

Anime crossroads

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LETTER FROM THE STAFF

Welcome back, Anime Crossroads Family!

A brand-new adventure awaits, and this year is extra special as we celebrate **Anime Crossroads' 16th year!** Sixteen years of fandom, friendship, and unforgettable memories—thank you for being part of the journey that brought us here. Once a year, we come together to celebrate the things we love most, reconnect with friends old and new, and create memories that last long after the weekend ends.

And the excitement doesn't stop there—**next year, we'll be celebrating our 17th year**, and we're excited to announce that Anime Crossroads will return **February 26–28!** Mark your calendars now—this is one reunion you won't want to miss.

As always, welcome to the family if this is your first year, and welcome back to all of our returning attendees. Thank you to our vendors, artists, industry partners, guests, staff, and of course our amazing attendees for making Anime Crossroads what it is today.

With much love,
The Staff of Anime Crossroads

HOURS OF OPERATION

| | REGISTRATION | VENDORS & ARTIST ALLEY | VIDEO GAMES & TABLETOP |
|----------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| FRIDAY | 8AM - 10PM | 2PM - 7PM | 12PM - 2AM |
| SATURDAY | 9AM - 10PM | 10AM - 7PM | 10AM - 2AM |
| SUNDAY | 9AM - 2PM | 10AM - 3PM | 10AM - 2PM |

ACR 2026 STICKER SCAVENGER HUNT

ACR's 2026 scavenger hunt is being upgraded to a Sticker Scavenger Hunt! By checking out different things to do around the convention, you can collect stickers around the convention. To start, head to panelist check in. You'll be given your sheet. Return by 2pm on Sunday at the latest to get a goodie bag for your efforts!



2026 CRAFT TRACK

Origami
Friday 3PM

\$1

Hand Fan
Saturday 5PM

\$3

Shaker Keychain
Sunday 1PM



\$5

Mini Koinobori
Friday 4PM

Kandi
Friday 5PM

\$1

\$3

Aqua Puffs
Saturday 6PM

Make Your Own
Magic Wand

Saturday 7PM

\$5

Diamond Art Keychain
Sunday 3PM

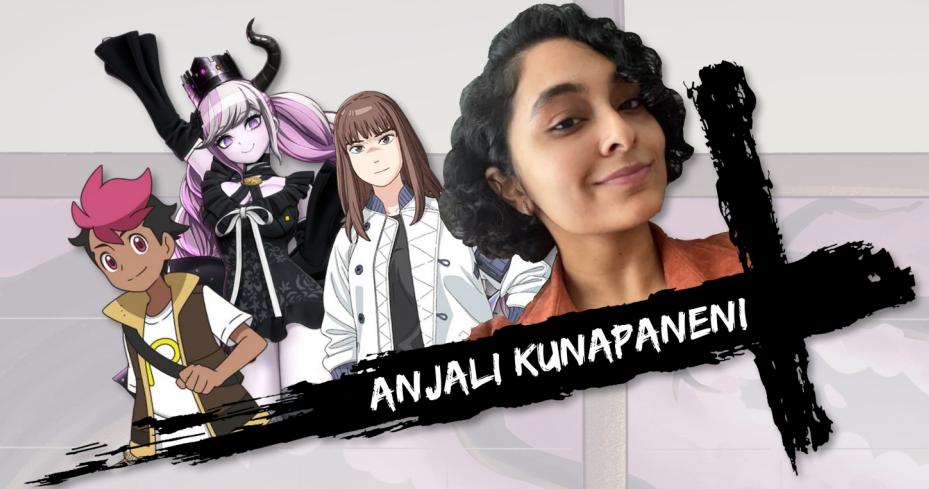
\$3

Paint Your Own
Sakura Tree

Sunday 2PM

All supplies are included with the fee paid at time of purchase. Cash or card are accepted.

VOICE ACTING GUEST: anjali kunapaneni



Anjali is a voice actor known for their work as Roy (Pokémon Horizons: The Series), Dori (Genshin Impact), Sushang (Honkai Star Rail), Yuki Tsukumo (Jujutsu Kaisen), Feri (Trails Through the Dawn), Ayaka (Fate/strange Fake), Lemon (Mashle: Magic and Muscles), Shi Qingxuan (Heaven Official's Blessing), Shinigami (Master Detective Archives: Rain Code), Kiruko (Heavenly Delusion), Pri Forsythe/Quadra (Beyblade Burst QuadStrike), Danika (Pokémon Journeys), Courtney (Pokemon Masters), Mimi(Yu-Gi-Oh! SEVENS), Margo (Apex Legends), Ramzi (Attack on Titan), Fuku (Demon Slayer), and more!

