

Saturday: 6 PM - 12 AM

Relax and rewind with some of the best classic anime from the 80's, 90's and 2000's! (Played on VHS format, of course.)

Senpai's Space Station [21+]

Friday: 9 PM - 1 AM

Saturday: 9 PM - 2 AM

Come to this SSS-Tier fusion of space anime and drinks.

Space Cowboy Lounge [21+]

Friday: 8 PM - 2 AM

Saturday: 8 PM - 2 AM

Come enjoy some drinks and quiet music in this Cowboy Bebop themed party room. (Hosted by Junior's Bar)

Tricks and Treats

Friday: 8 PM - 11 PM

Saturday: 8 PM - 11 PM

Some treats and goodies for those who come by. There will be Halloween-themed movies and shows!

FRIDAY SCHEDULE



| | Main Events | Panel 1 | Panel 2 | Panel 3 | Cosplay Corner |
|----------|---|--|---|---|--|
| | (Scandinavia Blrm) | (Conference D) | (Board Room 2) | (Board Room 1) | (Plymouth Room) |
| 8:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 8:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
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| 9:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 10:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 10:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 11:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 11:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 12:00 PM | Anime Fusion Idol Fest | Closed | The Uncertainty PrincBill | Live Hatoful Boyfriend | Closed |
| 12:30 PM | | Waifu Dating Game | | | Closed |
| 1:00 PM | | | | | Closed |
| 1:30 PM | Jedi Lightsaber Class with Samurai Dan | | How to Break Into Screenwriting and Film Production | | Closed |
| 2:00 PM | | Poké-Biology | | | In The Court of Anime |
| 2:30 PM | | | | | |
| 3:00 PM | Setup | | Tea Party with the Moriartys | | Get Fit for a Chest Binder! |
| 3:30 PM | Opening Ceremonies | Anime Wheel of Fortune | | | |
| 4:00 PM | | | | | |
| 4:30 PM | Room Reset | | Trivia Jutsu | | Controller Tear Down with Free Geek Twin Cities! |
| 5:00 PM | Setup | It Gets Better – Anime Con Edition with Greg Ayres | | | |
| 5:30 PM | | | | | |
| 6:00 PM | Seating | | Get Off My Lawn! | | Puppetry in Cosplay and Costuming |
| 6:30 PM | Kazha | | | Anime Improv Games | |
| 7:00 PM | | Room Reset | Samurai Dan's Akitas | | |
| 7:30 PM | | | The Shin Japan Heroes | | Wig Styling 101 |
| 8:00 PM | Setup | | | Fighting Games 101: Getting Beat Up By Math | |
| 8:30 PM | | KPOP Random Dance Play | | | |
| 9:00 PM | Drag Fusion | | The Basics of Chemistry with Edward Elric | | Closed |
| 9:30 PM | | | | | |
| 10:00 PM | | It's Called Hentai and It is ART!!! (18+) | | Karaoke | Closed |
| 10:30 PM | Setup | | | | SpongeBob's Bizarre Adventure Part 2 |
| 11:00 PM | | | | | Closed |
| 11:30 PM | Seating | Slenderman the Musical (18+) | | | Closed |
| 12:00 AM | Midnight Minxes present Corrupted Cosplay (18+) | | A Haikyuu Sleepover | | Closed |
| 12:30 AM | | | | Closed | |
| 1:00 AM | Room Reset | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 1:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 2:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |



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Guest Content

FRIDAY SCHEDULE



| Video 1: Classic (Studio 6) | Video 2: Current (Studio 7) | Tabletop Events Conference F | | |
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| Closed | Closed | Closed | | 9:00 AM |
| Closed | Closed | Closed | | 9:30 AM |
| | Closed | Closed | | 10:00 AM |
| Bleach [D] | Ground Control to Psychoelectric Girl [D] | Closed | | 10:30 AM |
| | | Closed | | 11:00 AM |
| | | Closed | | 11:30 AM |
| Inuyasha (11:45) [D] | Uta no Prince-sama - Maji Love 1000% (12:15) [S] | Closed | | 12:00 PM |
| | | Closed | | 12:30 PM |
| | | Closed | | 1:00 PM |
| Kodocha [D] | Lupin Zero [S] | Closed | | 1:30 PM |
| | | Closed | | 2:00 PM |
| | | Closed | | 2:30 PM |
| Comic Party (3:15) [S] | Monthly Girls' Nozaki-kun [D] | Closed | | 3:00 PM |
| | | Closed | | 3:30 PM |
| | | Closed | | 4:00 PM |
| Kimi ni Todoke [D] | My Next Life as a Villainess (6:15) [S] | Pokemon League | | 4:30 PM |
| | | Yu Gi Oh Advanced Format | | 5:00 PM |
| | | Closed | | 5:30 PM |
| Ghost Stories (6:45) [D] | Land of the Lustrous [S] | Closed | | 6:00 PM |
| | | Magic Dominaria United Draft | | 6:30 PM |
| | | Closed | | 7:00 PM |
| Key the Metal Idol [S] | SHINEPOST (9:45) [S] | Closed | | 7:30 PM |
| | | Closed | | 8:00 PM |
| | | Closed | | 8:30 PM |
| Bobobo-bo Bo-bobo (10:15) [S] | Kids on the Slope [D] | Are You a Werewolf | | 9:00 PM |
| | | 18+ Gaming | | 9:30 PM |
| | | Closed | | 10:00 PM |
| NANA [D] (18+) | Closed | Closed | | 10:30 PM |
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SATURDAY SCHEDULE



