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Welcome from the Chairs

Greetings One and All!!

Welcome. This our 20th year. Absolutely amazing. I have been fortunate enough to be part of FanimeCon since 2001. Every year the members continue to amaze me with their cosplay and new and different ways to have fun. If this is your first year at FanimeCon, brace yourself for unique and incredible experience. If you are returning, thank you for your continued support.

For those of you keeping track, this is my third and last year as Chairman. While I love to say I did a great job and you can thank me for all the cool things that have happened in last few years—that would be a complete and total lie. The people you should appreciate and thank for this are the thousand-plus members of our all volunteer staff. All of them work very hard to make FanimeCon what is. Many of them work all year and put in hundreds of hours of work before the convention even happens.

Speaking of hundreds of hours, I want to take my hat off to a group of people who have been working very hard for more than a year to tackle LineCo.... er... Registration. It is no secret that the last few years, with the construction, power outages, continued growth, and many other challenges have resulted in unfortunate wait times. As I write this, we are

putting the final touches on a new Registration System. It has been a long time in coming and may still need some fine tuning, but I am very confident that this system will be, and continue to be, one of the best out there.

With the end of the construction on the Convention Center there are still many things moving and settling into their new homes. Please make sure you check out the webpage, available maps, iOS and/or Android apps, and, of course, one of the many and very helpful Info Desks.

Other exciting news: Clockwork Alchemy (if you haven't, check it out at the DoubleTree) continued to win may prestigious Steampunk awards. Also, we are expanding the Dealers' Hall this year. The Artist Alley has a new home - convenient location and less dust. You can support our Charity-Make-A-Wish-by taking advantage of a new service Item Check—very helpful if you don't want to carry you stuff around all day.

I hope you have the best time of your life... so far :)

Wolfgang Coe
Chair of FanimeCon 2014



This space intentionally left ...awesome. I am a man of few words. Unfortunately; you loyal reader, get to read them all here. I usually have something witty or silly to say. Also something about go enjoy the con, be happy, and enjoy all the wonderful events and costumes. But you are already here and are planning out a large slice of awesomeness of your own. So instead, here are the most asked questions to this vice-chair from the last year.

Q: What are your favorite Animes?

A: Trigun and Galaxy Express 999.

Q: How long have you been working at FanimeCon?

A: Since 2001.

Q: Do you have those movies quotes in your brain?

A: Yes, all the time. My wife gives no reaction hoping to discourage me. She has not yet.

Q: What is it like talking in front of the staff.

A: Like talking to 1150 more friends than normal. As a plus this has cured me of the fear of public speaking.

Q: Hi Josh.

A: <waves>: Is there a question here?

Q: What is Wolf like outside of FanimeCon?

A: Mostly Harmless. Just add chocolate bunnies. (Shhh, its a secret. don't tell him.)

Q: I need your help. What is your favorite bribe?

A: No bribe required, just ask.

Q: How many are on the FanimeCon Staff?

A: 1187 at last count.

Q: What is your favorite part of being Vice-Chair.

A: Watching the wonderful volunteer staff create FanimeCon, Magic in May (copyright pending) every year.

They are telling me by a waving a giant bamboo hook at me that my time and this column has come to an end. Let me close by thanking Phil for reading this column each over the last two years. Thank you Phil.

Welcome to FanimeCon 2014! My name is Gary de Guzman, one of the two Vice Chairs for FanimeCon, along with Josh Kessler and Wolfgang Coe as the Chairman.

I first started as a member like yourselves. I too was planning with friends for travel arrangements, pulling money together for a hotel room, and stockpiling on carbonated beverages, instant noodles, chips, and sweets. I remember mapping out where to go, which panels to see, what video rooms to watch, when to line up for autographs and waiting for Dance to start. I also remember the times spent rushing to get costumes done, running around to find materials, cursing at the clock and so on. Watching the younger generations, I am glad to see that not much has changed.

It has been an amazing three years since I became one of the Vice Chairs. I have witnessed many changes over the years. I have watched the convention grow; growth in attendance, in programming, and as an entity. Over these past three years, we also created a new expansion, a sister convention, named Clockwork Alchemy.

We also had our fair share in challenges though. We overcame obstacles such a power outage a few years back. We also overcame the construction work as part of the expansion of the convention center. Yet, through all these difficulties, all of you endured with us. I can not think of a better words to describe all of you other than "a loving family".

We are fans, like yourselves, and FanimeCon would not exist without the help and support from members like you, our beloved family. Be sure to greet any of us or any staffer that seems drained of life. While we do this because we want to, a smile will go a long way, and we will be sure to send one back. I hope that all of you will have the same experiences and memories as I had in the past by attending this convention, which, in reality, is... your convention. Welcome to FanimeCon 2014!

Gary de Guzman
Vice-Chair of FanimeCon 2014

Josh Kessler
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HOME MADE KAZOKU

Hip Hop Trio

HOME MADE KAZOKU (formed in 1996) has been around for nearly two decades, and exploded on to the scene while on their country-wide Japan Club Tour in 2004. That year they signed on with the recording company, Ki/oon Records/Sony Music Entertainment Japan, Inc. and also released their first single, "SUMMER TIME MAGIC". Anime fans will recognize HOME MADE KAZOKU from their music in various anime titles such as Eureka 7 ("Shonen Heart"), Naruto ("Shooting Star"), the theme song of Naruto Shippuden: the Movie ("NO RAIN NO RAINBOW"), and many more.

MICRO ("Small MC"), KURO ("Medium MC"), and DJ U-ICHI ("Large DJ") released their first full album, "ROCK THE WORLD" in 2004 where it entered the Oricon charts at number 5, and remained in the top 20 for eight straight weeks. With 10 released albums and 20 singles, they have



drawn numerous fans to their shows in Japan performing to sell-out audiences, including their own annual music festival called KazokuFes. Along with celebrating their 10th anniversary with their first ever best hits album (titled KAHOU~THE BEST OF HOME MADE KAZOKU), HOME MADE KAZOKU will also conclude their national tour in Japan right before they join us here at FanimeCon.



Raj Ramayya

Musician

The Indo-Canadian singer, composer, and lyricist has a storied history in the anime industry, having worked with some musical luminaries in the field, including Yoko Kanno (as a member of The Seatbelts). Mr. Ramayya has worked on a few different anime, including Cowboy Bebop, Ghost in the Shell, and Wolf's Rain.

He also has a number of tracks for Konami's Bemani series of games, including songs in Beatmania IIDX, Guitar Freaks, and Drummania. His band, The Beautiful Losers, has been used on various MTV shows in the US, and for commercials in Japan for NTT Docomo and Animal Planet.



Hiroyuki Yamaga

Executive Producer, GAINAX

Hiroyuki Yamaga returns as one of FanimeCon's most honored guests (since 1997). For FanimeCon 2014, he will be hosting his exclusive tea party where he will discuss GAINAX and answer our attendees' eager questions amongst other things. He is credited for such titles as *Magical Shopping Arcade Abenobashi* (director), *Mahoromatic* (director), *Royal Space Force: Wings of Honneamise* (director and writer), and will be writing/directing *Aoki Uru* (announced at the Tokyo International Anime Fair 2013).



Noir

Performer, Writer, Marketing Director, GAINAX

Noir has been featured in films as an actress and has narrated a variety of commercials. She also formed the musical unit, *maRIONnetTe* (with Yoshihito Onda, former producer/bassist of *JUDY AND MARY*) and Nobara Takemoto (novelist) for the anime series *The Mystic Archives of Dantalian's* ending theme song ("yes, prisoner"). She is currently busy as the Marketing Director of GAINAX and writing the scenario for the comic, *Sadon desu*, serialized in *Weekly Young Magazine*. The illustrations for *Sadon desu* are drawn by Kyo Hatsuki.



Takami Akai

Illustrator and Director, GAINAX

Born in 1961 at Yonago, Tottori, Mr. Akai would garner attention for his character design in the opening animation of the 20th Annual Japan National SF Convention (while a student at Osaka University of Arts). In addition, he directed live-action special-effects works such as "*Yamata no Orochi no Gyakushu*" as part of the amateur video production group DAICON FILM. The main staff of DAICON FILM went on to form GAINAX in the early 1980s.

Mr. Akai's first works at GAINAX include such works as the company's first PC game "*Dennou Gakuen (CYBERNETIC Hi-SCHOOL)*" and the trailblazing life simulation game ("*Princess Maker*" series). In recent years, Mr. Akai can be found at the pop-culture festival "*Yonago Eiga Jihen*" (held in his hometown). Mr. Akai can be found working on original animation, producing, as well as directing and performing other roles for the event's symbolic work "*Daitokusatsu Kyohen Negiman*."





Hiroyuki Kanbe

Director and Animator

Debuting in 1988 as an animator, Hiroyuki Kanbe has worked on over 50 different titles and has a storied career in production on countless anime titles with his directorial debut on 2009's VIPER'S CREED. Mr. Kanbe has also designed monsters for DEVIL SURVIVOR2 the ANIMATION and done storyboarding for Space Battleship Yamato 2199, Inari, KonKon, Koi Iroha, and noitaminA's Silver Spoon.

With credits in Nadia: The Secret of Blue Water, YuYu Hakusho, Evangelion, Rurouni Kenshin, and Afro Samurai, Hiroyuki Kanbe has had a hand in producing some of the most memorable franchises in existence. But it is with his most recent directorial effort, on the fan favorite series, Ore no Imoto Ga Konnani Kawaii Wake Ga Nai that he was thrust into notoriety.



J. Michael Tatum

Voice Actor

J. Michael Tatum was discovered by Funimation warhorse and visionary ADR director Christopher Bevins who cast him as Rikichi in 2005's Samurai 7. Having been involved in voice acting for nearly a decade, Mr. Tatum's career has placed him in some prominent roles that fans might recognize (Sebastian Michaelis from Black Butler, France from Hetalia: Axis Powers, Dr. Gel in the currently airing Space Dandy, and as Sir Hammerlock in the video game Borderlands 2).

In 2010, Mr. Tatum teamed up with Terri Doty and Stephen Hoff to launch That Anime Show. All episodes of this colorful, often diabolically unhinged interview web-based chat show can be downloaded on their official website (<http://thatanimeshow.com>). Ever the workaholic, Mr. Tatum can also be found in upcoming releases such as Attack on Titan and Psycho-Pass. If you're wondering what the "J" stands for, Mr. Tatum has said that "it stands for whatever you'd like it to".

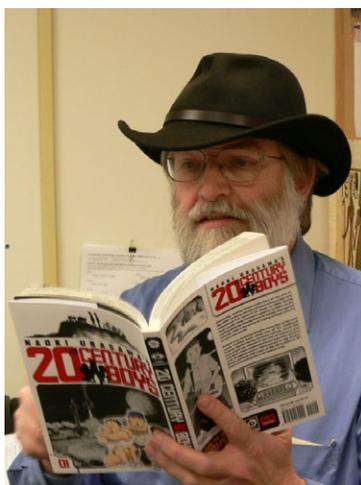


Kira Buckland

Voice Actress

Ms. Buckland began voice acting at the age of sixteen, voicing flash animations and games before winning Anime Expo's Voice Actor Idol competition in 2007. Since moving from her hometown of Anchorage, Alaska to Southern California, she has made her mark in the voice acting world and her name can be found in the credits of many anime titles (Blue Exorcist, Accel World, LaGrange, Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic, and 5 Centimeters Per Second).

Along with anime titles, she is credited for many video game voices (Skullgirls - as the final boss, Bloody Marie, Castle Crashers, Hyperdimension Neptunia V, Inazuma Eleven, Mugen Souls, Time and Eternity) and it was recently announced that she will play Hiyoko Saionji in Dangan Ronpa 2: Goodbye Despair. As a prolific cosplayer who loves attending conventions herself, Ms. Buckland will fit right in with our attendees as a true blue fan.



Gilles Poitras

Author/Librarian

Gilles is best known to previous FanimeCon attendees as a returning Guest of Honor. His works have been published in NewType USA, Otaku USA, and in his three released books: The Anime Companion, Anime Essentials, and The Anime Companion 2. He continues to be the Access Services Librarian at Golden Gate University and stills stays up-to-date on all things manga, anime, and Japan.



Chantal Strand

Voice Actress

Chantal Strand got her start at a young age, doing stunts on Look Who's Talking Now and then quickly moved into principle and leading roles (The Outer Limits, The Commish, and Air Bud). Despite her start in stunts, she is more known for her voice over roles in popular cartoons (Cassie in Dragon Tales, Bijou/Mia/Natalie in Hamtaro, and Gemini Stone/Pi/Bernard in Sabrina: the Animated Series), the Gundam Seed franchise (Lacus Clyne), and a few other notable works (Mandy/Duchess Morbucks in Powerpuff Girls Z). In 2002, Ms. Strand was nominated for Best Supporting Performance in a Feature Length Drama and later that year, she received honors for contributing to the Emmy award-winning The New Adventures of Madeline (going on to play the title character in two feature films). These days, she spends her time voicing Diamond Tiara on the television series My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic.