Notable roles include:

- Roy — Pokémon Horizons: The Series
- Danika — Pokémon Journeys: The Series
- Dori — Genshin Impact
- Sushang — Honkai: Star Rail
- Yuki Tsukumo — Jujutsu Kaisen
- Feri Al-Fayed — The Legend of Heroes: Trails through Daybreak
- Lemon Irvine — Mashle: Magic and Muscles
- Ayaka Sajo — Fate/strange Fake
- Kiruko — Heavenly Delusion

Anjali's range covers compelling leads, supportive roles, and standout guest performances across anime and game series.

VOICE ACTING GUEST: BRIAN BEACOCK



Brian Beacock is a camera and voice actor, writer, producer, and musician whose diverse career includes voice-overs for more than 50 cartoon series and video games including "Digimon" (Takato, Bokomon, Agumon), Monokuma in the "Danganronpa" game series, Akutagawa in "Bungo Stray Dogs" and "Bungo Stray Dogs Wan," "Naruto" (Chojuro, Sakon/Ukon), "Bleach" (Yumichika), "Durarara" (Walker), "Doraemon" (Sneech), "Blue Exorcist" (Shima), "Code Geass" (Rivals), "Blue Dragon," "Miraculous Ladybug" (Copy Cat), "Battle B-Daman" (Yamato), "Toradora," "JoJo's Bizarre Adventure" (Shigechi), "Tales of Symphonia" (Lloyd Irving), "Dragon Ball Super" (Krillin), "Sailor Moon" (Alan, Pegasus, Helios), "Beastars" (Dom the Peacock), "Sword Art Online Alicization" (Higa), and more. His television appearances include: "Imagination Movers," "Kath & Kim," "CSI," "Passions," NBC's "The Rerun Show." Films include: "Colt Racer," "To The Beat," "Mulholland Drive," "Buying The Cow," "Globehunters," "Circuit," and "Hollow Scream." Brian has been a featured performer at the world-famous Roxy on The Sunset Strip, PS 122 in NYC, and as the featured musical guest on "The Conan O'Brien Show" and "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" (singing for Betty White).

Find Brian on TikTok @monokumabrianb, and Instagram and "X" @brianbeacock.

VOICE ACTING GUEST: NICOLAS ROYE



Nicolas Roye is an American voice actor known for standout roles in anime, animation, and video games. He stars as Echo-216 ("The Pilot") in *Halo Infinite* and Octavio "Octane" Silva in *Apex Legends*, alongside roles in *Cyberpunk 2077*, *Marvel's Avengers*, *Nier: Automata*, *Horizon Zero Dawn*, and more.

In anime and animation, his credits include Toji Fushiguro in *Jujutsu Kaisen*, Chuuya Nakahara (*Bungou Stray Dogs*), Shisui Uchiha (*Naruto Shippuden*), Tetta Kisaki (*Tokyo Revengers*), WEB-STER (*Spidey and His Amazing Friends*), *Digimon Adventure*, *Tower of God*, and *Baki Hanma*.

Nicolas is also a longtime commercial voice for brands like Taco Bell, Pepsi, NASCAR, Hot Wheels, and Mountain Dew, and is a theater graduate of the University of New Orleans.

PERFORMANCE GUEST: ORIANA PERÓN



Oriana Perón is a cosplaying, costume, and fashion designing, drag queen. She has been cosplaying since 2006 when this nerdy hobby turned into a passionate career. Oriana has studied theatre and costume design at Indiana University and continues her studies with a focus on fashion design, metalsmithing, and jewelry. Recently, Oriana has produced and performed her Drag Race and Drag Show events at Ohayocon, Anime Magic, AnimeNext, C2E2, Matsuricon, and ACEN. Oriana currently lives in Bloomington, Indiana and is a producer and host for her shows, "World of Fantasy" and "World of Gayming" at The Back Door. Her favorite thing is dressing up like cartoon moms and sending memes to all her friends. Oriana looks forward to conventions coming back and seeing all her friends and fans again!

You can find Oriana online at:

www.orianaperon.com

www.instagram.com/orianaperon

www.etsy.com/shop/OrianasDesigns

PERFORMANCE GUESTS: STRANGE MUSIC SQUAD



The Strange Music Squad is an Indianapolis-based DJ team consisting of SHI-BASCREAM, KHTO RIDER, and TETSUO THE ROBOT, that has played clubs, conventions, and events the world over, from Indy to LA to Tokyo.

The Strange Music Squad delights in delivering niche genres to new ears. Wielding omni-genre weapons from every element of electronic dance music and equipping them with anime/gamer material, their limit break makes the entire room bounce.

Specializing in cosplay dance party events with an EDM edge, the group brings their love of geek and con culture to da club and will Isekai your a\$\$ to another world.

Come vibe out with the squad!

PERFORMANCE GUEST: DANCERS AND DEBAUCHERY



Returning this year are the dancers of Dancers and Debauchery to bring you a one of a kind Burlesque Variety Show. Combining dance, lyra, silks, and more, these unique performers are sure to bring their all to the stage as fly for all who attend!