| | Main Events | Panel 1 | Panel 2 | Panel 3 | Cosplay Corner | |
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| | (Scandinavia Blrm) | (Conference D) | (Board Room 2) | (Board Room 1) | (Plymouth Room) | |
| 8:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | |
| 8:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | |
| 9:00 AM | Cosplay Contest Orientation | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | |
| 9:30 AM | | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed | |
| 10:00 AM | | So You Wanna Go to Japan | Closed | Swap Meet | Closed | |
| 10:30 AM | | | Creative Writing Help | | Closed | |
| 11:00 AM | Starfait Idols: CYaZALEA ☆ Kiss!! Unit Live | | | | Reduce Reuse ReCosplay AND Cosplay Swap | |
| 11:30 AM | | Japanese Voice Lesson with Kazha | | | Screen Printing with Vicemage | |
| 12:00 PM | | | The Trivia Answers are Ineffable | | (Cos)Play Has No Limits | |
| 12:30 PM | Samurai Dan Stage Show | Anime or Ani-Made Up? | Love Live! Random Dance Party! | | It's a Cinch: How to Make A Corset 101 | |
| 1:00 PM | Setup | | | | PrinceWelcomeMatt Power Hour | |
| 2:00 PM | Harisen Daiko | | | Sponsor/Guests Meet & Greet | | |
| 2:30 PM | | Mario Party and Bowser Party! | | | Wig Styling 201: Moderate to Advanced | |
| 3:00 PM | | | Neopets in 2023 | | | |
| 3:30 PM | K-Move Kpop Dance Performance | | | Marketing Your Small Business | | |
| 4:00 PM | | Ranting, Raving, and Rolling Thunder with Greg Ayres | Nerdlesque Intro Class with Midnight Mixes (18+) | | | |
| 4:30 PM | Setup | | | | | |
| 5:00 PM | Seating | Samurai Squid Games with Samurai Dan | Learn Blood on the Clocktower | | | |
| 5:30 PM | | | | | | |
| 6:00 PM | Cosplay Contest | Nerd Jeopardy | | | Closed for Cosplay Contest | |
| 6:30 PM | | | | | | |
| 7:00 PM | | | DIY Anime: Embracing the Creative Process | Jackbox Games (18+) | | |
| 7:30 PM | Room Reset | | Meet The Midnight Mixes (18+) | | | |
| 8:00 PM | Setup | Knowledge Bowl: Anime Song Edition | | | Setup | |
| 8:30 PM | Seating | | | | | |
| 9:00 PM | Kazha | A Night In Teyvat | | Karaoke | Makers' Meetup | |
| 9:30 PM | | | [this space for rent] | | | Can We Ship It? (18+) |
| 10:00 PM | Setup | | | | | |
| 10:30 PM | Dance featuring Greg Ayres | Cards Against Samurai Dan (18+) | A Stray Dogs Halloween | | Closed | |
| 11:00 PM | | | | | | Closed |
| 11:30 PM | | | | | | |
| 12:00 AM | | | | | | |
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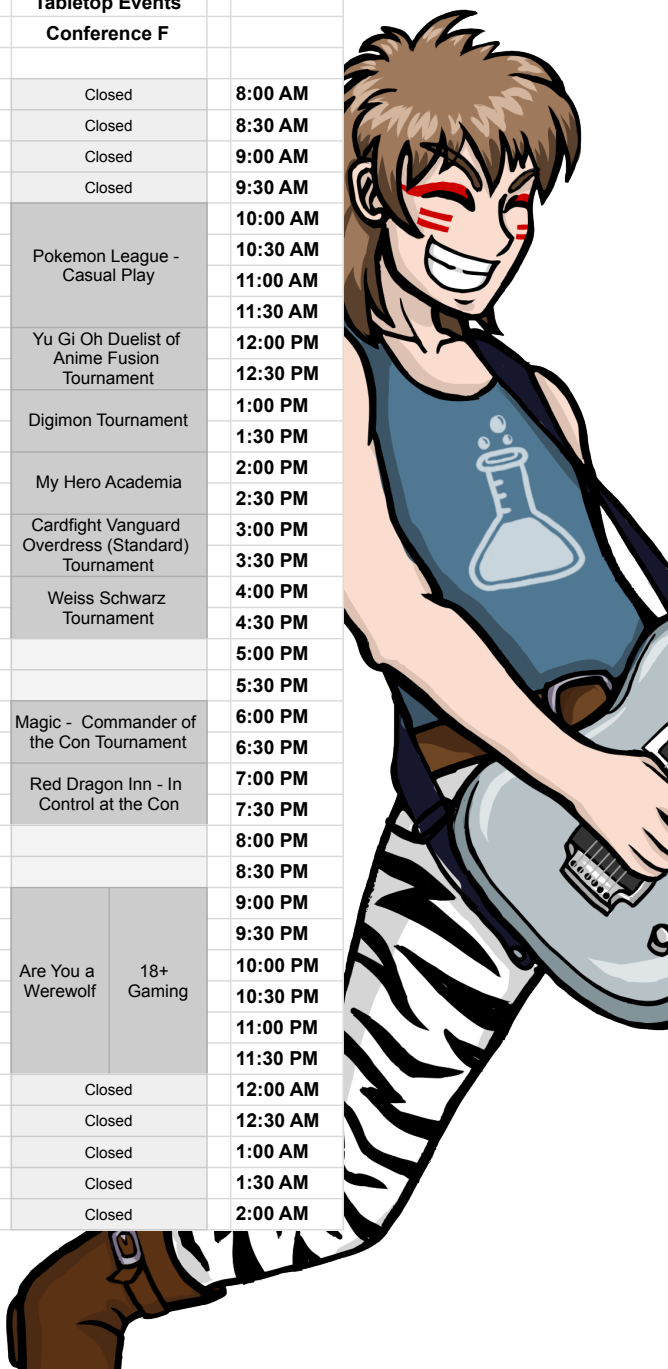
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| Closed | Closed | Closed | | 9:00 AM |
| Closed | Closed | Closed | | 9:30 AM |
| Digimon Adventure [D] | Closed | Pokemon League - Casual Play | | 10:00 AM |
| | Tokyo Mew Mew New [S] | | | 10:30 AM |
| | | | | 11:00 AM |
| Pokémon Indigo League (11:45) [D] | One Punch Man (12: 15) [S] | Yu Gi Oh Duelist of Anime Fusion Tournament | | 11:30 AM |
| | | | | 12:00 PM |
| Beyblade [D] | Tiger & Bunny [D] | Digimon Tournament | | 12:30 PM |
| | | | | 1:00 PM |
| Sailor Moon Sailor Stars (3:15) [D] | Hunter x Hunter (3:45) [D] | My Hero Academia | | 1:30 PM |
| | | Cardfight Vanguard Overdress (Standard) Tournament | | 2:00 PM |
| | | Weiss Schwarz Tournament | | 2:30 PM |
| Cardcaptor Sakura (5:45) [S] | Locodol [D] | | | 3:00 PM |
| | | | | 3:30 PM |
| Saint Tail [S] | YURUYURI (7:15) [S] | | | 4:00 PM |
| | | | | 4:30 PM |
| K-ON! (9:15) [S] | Is It Wrong to Try to Pick Up Girls in a Dungeon? [D] | | | 5:00 PM |
| | | | | 5:30 PM |
| Bleach [S] | BRAVE 10 (10:45) [S] (18+) | Magic - Commander of the Con Tournament | | 6:00 PM |
| | | | | 6:30 PM |
| GTO: Great Teacher Onizuka (12:45) [D] (18+) | Jojo's Bizarre Adventure [S] (18+) | Red Dragon Inn - In Control at the Con | | 7:00 PM |
| | | | | 7:30 PM |
| | | | | 8:00 PM |
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| | | | | 9:00 PM |
| | | | | 9:30 PM |
| | | Are You a Werewolf | 18+ Gaming | 10:00 PM |
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SUNDAY SCHEDULE



| | Main Events (Scandinavia Blrm) | Panel 1 (Conference D) | Panel 2 (Board Room 2) | Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room) |
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| 8:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 8:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 9:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 9:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| 10:00 AM | The Saber Legion Minnesota | Closed | Closed | Happily EVA After |
| 10:30 AM | | A Musical Analysis of Genshin Impact Boss Themes | Closed | |
| 11:00 AM | | | Ball-Jointed Doll Basics | So You Want To Book A Cosplay Photoshoot |
| 11:30 AM | Stars X Sillytime | | | |
| 12:00 PM | | Get Your Hands Off Me with Samurai Dan | Wolfwood's Church Service | Enhance Your Cosplay Moves |
| 12:30 PM | | | | |
| 1:00 PM | [this space for rent] | | | Setup |
| 1:30 PM | | Evenings with Isabelle with Greg Ayres | | Cosplay Exhibit: "Inside Out – From Novice to Master" |
| 2:00 PM | | | | |
| 2:30 PM | TheToader & Friends | | csm q&a | Room Reset |
| 3:00 PM | | Samurai Dan's Mixed (up) Martial Arts | | |
| 3:30 PM | | | Blorbo from My Phone Game: Now In English! | Cosplay Design Studio! |
| 4:00 PM | Setup | Closed | | |
| 4:30 PM | Closing Ceremonies | Closed | Closed | Closed |
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| 6:00 PM | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |