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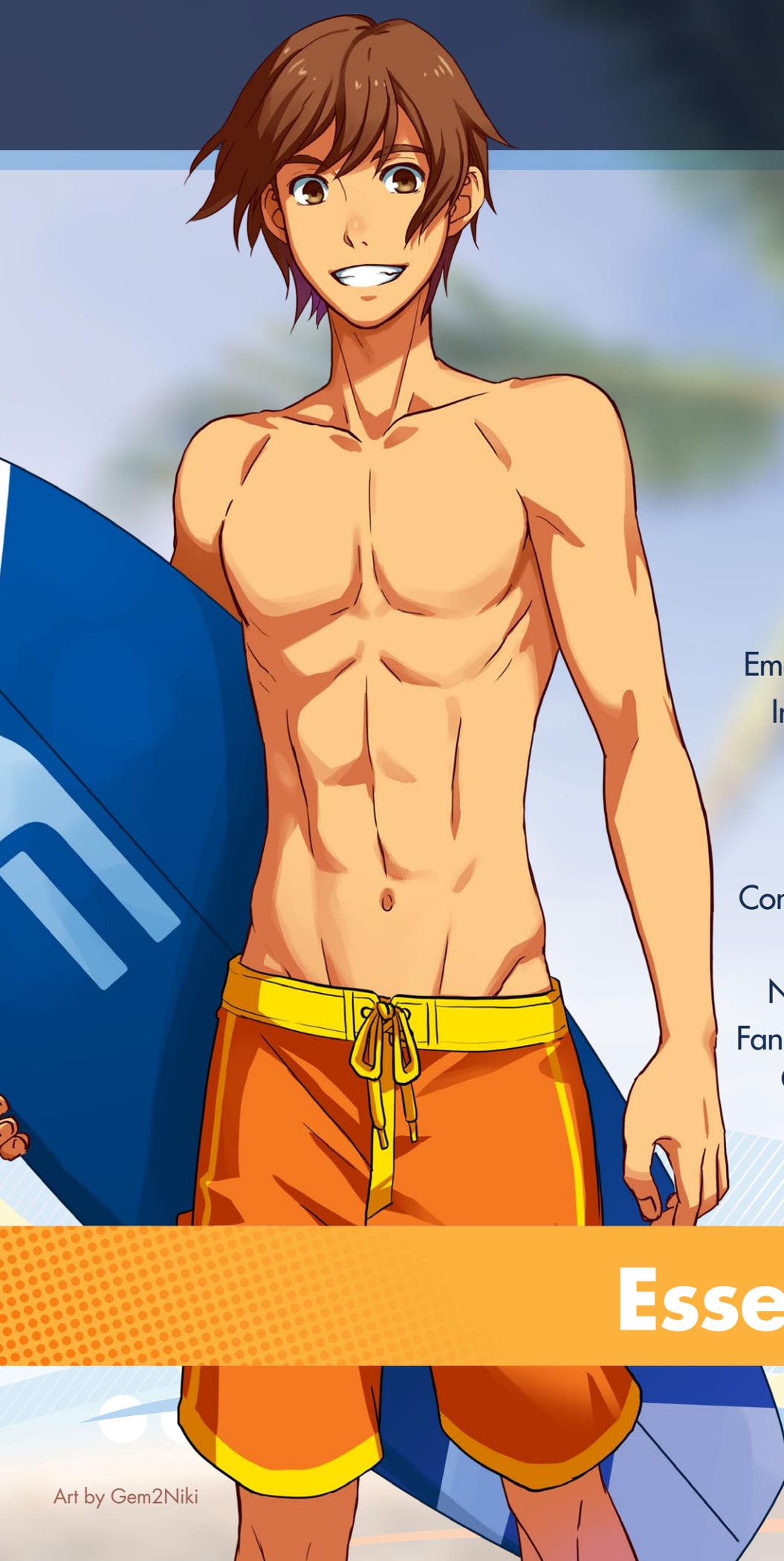
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Essentials

Registration Info

General

Registration is the first place to go when you arrive at FanimeCon 2014. With your valid photo ID, this is where you can pick up your membership badge (for fully paid, online registrations) or register and pay for membership at the convention.

Please consult fanime.com/registration-faq/ for the Registration FAQ and hours. Registration hours are also listed in the FanimeCon pocket guide.

Professional

Professional Registration ("ProReg") handles memberships for members of the press covering FanimeCon, as well as creators, executives, and marketing personnel of anime and manga industries. ProReg is located in Room 114 on the first floor of the San Jose Convention Center, Marriott side. Please see the ProReg FAQ on the FanimeCon website for more information.

Lost Badge Policy

In the event that you lose or misplace your membership badge, please check with Lost and Found to see if it has been found and returned. If your badge has not been returned, then you may request a replacement badge at the cost of half of your original membership purchase price. If you lose or misplace your badge a second time (and assuming it has not been returned to Lost and Found), then you will be charged the full price for a badge replacement. A replacement badge will invalidate your original badge. There are NO refunds for your replacement badge if you should find your original badge.

Information Desks

Looking for information about schedule changes at FanimeCon? Trying to find out how to get from point A to point B in the San Jose Convention Center? Just have a random question or pondering? Do inquiring minds want to know? The answers to all this and more can be found at your friendly FanimeCon Info Desk! You can find us located throughout the San Jose Convention Center, or keep an eye out for walking Info Desk representatives throughout the convention! You will be greeted with a friendly face and the answer to your question. When you don't know, go ask Info!!

Volunteering

Volunteering is a great way to give back and experience FanimeCon in a whole new way! By working just 20 hours, you get a full refund of your weekend membership or five hours for a day membership. Nowhere else will you have the opportunity to work for so many departments or do such a wide variety of tasks. We offer flexible schedules, meaning you don't have to miss your favorite events and will have plenty of time to enjoy the convention. To see what we're all about, stop by the Volunteers Room located on the second floor of the Marriott right next to the hallway leading to the convention center!

Our hours are 5:00 – 9:00 pm on Thursday, 8:00 am – 9:00 pm Friday – Sunday, and 8:00 am – 4:00 pm on Monday.

Please consult fanime.com/volunteers/ for the Volunteers FAQ and additional information.

Rovers

The Rovers are responsible for customer service and safety at FanimeCon. They are found throughout the convention helping FanimeCon Members, and ensuring that the convention is as fun, and safe, as possible. Rovers have a lot of responsibilities, but can often be found doing the following:

- **General Safety:** Preventing unsafe behavior and activities (such as running, blocking doorways, etc.), and dealing with unsafe situations (spills, facility issues, etc.) as efficiently as possible.
- **Peace-Bonding:** Tagging props which are compliant with FanimeCon's Weapons Policy. The main peace-bonding station is in Willow Glenn III on the Marriott second floor.
- **Line and Crowd Control:** Ensuring that crowds stay orderly, and that lines flow. Keeping walkways, exits, fire safety equipment, etc. clear.
- **Access Control:** Checking IDs for age-controlled events, and verifying credentials for restricted areas.
- **Escort Duties:** Providing safety escorts for staff and members as needed or requested.
- **Policy Compliance:** Enforcing the Weapons Policy and Code of Conduct.
- Rovers are also equipped to assist with emergencies, harassment or missing persons. Rovers are the fastest and most efficient way to verify situations and inform the proper authorities or service personnel.

If you have an issue which you believe requires Rovers assistance, find the nearest Rover, or send a text message to **1 (415) FANIME1 (1.415.326.4631)** and we will do our best to help you.

Essentials

Comic by Missy Pena



Emergency Services

Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) and police officers of San Jose are always available on site. If any medical or other emergency occurs, please contact ConOps or the nearest Rover as soon as possible.

Lost and Found

Lost & Found is just that — where to go to look for or turn in a lost precious. If you've found someone's lost precious, please bring it to us and we'll hold it for them. If you've lost your precious, come by and describe it to us — hopefully someone else has already given it to us.

NOTE: Please be patient when trying to track down something you've lost. Many people who find a lost item or badge turn it in when they have a chance, which is not always right when you lost it or when they found it.

All Lost and Found items will be held for three-months after the convention ends. Items that are not claimed within that time period will be donated and/or disposed of. To contact Lost and Found after the convention is over, email lost@fanime.com.

Convention Etiquette

Autographs

Each year, FanimeCon hosts guests of honor and, each year, FanimeCon

members wish to obtain their autographs. For those members, FanimeCon will designate a special area for you to gain those cherished memories. The schedule will have the times and places where our guests of honor will sign autographs, so be sure to check the schedule because they may only have one autograph session. Remember, these people are our guests and should be treated with respect. Kindness and smiles go a long way. Have fun and enjoy your time with this year's guests of honor!

Photographs

Everyone enjoys photos at a convention, but no one appreciates having their picture taken by surprise. Ask permission beforehand to ensure the highest quality photographs. Remember to be considerate and never block traffic. Convention traffic is a terrible background, and it's hard to take a nice shot when people walk into your photo or bump into you or your subject. Keep FanimeCon safe and take wonderful pictures!

Parent Lounge

Tired of the hustle and bustle of the convention? Not really sure about this whole Fanime-thing your kids have dragged you to? Take a load off at our brand new Parent Lounge! Located on the first floor of the Hilton, this is a place for parents to relax without worrying

about accidentally walking through a photoshoot or tripping over someone's prop. Relax and take a breather at the Parent Lounge before venturing out to explore Fanime!

New Mom Rooms

We have set aside rooms for new mothers to make use of during the convention. Whether it be for some much-needed privacy, or just to have some peace and quiet, these lockable rooms will be available at the Hilton and DoubleTree hotels. For the Hilton Hotel location, the key is available in the Manga Lounge and it will be open the same hours. For the DoubleTree location, the key will be available at Clockwork Alchemy ConOps and it will be open the same hours as ConOps.



Code of Conduct

Everyone must comply with all Federal, State, and Local laws, ordinances, and regulations at all times. Officers of the San Jose Police Department are on site. Laws include, but are not limited to the following:

- No disorderly conduct such as loitering, public intoxication, indecent exposure, begging, or soliciting.
- No selling weapons or serving alcohol to minors.
- No smoking inside any public buildings. No smoking within 25 feet of any entrances.

Please respect the facilities. The San Jose Convention Center & Cultural Facilities and surrounding hotels have been gracious enough to host FanimeCon for many years, and we would like to keep coming back. Please leave the facilities and equipment in at least as good a condition as you found them.

- All aisles, exits, fire safety devices, and concession stands must be kept clean, clear, visible, and unobstructed at all times.
- Do not tape, tack, staple, nail, or otherwise affix anything to any wall or surface in San Jose Convention Center & Cultural Facilities. This includes doors, panels, columns, and other portions of the facilities.
- Glitter, gum, confetti, balloons, stickers, and door or window decals may not be used, distributed, or affixed inside the facilities.
- The white courtesy phones are for contacting emergency services or convention center personnel only. They are not equipped to provide outside telephone service.

- No outside food or drink may be sold or distributed on the premises without prior permission, licenses, permits, and insurance.
- Except for approved Service Dogs, animals may not be brought into the San Jose Convention Center & Cultural Facilities without prior written consent.
- Only people with disabilities or prior approval may use transportation devices indoors.
- No skateboards, bicycles, or roller-blades are allowed indoors.
- **Shoes must be worn at all times.**

Please be respectful and courteous of everybody around you. This includes Guests of Honor, convention and hotel personnel, FanimeCon staff, and fellow members.

- Due to the large number of FanimeCon members, please move carefully. Do not obstruct the flow of traffic, be conscientious with props, and do not run indoors.
- Please request autographs only during designated autograph sessions. Unless exceptions have been announced ahead of time, please limit requests to one autograph per person per guest.
- Do not harass, threaten, bully, stalk, or mob people. Please do not hug or glomp without permission. Respect other people's personal space.

In addition to the above, FanimeCon has the following rules:

- FanimeCon Badges are property of FanimeCon, and are loaned to Members for their exclusive use and enjoyment. Memberships (and therefore Badges) are non-transferable. Badges may not be modified, tampered with,

or copied in any way. Badges must be worn in plain sight while on premises.

- Badges may be revoked at any time by qualified staff members. Membership and access to events will be revoked with a pulled badge.
- Please do not carry signs that solicit any service or object for price (ex: "Will Glomp for \$.01"), have any profanity, or which are not part of a cosplay.
- **FanimeCon is a dry convention. No alcohol or drugs are allowed on premises. No drunkenness or other intoxication will be tolerated in convention areas.**
- Please do not move or tamper with furniture or equipment, including arcade machines. Doing so may result in damage to the equipment or injury to yourself. If you think something should be moved, or needs repair, please inform Convention Operations staff.
- Please do not use any of the electrical outlets in the convention center except in designated areas.
- Please comply with the FanimeCon Costume & Weapons Policy, read it carefully and abide by its rules. Get all props peace-bonded as soon as possible, and do not brandish or use them at any time.
- Certain items are not allowed on premises: laser pointers, fog machines, strobe lights, megaphones, and other noise-making items. Items may be added to this list by FanimeCon at any time.

FanimeCon reserves the right to modify the Code of Conduct at any time.

The FanimeCon Cosplay Rules & Weapons Policy

Costume Rules & Limitations

- All con attendees must wear shoes at all times while in public areas of the convention center and attached hotels. Even if a character goes barefoot, the cosplayer must wear shoes.
- Costumes and daily wear shall not expose the body in such a way as to be deemed indecent exposure under California and City of San Jose ordinances. Private parts must be covered in an opaque material and not be subject to slippage or gaps. Liquid latex or other conformal body coatings will be judged on a case by case basis.
- All costumes worn within the convention center must fit through a standard doorway.
- No costume may generate odor, smoke, or fog, or have overly bright or flashing lights.
- All costumes with limited visibility/or movement must have a "handler" to assist with crowd navigation and safety. This also applies to costumes with large "wings" or other oversized elements.
- **No costumes may be realistic depictions of American Law Enforcement or current American Military uniforms, or have the words POLICE, POLICIA, SWAT, FBI, DEA, CIA or any other official government agency names or initials on them.**
- Official flags shall be respected, and cannot be worn as part of a costume. They must be on a flagpole. Home-made or unofficial flags are exempt from this rule.