COSPLAY GUEST: KYDKINDRED



Kydkindred started their cosplay career in 2009 when they discovered their High Schools anime club, and has continued down the rabbit hole ever since. Kyd enjoys all things whimsigoth, fantasy, and fun. They specialize in a "don't panic, we will make it work" mentality. They love styling wigs and dissecting designs. Kyd loves to collect books (and attempt to read them), playing video games and DnD, and running around at different Ren Faires. They started competing in 2013, and their most recent win was Best In Show at Colossal Prime 2025 as Hu Tao. They are excited to gush about special interests, craftsmanship, and special little details about everyone's costume!

COSPLAY GUEST: VISUALSONGTRRESS



Visualsongstress started cosplaying way back in 2008, and has won an array of awards over the years for both Craftsmanship and Performance. Vis prides herself on helping those around her, solving crafting problems with creative solutions, and creating a welcoming environment for all cosplayers. The costumes she is currently most proud of are Cloud Strife (Final Fantasy VII: Advent Children), Wei Wuxian (Mo Dao Zu Shi), and Vi (Arcane).

When not cosplaying (or sometimes in cosplay), she can be found behind the camera taking photos for other cosplayers.

COSPLAY GUESTS: SEWING ARTIST



Sewing Artist is a professional ballet costume maker by day and cosplayer by night. She started in cosplay over 15 years ago as a fun hobby with friends and over the last decade has made her living working in regional and academic theatre shops working as a costume director, patternmaker, stitcher, and crafts artisan. Although she has developed many skills from making costumes over the years she most enjoys pattern making, embroidery/embellishments, and most recently, leather work. When not sewing, she spends much of her time playing TTRPGs with friends and painting miniatures.

GUEST PANELS

Draping a Pattern for Cosplay - Demo

Friday 3pm - Panel Room 1

Do you want to learn how to make patterns for your cosplay without the math? Have a dress form or someone to help you? Just curious about the process? This is the panel for you!

Sewing Artist will demonstrate the basics of how to drape basic shapes, change style lines, and show you how to transfer the pattern to paper.

Planning Your Cosplay | Prevent Con Crunch

Friday 5pm - Panel Room 1

Always stuck frantically crafting the week of the con? Blown your crafting budget again? Have a dream cosplay, but have no idea where to start? This is the panel for you! Come gain some knowledge on managing your time and budget to make your crafting a more pleasant experience leading up to your next convention.

Cosplay Craft Swap!

Sunday 10am - Workshop Room

One crafter's unused materials is another person's treasure! Bring fabric or craft supplies you've all but abandoned and find something new to take its place! Don't have crafting supplies because you're just getting started? Come and get some supplies! This is FREE for all. No selling or expecting direct trades. Bring your own bags/boxes to take stuff home. Please be respectful of other crafters and the event space. Stick around to yap.

Any items not taken should be removed prior to panel end by the one who dropped them off.

Oriana Drag Your Barbie Panel

Sunday 12pm - Workshop Room

Description: Come Drag Your Barbie with Drag Cosplay Superstar and Fashion Queen Oriana Peron! This fun, interactive crafting panel (best held on a Sunday afternoon) is the perfect way to unwind and get creative amid the excitement of a convention weekend. Oriana provides fabric and wig scraps from her cosplays, markers, glitter, and advice to turn any boring Barbie into a fashion icon. BYOB (Bring Your Own Barbie), but a limited number of Barbies will be provided for those without them.

MAIN EVENTS

OPENING CEREMONIES

Come meet a few of the staff, and see the official beginning of Anime Crossroads 2026! See all the guests and hear about some special events to expect for the rest of the weekend.

ORIANA PERÓN'S DRAG RACE

Do you have what it takes to be a Drag Superstar? Join Drag Queen Oriana Perón as 5 contestants compete for this year's title! All humans are welcome to compete, all genders, all sexualities, even if you've never done drag! Sign-up at the event. The queen of Drag Cosplay direct from the Midwest, Oriana Perón, wants to see you there!

ACR'S FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL

Come and jam to some familiar tunes and mix and mingle with your fellow attendees! This event is an alternative dance option from our EDP, with a more laidback atmosphere and familiar songs chosen by our attendees!

DANCERS AND DEBAUCHERY: A BURLESQUE VARIETY SHOW (18+)

Performers take to the stage at this adults only event! This show will feature the aerial stylings of pole dance and new age burlesque all to the tune of classic anime songs. Tips are appreciated!

Valid Government issue ID or 18+ wristband is required for entry.

ANIME CROSSROADS IDOL FETE

Come cheer your favorite idols on stage at the Crossroads Idol Fete. Light sticks are encouraged!

Special thanks to 2twisted Idols for hosting our Idol Fete again this year!