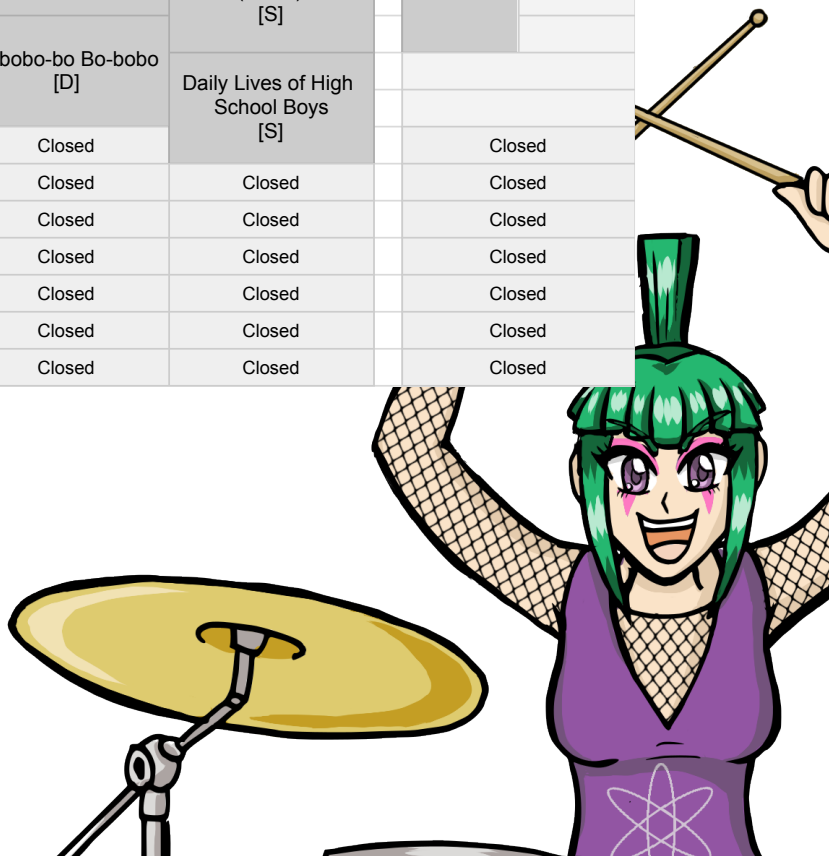
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| 8:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | |
| 9:00 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | |
| 9:30 AM | Closed | Closed | Closed | |
| 10:00 AM | | Closed | | |
| 10:30 AM | Ranma 1/2 [D] | Princess and the Pilot [S] | Pokemon League - Casual Play | Magic UnFinity Draft |
| 11:00 AM | | | | |
| 11:30 AM | | | | |
| 12:00 PM | Kodocha (11:45) [D] | | | |
| 12:30 PM | | Is the Order a Rabbit? (12:15) [S] | | |
| 1:00 PM | | | | |
| 1:30 PM | | | | |
| 2:00 PM | Bobobo-bo Bo-bobo [D] | Daily Lives of High School Boys [S] | | |
| 2:30 PM | | | | |
| 3:00 PM | Closed | | | Closed |
| 3:30 PM | Closed | Closed | | Closed |
| 4:00 PM | Closed | Closed | | Closed |
| 4:30 PM | Closed | Closed | | Closed |
| 5:00 PM | Closed | Closed | | Closed |
| 5:30 PM | Closed | Closed | | Closed |
| 6:00 PM | Closed | Closed | | Closed |



PANELS & EVENTS



FRIDAY

ANIME FUSION IDOL FEST

12:00 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

Do you like idols? Then get your penlights ready and prepare to witness a handful of different, amazing idols who have come together to show their passion and dance their hearts out for you!!

THE UNCERTAINTY PRINCIBILL WITH BILL

12:00 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Your first choice in panels and not just because it's the first panel.

LIVE HATOFUL BOYFRIEND WITH KAREN, ROBERT

12:00 PM

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

The bird-centric otome you (probably) know and love comes again to Fusion for another quick round of poultry antics! Audience participation and input welcome! What will the fate of our heroine be?

WAIFU DATING GAME WITH MAXOCATO

12:30 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Looking for love? Come find out on this improv remix of the dating game. The lucky Bachelor or Bachelorette can ask contestants questions and see if they are meant to be.

JEDI LIGHTSABER CLASS WITH SAMURAI DAN

1:30 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

Fight like a Jedi, using real moves and tactics based on how a lightsaber would move! Taught by a professional swordsman that is also a fan.

HOW TO BREAK INTO SCREENWRITING AND FILM PRODUCTION

1:30 PM

WITH JEFFREY A VORWALD, NEHEMIAH INVERSE, MATTHEW LINDQUIST, LUCAS MATTHYS

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Learn how a local group of writers broke into the Hollywood circle of writers and authors. There unique story can be used to give you insight on what you need to do and how to get to that level in your writing. Questions highly encouraged.

POKÉ-BIOLOGY WITH DEWFEATHERS

2:00 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Learn about the many real world animals that have inspired the design and move sets of Pokémon! From Pikas to Sea Cucumbers, there are many references to real animals from around the world to be found in this franchise.

IN THE COURT OF ANIME WITH JUDGE JUDGE

2:00 PM

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

Property damage? Thievery? Something more sinister? Come prepared with your evidence to get your just dos. Trial by judge or jury! If you cannot provide an attorney, you may or not be provided one. Heavy in character audience participation required!

TEA PARTY WITH THE MORIARTYS

3:00 PM

WITH CHOCOTACO_COS, EI_COSPLAY, ITZLIYAH_COSPLAYS, HELEN16578, AND BLUEY_VIBES

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

You are cordially invited to attend a tea party hosted by the Moriarty Brothers. Join us for tea, games, and an overall smashing good time.

GET FIT FOR A CHEST BINDER! WITH SARTORIAL JUTSU COSPLAY

3:00 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Whether binding for daily wear or crossplay, take care of your body by getting properly measured! A geeky physical therapist will be in house to measure anyone that needs fit for a chest binder. To sign up, show up. Privacy screen available.

OPENING CEREMONIES

3:30 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

Join us as we kick off Anime Fusion's most musical year! Meet our special guests, learn important information that will help you have a great weekend, and celebrate with us.

ANIME WHEEL OF FORTUNE WITH FAKE PAT SAJAK, FAKE VANNA WHITE

3:30 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Now weebos can play this classic game show too! (Unfortunately, we couldn't get the real Pat Sajak and Vanna White to host)

3D PRINTING 101+ WITH HAMSTER DAYDREAM COSPLAY

4:00 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

3D printing is starting to hit the cosplay mainstream but it looks so hard. What's a PLA? What's an STSL file or a gcode? What do I even do with this thing once it's done? After this panel you will know all this and more; from files to having a fully finished prop.

TRIVIA JUTSU WITH SARTORIAL JUTSU COSPLAY

4:30 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Kahoot based anime trivia. Believe it!

PANELS & EVENTS



FRIDAY, CONT.

IT GETS BETTER – ANIME CON EDITION WITH GREG AYRES

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

The "It Gets Better" project was created in response to a string of teen suicides in 2010 by kids who were bullied because they were perceived to be LGBTQ+. Sadly bullying is something that happens to one in four teens. So let's talk about our experiences, look for ways to resolve these conflicts, and find resources that will allow us to help and support each other, and try to find the light at the end of the tunnel.