Prop Rules & Limitations

- In order to carry a peace-bonded prop, you must be in the matching costume.
- If you want to carry a prop at FanimeCon, it must be peace-bonded

by a Rover at a peace-bonding station. With the exception of explicitly banned props, all peace-bonding will be judged on a case-by-case basis.

- Only props which are part of a cosplay and suit the costume will be peace-bonded.
- All props must be small enough to fit through a standard doorway without effort.
- **Certain weapons are banned no matter what:**
 - Anything which is illegal in the City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, State of California, or the United States in general.
 - Real weapons, projectile weapons (such as airsoft or bb guns, bows, crossbows, or other firearms), live steel[1], metal/wooden baseball bats, metal kunai, incendiary devices, solicitous signs, lasers, laser pointers, paddles, whips, floggers, brass knuckles, butterfly knives, concealed blades, throwing stars, tonfa, saps, clubs, nunchaku, sai, tessen, jitte, metal, or glass props.
 - Sword-like props may not be made of live steel[2], or have a hardened edge if made of other materials (such as wood, plastic, or laminate).
 - Guns which are suitably realistic that they could be mistaken for a real gun, or which utilize significant parts of a real gun.
 - Any item may be added to this list at any time by FanimeCon. Changes will be posted at Rovers, Peace Bonding stations, and to the website.
- **Some props are allowed conditionally:**
 - Gun-like props must have a non-removable orange tip at the end of the

barrel which is visible from the side and which extends at least one inch up the barrel, or they must be painted all over in a bright safety color. They cannot have any functional parts, and must not be useable

- **While carrying props, you will be held to very strict behavior standards:**
 - Props may not be brandished, flailed around, or used (for play-fighting or otherwise).
 - Props must remain with the costume they were peace-bonded for.
 - Especially in crowded areas, attendees are expected to carry their props carefully and in a neutral position. Long or tall props must be carried vertically, and sword-like and gun-like props should be holstered or otherwise secured.
 - Using props in an unsafe or threatening manner may result in more severe consequences.
 - **Gun like props may not be pointed at anyone at any time.**
 - Any behavior which a FanimeCon staff member considers to be unsafe or unacceptable will result in appropriate action by a staff member.

Potential Consequences for Violations:

- First Offense:
 - Props: Removal of peace-bond and/or prop taken off premises.
 - Costume: Required costume modification/removal or acquisition of a handler.
- Second Offense:
 - One day badge suspension and/or full-weekend suspension of prop privileges.
- Third Offense:
 - Badge pulled.



FanimeCon reserves the right to modify consequences as necessary at their discretion.

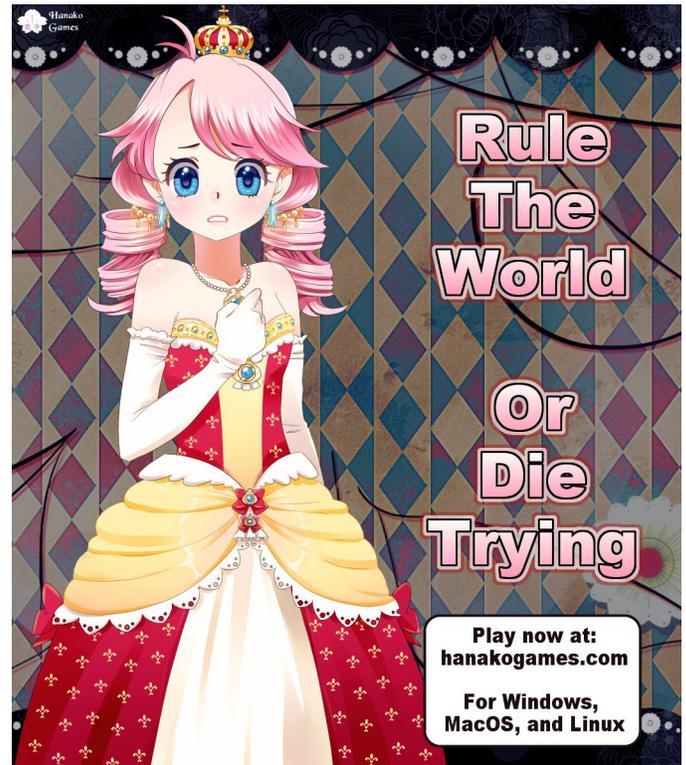
Weapons and Props bought during FanimeCon from the Dealer's Hall, Artist's Alley, or Swap Meet must be put into a box or bag which renders them inaccessible and unusable. They must then be removed from convention premises as soon as possible. We will not peace-bond anything bought during the convention except props which meet all peace-bonding requirements.

Props for Masquerade If you wish to carry a prop for Masquerade around the convention center, it must meet all peace-bonding criteria and have been peace-bonded. If it is only for Masquerade, it must stay in a car or hotel room except when you are taking it to, are at, or are taking it back to your car or room from Masquerade.

Signs which are an integral part of a cosplay, and which an actual character carries may be peace-bonded. Sign standards (poles) must be made of plastic or light wood.

[1] FanimeCon Rovers define "Live Steel" as metal which has, or can, take an edge.

[2] See footnote on live steel above. While this primarily applies to swords, it can also apply to other props.



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Fanmaid Café

Okaerinasaimase, Goshujinsama!

Welcome to FanimeCon's very own Fanmaid Cafe with the most amazing maids we have to offer!

Come visit us, enjoy delicious food, play games, and watch our spectacular stage performances, including Fanmaid LIVE on Stage Zero! As with the previous year, we are located at Club Regent in The Fairmont.

Café Hours:

Saturday, May 24th: 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

Sunday, May 25th: 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

Fanmaid LIVE Showtimes:

Saturday, May 24th: 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Sunday, May 25th: 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Also, follow us on Facebook (Fanmaid Café) and Twitter (@fanmaidcafe) for live updates! Hope to see you there!

Stage Zero

In a land clogged with artists, dealers and, cosplayers, where does one turn for comfort, relief and entertainment? Stage Zero, of course! Located smack dab in the middle of the main hall, Stage Zero is there for your temporary entertainment needs. Watch AMVs, musical talents, or Asian pop videos while you plan on which panel to attend. Have a seat and watch the wackiness, or participate in games for prizes while you wait for friends to come back from the bathroom. The Stage will be your information nerve center to the rest of the convention by way of the talented staff. So don't be afraid to take a load off your feet for a while and absorb the amazing that is Stage Zero!

Manga Lounge

Come visit FanimeCon's small but growing manga lounge, a quiet place to kick back, relax, and read

manga in between panels and events in your busy schedule. The Manga Lounge will have various manga titles in English, Japanese, and Chinese. We're bringing back the comfort of reading manga at major chain bookstores without getting stares while sitting between bookshelves!

Music Video Contest

Everyone loves AMV's. This contest showcases the best from each year from fans around the world... literally. We get entries from all over the country, but we regularly get entries from Brazil, Scotland, Morocco, Hungary, and even Korea! Not only that, but as a voting audience member you get to help decide the winners of the Audience Awards. You get to shape what people will create by telling the AMV community what you like to see the most.

Please consult our website at fanime.com/events/ for the full event schedule.

Speed Dating

Looking for love? Longing for that romantic spark?! Look no further and join other singles at Speed Dating! Speed Dating is an 18+ event for singles to find other anime-loving, game-playing enthusiasts who are seeking a fun connection. Join us in Marriott Hotel Salon Rooms V & VI for Speed Dating 101 Workshops (Saturday and Sunday 10:00 – 11:00 am) and Speed Dating Sessions (Saturday & Sunday 12:00 – 2:00 pm, *2:00 – 4:00 pm, 4:00 – 6:00 pm).

No pre-registration required. We provide heterosexual and queer friendly, gender-neutral (LGBT) speed dating sessions. LGBT sessions offered *2:00 – 4:00 pm and include gay/queer males, lesbian/queer females, and bisexual/pansexual folks. Come and join us!

Game Show

FanimeCon Game Show is back in the lovely center space of Stage Zero, with new games, new formats, and new questions. We're ready for another set of great shows starring you! As always, we select our contestants directly from the audience. We're looking for fun, energetic people who enjoy competing on stage (and who happen to know about a lot about things). Our rounds span general knowledge, anime, video games, and many other topics. Contestants have the opportunity to win small prizes, large prizes, and even cash! So if you know your trivia, come by, get selected, and be a winner! The FanimeCon Game Show will be on Stage Zero, on the main concourse in the San Jose Convention Center, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 9:00 pm to midnight.

Quiz Show with Guests of Honor

Coming back for another fun year, our Guests of Honor will be putting their quizzing prowess on the line.

We're going to bring a ton of questions, and hopefully they'll bring a lot of right answers. Come by and cheer them on!

This year's lineup showcases four Guests of Honor: Kira Buckland, Gilles Poiras, Chantal Strand, J. Michael Tatum.

The Quiz Show with the Guests of Honor will be on Stage Zero, on the main concourse in the San Jose Convention Center, Saturday at 10:00 pm.

Grand Ballroom

Artist Alley

Beyond entertainment, anime and manga inspires us to unleash our creativity. You'll find it all here, from prints, to doujinshi, to costume accessories! Here you can buy original

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art, talk with the artists, and find out about all the hard work they put into their craft. Many artists will even take commissions or sign their work for you!

FanimeCon Artist Pool

Have you ever been curious about the art that appears on the website, or the book you're holding now? Have you ever wanted to meet the talent behind it? Come to Artist Alley, where the artists are waiting to meet you!

Art Gallery

Away from the hustle and bustle of the con resides an oasis called the Art Gallery. Come immerse yourself in beautiful artwork, or bid on a piece or two. You might just win an inspiring piece of your very own to take home!

Civic Auditorium

Swap Meet

Want to find great deals on merchandise from older series? Looking to trade some of your rare collectibles? The Swap Meet is the place for you! Come join fellow fans that want to buy, sell, or trade all types of used or mint, in-box goods at the FanimeCon Swap Meet! Many sellers offer unusual or out-of-print items, and often you can find some very special goods at reasonable prices. Remember, cash or barter are the only accepted payment methods for Swap Meet and a government-issued ID with a photo and proof of age is required for anything marked 18+. The Swap Meet is in a new location this year!

SJCC Hall 2

Dealer's Hall

For the casual shopper and the shopaholic alike, the Dealer's Hall is the best way to acquire old, new, and even the hardest to find merchandise. With Dealers from all over the state and country out to sell their wares, there is no way to pass up this enticing and exciting experience! From clothing and

bags, to anime, manga, art books, and everything else you can imagine, there is a deal and an item for everyone.

SJCC Hall 3

Like games of all size, shapes, and genre? FanimeCon's Gaming Hall has everything you will need and perhaps more! Have some time to spend before a panel or special event? Slow during the late-night hours? Have extra change from the Dealers Hall? Rent a game in Tabletop or eGaming, or play some quarters away in Arcade. We are a 24-hour room, so we open on Thursday evening and close on Monday afternoon with non-stop gaming action all convention!

Updates to the Gaming Hall can be found on Facebook at [facebook.com/FanimeConGamingHall](https://www.facebook.com/FanimeConGamingHall) and Twitter at twitter.com/FanimeConGaming. Please consult our website at fanime.com/exhibits/gaming/ for the tournament schedule.

eGaming

eGaming brings the most up-to-date games for your renting pleasure of all ages and genres. Are you a retro gamer, dance gamer, tournament gamer, or spectator? Returning once again is our "Handheld Gaming Area" for those with portable gaming devices who want to relax and recharge your active console. NEW FOR THIS YEAR: We are presenting the "Demo Dojo" where you can try out games if you are one of the shy kind who is trying to get a feel for games, or are looking for some of the current games for an entertainment system you have.

Tabletop and Social Gaming

Needing only the lights above you and a seat below you, Tabletop Gaming has your weight in board games, card games, social games, and also offers a

variety of tournaments for all members! Not convinced? Stop on by and see the mountain of games we have ready for you to play! Not up for a game? There are also 3D puzzles to satisfy your needs. We offer a wide and consistently growing selection of board and card games for rent.

PC Gaming

New department coming through! MAKE WAY! Sponsoring our department this year, Digital Storm will be bringing an armada of systems for your gaming needs. Rally your friends together for a LAN party or just hang out playing one of our pre-installed games!

Arcade Gaming

Reinforce your pockets, warm up your fingers, and empty your savings account! FanimeCon's Arcade is back once again! This electric paradise has some of the latest and greatest arcade games available including, shooters, fighters, rhythm games, and UFO catchers. Challenge your friends to an air hockey game, build up a good sweat on a dance pad, or just sit back and enjoy the splendor of the glory that is 'Arcade.' More details to come.

The Dojo 2014

Meet & Greet with The Twilight Knights

Get to know the people behind the steel: The Bushido Department proudly presents the Twilight Knights, students of the science and art that is martial combat. Get to know fellow weapons and combat enthusiasts at the meet and greet and ask about each of our workshops and panels so you can plan which ones to attend.

Basic Self-Defense for Women

Our only workshop geared just for ladies. Some basic self-defense knowledge is a must-have in today's world and we are here to give it to you free of charge.*



Katana Workshop

Romance; Duels; Nobility; and Samurai! You've seen the style, the footwork, the dance of death. Come learn the basics of a weapon that is so iconic in all things anime! *

Kung Fu with the Twilight Knights

Learn the very basics of Kung Fu. Our yearly early morning warm-ups.*

Sword and Shield Workshop

One of the most beloved weapon combos, yet one of the most misunderstood. Come and try out this weapon style!