MAIN EVENTS

COSPLAY MASQUERADE

Anime Crossroads has some AMAZING talent when it comes to cosplayers. Come and watch as they present creations of their own and entertain us with skits they worked hard on.

ORIANA'S DRAG SHOW

Get ready for The Original Cosplay Drag Show! Starring Oriana Perón and featuring some of the hottest Drag Cosplay talents. Oriana has brought some wild and exciting queer entertainment for you, so come and enjoy the show! All ages, gender identities, sexualities, and humans are welcome to enjoy this award-winning lineup! The winner of the Drag Race gets to perform!

ACR'S ELECTRONIC DANCE PARTY

Join our DJ guests as we jump to the beat at this electronic dance party!

CHILDREN'S COSPLAY CONTEST

Help us celebrate our young, aspiring cosplayers as they show off their cosplay!

CLOSING CEREMONIES

And that's a wrap! Join the ACR Staff as we say goodbye to 2026, and look forward to 2026!

pink Peaches Maid Cafe

Hello Anime Crossroads attendees! We are so excited to be returning to Anime Crossroads for our fourth year in a row! Pink Peaches Maid Cafe is an unique all ages maid cafe experience right here in Indiana! This year we're offering hour-long sessions full of all new entertainment, plenty of food and drink options and memories that will last a lifetime!

Come join us for one of our classic hour sessions where our maids, butlers, and servants serve and entertain you in typical cafe fashion or stop by our annual waifu hour where we let the staff cosplay as some of their favorite characters from various forms of media!

Whether you're wanting to try new things or we've hosted you before, we guarantee you'll enjoy your stay with us! Seating availability is limited and sells quick so make sure to buy your tickets online ahead of time. Please see our social media for the link to our Eventbrite page! On site tickets are not guaranteed.



pink Peaches Maid Café

Hours of Operation

Maid Cafe Classic

Friday

3:00pm-4:00pm

5:00pm-6:00pm

Saturday

12:00pm-1:00pm

2:00pm-3:00pm

4:00pm-5:00pm

6:00pm-7:00pm

Sunday

12:00pm-1:00pm

2:00pm-3:00pm

4:00pm-5:00pm

Waifu Hour

Friday

7:00pm-8:00pm

Saturday

8:00pm-9:00pm

VIDEO GAME ROOM

OMG!CON

JUNE 12 - 14, 2026

Ready to play? The videogame room has leveled up this year thanks to our friends at OMG!Con!

They're bringing hundreds of games and dozens of systems, from popular modern staples like Smash Bros, Mario Kart, and Street Fighter to retro classics like Super Mario World, Contra, and Sonic the Hedgehog!

Access to the videogame room is included with your badge, so be sure to stop in and play one of your favorites, or take a chance on something you've never tried before!

OMG!Con will be June 20th-22nd, 2026.

Want to learn more? Scan the code to check out their website!!



TABLETOP LOUNGE



Welcome to the Who's Yer Gamers Tabletop Game Lounge. We have our select library of games here for you to check out for free to play whenever we're open (10am to 2am). We will also have scheduled throughout the weekend, come check the tabletop lounge for more!

Who's Yer Con 2026

September 4th-6th, 2026

Indianapolis Marriott East

<https://tabletop.events/conventions/who-s-yer-con-2026>

Who's Yer Con is coming! Starting in the morning on September 4th, we'll be serving up a full weekend of gaming at the Indianapolis Marriott East. Badges are on sale now! Pre-register and save on the at the door rate!!

PANELS

A Little Less Duct Tape; working with unconventional cosplay materials

Are you on a budget? Are you interested in environmentally-friendly cosplay hacks? Do you like the challenge of making something in a new way? Then this panel is for you. I'll go over some of the unconventional materials that I've used in cosplay-- even the pistachio shells that won me a cosplay contest award- and I encourage you to bring your cosplay wips to work on together. I'll bring some of my go-to trash supplies and we'll see if we can't tackle some of your cosplay questions together.

Abridging 101, Voice Acting, Writing, and More!

Come hang out and learn what goes into making an Abridged series, from writing, directing, recording space, and voice over with the crew of PhatDogStudios! Best known for their Solo Leveling, Shield Hero, Log Horizon and Reincarnated as a Slime parodies.

Anime Cons Across America: Stories of the Con Experience Across the United States

Many types of anime conventions are held all across the United States, and almost every major city in the U.S. plays host to at least one fan convention. Listen to a longtime convention attendee and staffer who has attended and traveled to cons around the U.S. for 10+ years, and who has staffed anime conventions for 9 years, discuss how anime cons are equally similar and different across America.

Anime Turning 16

Come feel old with us as we go through well loved anime turning 16 years old in 2026

Bad Isekai that I love

If you live isekai then are you in luck. Come learn about some of the worst but also the most endearing!

BL Yap session! 18+

If you're a fan of BL, come share your favorite titles with us! We will be talking all things BL from manga, anime and even dramas!!