5:00 PM

CONTROLLER TEAR DOWN WITH FREE GEEK TWIN CITIES!

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

Family-friendly controller tear down with the purpose of teaching kids what goes on inside their tech, as well as how to ethically recycle the components inside.

5:00 PM

GET OFF MY LAWN! WITH KETSUBANKOYA

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

When I was your age, I had to get my anime through fansubs! On VHS! With a money order! Uphill! Both ways! In the snow!

6:00 PM

COSPLAY FOR SPOONIES

WITH TWILIGHT JASMINE COSPLAY, PRISMATIC COSPLAY, HOSHI ROSETHORN COSPLAY

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

We will be providing tips for helping cosplayers with chronic, mental, and/or invisible illnesses, from time management and task organizing, to accommodating mobility aides or medical devices.

6:00 PM

KAZHA

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

Take in the sights and sounds of the band Kazha, live in concert! An autograph session will follow the performance.

6:30 PM

ANIME IMPROV GAMES WITH ELLERYDISLIKESCELERY, KAZ, BEE

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

Are you an Improv lover? or an Improv newbie? No matter how much experience you hold, our anime improv panel is open to all! Our panel is completely interactive and open to anyone who wants to learn or have fun!

6:30 PM

SAMURAI DAN'S AKITAS

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Samurai Dan's fur babies will entertain and visit with you while you learn about the loyal and lovable Akita from Japan. Come get your "puppy fix" and discover more about these courageous and beautiful animals.

7:00 PM

PUPPETRY IN COSPLAY AND COSTUMING WITH DEADLEGATO

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Tips and tricks on combining puppetry with cosplay to make larger than life costumes. From life-sized Huggy Wuggy to articulated anthropomorphic faces & more.

7:00 PM

THE SHIN JAPAN HEROES - ANNO HIDEAKI'S CINEMATIC UNIVERSE WITH KAMEN RANGER

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Anno Hideaki is famous for creating Evangelion and being a credit to both Japanese anime and cinema. Learn about what inspired Anno's work and his desire to share his take on his childhood fandoms as iconic remake films!

7:30 PM

FIGHTING GAMES 101: WHY YOU'RE GETTING BEAT UP BY MATH WITH KOLD X

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

Tired of getting beat at Street Fighter? Looking to level up at Melty Blood? Or are you maybe just curious to how fighting games work on a deeper level? KOLD X will take you deep into the heart of fighting games with a lesson on hit boxes.

8:00 PM

WIG STYLING 101

WITH HOSHI ROSETHORN COSPLAY, WHITELOTUSWITCH COSPLAY (CALLIE)

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

The basics you need to know about wigs. Come learn about the tools you need to style a wig, where you can get your cosplay wigs, and some basic information you need to know before starting your wig journey.

8:00 PM

KPOP RANDOM DANCE PLAY WITH CRIS @ELFBOYCOS

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Welcoming all KPOP enthusiasts to join me in hosting my first KPOP random dance play! This panel is for ANYONE and EVERYONE who wants to be a part of a fun and supportive community! Hope to see you and your friends there!

8:30 PM

DRAG FUSION WITH HAUS OF HADES

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

Join Panic and friends while they perform their hearts out as your favorite characters! Super queer, super weird and super premium artists from all over the Twin Cities will surprise you with the silliest, sexiest and stupidest acts you've ever seen, and all they demand are your cheers... And perhaps a dollar bill or two? ;)

9:00 PM

PANELS & EVENTS



FRIDAY, CONT.

THE BASICS OF CHEMISTRY WITH EDWARD ELRIC

9:00 PM

Panel 2 [Board Room 2]

Since we unfortunately cannot perform alchemy in this world I've found the next best thing! Chemistry! It's close enough at least.

KARAOKE

9:30 PM

Panel 3 [Board Room 1]

Show us what you got! (But please don't get schwifty in here.)

IT'S CALLED HENTA! AND IT IS ART!!! (18+) WITH MAXOCATO

10:00 PM

Panel 1 [Conference Room D]

Welcome to the most Sophisticated Hentai Panel ever. We will be discussing lewd images from across the fandoms and discuss if they are in fact worthy of being called art.

SPONGEBOB'S BIZARRE ADVENTURE PART 2 WITH ASIAN EQUATION

10:30 PM

Panel 2 [Board Room 2]

A SpongeBob panel at my anime convention?! It's more likely than you think. The sequel five years in the making to a panel no one asked for!

SH*T COSPLAYERS SAY (18+) WITH LA VIE COSPLAY

10:30 PM

Cosplay Corner [Plymouth Room]

Join LVC in a standup comedy show of geeky proportions. We'll explore the depths of the internet and examine the chaos of fandom life complete with games, a refrigerator, and a whole lot more. Come laugh with us!

SLNDERMAN THE MUSICAL (18+)

11:30 PM

WITH KAZ, MITSU, KEEGAN, BEE, NATALIE, KADE, LEAF, LAVABUBS, JOHN

Panel 1 [Conference Room D]

A group written and produced new musical; Slenderman. Written within two months of its debut, we hope you enjoy this terrifying-spooky-slenderific-riviting performance.

MIDNIGHT MINXES PRESENT CORRUPTED COSPLAY (18+)

12:00 AM

Main Events [Scandinavian Ballroom]

Midnight Minxes bring an experience of new sights & tantalizing escapades with our handful of eclectic performers where cosplay gets a little bit NSFW!

A HAIKYUU SLEEPOVER

12:00 AM

WITH ITZLIYAH_COS, CHOCOTACO_COS, HELEN16578, BLUEY_VIBES, DRUGSWHENNEDED, IRL_SUGURU, APPLE.TEA.COS, MITSURI_KISSES_, SAGE.LOVES.MATCHA

Panel 2 [Board Room 2]

Haikyuuu!! In 2023??? Join some of the Haikyuuu boys in a spooky not so scary sleepover! Play some old fashion sleepover games, enjoy classic Halloween candy, and tell spooky stories.

SATURDAY

COSPLAY CONTEST ORIENTATION

9:00 AM

Main Events [Scandinavian Ballroom]

This panel is mandatory for those who are participating in Saturday's cosplay contest event. Please come on time to the orientation to learn about our dos and don'ts, talk with tech about audio, speak with the emcee, and take a turn to rehearse on the stage. We will also discuss craftsmanship judging and you will get a chance to ask any last-minute questions.

SD YOU WANNA GO TO JAPAN WITH DDRFR33K

10:00 AM

Panel 1 [Conference Room D]

All about the land of the Rising Sun!

SWAP MEET

10:00 AM

Panel 3 [Board Room 1]

Bring your stuff and swap it for different stuff! No sales allowed - trades only.

CREATIVE WRITING HELP

10:30 AM

WITH JEFFREY A VORWALD, NEHEMIAH INVERSE, MATTHEW LINDQUIST, LUCAS MATTHYS

Panel 2 [Board Room 2]

Tips and tricks to help take your writing to the next level. Strategies to fight writer's block and other helpful hints.

STARFAIT IDOLS: CYAZALEA KISS!! UNIT LIVE

11:00 AM

Main Events [Scandinavian Ballroom]

Come join us on the Mainstage as we perform songs from Aqours' subunits! Get ready to go on an adventure with CYaRon!, bloom with AZALEA, and ascend to the next level with Guilty Kiss! Make sure you stay for a special appearance from Saint Snow!