Archery Panel

View a variety of bows, and get some tips on how they are used. Learn the advantages and disadvantages of each, and how to choose the right one for you. We will also be discussing the basic gear required to get you started, and how to make it on your own, or where to buy it. Q&A with experienced bow users.

Paired Weapons Demo

A demonstration of paired weapons in many combinations. What works well, what is only found in Hollywood, and what was used for real. Myths discussed and real theory shown.

Knife Fighting Workshop

Knives are everywhere... in your kitchen, your garage, and even your back pocket! Now come and see how to use one and try it yourself. Learn what they are good for and what they are NOT good for. Above all, learn what they only do with movie magic!*

Leather Working Panel

What tools do you need to get started? Learn basic skills to help you begin. We will also share some simple project ideas that will look great for cosplay or armor.

Team Lift & Amtgard

See the panels listing for what they do.

Boffers Sales and Last Q&A*

Want to bring something home for practice? Consider boffers as a safe, affordable alternative to buying a bokken or katana. We will be selling off the weapons used during our workshops at low prices!! Your last chance to see the staff before the weekend ends!

**Waivers are required for all participants. All participants must be at least 10 years of age. Anyone under the age of 18 will require a waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian (To be found online.). We recommend dressing comfortably. Expect to sweat. Unsafe behavior or breaking Dojo rules will end your session.*

Cosplay Events

Cosplay Spectacular

Cosplay Spectacular is an event for fans who live for the stage! Whether you enjoy dressing up, or just want to enjoy the show, this is the event that shouldn't be missed! Also known as "Masquerade" this show enchants and delights audiences of all ages. Performers, in full cosplay attire, will compete on stage for awards on craftsmanship and theatrical talent, not to mention a bit of fame! Be a part of the drama, comedy, and choreography at the San Jose Civic Auditorium this Memorial Day weekend. Please consult your FanimeCon Pocket Guide for scheduling details!

Cosplay Gatherings

Are you new to FanimeCon with a cosplay to show off? Looking for other cosplayers from the same title? Or maybe you just want to see the cosplayer groups of your favorite anime, manga or game? Come to the gatherings table on the first floor of the convention center and see what fun gatherings and events are going on over the weekend. For more information and schedules, please check the

Cosplay Boards on our forums at forums.fanime.com!

Cosplayer Hangout

Looking for a quiet place where you can repair your cosplay, talk with your friends, get away from all the noise, or even meet other cosplayers? If you have a current FanimeCon badge then we have the place for you! Come to the Market Room on the 1st Floor of the Hilton hotel. In this "Press FREE Zone" we offer a place where you can get away from the photographers for a few moments, grab a drink of water, touch up your cosplay, or just relax where you won't be disturbed. We will also be holding a variety of workshops and special events such as our "No Fear Props" workshop and our annual cosplay competition "Chopped Cosplay"! Come and see what is happening in the Cosplayer Hangout!

Karaoke Events

Whether you sing in the shower every day or you just like to hang out and enjoy music, the FanimeCon Karaoke room is the place to be!

Karaoke Contest

Featuring a diverse group of passionate and talented singers, the 13th Annual FanimeCon Karaoke Contest brings the spirit of friendly competition and the excitement of vocal performance to the convention stage. If you enjoy singing, come sign up for our contest, or just come and cheer on your fellow fans!

The contest consists of two rounds. In the qualifying round, our talented performers will sing their hearts out for the chance to advance to the finals. The top ten acts in the qualifying round qualify for the Finals. All finalists will receive cool prizes, and the winner also receives a beautifully customized microphone trophy and the opportunity to perform during the FanimeCon Cosplay Spectacular!

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Open Mic Karaoke

Looking for a place to chill between events? Just aching to belt out that special rendition of your favorite anime or JRock song? FanimeCon is proud to host Open Mic Karaoke for your singing pleasure. We're open until late into the night for the enjoyment of all, except during contest times. Bring your own CDs, or choose from our extensive library of more than 7000 anime and JPop/JRock songs, and sing for fun in front of your friends and fellow fans!

Karaoke Gong Show

Taking place Sunday night, the Karaoke Gong Show is for those brave and thick-skinned souls who are hellbent on creating the worst, yet most amusing, feats of bad singing imaginable. Although we use the term loosely, "awards" will be given out for particularly infamous performances, with a "Worst of Show" to the contestant who creates the perfect blend of auditory horror and entertainment. But be warned — do you have what it takes to be truly awful? Our performers (and commentators) can be quite imaginative, so we recommend 18 and over for this event!

Acoustikaraoke! Contest

Play a musical instrument? Ever wanted to show off your own special arrangement of your favorite anime

theme song on stage? Acoustikaraoke! is a chance for solo or small groups with their own instruments to show off their talents through instrumental numbers, original arrangements and ensemble performances. Don't miss the weekend's most eclectic showcase of live music!

Fan Events

AniMysteryRPG:Legend of Zelda

Your chance to be a character in a videogame! Take on the role of a Hyrule citizen in the wake of a great evil's rising. Scheme to complete goals and destroy enemies as the guests at the Festival of Hyrule face challenges to solve the mystery of the King's murder! Roles are first come first serve!

Extremely Hard Anime Quiz

This is a multiple-choice, open-book, take-home quiz that begins on this site three weeks before the convention. You can look up anything you want to get the answer. Hopefully, this will give you a better appreciation of what goes on in anime and some of the hidden meanings behind the material.

Korean Running Man Event

Fan created event for those that want to try some of the simpler games played in Running Man.

Learn to play Riichi Mahjong

Learn how to play *real* Mahjong, i.e. Japanese Riichi Mahjong, as featured in anime such as Saki, Legend of Koizumi, Akagi, etc, not the lame solitaire kind of mahjong.

Nico Nico Dance Tutorial

Want to learn how to dance to fun songs like Happy synthesizer, Bad Apple, or other fun dances you've

seen shown on the website Nico Nico Douga? Dress lightly and be prepared to have fun while learning popular, anime inspired, dances!

Otaku Breakdance 101

Learn how to breakdance to your favorite anime music! Otaku Breakdance 101 is going to be a beginnerlevel breakdancing workshop for the anime community. If you're looking forward to Fanime Dance but have no moves to show, this is the workshop for you!

SMT King's Game

Get ready for yet another year of embarrassing moments, silly poses, random singing and anything else your fellows can cook up in the name of laughs (all within Fanime's Guidelines). Get ready to draw your numbers and let the games begin!

Wotagei Workshop

Ever seen videos of people swinging their glowsticks to anime music or at concerts on Youtube? Come and watch a live performance, learn some moves, and get answers to questions you may have about wotagei and Japanese-style concert cheering.

Donation Station/Idris' Closet

Want to go to Black & White Ball, but don't have anything to wear? Have formal wear collecting dust in your closet? Having issues decoding the dress code? Our helpful staff at Idris' Closet can give you a hand. Idris' Closet is a formal wear thrift shop that will be open throughout FanimeCon to help with your Black and White Ball needs!

Location Willow Glen 3 in the Marriot

Hours

Friday 3:00 – 10:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am – 11:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am – 8:00 pm, Monday 8:00 – 3:00 am



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Dance

Dance will be returning to FanimeCon 2014! Check out your pocket guide or the website at fanime.com/events/ for date and location details for our "Pajama Party" and evening dances!

Dance Rules

All FanimeCon rules and Code of Conduct apply to the Dance. Failure to comply will lead to ejection from the dance and possibly the suspension of FanimeCon membership privileges. Badges will be marked identifying individuals who are ejected from the dance and will not be allowed back in that day. Ejection from the dance twice will result in removal of dance attendance privileges for 2014.

- The Dance for 2014 is open to all ages. However, we suggest that children

under the age of 13 be accompanied by a responsible adult. We also advise that after 11pm the lyrical content may not be suitable for those under 13.

- The FanimeCon Dance is a private event hosted for the attendees and members of FanimeCon. An official FanimeCon badge is required for entry.
- Once you leave the dance area, you will have to wait in line to re-enter.
- Attendees may be subject to a precursory security check.
- No outside food or beverages are allowed in the dance. Sealed containers (even purchased in the dealer's hall) will not be allowed in
- Water is available inside.
- Physical and/or verbal harassment of any kind will not be tolerated.
- Large props will not be allowed in

the dance (larger than 24 inches). Attendees might be asked to put away props of any size if they represent a potential danger to others.

- Chemical-based glow products (i.e. glow sticks, necklaces, or bracelets) are not allowed in the dance, but LED-based lighting utilities are allowed as long as they do not represent an immediate danger to others.
- No "Laser Gloves" or laser pointers will be allowed.
- E-Cigarette use inside the convention center is strictly prohibited and "vaping" or e-cigarette paraphernalia is not allowed in to the dance.
- Only authorized personnel are allowed on the stage.
- No prop or coat-check is available inside the dance; personal property left unattended is at your own risk.

FanimeCon Presents: The 2014 Black and White Ball

It's another year—and another evening of fun and elegance at FanimeCon 2014's Black & White Ball! Dig out your favorite dance shoes, haul out your best formalwear or formal cosplay, and come find us in Parkside Hall on

Sunday, May 25, 2014 at 6:00 pm for great music, beautiful photographs, and, of course, hours of dancing!

Not sure how to dance? Don't worry! The Black & White Ball staff will be

offering group dance lessons every day leading up to the ball, as well as a handful of private lessons (first come, first serve, so sign up early during the con!). Come and experience one of the most talked-about events of FanimeCon!

Allowed	Not Allowed
<p>Tops:</p> <p>Button-up long-sleeve shirts/blouses; dress jackets; evening jackets; suit jackets; formal cosplay; evening gowns; dresses that go no higher than the top of the knee cap at its highest point (including slits and asymmetrical hems)</p>	<p>Button-up short-sleeve shirts; T-shirts; tank tops; muscle shirts; tube tops; ripped shirts; not wearing a shirt</p>
<p>Bottoms:</p> <p>Dress pants; slacks; khakis; pants that are part of a formal cosplay; skirts that do not go higher than the top of the knee cap at its highest point (including slits and asymmetrical hems)</p>	<p>Jeans; shorts; cutoffs; dresses or skirts that go higher than the top of the knee cap (including slits and asymmetrical hems)</p>
<p>Accessories:</p> <p>Ties; gloves; jewelry; formal hats</p>	<p>Weapon props</p>
<p>Shoes:</p> <p>Dress shoes; ballroom-dance shoes; dress boots; flats; heels that are 4" or lower (including platform); clean, solid black TOMS/VANS</p> <p>Note: Leather sole or suede sole shoes are preferred. Please help us keep our floor in tip-top shape!</p>	<p>Sneakers; shoes with stiletto heels (narrow-tipped heels that are less than a nickel in diameter); heels over 4" (including platform); sandals; Birkenstocks; flip-flops; dance sneakers; bare feet</p>

* Cosplay and crossplay are allowed, so long as the attire fits within these guidelines.

** Dress code will be strictly enforced — we will be denying entry to individuals wearing inappropriate attire.

If you have any specific questions relating to the dress code or would like to know whether or not the outfit you're planning to wear is appropriate, please email us at bwball@fanime.com or at the FanimeCon forums: <http://forums.fanime.com/index.php/topic,19101>

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Airport Hotels*

Holiday Inn San Jose
1350 North 1st Street

San Jose Airport
1471 North 4th Street

San Jose Airport Garden
1740 North 1st Street

*Shuttle service is available

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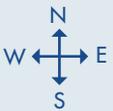
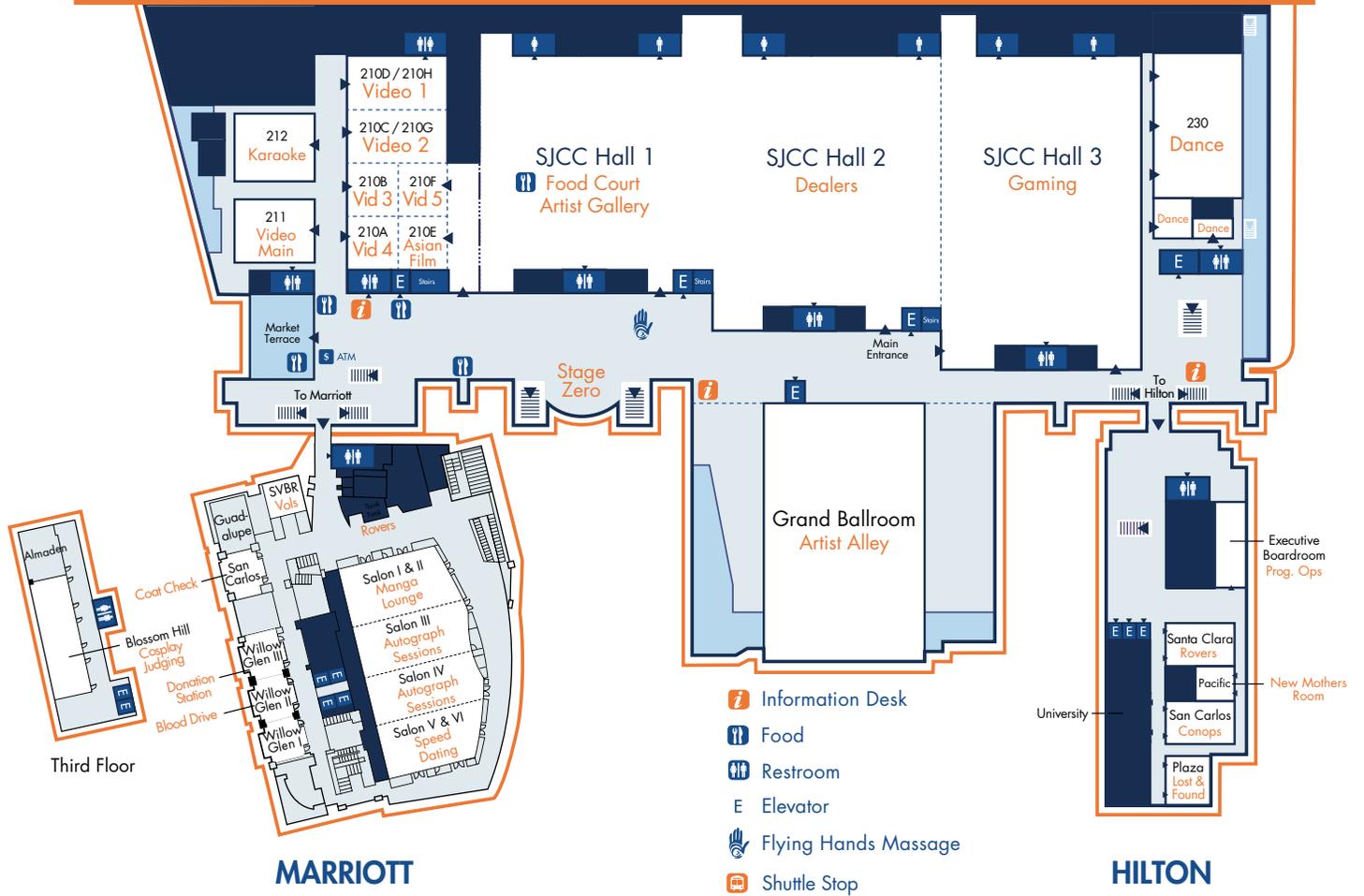