Catchy/Upbeat Anime Songs You May (Not) Know

Looking to add some upbeat/catchy anime songs to your collection? Come watch some anime songs that you may or may not have heard before, and don't be afraid to go along with the beat.

Circuit Circus

A whimsical intro to electronics for cosplay panel, featuring clowns!

PANELS

Convention horror stories 18+

In this panel, we tell our tales and interesting stories from conventions past and provide some do's and don'ts from our experiences. The good, the bad, the ugly, will all come to light in this panel. We will also be opening the floor to our panel attendees to share their stories as well. Come one, come all - to convention horror stories!

Cosplay Contacts 101

Join us to learn the basics of wearing contacts as well as recommendations on contacts for beginners.

Cosplay Dating Game Show 18+

Step into the spotlight and let your character's charm do the talking! 4 Helpless Victims are chosen from the audience: 3 Cosplay Contestants and 1 "Datee"- in this hilarious and heartwarming game show-style panel. Cosplayers take center stage in a whirlwind of questions, banter, and unexpected chemistry. Whether you're a hopeless romantic or just here for the laughs, this is your chance to watch sparks fly—one fandom-flavored question at a time. **Disclaimer: This is a Game - NO Actual Dating takes place**

Crash Course in Fandom Tattoos

Whether it's a small manga panel or full color back piece—this is your intro lesson to fandom-related tattoos. We'll go over some DO's and DON'T's and showcase some local tattoo artists!

Hear me out: Love or War 18+

In this 18+ panel, attendees are invited to verbally duke it out in a debate defending their "Hear Me Out"s. Spectating attendees will vote on the better and most-convincing "Hear Me Out".

History of Otome

The Otome genre of games has existed since the 90s and continues to develop and grow every year, with new releases, new niches, and new fans. Join us to learn about the history, popular games, and perhaps pick up a new game you've never heard of!

Homestuck?? In 2026???

Homestuck isn't dead until we say so! Come join all your favorite characters from the media sensation for improv games and an in character q and a!

How to Film on A Budget

We will be teaching new filmmakers how to make a short or feature with little to no money.

Human Chaos Chess

Get ready to be blown off the Chess Board - Possibly, quite literally. Take everything you know about standard chess and leave it outside because this is NOT it. Be prepared for traps, magics and the Gaming-gods' interference to turn the tides, upend ultimate (Dance?) moves and create all of the CHA-OS! Whether you are a Person-Sized Chess Piece or a Game Board Master, you'll never want to play "normal" chess again. Audience Participation is highly encouraged.

PANELS

I tried to cosplay this morning but...

Did you try to cosplay this morning but something just went completely wrong? Maybe your zipper broke or coffee stained your white Sailor Moon blouse, maybe even a ceiling tile fell on you while you were taking a break. Well have no fear, your cosplay fairy godmothers are here to share some tips and tricks for both common issues and the bizarre, along with what we learned from our own cosplay horror mishaps.

Indyldols: Love U Parade

The time has come for the newest Nijigasaki set with Indyldols! We have prepared new songs from Love Live! and can't wait to celebrate idols with you. Come to cheer, win prizes, and experience idol culture! Come Wotagei and raise those penlights!

Intro to Shibari 18+

Welcome to Rope 101! In this hands-on class, we will share a little history before diving into basic rope safety, fundamental ties, active bottoming, and foundational concepts of rope. This class is geared for rope tops, bottoms, self-tiers, and anyone else interested in rope with little to no experience or in need of a refresher. Some community rope will be available to borrow, if you don't have your own.

Isekai Jeopardy

The Isekai anime genre has exploded over the years, come see how many you know in this Jeopardy style gameshow

Ita Bag Show & Tell

Do you have an ita bag that you worked super hard on? Come show it off with other ita bag enthusiasts and get a chance to show off your special lil characters!!!

Karaoke

Come and wake up with some morning Karaoke!

Let's get in -chew- it! (Mukbang 먹방)

This is a mukbang-style interview where the host (Nikki Nostalgia) talks to a special guest about a variety of topics including Anime, Maid cafe's, aliens, ghosts, and more! Who knows what kind of juicy gossip and backstage tea we will discover over a bite of some delicious food? Let's get in -chew- it!

Let's Play Cards Against Humanity! 18+

Want to play a fun game and get a nice laugh out? Come join us for a classic game of Cards Against Humanity played in a group format. This year, there will be anime-themed black cards to mix things up from this classic game.

PANELS

LGBT+Conventions

In this panel, we will be discussing the ups and downs of being a member of the LGBT+ community at conventions. Discussion of queer representation in media and our favorite characters, how cosplay can help someone discover gender identity, sharing coming out stories, and how the gay community can uplift each other at conventions will be some of the talking points! This panel is welcoming to all as we celebrate the LGBT+ community!