PANELS & EVENTS



SATURDAY, CONT.

REDUCE REUSE RECOSPLAY AND COSPLAY SWAP WITH DEWFEATHERS

11:00 AM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Let's talk about all of the ways we can get creative with thrifting and reusing items for making cosplay! And if you have a cosplay you no longer want to wear, bring it along to help it find a new home <3

JAPANESE VOICE LESSON WITH KAZHA

11:30 AM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Learn the basics from our musical guests of honor.

THE TRIVIA ANSWERS ARE INEFFABLE WITH MARIE, OZ

12:00 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Have you seen the Kraken rise up from the boiling sea, or the morning stars sing together? Join your favorite angels and demons as we travel through the world of Good Omens, trivia style! Includes trivia from both seasons 1 and 2!

SCREEN PRINTING WITH VICEMAGE

12:00 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Are you dreading applique? Unhappy with how paint looks? Do you just want another option? A trained printmaker will teach you how to add screen printing to your bag of cosplay tricks!

SAMURAI DAN STAGE SHOW

12:30 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

ANIME OR ANI-MADE UP? WITH NATHANIEL, SCARLET

1:00 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Test your anime super sleuth skills to see if you know if these anime are real or completely something I made up. At the end you can try to stump everyone else too!

(COS)PLAY HAS NO LIMITS WITH DOCCOS, JAWSJJ

1:00 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Come join two mental health professionals talk about the psychology of play and how cosplaying can be used to improve mental well-being.

LOVE LIVE! RANDOM DANCE PARTY! WITH ASRIEL, CIEL, ASPEN, VIX

1:30 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Are you a Love Live fan? Come join us as we dance to our favorite songs from the series!

HARISEN DAIKO

2:00 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

Since 2013, Harisen Daiko has shared the power and energy of taiko with the Greater Twin Cities Metro Area of Minnesota. Whether you are new to taiko or a seasoned fan, Harisen Daiko provides an unforgettable experience of Japanese kumidaiko with a Midwest flair.

IT'S A CINCH: HOW TO MAKE A CORSET 101 WITH HARDLYPLASTIC, ABBYTHESMALLFRY

2:00 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Learn the absolute basics to making a corset. From helpful tips, resources, and where to find patterns, it'll be a cinch!

MARIO PARTY AND BOWSER PARTY! WITH ELLIOT, HAYDEN R., ARI S.

2:30 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Come join characters from the Mario games as we engage with folks and play fun games!

SPONSOR/GUESTS MEET & GREET

2:30 PM

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

Sponsor members can chat with our guests of honor during this reserved hour.

NEOPETS IN 2023 WITH NATHANIEL, SCARLET

3:00 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Let's discuss how the beloved virtual pet sim website, <http://www.neopets.com> has been doing this past year and check up on the unofficial anime fusion neopets account (and maybe feed our starving pets).

PRINCEWELCOMEMATT POWER HOUR

3:00 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Have any burning questions deep inside for a court jester? Ever wondered how to join a circus? Want a little treat? Come join cosplay performance expert Castiel Matthews, who will sit very politely and talk with you for 50 whole minutes.

K-MOVE KPOP DANCE PERFORMANCE

3:30 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

K-Move is an all inclusive, non-audition K-Pop dance team based in the Twin Cities hosting a variety of kpop dance covers with some kpop q&a time!

PANELS & EVENTS



SATURDAY, CONT.

RANTING, RAVING, AND ROLLING THUNDER WITH GREG AYRES

4:00 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Come spend an hour with voice actor Greg Ayres as he answers questions about all projects, old and new. You can be sure he'll be talking about new projects like Saiyuki Reload Zeroin, Shenmue, Haikyuu, Alice in Borderland, GetterRobo Arc, as well as any your favorites titles as well. A fan boy till the end, he'll also talk about the fact that while everything around him may be changing - some things will always remain the same (for him).

MARKETING YOUR SMALL BUSINESS WITH THETOADER

4:00 PM

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

Learn insights about how to market your small business, particularly within the nerdy community. Join TheToader, founder of VGM CON and professional marketer, to explore how to gain more fans and followers for your business.

WIG STYLING 201: MODERATE TO ADVANCED

4:00 PM

WITH HOSHI ROSETHORN COSPLAY, WHITELOTUSWITCH COSPLAY (CALLIE)

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

You know the basics, but what about the gravity defying anime styles? Come learn how to stub, add wefts, use supports, and attach accessories to have your wigs go that extra mile!

NERDLESQUE INTRO CLASS WITH THE MIDNIGHT MINXES (18+)

4:30 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

We are the Midnight Minxes, a cosplay entertainment group from the Midwest and we're excited to expand your minds into the NSFW realm of nerdlesque. Please join us for a fun and educational panel where Minx members will teach you a routine that anyone will be able to learn! Don't be shy and come strut your stuff with us!

SAMURAI SQUID GAMES

5:30 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

You thought the hit show was crazy? Come join Samurai Dan and try HIS version of the Squid Games! All ages appropriate.

COSPLAY CONTEST

6:00 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

See the best costumes at Anime Fusion on the main stage in our cosplay contest!

LEARN BLOOD ON THE CLOCKTOWER WITH THE MAGNIFICENT ONE

6:00 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Learn BOTC a role playing game similar to town of Salem. This panel will teach you the basics of being a player and a storyteller. It goes over every character in the set trouble brewing, what a set is, and most of the game's mechanics.

NERD JEOPARDY WITH THE BIG Z

7:00 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Jeopardy for nerds of all types, anime nerds, video game nerds, comic book nerds, etc.

DIY ANIME: EMBRACING THE DISASTER THAT IS THE CREATIVE PROCESS WITH MICHAEL, JOEY

7:30 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Inspired by your favorite anime or stories and want to create your own? This panel will teach no matter your skill you too can bring your vision to life. The crash course you need to start your dream and keep it alive when things go awry!

JACKBOX GAMES (18+)

7:30 PM

Panel 3 (Board Room 1)

You know we can't go a con cycle without this staple! Audience's choice of games, most if not all party packs available! Come for the laughs, stay for the shenanigans!

KNOWLEDGE BOWL: ANIME SONG EDITION WITH LUKAS-FIREEMBLEM, LUMI, BREAD

8:30 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Come and compete against other teams to test you anime music knowledge!

MEET THE MIDNIGHT MINXES (18+)

9:00 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Who are the Midnight Minxes? What is nerdlesque? How do I get involved? Do you have these questions and more? Come get up close and personal with the Minxes. Let us answer all your burning questions! We are very excited to share with y'all more about us & anything nerdlesque.

MAKERS' MEETUP

9:30 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

Do you make your own cosplays? Do you love crafting? If the answer is yes, come hang out at the returning event: The Makers' Meet-up, hosted by the Cosplay Department. We're here to provide a casual space for talking shop, swapping tips and tricks, and general nerding out over cosplay crafting. All are welcome to this informal social mixer!

PANELS & EVENTS



SATURDAY, CONT.