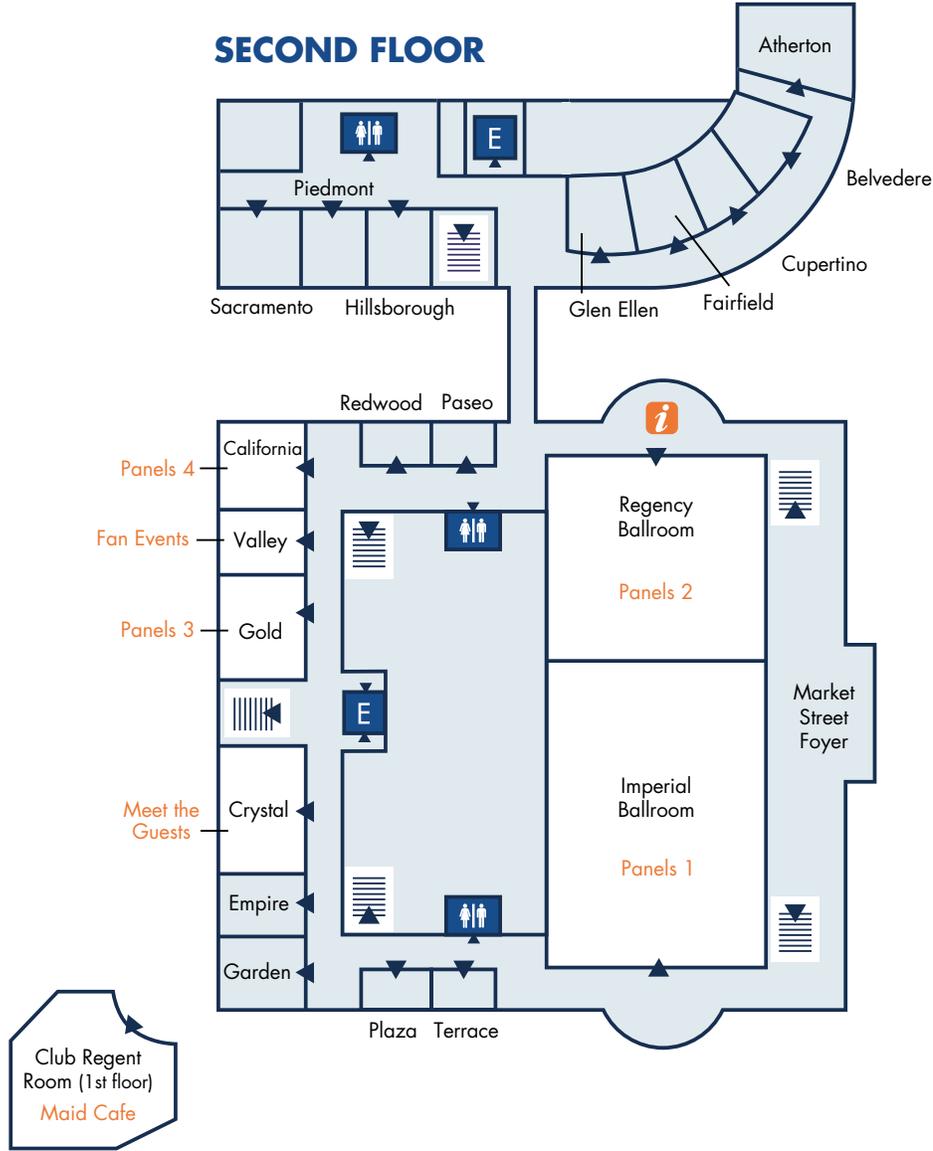
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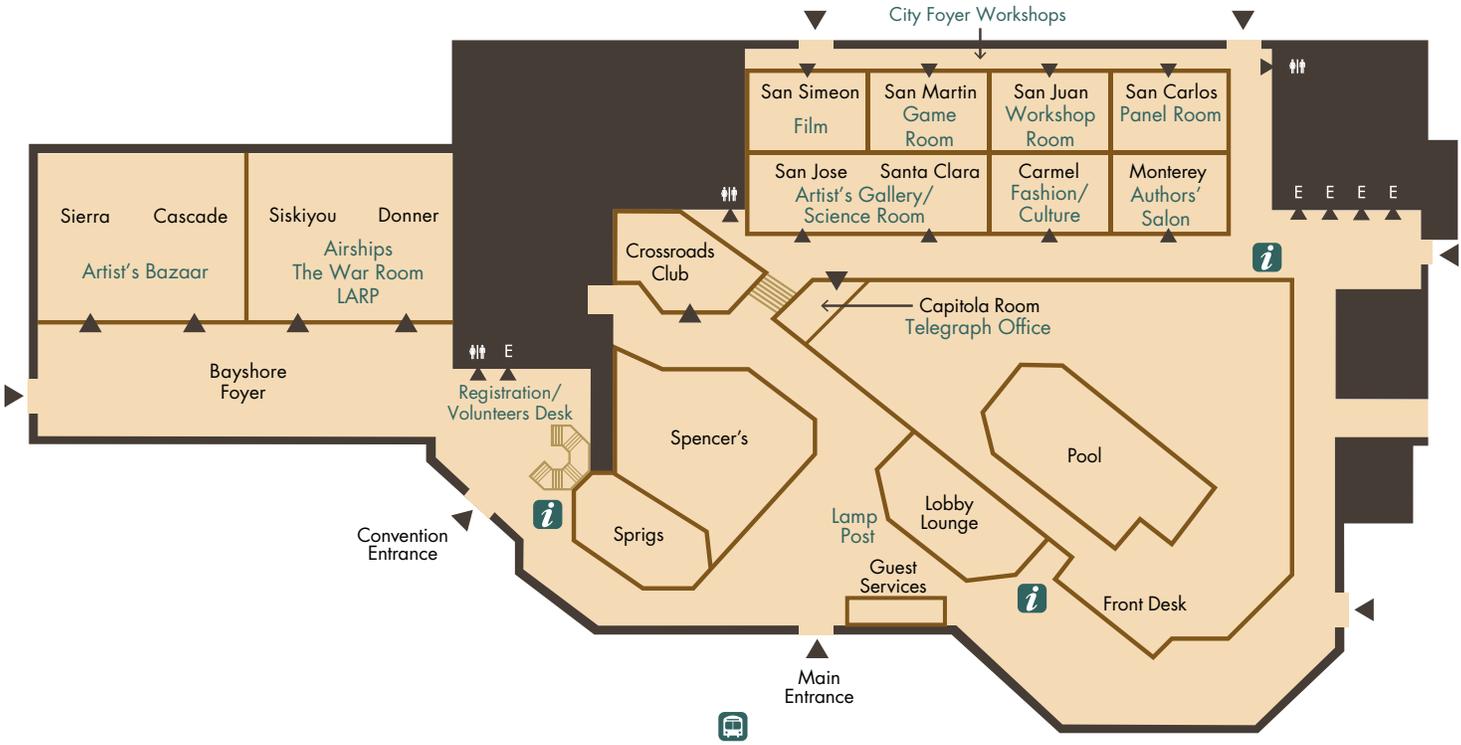
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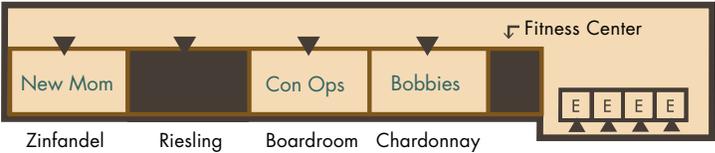
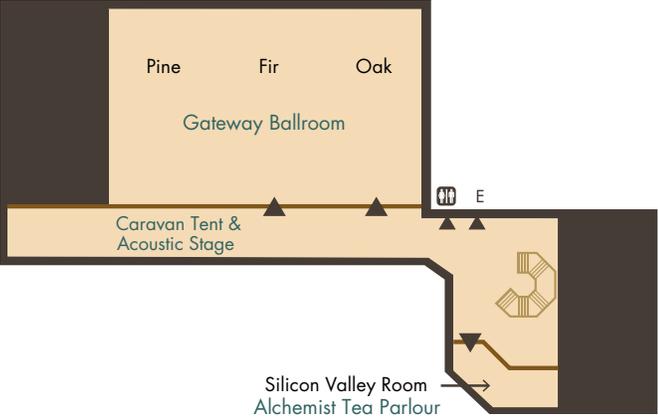
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DOUBLETREE HOTEL

LOWER LEVEL



UPPER LEVEL





Guests of Honor Panels
Industry Panels
Fan Panels

Legend

(16+) Panels with topics geared toward a suggested age group.

(18+) Panels with topics geared toward an older audience. Identification (driver's license, ID card, passport, etc.) is required.

Panels

Art by Missy Pena

Guests Of Honor

Anime Adaptive Writing Process

Join voice actor and writer J. Michael Tatum for a lively discussion of the pleasures, pitfalls and provocations of adaptive writing.

Anime (and Manga) for Parents

Parents, aunts, uncles, adult friends, kids who want to improve their parents' knowledge about anime and manga; this panel is for you! Gilles Poitras will discuss various aspects of anime and manga that parents should know about as well as answer your questions.

Intro to Internet Voice Acting

The Internet is where quite a bit of voice-over work is happening these days. Voice actress Kira Buckland started her career as an Internet-based voice actress, and now you can too! Join her as she goes over the basics of voice acting online, and what you need to get started.

J. Michael Tatum: WTF 101 (18+) Got a question for Tatum unfit for a family-friendly panel? Bring it! Join the uproariously unhinged (and ridiculously opinionated) voice actor as he holds forth on any and everything under the sun—just be prepared for the tables to turn! No recording allowed.

Living and Working in Japan

So you've finally made it to Japan! How will you live day-to-day? Where can you find work? Can you function on speaking English alone? Join Raj Ramayya as he discusses the basics of living and working in Japan, drawing from his own experiences of nearly 20 years in the land of the rising sun.

Making Anime: Start to Finish

Have you ever wondered how an anime episode is put together from start to finish? Hiroyuki Kanbe shares his insider experiences as an animator, storyboard artist, designer and director and gives insight into the creation process of an anime episode.

Q&A with Chantal Strand

Actress, singer, writer Chantal Strand comes to FanimeCon for a good old fashioned Q&A.

Q&A with Hiroyuki Kanbe

Take out your memo pads, director and veteran animator Hiroyuki Kanbe is here to answer your questions! Mr. Kanbe has worked on numerous series from classics such as Evangelion and Rurouni Kenshin to recent hits like Oreimo and Silver Spoon.

Q&A with HOME MADE KAZOKU

Get to know MusicFest headliner HOME MADE KAZOKU better as they answer all your burning questions before tonight's concert!

Q&A with J. Michael Tatum

J. Michael Tatum comes to FanimeCon for a good old-fashioned Q&A.

Q&A with Kira Buckland

Up-and-coming voice actress Kira Buckland comes to FanimeCon for a good old-fashioned Q&A.

Q&A with Noir

Noir comes to FanimeCon for a good old fashioned Q&A.

Q&A with Raj Ramayya

Learn more about MusicFest opener Raj Ramayya as he answers all your questions before his performance tomorrow night!

Q&A with Takami Akai

Anime character designer and illustrator Takami Akai comes to FanimeCon for a good old fashioned Q&A.

Songwriting Workshop

Do you want to write your own songs, but always seem to stop before you start? Maybe you want your song to be included in the next big anime or game? Composer Raj Ramayya shares his own tricks of the trade to help you find your inner songwriter and get started on creating your own original material.

Tokyo on the Cheap

Tokyo has a reputation for being an expensive city. However, Gilles has been able to do 3 week trips for under \$2,800 for all essentials. Airfare, housing, transportation, meals are covered. Come learn how you can save money, money you can perhaps to spend on toys and gifts instead.