Live Cosplayer Figure Drawing

Come draw with us for a relaxed figure drawing session! Try a new medium or practice drawing our live cosplayers. Paper and drawing materials will be supplied for use during this panel.

Living in Japanel

Don't just visit, LIVE in Japan!? Q&A panel - bring your questions, have them (hopefully) Japanswered!

Love and Deepspace (and You) 18+

It's a LADS night out! We're doing a deep dive into the characters, memories, and "plot" of Love and Deepspace, including games to test your knowledge along with prizes, and even if you have never heard of the game, come join the fun! Check your innocence at the door, this time there's no fade to black

Love to Cosplay? Want to Compete?!

Competitive cosplay isn't for the faint of heart. We'll go over the basics, skill levels, different comps, and what judges tend to look for.

Mayday Idols: One Heart, One Dream!

Join Mayday Idols for a performance full of songs from Aqours! Mayday Idols is a group of performers from all around Indiana who can't wait to share their love of idols with you. We'll also have some games and prizes!

Name that Anime Song

Do you know anime music? Come test your knowledge against others in this game!

Neurodivergence in the Anime Fan Community: An Overview

Many neurodivergent people belong to the anime fan community. Listen to a neurodivergent anime fan discuss the reasons why neurodivergent people enjoy anime, issues neurodivergent people can face at anime conventions, and how the anime fan community can be more understanding of neurodivergent people.

One Helluva Contract 18+

Join Stolas and friends for an action-packed adventure, played a little bit like a relaxed version of dnd. Last year at Anime Crossroads, I.M.P. failed to find Cupid's arrows and got caught breaking into Asmodeus' mansion-- If you're looking for a job and have questionable morals, join us and find out what the new mission is. There will be games, there will be laughter, and a whole lotta bad jokes.

PANELS

Otome Games: Press Start

Looking for a little romance in your life? Are you tired of 3D men disappointing you? Well we have just the thing for you! We invite you on a journey through otome games, the land of pure hearted romance, cheesy shoujo storylines, and hot 2D husbands.

Ouran: Tamaki's Sweet 16

Create heartwarming moments as we celebrate our prince's 16th birthday full of sweets, prizes, and immersive character interactions ☺☺

Pokemon Jeopardy

How well do you know Pokemon? Join us for a game of Jeopardy, Pokemon style, to prove your champion status in our league! Prizes will be given out to the winning team, Elite Four included.

Roll for Chaos : DnD Improv Show 18+

Get ready to toss the rulebooks aside and embrace the madness! Join our brave (and possibly doomed) panel of adventurers for an 2 hour-long live D&D session where YOU—the audience—control the chaos! Wild magic, cursed dice, and unpredictable audience decisions will shape the fate of the party. The audience controls the twists. The party controls the panic. No D&D knowledge required—just a sense of humor and thirst for mayhem!

Science of Anime: Time-Travel of Steins;Gate

What if you could send a message to the past—and change everything? Steins;Gate takes one of science fiction's most fascinating questions and mixes it with real scientific theories, from black holes to tachyons to wormholes. But how much of this science holds up, and how much is pure anime magic? (Warning: this panel will contain Steins;Gate spoilers)

Sewing for Beginners: How To Basics

Starting as a beginner sewist can be scary, but we're here to help! In this panel, we'll learn how to pick fabrics, what type of threads to use, and when to use hand sewing and machine sewing. We'll also learn how to wash fabrics, basic sewing machine parts, and the do and do not's of finding patterns online.

Smash or Pass: MILF/DILF Edition 18+

"Discussion" of parental characters/ 30+ years of age

So You Want To Be A Vtuber?

Have you seen those 2D or 3D streamers popping up on your Tik Tok, or maybe the twitch front page? Have you ever wondered who they are and how to become one?! This is the panel for you! Come learn about vtubing from an indie vtuber of five years!

Stray Dogs vs Mafia - The Game

The Mafia game with a twist. So take a seat and play a round of Bungo Stray Dogs Mafia.

PANELS

The Anime Quiz Show

How well do you know your anime? Come test your knowledge of anime songs, titles, and MORE! Prizes will be provided.

The Waifu Factor

Is your waifu(s) actually worthy of being waifu material? I take some of your favorite/popular waifus, rank them on waifu qualities (called the Waifu Factor), and see which one is victorious among the chosen ones.

Voice Acting: Where Do I Start?!

Want to try voice acting, but unsure where to start? We'll go over equipment, home studios, classes, where to find auditions, demo reels/resumes, and so much more!

What in the Omegaverse?!?! 18+

Come discover the Omegaverse. Curious of what others may think when defining "The Alpha"? Mad when your favorite character is always "The Omega". We will be discussing and ranking random characters into the Omegaverse. Come tell us all about your head cannon.

WTF are they wearing!??

Ever seen an anime and wondered, "what is that outfit?" And "how am i supposed to make this cosplay?" Well, fret not! I, a historical costume fanatic, am here to help! I will go over some popular anime clothing, the names, some history, and how to get it for your cosplay.