- KAZHA** **10:00 PM**
Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)
Take in the sights and sounds of the band Kazha, live in concert! An autograph session will follow the performance.
- A NIGHT IN TEYVAT WITH ITZLIYAH_COS, IRL.SUGURU, SOLARIS_COS01, FEREFERIC, SALTYFLOWERBOY, DAY.BLOOMIE, DRUGSWHENNEDED, DARKEST.ENTITY.COS** **10:00 PM**
Panel 1 (Conference Room D)
The day's over, time to relax with some of the Genshin cast from the dense rainforests of Sumeru, across the imposing mountains of Liyue, all the way to thundering seas of Inazuma. Come hang out and play fun games!
- KARAOKE** **10:00 PM**
Panel 3 (Board Room 1)
Show us what you got! (But please don't get schwifty in here.)
- CAN WE SHIP IT? (18+) WITH PRINCEWELCOMEMATT, KING_HIMBO** **11:00 PM**
Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)
BACK FOR ANOTHER ROUND, it's the great debate of our time – Is this... Is this allowed??? Watch as we pull two people from the audience and have them go head-to-head in the biggest battle the anime world has going on right now – are these two randomly generated characters from completely different franchises SHIPPABLE??
- CARDS AGAINST SAMURAI DAN (18+)** **11:30 PM**
Panel 1 (Conference Room D)
The epically wrong adult card game, brought to new heights (lows?) by Samurai Dan, where teams compete for the win!
- A STRAY DOGS HALLOWEEN WITH ITZLIYAH_COS, BLUEY_VIBES, IRL.SUGURU, FEREFERIC, EI_COSPLAY, CHLO.PANDAA_COS, DRUGSWHENNEDED, CPTNHYACINTH_, HELEN16578** **12:00 AM**
Panel 2 (Board Room 2)
Your favorite fictional authors are back with a spooky twist! Join us as we play fun activities and you'll win cool prizes along with lots of candy!
- DANCE** **12:00 AM**
Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)
Greg Ayres, our voice actor guest of honor, hits the decks until closing time!

SUNDAY

- THE SABER LEGION MINNESOTA** **10:00 AM**
Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)
Join the MN Charter of the Saber Legion as they put on a demonstration of live full-contact saber combat! The exhibition will feature a full demonstration of how competitions are run followed by a Q & A.
- HAPPILY EVA AFTER WITH DEADLEGATO** **10:00 AM**
Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)
So you want to know how to work with foam to build costumes? There's a panel for that.
- A MUSICAL ANALYSIS OF GENSHIN IMPACT BOSS THEMES WITH SARAH** **10:30 AM**
Panel 1 (Conference Room D)
If you haven't listened to any of the Genshin Impact OST, you're doing yourself a disservice. In this panel, we will examine 3 of the game's major boss themes by looking at how Yu-Peng Chen uses leitmotif, genre-blending, regional instruments, and more. This panel will include plot spoilers up through the Sumeru Archon Quests.
- BALL-JOINTED DOLL BASICS WITH VICEMAGE** **11:00 AM**
Panel 2 (Board Room 2)
Want to learn about the Ball Jointed Doll hobby, check out some dolls in-person, and maybe win some cool prizes? This is the panel for you!
- SO YOU WANT TO BOOK A COSPLAY PHOTOSHOOT WITH BBDESIGN COSPLAY, HARDLYPLASTIC, ABBYTHESMALLFRY** **11:00 AM**
Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)
Alright, you've finished your cosplay with all that blood, sweat, and tears...and more tears, now it's time to show off all that hard work! But how do you go about booking a photographer? We will walk you through some tips and good practices from safety, types of photoshoots you can do, as well as communication between cosplayers and photographers before, during, and after the photoshoot.
- STARS X SILLYTIME (MERMAID ADMIRATION SUMMER SHOWTIME) WITH NICO/CRUSH, ALISON, ASH, CHERIE** **11:30 AM**
Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)
The cosplay group Stars X Sillytime's debut performance, we adapted an episode of a Wonderlands x Showtime event into a skit!

PANELS & EVENTS



SUNDAY, CONT.

GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME WITH SAMURAI DAN

12:00 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Keeping an assailant from getting a restraining grip on you is a key factor in self defense. Come learn the samurai concepts of tehodoki.

EVENING YOUR COSPLAY MOVES WITH SARTORIAL JUTSU COSPLAY, LA VIE COSPLAY

12:00 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

An OT and PT chit chat about ergonomics and anatomy.

WOLFWOOD'S CHURCH SERVICE WITH EI_COSPLAY, CHOCOTACO_COS, ANMOCHI.COS, RENIN THE WOODS

12:30 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

Join our undertaker Wolfwood in worship of our almighty plant. Love and peace.

EVENINGS WITH ISABELLE WITH GREG AYRES

1:30 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

A large number of anime and gaming fans deal with depression on a daily basis, and two years of pandemic uncertainty just added more stress to that battle. From gamers kept company by "lets play" videos and content creators, to acting mayors of towns filled with cute talking animals - come discuss how gaming and fandom have helped you through the rough patches of your day to day adventures.

COSPLAY EXHIBIT: "INSIDE OUT - FROM NOVICE TO MASTER"

1:30 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

A walkthrough exhibit of Masters-level cosplays, which have been turned inside out for viewing of seams and construction. Catch a glimpse of how cosplayers' skills grow as they advance through the craftsmanship categories. It's a real glow up moment and reminds us that we all started somewhere!

CSM Q&A WITH PAVEMENT, KEZIE, JINX, EMMA

2:00 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

chainsaw man characters taking questions and playing games

THETOADER & FRIENDS WITH THETOADER, SARAH SUARDI, KEN SCHUSTER

2:30 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

TheToader is a video game music musician who plays classical guitar, accordion, bass guitar, mandolin, and more. Listen to acoustic arrangements from FMA, The Legend of Zelda, Xenoblade Chronicles and other video game and anime franchises.

SAMURAI DAN'S MIXED (UP) MARTIAL ARTS

3:00 PM

Panel 1 (Conference Room D)

Ever see a movie or cartoon that had a move in that was just too cool to be real? Come find out the truth, as Samurai Dan discusses real techniques versus made-up crap.

BLOBBO FROM MY PHONE GAME: NOW IN ENGLISH! WITH ANGRY ANGEL COSPLAY, CROVS

3:30 PM

Panel 2 (Board Room 2)

A look through Japanese/Chinese/Korean mobile games adapted for English audiences and how things are lost (or gained!) in translation. We will discuss Disney Twisted Wonderland, Fate/Grand Order, Ensemble Stars, and more!

COSPLAY DESIGN STUDIO! WITH DEWFEATHERS

3:30 PM

Cosplay Corner (Plymouth Room)

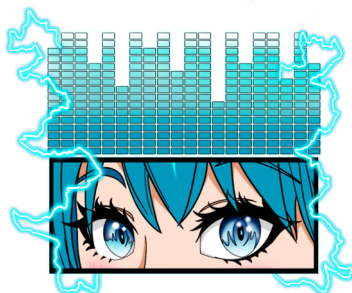
Join us in the Cosplay Design Studio to learn the basics of designing your own cosplay ideas, so you can cosplay outside of the "cannon box."

CLOSING CEREMONIES

4:30 PM

Main Events (Scandinavian Ballroom)

Even the best of things must come to an end. Join us as we bid farewell to another year at Anime Fusion.