Voice Acting in North America

Every wonder what its like to be a professional voice actor? Join J. Michael Tatum, Kira Buckland, and Chantal Strand and learn about the ins and outs of the industry.

Yokai: The Kappa

Come learn about the kappa. This creature from Japanese folklore shows up in many anime, manga and live action movies. Subject of many legends, they are aquatic, dangerous, amusing, and even helpful. There is a major shopping street in Tokyo named after them and a shrine to kappa nearby.



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Missy Pena

Panels

Industry

Crunchyroll Industry Panel

Crunchyroll is the leader in online streaming for Japanese entertainment, with anime, drama, and even manga. Come find out the latest news and updates, and participate in our trivia contest for a chance to win some exclusive Crunchyroll swag!

DMI: Working with Manga

Digital Manga, Inc. (DMI) is one of the industry's most innovative and unconventional companies. Join us to hear about the latest new and upcoming releases and learn how you can help be a part of the big picture.

Gaia Online Experience

Come meet Gaia's staff, and get a sneak peek at upcoming features while enjoying fun and random awesomeness. We've got some cool surprises and fantastic prizes up our sleeve, so come prepared for a good time. Stick around for the open-mic Q&A! Expect plenty of fun and some great prizes for all!

GameTrailers: 7.9 out of 10

The GameTrailers staff will be on hand to discuss what it takes to cover the video game industry. Get the inside scoop on what goes into producing videos, tackling on-site coverage of industry events, and reviewing games. Plus, how do we survive in an age where everything's on YouTube?

Get Your Yaoi on with YaoiCon!

(18+) YaoiCon has been delighting fans with its unique, risqué, and fan-friendly atmosphere, and we can't wait to have you join us at our 2014 convention. Come chat with us at our panel—we'll speak as fans, we'll answer your questions about the con and hear your suggestions, and give away some goodies!

Project-H: Hentai Manga

(18+) Project-H Presents: The future of the Hentai Manga Industry. Here, we'll talk about the latest Project-H releases, how the industry is changing from a publisher perspective, and some Q&A. We've also got some fantastic prizes to give away!

Vanguard Princess + eigoMANGA

Colleagues from eigoMANGA Vanguard Princess will showcase and discuss new developments and future plans for the game as well as showcase new releases of the company's productions. FanimeCon 2014 will be the first convention where we will publicly announce new productions for 2014 and 2015.

VIZ Media Panel

Get the latest updates & exciting news from VIZ Media on your favorite manga and anime! Also get the scoop on new acquisitions and upcoming releases & projects from VIZ Manga, WEEKLY SHONEN JUMP, Neon Alley & more!

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A Brief History of MLP

My Little Pony didn't begin or end with Friendship is Magic. Learn about the history of these horses of a different color from the first generation to the latest! Warning: panel may contain singing and A Very Minty Christmas.

Abriding a Series

Are you a fan of Abridged Series? Have you always wanted to abridge your own, or wonder what goes into the making of it? Join us, as we talk about how series are abridged, and work together to abridge an anime.

Adobe Illustrator For n00bs

Love the look of vector artwork, but the interface of Adobe Illustrator frustrates you? In this panel you'll learn the ropes

from the creator of inki-Jinx, Shelly Rodriguez! Tutorial followed by a full art demo/open Q&A.

Amtgard Combat Demo

Amtgard is a not for profit, free, non-sectarian group focused on medieval and fantasy genres. Melee combat is the core of Amtgard, and is done using foam weapons that do not leave marks. Amtgard also incorporates LARP elements into its games. Amtgard is represented by the Kingdom of WestMarch.

Artist Alley 101

Everyone loves artist alley! Wonder how things are prepared? How to set up a table? And how to run the table? Then this panel is for you and for anyone that want to have a table in the future. Showing you tricks and the trades on how to get things rolling and what tools you will need.

Ask A Puella Magi

Have you ever found yourself wondering what it's like to be a magical girl? Fighting witches and wearing cute frilly dresses? Well the wait is over! The main heroines from everyone's favorite anime Mahou Shoujo Madoka Magica are ready to answer all of YOUR questions!

Attack on Fanime: HvT

Eren's been kidnapped by titans! Choose your side in Attack on Fanime: Humanity vs. Titans; aid in mankind's rescue or complete the titans' abduction through games, excitement, and fun!

Awesomely Bad J-Music Videos

(16+) Japan has a reputation for being weird. Come and see just how true that can be with the most bizarre, hilarious, and downright insane music videos from the Land of the Rising Sun – or anywhere!



Bad-asses of Japanese History

Sure, you've heard of Goku, Kenshin, Naruto and other bad-asses of Anime, but did you know that there are far more interesting characters from Japanese History? Come and learn some knowledge about some of the best known characters from Japanese history.

BanzaiArcade: AMA/Making of

(16+) We've been doing Banzai Arcade for so many years, I lost count. I think this will be 7 years now. We've finished the game show, now let's hear what the audience has to say at this AMA. We'll also show you some of the behind-the-scenes work we do.

BanzaiArcade: Arcade Edition

(16+) We're back again. Can you beat the first stage of Mario 3 with the screen zoomed in 400%? What if all the coins were, instead, instant death traps? Is Chemical Plant Zone even possible with an invisible stage? Test your might and earn Quadrillions of US Dollars* (not actually US dollars)

BanzaiArcade RPG 4: The Moneying

(16+) In a world full of mobs that are worth money and drops, one company has the balls to grind for cash. Banzai Arcade RPG 4: The Moneying. Answer video game and anime trivia questions in this RPG game show to deplete your enemy's HP bars to earn prizes and US DOLLARS* (*US dollars not actually a prize)

Beautiful Backgrounds of Anime

When watching anime, we often forget about the amazing work of background artists. Evan Minto of AniGamers.com and Otaku USA Magazine walks you through the overlooked world of anime background art, examining the work of

a number of artists representing myriad time periods and visual styles.

Bennett The Sage's Q&A

The Sage is back, and he's bringing his no holds barred Q&A series with him. Ask him anything, about his series Anime Abandon, about working with Channel Awesome, whatever! Hilarity... will ensue.

Better Cosplay Photos

Learn how to improve your cosplay photography without having to buy lots of expensive gear! This panel starts with the basics and then moves on to more advanced topics, with lots of cosplayphoto examples. We'll cover lighting, composition, choosing a location, posing, and post-processing.

Cartoon Allstars to the Rescue

(16+) It's everyone's favorite anti-narcotic crossover extravaganza! Join Garfield, Slimer, The Smurfs, Winnie the Pooh, Bugs Bunny, and some of the best nerd comics in the business as we riff one of the strangest things to ever come out of home video. Audience participation!

Channel Surfing With FU Improv

(16+) What would it be like to have a magical box that could play every single TV Show and movie that you could ever think of? You control the remote and can change the channel, the volume, and even the language. Let's go channel surfing. *(16+)*

The Comedy Club at FanimeCon

(16+) Let the laughs commence! FanimeCon's stand-up comedy show continues its tradition of making you laugh hysterically. The finest comedians take the stage and lampoon anime and all things geeky. So come on down and prepare for hilarity.

Comedy Workshop!

(16+) This is a workshop for the casual comedian who is thinking about becoming a well-practiced one. This panel will allow you to practice three minutes of your material and be critiqued by a few comedians who have done it for years.

Cosfit

(16+) Gender, body type, and skin color doesn't matter in cosplay. You should always go as a character you love! Cosplay can, however, be a great motivator to get into the best shape of your life! Come on down and hear some stories and tips from cosplayers working toward personal fitness!

Cosplay 101: Intro to Armor

Armor. One of the most intimidating words for a new cosplayer. Not anymore! Come arm yourself with knowledge of a slew of techniques such as pepakura, EVA foam, and thermoplastics and gain the knowledge needed to tackle that dream cosplay.

Cosplay 101: Mold Making

Created a prop and want it in a different material? Need to create multiple duplicates of it for a group or a piece that matches another one exactly? Then come learn about mold making! This course will cover the basic concepts of silicone mold making and its application in cosplay.

Cosplay 101: Scratch Building

Have a dream prop you want to build, but no instructions? No problem! Learn the basics of creating your own props, from measuring to the final paint, using easily sourced materials from your local hardware store.

Cosplay, History, and You!

History is a chronicle of the greatest people who have ever lived. Come and hear the stories of a few of these great men and women, and what you need to

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know in order to cosplay these titans of history.

Cosplay Character Acting

Having trouble trying to get into your character's mindset when posing for pictures? Are you looking for ways to add another layer of immersion to your cosplay? Learn the basics of building a character so you can take the cosplaying experience to the next level.

Cosplay Swimsuit Contest

(18+) The Cosplay Swimsuit Contest Returns! Come see beautiful women and handsome men vigorously compete for your affections in a series of exciting rounds for your entertainment!

Cosplay Wrestling Federation

(16+) A battle of mic skills, charisma and a dash of spandex and flair is coming to FanimeCon. Join us ringside as our contestants compete in order to be the best there is, the best there was and the best their will ever be.

Crowdfunding 101

Want to crowdfund your next creative project? Confused about the differences between Kickstarter, Indiegogo, and Patreon? Come and learn from Karen Luk who has successfully created and funded two Kickstarter projects. Find out if crowdfunding can help you make your project a reality!

Cthulhu for President!

(16+) Cthulhu for President! The hardest working campaign continues! Come learn how Cthulhu will fix the difficult issues facing the USA! Stop choosing the lesser evil!

The Dark Side of Magical Girls

Think magical girl shows are just pink and fluffy? Well, think again! Come take a look at the darker themes present in magical girl series, how they connect to similar themes in other series (and

the real world), and how those themes aren't necessarily bad.

Death By Fanfiction

(18+) Death By Fanfiction is back! Dredging up the best of the worst fanfiction the internet has to offer. Check your morals at the door and try not to make eye contact with the person next to you, we wouldn't want things to get awkward.

Epic Resume Go!

(16+) You're a creative person looking for that right job, but building a resume just bores you. Not anymore! Dive into creating a resume as a creative act!

Eroge 101's

(18+) Want to dive into eroge but not truly understanding what eroge is? Come learn the basics of the exciting genre with some eroge experts about what a good starting point is as well as some of our favorites!

Face Your Cosplay Fears

Too scared to heat up your glue gun? Don't know how to deal with haters? Cosplay can be very intimidating, but it's also a lot of fun. Hosted by cosplayer Luluko, this is a safe space where all cosplayers can ask any cosplay question and get an answer.

Fan Art 101: Sex, Money, & Fame

(16+) You love fan art, but do you understand its origins, power, and influence? Join us as we delve into the world of fan art from its early origins to its widespread adoption, sexualization, monetization, and celebration within the anime and manga realm.

Fanfiction 101: Story Building

Are you a fanfiction writer looking to improve your writing, or a reader looking for pointers before picking up the habit? Fanfiction Writing 101 covers the basics of story writing: developing a plot, creating a world,

how to set scenes inside it, and how to publish it online.

Fanfiction 120: Open Lab

Still have nagging questions about fanfiction? We've got answers! Learn how to handle reviews, create eye-catching story summaries, fine-tune your formatting, juggle fan-generated lore, and more! So bring any and all fanfiction related questions for open discussion!

Fanfiction 201: Characters

Characters are essential to any story. Fanfiction 201 covers how to work with and further develop canon characters; how to create and develop original main, secondary, and antagonist characters; and ways to avoid common pitfalls associated with the dreaded Mary Sue.

Fanfiction 369: Writing Sex

(18+) Do your sex scenes fall flat, leaving your readers unsatisfied? Let us will strip away the mysteries and give you the knowledge you need to finish the job! From anatomy to word choice, this is the perfect introduction to writing erotica for inexperienced authors. Featuring updated and new material!

Fanfiction Chopped

(16+) Combining the hit food network show "Chopped" with fanfiction writing, participants are given four "ingredients" to include in their fanfictions. Categories: Movies/TV, comics/cartoons, and anime. Writing device needed.

Fanimad Libs

Do you like (noun)? Choose from our selection of anime-themed Mad Libs and come (verb) with us at Fanimad Libs for (plural noun) and (adjective) prizes!

Fanimad Libs After Hours

(18+) You mean she's going to (verb) his (noun)!? Fill in the (adjective) details at Fanimad Libs After Hours.



FanimeCon Staff Artist Q&A

Join FanimeCon's official creative team for insights into how we develop the visuals and character designs for the convention.

Fazio vs. Anime

(16+) Join Fazio, professional Comedian and Explosion, as he digs into the heart of Weeaboo and reveals startling truths about our favorite past time. Bring in everything you've ever hated or had a problem with in anime and we'll judge them for you wholesale!

Female Characters in Anime

Are you making your own manga but aren't sure about your female characters? This panel will teach you how to build a character that your audience will cheer for. Topics covered include gender, character building, storytelling, and examples of well-written characters from shows you know and love.

Figure Collecting For Noobs

If you've ever been heartbroken after you bought a knockoff or tried to find a sold-out figure you never before knew existed, this is the panel for you. Cosplayer and figure collector Luluko is here to give you tips on starting your own harem of beautiful, expensive plastic.

Frosted Mini Fears En mas!

Join the cast and crew of "Frosted Mini Fears" as they take you through a creepy pasta extravaganza! Get an exclusive first look at their new videos from their second season, an exclusive behind the scenes look at what goes into a FMF episode, a Q&A with the cast and crew, and many more surprises.

Fully Unscripted Improv Show

(16+) Fully Unscripted presents an improv comedy show in the style of Whose Line Is It Anyway. Prepare yourself for a show full of anime, video game, comic book, and nerd culture references.