CODE OF CONDUCT

General

Anime Crossroads expects a level of acceptable and reasonable behavior from all attendees. Please be considerate to all Attendees, Guests, and Anime Crossroads Staff, as well as for the individuals who are attending other events at the hotel. Anime Crossroads attendees are expected to obey the rules set by Anime Crossroads. Any violation may result in suspension of their pass(es) and even a permanent ban from the Anime Crossroads Convention and its sister conventions. Any attendee who violates a state or federal law at Anime Crossroads will be reported to local authorities. Anime Crossroads has the right to revise the Code of Conduct at any time and for any reason without notice.

Consent to Photography

Any photographs or videos of attendees taken by Anime Crossroads staff in an official capacity may be used or published by Anime Crossroads without further consent of the attendees being recorded. Photography and recording of any kind are strictly prohibited during concert events, with the exception of official Anime Crossroads Press Staff and pre-approved members of the general press.

Behavior

Anime Crossroads strives to provide a safe and fun environment for all those who attend the convention. Behavior such as, but not limited to, skanking, moshing and/or standing on chairs will not be tolerated at any time for any reason during any convention events. Individuals who engage in such behavior will be immediately ejected from the event. A verbal warning will be issued for a first time violation and any further misconduct will result in confiscation of their pass for the remainder of the convention. Smoking is only permitted in pre-designated areas at the convention space. Please be prepared to show your badge any time you enter a convention space or event – it identifies you as a fully paid attendee of the convention. Please consider how your words and actions reflect on the convention and how they impact those around you, as most of the convention activities and areas are directed at general audiences. Keep in mind that other individuals' opinions may differ from your own. Do not engage in heated discussions with an individual(s). Use your common sense in public areas. If you are unsure whether something is appropriate to do in public, please consult one of the Anime Crossroads Security staff or Directors. If you notice others are uncomfortable with your costume or your activities, please stop immediately. We take pride in our appearance and we want you to do so as well while still having fun. To this effect, Anime Crossroads Directors have final say on all matters.

Costumes and Clothing

Any indecent exposure (public exposure of genitalia, buttocks or nipples) is not permitted. When choosing and/or creating your costume, please keep in mind the constraints of local laws and customs concerning public decency. Just because an anime character wears only a face mask, you may not do so. Sturdy and fitted costumes are required; you should not be falling out of your costume, and it should not be falling apart around you. Also, remember to have proper support such as bras and/or athletic cups, especially if you plan to be physically active, i.e., dancing or running when approved. If you have a bulky or large costume, please be aware of your surroundings. Try not to hit other attendees, block walkways or access, or cause a disruption. You are responsible for your own costume and should respect those around you. For more specifics on costume and cosplay requirement, please see our Cosplay and Weapons Polices.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Buying, Selling, and Solicitation

Anime Crossroads has a few main areas where merchandise is sold – the Dealers' Room and Artists' Alley. Anyone who receives payment for goods in the convention space must comply with all the convention's rules regarding this. For any sale of merchandise, the exhibitor rules apply. Other restrictions may also apply. Anime Crossroads takes its obligations in this area very seriously. Any solicitation at the convention, whether verbal or use of signage for monetary payment or exchange of services that does not comply with these restrictions, is prohibited. Some examples of prohibited solicitation or sale are musicians requesting tips, setting up artwork for sale in the common areas, and passing out signs or cards to solicit a business in areas other than the aforementioned commerce areas. Violation of these rules may result in the offender forfeiting their pass, returning all payments, and facing expulsion from the convention area. Please also note that certain solicitations are ILLEGAL and will result in immediate membership pass forfeiture and possible referral to the proper law enforcement authorities. Any solicitation or selling outside of the convention center requires a street vendor license from the city. Should you be caught engaging in such activities, you may be ticketed and fined, as well as possibly sent to jail. Offering favors of a sexual nature for sale, such as kisses, hugs, dates, gropes, spankings, etc., are strictly prohibited as they may be viewed as forms of prostitution. Attempts to circumvent any of these rules such as throwing money and merchandise on the ground and other such tactics are also prohibited.

Liability

Anime Crossroads, its personnel, and its affiliates are not responsible for any damage, theft, injury, or loss. Attendees of the convention are responsible for their own actions and belongings as well as for any resulting repercussions. Convention staff are on hand to assist in any situation. However, any civil or medical emergencies that may occur must be handled directly by the appropriate authorities.

Final Word

Anime Crossroads Directors reserve the right to remove any attendee from the Convention grounds for any reason deemed unsafe or harmful to others or for repeated failure to follow the rules.

For Assistance

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding our Code of Conduct, please contact us by sending an email to admin@animetcrossroads.com prior to the convention. You may also visit the Convention Operations room during the convention. Please consult your convention floor map in the Program Guide to find out the location of Convention Operations.