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FRIDAY

- BLEACH**
ENGLISH DUB
Ichigo Kurosaki is a teenager with the ability to see spirits. When the death god Rukia transfers her powers to him in an emergency, Ichigo must face rogue spirits known as Hollows and the more ruthless inhabitants of the spirit world.
- 10:00 AM**
VIDEO 1
- GROUND CONTROL TO PSYCHOELECTRIC GIRL**
ENGLISH DUB
Self proclaimed Alien Erio Touwa has been missing for half a year and was found floating in the sea. No memories of what happend she believes it was aliens.
- 10:30 AM**
VIDEO 2
- INUYASHA**
ENGLISH DUB
Kagome Higurashi gets a crash course in feudal Japan after being pulled down a well by a demon seeking a certain jewel, which happened to be reborn inside her body.
- 11:45 AM**
VIDEO 1
- UTA NO PRINCE-SAMA - MAJI LOVE 1000%**
SUBTITLED
Haruka, an aspiring composer, joins a highly regarded school for performing arts to accomplish her goal of writing music for her beloved idol.
- 12:15 PM**
VIDEO 2
- KODOCHA**
ENGLISH DUB
Sana Kurata, a young TV star, runs into trouble in her private life when the rebellious Akito Hayama spurs the other boys in her class to create neverending chaos. Sana makes it her mission to straighten out the mess and Akito himself.
- 1:30 PM**
VIDEO 1
- LUPIN ZERO**
SUBTITLED
The story of how the now-infamous thief, Lupin III, began as a thirteen-year-old student and became friends with Daisuke Jigen.
- 2:00 PM**
VIDEO 2
- COMIC PARTY**
SUBTITLED
Kazuki is dragged into the world of fan comics by his friends, and begins to draw his own dojinshi.
- 3:15 PM**
VIDEO 1
- MONTHLY GIRLS' NOZAKI-KUN**
ENGLISH DUB
Chiyo confesses her love to her classmate Nozaki, however, Nozaki thinks Chiyo is just a fan. She soon finds herself assisting him with his manga.
- 4:30 PM**
VIDEO 2
- KIMI NI TODOKE**
ENGLISH DUB
Sawako Kuronuma just wants to make friends, but since she looks like the woman from the Ring movie this isn't as easy as one would think.
- 5:00 PM**
VIDEO 1
- MY NEXT LIFE AS A VILLAINESS**
SUBTITLED
After bumping her head one day Catarina Claes remembers her previous life, and realizes she has reincarnated into one of her favorite otome games...as the villainess! Now it's her mission to avoid all of her bad endings!
- 6:15 PM**
VIDEO 2
- GHOST STORIES**
ENGLISH DUB
A young girl finds a book of spells that belongs to her dead mother. She uses the book to fight demons and ghosts that are haunting her school - all with the aid of a devil cat.
- 6:45 PM**
VIDEO 1
- LAND OF THE LUSTROUS**
SUBTITLED
Phosphoryllite, the most brittle of gems, just wants to join the fight against the Lunarians with her other gem-based friends.
- 8:00 PM**
VIDEO 2
- KEY THE METAL IDOL**
SUBTITLED
Tokiko Mima, called Key, is a robot. When her creator dies, he leaves behind a cryptic last message: if Key can somehow get 30,000 people to care about her, she can become fully human.
- 8:30 PM**
VIDEO 1
- SHINEPOST**
SUBTITLED
Idol group TiNgS is on the verge of disbandment unless they can fill a two-thousand quota of seats, but their high count so far is only 37!
- 9:45 PM**
VIDEO 2

VIDEO ROOMS



FRIDAY, CONT.

BOBOBO-BO BO-BOBO **SUBTITLED**

A hilarious anime where Bo Bobo fights with the power of his own hair to protect the world from the emperor's minions, who are trying to steal everyone else's hair.

10:15 PM
VIDEO 1

KIDS ON THE SLOPE **ENGLISH DUB**

A slice of life series following a well-off introvert and a delinquent as they bond over jazz sessions.

11:30 PM
VIDEO 2

NANA (18+) **ENGLISH DUB**

Nano Osaki and Nana Komatsu cross paths as they both move back to Tokyo.

12:00 AM
VIDEO 1

SATURDAY

DIGIMON ADVENTURE **ENGLISH DUB**

While getting ready for summer camp this group gets transported to the Digital World, where they meet their partner Digimon and must save the digital world from disaster.

10:00 AM
VIDEO 1

TOKYO MEW MEW NEW **SUBTITLED**

Ichigo awakens to her powers, and transforms into a heroine with the skills of a cat to save her crush.

10:30 AM
VIDEO 2

POKÉMON INDIGO LEAGUE **ENGLISH DUB**

The original! Revisit the very start of Ash Ketchum's legendary Pokémon journey.

11:45 AM
VIDEO 1

ONE PUNCH MAN **SUBTITLED**

Saitama has trained so intensely that he has lost all of his hair; More than that, he's lost his sense of fun and adventure. Able to defeat any enemy with one blow, he has become bored and restless with his battles.

12:15 PM
VIDEO 2

BEYBLADE **ENGLISH DUB**

Follow Tyson Granger and his friends as they battle to become the greatest beybladers in the world!

1:30 PM
VIDEO 1

TIGER & BUNNY **ENGLISH DUB**

Sternbild City is home to people called "Next," who use their special abilities to protect the people. The hero Wild Tiger has always preferred to work alone, but he's been assigned a rookie with a different perspective.

2:00 PM
VIDEO 2

SAILOR MOON SAILOR STARS **ENGLISH DUB**

The final season of Sailor Moon begins with an epic battle against their previous foe, Queen Nehelena. All ten Sailor Guardians must unite to save Mamoru before Nehelena's curse on him causes a time paradox.

3:15 PM
VIDEO 1

HUNTER X HUNTER **ENGLISH DUB**

This story follows the antics of Gon Freecss, who decides to become a hunter like his father and journeys to take the Hunter Examination.

3:45 PM
VIDEO 2

LOCODOL **ENGLISH DUB**

Nanako Usami, an ordinary high school girl, is approached to become a local idol or Locodol.

5:30 PM
VIDEO 2

CARDCAPTOR SAKURA **SUBTITLED**

Sakura Kinomoto was an ordinary 4th grader until she opened a strange book, releasing magical cards into the world. To her dismay, it is now up to her and the guardian beast of the book to protect the world from the catastrophe that would befall it.

5:45 PM
VIDEO 1

YURUYURI **SUBTITLED**

A group of young classmates forms the Amusement Club at school, a group with no purpose other than to provide entertainment for its members.

7:15 PM
VIDEO 2

VIDEO ROOMS



SATURDAY, CONT.

SAINT TAIL SUBTITLED

When your parents are a former phantom thief and a stage magician, of course you become a modern-day Robin Hood who returns stolen items to their rightful owners...all while leaving the police detective's son you calling card.

7:30 PM
VIDEO 1

IS IT WRONG TO TRY TO PICK UP GIRLS IN A DUNGEON? ENGLISH DUB

Bell becomes the only member of the Hestia Familia. Although very weak in comparison to others, he gains a special skill, allowing him to power up very quickly.

9:00 PM
VIDEO 2

K-ON! SUBTITLED

Yui Hirasawa joins her school's light music club, thinking it will be easy for her to play the castanets - the only instrument she knows. However, the other members seems to think their new addition is a guitar prodigy...

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BLEACH SUBTITLED

Ichigo Kurosaki is a teenager with the ability to see spirits. When the death god Rukia transfers her powers to him in an emergency, Ichigo must face rogue spirits known as Hollows and the more ruthless inhabitants of the spirit world.