The Future of Assist Me!

(16+) For 3 years "Assist Me!" has been the #1 fighting game web series combining cosplay, comedy, and tutorials into one series! With Killer Instinct and the Marvel vs Capcom 3 ending, you might wonder what's next? Come get a peek at exclusive new footage only at FanimeCon!

Gamzee Games Ask Panel

There will be Faygo bubbling and horn a honking this will be a panel of nonsense. Why? Because it's Homestuck and trolls are weird. Come ask your favorite trolls and kids questions, Trivia and more! There will be a raffle and prizes to be won! *(16+)*

Gamzee's Dark Carnival

(18+) An 18+ version for those of you allowed after dark. It will be a splendorific event with honks, slime upon the walls and the feeling of dread behind every corner that someone will come out and just want to sell you some sweet magical mirth in the form of a potion. That said, come out and play!

HENSHIN! Tokusatsu Panel

Do you like Power Rangers? Ever wonder where those footages come from? Then come to HENSHIN! panel to learn the history of Tokusatsu: one of Japan's most beloved TV genre with

Kamen Riders and Super Sentai teams. Hosted by Plastic Ronins.

Hetalia 18+ : Q & A

(18+) You know them, you love them, and now it is time to ask your questions and maybe get some skeletons out of the closet. Your wonderful host Antonio

representing Spain will host a panel with many other nations to answer your questions and receive your dares. So come prepared and ready to laugh.

Hetalia Historical Derps

(16+) Love history? Love Hetalia? Love learning about the derp moments history tries to hide? Then come on down because this panel is for everyone! We will be presenting embarrassing historical moments you didn't learn in school and facts not covered in Hetalia that will have you falling off your chair!

Hetalia: Nations Assemble

Have you ever wanted to ask your favorite nation a question? Well now you can! Come watch your favorite nations make fools of themselves as they try to answer your questions! This panel will be one to never forget as history comes alive...literally!

History is not boring!

(16+) Are you of the mind that nobody from history is truly worth cosplaying? Prepare to have your mind blown. This presentation will feature an unstoppable onslaught of the most hardcore vikings, samurai, pirates, and mad scientists to ever write their names on the bathroom stall of history!

History of Sports Manga/ Anime

An exploration of the history of sports manga and anime from its early days to the varied offerings of today with looks at related Japanese sport history and the state of the genre in the West. Presented by Tom Langston (@calaggie) of the Nigorimasen! Blog.

Homestuck: Improvapalooza!

(16+) Head down to our Homestuck Improvapalooza panel! It's a funny improv show, with your favorite characters from the comic we all know, Homestuck. You can participate by

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giving words/ideas to the current leader of the show. Then watch and laugh as the show unfolds before your very eyes!

Improv 101

Fully Unscripted presents everything you need to know to get started in improvisational acting. These skills will work for long-form, short-form, and even scripted acting. Think you're not funny? No problem! Ask some questions, play some games, and always have fun.

Intro to Cosplay Photography

Just got that brand new DSLR and don't know how to use it? Want to learn how to take better photos with your pocket camera? Take this crash-course on cosplay photography and don't end up deleting hundreds of photos later on!

Intro to Kantai Collection

(16+) A general overview of the new game Kantai Collection. Its rapid rise in popularity, how to play, how it blew up in Japanese culture, the characters and background of this new hit sub-culture.

Intro to Nerdcore Hip-Hop

(16+) There is more to geeky rap than MC Chris. Find out who that bald dude is that headlines every PAX. Crave phat beats but hate top 40 content? Explore this info and more in a basics presentation, Q&A, and listening party that will cover a variety Nerdcore artists. This time with videos that work!

Introducing Studio Trigger

(16+) There's a new anime studio in town: Trigger. Founded by former Gainax (Gurren Lagann) directors in 2011, the studio made Kill la Kill, Little Witch Academia, and Inferno Cop last year. Evan Minto of AniGamers.com and Otaku USA Magazine walks you through the past, present, and future of Trigger.

Introduction To Prop Making

Ever had a interest in making your own

props or want to try something new? Here we'll discuss different techniques and materials for both the budding beginner and the tried veteran, going over large and small scale pieces, cardboard, pink foam, clay, wood, mold making, plastic casting and more.

Kuroshitsuji Q&A

(16+) Have any questions you're dying to ask the cast of Black Butler/Kuroshitsuji? Do you want to see your favorite characters from this iconic anime do some crazy stuff? Well, this is the panel for you! Come join us as we answer all your questions with some extra added bonus events like trivia and dares!

Learn to Make Cosplay & Props

(16+) Want to learn how to create your own cosplay and props? Not sure what supplies to buy? Where to shop? Well Ginger & Chloe are here to help! We will discuss how to begin and how to make your costumes and props look professionally made. There will be a Q&A at the end, so bring questions!

Learning Japanese with Hentai

(18+) Ever wanted to learn what was going on during those H scenes you've been skipping every night? Come over and learn a bit of Japanese and improve your ability to understand what terrible things are actually happening.

Let's Play an Ero

(18+) Monster girls, School Girls, and magical girls! Which will this edition of Let's an Ero feature? Come sit in to find out!

LittleKuriboh Unabridged

Join LittleKuriboh, creator of Yu-Gi-Oh! Abridged and expert beard grower, in a live question and answer session. There will also be video screenings and other malarkey!

Long Live Lolita!

Come and join us for a celebration of lolita fashion! We will offer an overview of the style, a short fashion show with local lolitas, and an exhibit of independent lolita designers' work.

The Magical Girl's Journey

Every hero has a journey filled with trials and tribulations on their path to success, and magical girls are no exception. Come and take a peek at the steps in this mythical journey, from start to finish.

Magikarp: A History

Join us to learn about everyone's favorite Pokemon: Magikarp! We discuss Magikarp's in-game capabilities, how to utilize it in battle, its most notable anime appearances, and more! If you've seen us before, come by again, we're always adding new info!

Make VNs with Ren'Py!

(16+) Ever wanted to make a visual novel or RPG in Ren'Py but didn't know how? Then this panel is for you! Join us to learn how to code and script a VN in Ren'Py, add branching paths, and even add gameplay with honest-to-god Python code!

MakoHaru "Free!" Fan Panel!

(16+) Everyone's favorite swim club boys appearing in real life to fulfill all your fan-fiction dreams. (With "Shirtless Haru" as Haruka and "Jshenobi" as Makoto) Haru and Mako will be taking character questions, performing character dares and much more!

MangaGamer's VN/Releases Panel

(18+) A panel discussing bishoujo games, or visual novels. The games feature interaction with attractive girl characters and rich stories. We will showcase the latest bishoujo game releases from MangaGamer.com!



Mario Paint Workshop

Mario Paint Workshop gives you the hands on experience of using an actual SNES mouse pad with Mario Paint. Jeff Benson and Tom Bob Blender will be explaining how to push the game's limits. Come use a workstation and explore your imagination!

Most Hilarious Bootlegs

(16+) Any collector of anime merchandise - be it figures, DVDs, CDs, posters, even books and cosplay goods - is aware of the scourge of counterfeits. We'll information on avoiding buying bootleg merchandise while also presenting the most amusingly (and sometimes terrifyingly) inept examples of fakery.

Nerd Courting

(18+) Dating and relationships are complicated. Nerd Courting is about exploring dating in the Nerd community and understanding what makes it so different for us. With humorous personal stories and Q&A throughout, we will cover first glance to first base, and everything beyond and in between!

Night Vale Fan Panel

Ever wanted to ask your favorite WTNV character a question between radio recordings? Come join us for an ask panel featuring a fan-interpreted cosplay cast of Night Vale citizens! Please note that we are NOT affiliated, endorsed with or by, Commonplace Books.

One Piece Podcast Panel

Like One Piece? So do we. That's why we have a weekly podcast about it. Join the Podcast West members of One Piece Podcast and some special guests to talk One Piece and win prizes. We are Maji.

Osaka: Comedy, Tragedy & Drama

Osaka: Having a delightful meal of takoyaki while listening to the stories of an aunt, when she ain't even your

aunt. But honestly, want to laugh at manzai comedy? Understand the feared Yakuza? Have the nande yanen to every awkward moment you face at FanimeCon? Come on down and walk the Osaka strut!

Outer Space Boy movie

This is a special viewing of the feature length mock documentary titled Outer Space Boy: A Super Hero Story. This is the movie that the SASHAs, or Sidekick and Super Hero Awards, were made from. Approximately 90 min running time.

Perpetual Motion's Games

(16+) Come to find out about our anime inspired games—including the strategic space combat game Orbital Knights, the latest info on the Bliss Stage Visual Novel (and the second edition of the tabletop game), Rise of the Undead Infection, and more!

Philosophy in Anime

(16+) It's back for its second year! Does the anime you watch ever cause you to think deeply about the world, the meaning of life, or good and evil? Come learn about real-world philosophies and how they apply to your favorite shows! (

Planning your Trip to Japan

A practical presentation and Q&A on planning your first otaku trip to Japan. Learn about the myriad of stores, hobby spots, and landmarks that cater to fanboys/fangirls. See video clips and hear advice on custom itineraries. Presented by a veteran otaku traveler.

Pokémon Adventures Manga Panel

Hey Pokémon fans! Want to know the dark side of Pokémon? DID YOU KNOW POKÉMON DIE? And just who is RED exactly? Or are you just a humble Pokémon fan wanting to learn more? If you answered yes to any of these questions then this panel

is for you! Come learn about the Pokémon Manga.

POKÉMON-All Night Friend Safari

(18+) ATTENTION POKÉMON TRAINERS!! Late night fun and excitement returns this year with Bridgette's All Night Friend Safari: Versus! Watch or join in with teams Bellsprout and Cubone in an epic competition overseen by Lord Helix Himself. This event is 18+ there will be: profanity, adult images, POKÉMON!!! (

Pokémon Trivia League

Do you want to be the very best there ever was? Then come take this test, cuz that's our cause. Join us for fun and games with Pokémon Trivia, with good times and prizes to be had!

Poké-Scandalous!

(16+) Pokémon is a popular children's franchise, but sometimes the canon material can be surprisingly scandalous! This panel exposes some of the stranger aspects of official Pokémon, such as banned episodes, rare comics, suggestive game lines, and other unexpected innuendo.

Religion in Anime

What Anime have you seen that stood out to you as having religious or spiritual implications? Or as using, or perhaps misusing, religious or spiritual symbols? Join The Midnight Channel as we discuss the importance of world religions in various anime and manga.

The Return of the Comedy Club

(16+) Do you not get enough comedy during The Comedy Club at FanimeCon's first night, or did you miss the show? Fear not! The Comedy Club at FanimeCon returns for a second night. With a new set of comedians, get ready for even more otaku laughs!

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RPG Maker VX Ace in an Hour

If you've ever been intimidated with an RPG Maker project-well, we've been there. And we're here to lead you out of it with a tutorial on making JRPGs with VX Ace! We'll show you the nuts and bolts of a short game-and show you what that means in action, so you can use it for your game!

SASHAs be a Hasher

The SASHAs, or Sidekick and Super Hero Awards, are looking for people that will help decide the 2014 nominees. If you read comics, watch movies, read books, play games, then this is for you. Sign up and you can decide the best Super Hero, Sidekick and Hero in all media for 2014. Costs nothing.

Sewing: How to Read Patterns

Can't figure out those darned sewing patterns? Let me teach you how! I'll show you how to read the packaging, how to know how much fabric you'll need, what all the weird symbols mean, how to tell which pieces you need, and even how to fit it all back in the envelope!

Sewing Lolita

Join us for a presentation on how to sew lolita garments hosted by Ivy of Ivy Frozen Productions and Halley of Miscy's Gothic Lolita and Vintage. We'll cover how to get started and some tips and tricks for those of you a little more advanced. Bring any lolita sewing questions you have.

Shonen Jump Meetup

Share your love of SHONEN JUMP manga with other fans, chat with the WEEKLY SHONEN JUMP team, and show off your cosplay and manga knowledge for a chance to win cool prizes & SHONEN JUMP swag!

SHSL Ask Panel

Ever wanted to know something about

your favorite Danganronpa/Super Danganronpa 2 character but they just HAD to get killed off? Well, now you can! Join us for an hour of hope, despair and...panties? (Spoilers for DR1 and Spoilers up to CH4 of SDR2)

Stacking Dice Master Class

(16+) A conversation about being a table top RPGer. With guided discussion & input from enthusiasts as well as those who've been disenchanted. Covering a variety of topics from "who's fault is it I'm bored?" to "How to Role Play but not creep everyone out," and even the chromosome question.

Starship Design for Sci-Fi

Ever wanted to write something set in space - and get it right? And why is the fact that there is no air in space so vitally important? Come to this panel for a brief layman's discussion on the science of starship engineering, with examples from the panelist's own work and from popular sci-fi!

Stunt Fighting 101

Come learn the ins and outs of stage and screen combat with Los Angeles based stunt crew Team Lift XMA. Punch combo's, selling reactions, "Real Vs. Reel" and a whole host of other new content await you at this exciting interactive event!

Stunt Fighting: Advanced

Team Lift XMA returns to cover the more advanced techniques behind some of the high-flying martial arts in popular Movies, TV shows and Anime. Come see how the action you see on the big screen is put together!

Stunt Fighting: Weapons

Team Lift XMA hosts it's popular Weapons Combat panel, showing you the ins and outs of using weapons in stage and screen combat, as well as the differences to their real life application.

Tough Crowd with Soap

(18+) A comedic, anime-based current

events panel featuring convention stand-up comics and their stupid opinions.