COSPLAY AND WEAPON POLICY

A costume, prop, or weapon may be deemed unacceptable if it:

- Fails to comply with local laws.
- Leaves your feet bare.
- Has vulgar remarks or hate speech in any language.
- Has dangerous protrusions such as spikes or sharp edges.
- Is a costume that extends more than six inches from your body in any direction? (For example, if your costume has a tail, you may hold it next to your body, but not let it trail out behind you.)
- Is a prop that is longer than your height? If you are less than four feet tall, your props may be up to four feet long. Props that are too long may be carried in pieces and reassembled for pictures.
- Impedes the view of others during seated events.
- Has a tightly-strung bowstring.
- Has a laser pointer or similar capability.
- Has parts made of live steel. Live steel is defined an object crafted from metal that has a point or blade-like edge, whether blunt or sharp. Live steel purchased from vendors must stay boxed while in convention space.
- Is a gun-like prop without an orange tip. Gun-like props also must have their firing mechanisms disabled and have nothing loaded.
- Is a real firearm.
- Is being used or handled unsafely.

Is determined by convention staff to be unsafe.

Cosplay Interaction Policy

- Do not touch another person, or their costume, without permission. Uninvited glopping, hugging, grabbing or roughhousing will not be tolerated. Repeat violators will be ejected from the convention.
- Be respectful of others. No harassment, catcalling, verbal abuse, or stalking will be tolerated.
- Do not block hallways or public areas while taking photos. If you are taking a photo, please move to one side of the hallway or go outside.

Props & Accessories Policy

Props carried in public areas must be no more than your height. This is for the safety of all attendees, as well as to prevent damage to personal property. If your prop is larger than your height, please do not bring it into public areas. If you are using a large prop for a special event, such as the Masquerade or for purposes of demonstration in a panel, you may have the prop approved for temporary use in those areas only. The prop must be returned to your hotel room or car immediately when the event is over.

Use caution when carrying or displaying large props. If you are seen wielding a large prop in a reckless or dangerous manner, your prop may be confiscated. If ACross staff feels that your prop poses a risk to others, you will be asked to remove the item from public areas, or it may be confiscated.

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Prohibited Materials

Flammable materials such as candles, fireworks, sparklers, liquid fuels, or other fire hazards are strictly prohibited. Small personal smoking paraphernalia (cigarettes, lighter, etc.) may be carried, but may NOT be used in indoor public convention areas as per local law. Your costume should not shed. Please avoid loose materials such as sand, glitter, confetti, flower petals or other items that are designed to fall, scatter or otherwise separate from your costume. We want to be welcomed back for next year!

Signs Policy

Signs are not permitted unless they are an intrinsic part of your character's costume. Personal message signs, fandom signs (such as "Will Glomp for Pocky," etc.) and similar signs are prohibited. Clothing that displays messages deemed to be inappropriate or offensive to others (including, but not limited to, explicit language and sexually suggestive or racially offensive material) will not be permitted. ACross staff reserves the right to ask attendees to change or cover offensive clothing. Failure to comply will result in your badge being confiscated.

Handling of Unacceptable Costumes and Props

If you are found with an unacceptable prop, we will ask you to take it to your room. If you are unable or unwilling, or this is a repeat problem, we may ask to confiscate the problem prop. Confiscated props may be claimed from 2 to 6 on Sunday by visiting Convention Operations, after which they will be disposed. You must bring a government-issued photo ID to claim your prop.

Weapons Policy

ALL WEAPONS must be inspected and approved by the safety team prior to being carried or displayed in public areas. If you are found to be in violation of this policy, your weapon will be confiscated and you may be ejected from the convention. No projectile weapons of any kind, active or disabled, are permitted without passing weapons check. This includes, but is not limited to:

- real firearms
- paintball guns
- water guns
- nerf guns
- bows or
- pellet/BB guns
- air guns
- cap guns
- dart guns
- crossbows

(The ONLY exception to this policy is if the person carrying the weapon is a member of law enforcement. Please present credentials to the safety team upon arrival.)

Artificial and replica guns will be permitted, pending inspection by the safety team, if they meet the following criteria: They cannot now, and have never been able to, fire a projectile. This includes nerf guns. They have a non-removable orange tip. No live steel (edged metal weapons) will be permitted. Replica weapons must be made of a non-metal, **non-sharp** material, must be no more than 60 inches in length, and must be approved by the safety team. Metal is permitted on a costume garment, provided it does not present a safety hazard, as determined by ACross staff. Commercial weapon replicas purchased in the dealer room must remain peace-bonded at all times and must be taken directly to your hotel room or car after purchase. They may not be carried around the convention. Noncompliant weapons in convention areas will be confiscated by the safety team.

The Director of Anime Crossroads Safety Team can render final say on the acceptability of any costume or prop.