11:00 PM
VIDEO 1

JOJO'S BIZARRE ADVENTURE (18+) SUBTITLED

Jonathan Joestar is locked in a rivalry with his adopted brother Dio, who is ravenously driven to gain power and advantage over everything around him. Dio finds an ancient supernatural artifact that affects their families for generations to come.

12:30 AM
VIDEO 2

GTO: GREAT TEACHER ONIZUKA (18+) ENGLISH DUB

Ex-gang member Eikichi Onizuka decides to become a teacher and embarks on a journey of self-discovery.

12:45 AM
VIDEO 1

SUNDAY

RANMA 1/2 ENGLISH DUB

Saotome Ranma, a teenage martial artist, and his father Genma fall into the cursed springs of China. From then on, whenever Ranma is doused in cold water, he turns into a girl - and a cute, well-built redhead at that.

10:00 AM
VIDEO 1

PRINCESS AND THE PILOT SUBTITLED

The San Maltilia Airforce hires a mercenary to fly a princess to her prince through enemy territory.

10:30 AM
VIDEO 2

KODOCHA ENGLISH DUB

Sana Kurata, a young TV star, runs into trouble in her private life when the rebellious Akito Hayama spurs the other boys in her class to create never-ending chaos. Sana makes it her mission to straighten out the mess and Akito himself.

11:45 AM
VIDEO 1

IS THE ORDER A RABBIT? SUBTITLED

While looking for a boarding house for the upcoming school year, Cocoa stumbles upon a cafe that just happens to be a boarding house, and begins working there.

12:15 PM
VIDEO 2

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VIDEO 1

DAILY LIVES OF HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SUBTITLED

In all-boys high school Sanada North High, follow the lives of three close friends living out their daily lives through love, drama, giant robots, and much more.

2:00 PM
VIDEO 2



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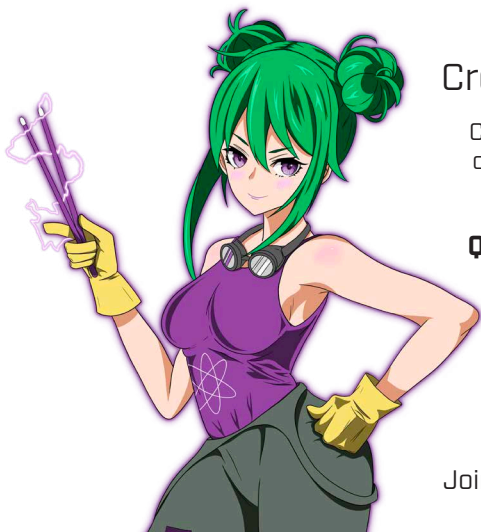
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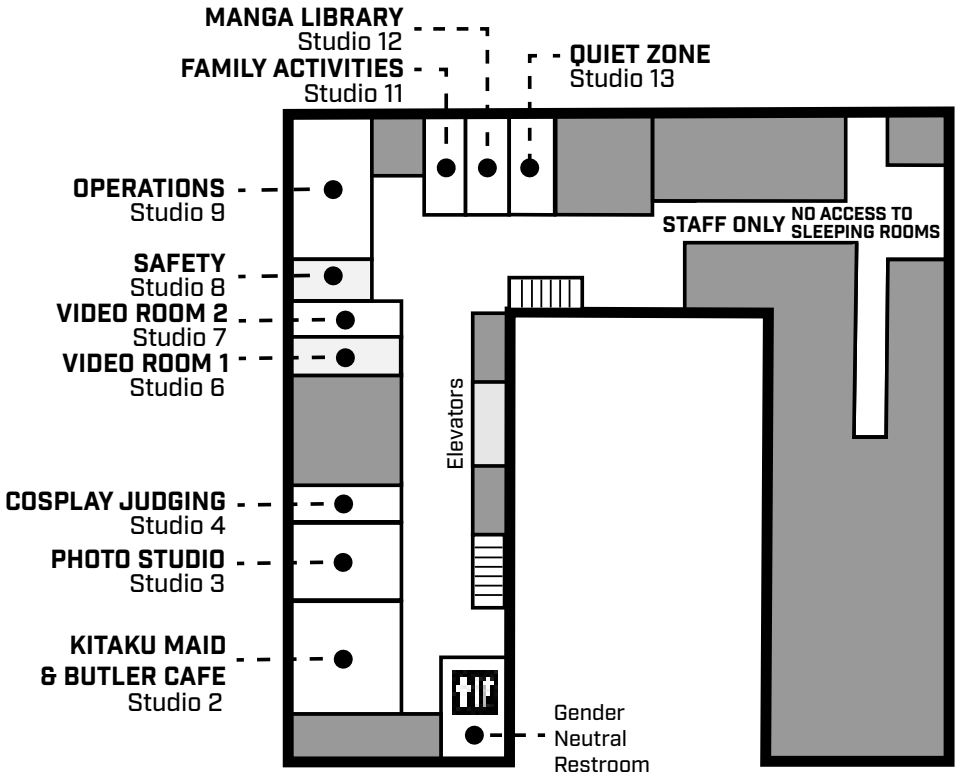
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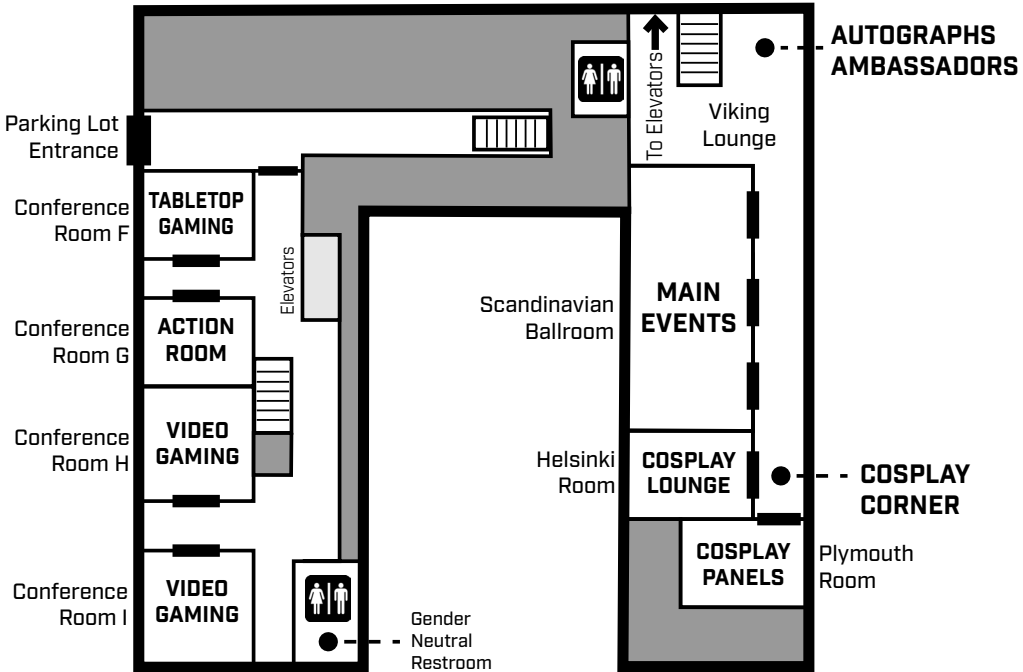
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