Touhou Project Fun Panel

Experience the phenomena of Touhou Project Fandom. See how its derivative works (fan-games, cosplay, music videos) have spread beyond Japan into a global movement, surpassing Vocaloid & Hetalia fandom. Fans old and new will see the latest fan videos using MikuMiku Dance technology.

An Uncensored Hentai Review!

(18+) Glitch the Digital Demon does one of his Hentai Review episodes (but uncensored!) Watch him skewer a hentai series, but with all the juicy bits left in. Plus ask him any ridiculous question you may have (you may even get something). Based on the podcast The Taken Out of Context Show.

Vanguard 101

Vanguard. You've heard about it, but what is Vanguard? Or do you want to play, but don't know how? Come join us and learn all about the rules of the game and have a fun time playing some practice games with the audience and panelists, and win prizes!

Vanguard Princess Demo Night

Vanguard Princess Indie Developer Teams from the Vanguard Princess Hackathon present their demos to the public as well as a panel of judges. These teams spent their time at FanimeCon to create improvements to the game. The best demos will win prizes.

Vanguard Princess Hackathon

Fans of Vanguard Princess are invited to hack and develop content to improve the game. The emphasis is to develop a highly-requested online multiplayer support for the game. At the kick-off, get access to developer tools, form a team,



then hack away throughout FanimeCon! The best demos will win prizes.

Visually Stunning Anime

Animation is an art form, there is no denying this. But there are some series that make the others seem like crayon drawings on the fridge! Join the Midnight Channel as we explore the most beautiful and unique pieces of animation out of Japan, covering box offices successes, to obscure hidden gems.

Vocaloid: The Fan Phenomenon

Vocaloid: is it an anime, manga, or game? How did it become an international sensation? Come see what the buzz is all about, and maybe you'll even become a fan yourself!

Voice Acting... With Hentai

(18+) Ever want to voice act in a hentai? No? Well, too bad, we're doing it anyway. If you've done Learning Japanese with Hentai, why not try re-dubbing it back into Japanese? Join us for a night of classy dubbing of classy hentai, and try voicing your, uh... favorite scenes.

Weird Manga

(18+) Odd, bizarre, insane, mind-bending and other synonyms of weird are just a few words we'd use to describe the manga in this panel. Discussion, suggestions, and Q&A with panelists who, since it takes one to know one, truly know what's weird.

WARNING: Ghost fetus ikebana (and other scary things).

What is Super Sentai?

You've heard of Power Rangers, right? Did you know that the popular superhero franchise actually came from Japan? Join us as we explain what Super Sentai is, how it began, and give brief descriptions on each show!

What the Heck is Touhou?

You've seen it, you heard it, and you watched it on YouTube, Pixiv, and NicoNico Douga, and at conventions like Comiket. Why is it the most popular fan franchise in internet history?

What's Wrong With Nintendo?

(16+) Now that we've given Square Enix and Capcom the royal treatment, it's time to focus our attention on another Japanese game company in distress: Nintendo. The Big N's latest console, the Wii U, is on track to become the next Dreamcast. It's time to give Nintendo some tough love.

Wig Styling

What are wigs? Where did they come from? What do they want?! Wigs are an important part of cosplaying and can make or break a costume! Join us to find out what you can do to befriend and tame these strange creatures. *(16+)*

WTF Anime 4 You!

(16+) Oh my Glob! Did you hear? Japan is a crazy place, and it always is full of surprises. But sometimes, they make things make you go WTF. Join the Midnight Channel on a roller coaster of CRAZY ANIME.

You're not a REAL geek!

What constitutes a REAL geek? Why are women continuously expected to "prove" that they are REAL gamers? Why do both genders feel a pressure to be REAL programmers (esp. in the games industry)? I hope to discuss and dissect some REAL examples, and raise awareness against geek-on-geek bullying.

Yu-Gi-Oh! 5DXAL-V Fanpanel

Join in on the final year of Yu-Gi-Oh! 5DXAL-V fanpanel! The V is for Arc-V, the newest series! What's up with the Meta? Have no idea what's going on in the anime? Come in to get all your BURNING SOUL questions answered, as well as Yugi-news, games, trivia, prizes and more! Free poster to all attendees!

The Yu-Gi-Oh! Fan Panel

Do you love Yu-Gi-Oh!, in all its forms? In honor of a series that's spanned more than 16 years, join us for an exciting panel filled with the latest info, videos, games, merchandise, and the card wielding heroes who have proved that heart and courage comes in all shapes and sizes!



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(16+) Videos with topics geared toward a suggested age group.

(18+) Videos with topics geared toward an older audience. Identification (driver's license, ID card, passport, etc.) is required.

Video

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Video Themed Events

The video programming department that sets the standard for running anime, movies and all of your favorite media is back for 2014! There's always something to do in the rooms set up to run videos around the clock for your viewing pleasure. With airconditioning to cool you during the heat of summer, there is something for everyone to watch and enjoy on large screens and stereo sound. Come be completely immersed in the variety of anime and Asian cinema hosted at FanimeCon.

Anime Hell

Anime Hell is a freeform video presentation featuring short film clips, commercials, failed pilots, amateur films, found video, instructional and educational films, music videos, film trailers, and anime. Strap yourselves in for some epic crazy! Saturday in main video room.

Trigger Finger Studios Parodies

Coming soon to eyeballs near you: The acclaimed fanmade parodies of Trigger Finger Studios!! POWERGIZED for your viewing pleasure on the Televisual screens of FanimeCon! If you don't leave questioning why the hole in your brain hurts, there's definitely something wrong with you. NEW this year: *Combattler V The Show!* Held Sunday in the Film Room.

The Best of Anime Abandon

Bennett The Sage presents and curates his top five favorite episodes of his hilarious series, *Anime Abandon*. Revisit the classics, or find out what you've been missing. Friday in main video room.

Anime Abandon Uncensored

Bennett The Sage screens his conexclusive, outrageous episodes of his series *Anime Abandon*, including

an episode that has NEVER been seen before. Saturday in main video room.

FanimeCon Short Film Showcase

FanimeCon's 10 year hit is back! Come and enjoy FanimeCon's version of Spike and Mike festivals taken from the web and Japanese industry showing some of the finest in animation, music videos, and commercials. Held in the main video room.

Robot Armageddon V

This programming is inspired by the "Giant Robot Rumble" panel hosted by Steve Yun from Harmony Gold USA. Remember your elementary school arguments about whether Voltron or Optimus Prime would win in a fight? Prepare for the ultimate in faninteractive panels! Jerry Gonzales, Head of Video Programming for FanimeCon, hosts a tournament where panelists and attendees argue and vote over which robots would win in a fight. Many will enter but only one will emerge the victor! Held in main video room.

The Best of the Angry Video Game Nerd

The Angry Video Game Nerd (aka the Angry Video Nintendo Nerd) can't get over the terrible video games that consumed many frustrating hours of his childhood (and yours too)! Although this was in the '80s, the Nerd is still pissed! Held in the main video room.

Remembering the Past with the Nostalgia Critic

Along with the *5 Second Movies*, The Nostalgia Critic is the most popular video series created by Doug Walker, in which he plays the titular Nostalgia Critic, a grumpy and easily aggravated character who mostly reviews entertainment from the 1980s and 1990s and whose catchphrase is, "Hello, I'm the Nostalgia Critic. I remember it, so you don't have to". However, not all reviews are negative,

such as the reviews of *Double Dare*, and *Gargoyles*. He also does "Top 11 Countdowns" and "Old vs. New" comparisons between two movies that share source material. Held in the main video room.

The Best of Zero Punctuation

Zero Punctuation is The Escapist's groundbreaking video review series starring Ben "Yahtzee" Croshaw. Every Wednesday Zero Punctuation picks apart the games so you don't have to. Called "hilariously cutting ... first legitimate breakout hit from the gaming community in recent memory" by Boing Boing, see why gamers love it and developers fear it. Held in the main video room.

Video Game Movies

Over the years, we've been building up game movies like *Cowboy Bebop: The Song Remains The Same*, *Tomb Raider Reboot*, *Dead Fantasy*, *Portal 2*, *Batman Arkham City*, and *Bioshock 3* to name a few. Now the time has come to bring you some of the hottest games turned into movies, with gameplay and ingame cinematics bringing the perfect blend to create the story. So come bring the popcorn and your gaming controller and immerse yourself in to the drama! In the main video room everyday.

Video Themed Rooms

Nostalgia Room

FanimeCon invites you to take a step back in time and see the roots of modern anime. Our newest themed room, the Nostalgia room, has a wide range of anime spanning the 60's all the way to the 90's. It showcases 60's classics like the original *Astro Boy*, the original *Pirate Captain Harlock*, and anime's 1st bad boy, *Devilman*, to modern 80's and 90's classics such as *Kimagure Orange Road*, *Project A*, *Ranma 1/2*, and *Sailor Moon*. Come and see what made anime fans, fans!

Video

Omake/Film Room

Short movies, Animation and Anime Music Video parodies and all the cool stuff, be it from Japan or fan made that you normally will not see! Watch your favorite fulllength anime movie in our large viewing room. Showing from classics to the latest and greatest, which includes liveaction versions of your favorite anime.

Abridged Series Screenings

You made this happen with your emails, raiding the forums, and filling up the room at screenings. So once again, a different abridged series everyday of the convention. Come and show your love and passion for these fanmade parodies. Held in the film room.

Marathon Room

For those fans who like to immerse themselves, gain the greatest experience with complete saturation, or those who just plain want to see the whole thing all at once all over again, we have the Marathon Room. Here we exhibit a single block of only the most askedfor anime for hours on end. It's a great social setting for likeminded otaku!

Otaku Room

Come in and see the future of anime. We show what other conventions call "premieres" years before they do. Tons of great variety to choose from.

Industry Room

Vote on what language you want to hear from various US companies on DVD/BluRay. Select from English, Spanish, French, or Japanese dub with English subtitles for the language impaired.

AMV Events

FanimeCon has nothing but love for AMVs and their producers. We here at FanimeCon go the extra mile to give them the spotlight they deserve by showcasing their works in different events throughout the duration of FanimeCon. So come and show your

love and support the videos and producers you love.

AnimeMusicVideos.org top 100 videos

For the 8th year running the reigning champion is Random Variable Productions with their video, "Euphoria". Will they keep the top spot this year, or will a new king be crowned? This is a great way to experience the past and present in anime and music. The top 100 list is taken from AnimeMusicVideos.org. Held every day in the main video room.

AnimeMusicVideo.Org best of 2014

A categorized rendering of the top AMVs of 2014, voted by fans and creators, in categories such as best comedy, funniest, best lip sync, and best of the year. The purpose is to engage the AMV community by acknowledging the editors and videos that have stood out over the last year. The screening occurs across different skill levels, tastes, and cultural boundaries. As they are a diverse group, any disagreements in ranking are solved by popular vote. Held in the main video room.

AMVs That Should Have Been Top 100

Didn't see your favorite AMV in the top 100 list on AnimeMusicVideos.org? FanimeCon is here to help. Come check out some of the great videos that fans think should have made it into the top 100 list. Held late night in the main video room.

Asian Film Room

The FanimeCon lineup will include showings from Hong Kong, Korea, and Japan. The Asian Film Room will be screening some of the latest films to come out of the far east, as well as recent classics and older films you may have missed. The FanimeCon Asian Film Room has been one of the

convention's best kept secrets, but now, the secret is out. Come see what the buzz is about this year!

Late Night

Sleep is for the weak, but anime is for the weekend—all night, every night. You didn't travel all this way to watch mindless infomercials in your room. Get out there and feed your head a nocturnal feast of films and series from the hottest new hits to the campiest cult classics, plus eclectic oddities that defy description. So inject that syringe of caffeine and tape open your eyelids, it's going to be a very long night.

Anime Anarchy

Too extreme for daytime! Late at night, after all the chibi have gone to bed, sleepless hoards of worldly adults seek the most outrageous comedy, ghastly horror, and savage action, and find it here in the calloused coliseum of cartoon chaos. An unflinching bombardment of violence, profanity, nudity, and other mature content to challenge even the most hardened oldschool otaku. Anime that kicks ass. Held in fansub room at midnight every night.

Midnight Madness

Some otaku hear voices... Voices that say something completely different... Sometimes, they do what the voices say... Welcome to the twisted bizarroworld of fanmade parodies: An altered state in which pimps orchestrate Armageddon by popmusic, dwarves sell life insurance to witches, and ninja do the Macarena. Can your squeedilyspooch stand the shocking goof that is Midnight Madness? Or will you keel over in cachinnation? It's a marathon of merciless mockery, and only the most tenacious masochists will persevere until dawn. Held in the main video room at midnight.



Hentai Nights

(18+) Hot, sweaty bodies, heavy breathing, pounding heartbeats—and that's just the audience. Three scintillating nights of sexy shoujo in sizzling Sapphic, sadomasochistic, surreal, and simply silly smut from the midnight moon to the rising sun, imported from the land of the most exotic and imaginative erotica in the world. Now eight years running. All events are 18+ events. An ID will be checked by FanimeCon volunteer prior to entry. Held every night in the film room at midnight.

Hentai Music Video Awards

(18+) Do you like Hentai? Do you like Music Videos? If so, it's that time again! Come to the Hentai Music Videos Competition and Exhibition! Watch as entrants battle for prizes as you, the audience, decide who wins! After the entries for this year are shown and winners are decided, stick around for more Hentai Music Videos! Laughs will be had, hentai will be shown, and you'll never listen to the Inspector Gadget theme the same way again! Will be held in the film room at midnight.



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