



WhimsyCon 2020



A Shiny Garden Event
www.WhimseyCon.org

2020 Guests of Honor

Maxwell Alexander Drake



Maxwell Alexander Drake is an award-winning Science Fiction/Fantasy author, Graphic Novelist, and Playwright. He was the Lead Fiction Writer and game story consultant for Sony's massive online game EverQuest Next as well as writing for the Shadowrun game. He is best known for his fantasy series, *The Genesis of Oblivion Saga*. Drake teaches creative writing at writers' conferences and fan conventions all around the world, and is the author of the *Drake's Brutal Writing Advice* series.

Peri Charlifu

Peri Charlifu is a native Coloradan who has been selling his work professionally for over 30 years. He has won dozens of awards and is founder and guild master of the Arts and Artisans of Colorado guild. He is a full-time artist and participates in about 45-50 shows a year all over the country.

His work is exhibited and sold all over the United States as well as other countries. To-date, he has produced over 37,000 pieces. His work is available for special order and at art shows only.



Unwoman

Unwoman (aka Erica Mulkey) is a San Francisco-based cellist-singer-songwriter. Layered with skillful cello, rich vocals, and beats, her music is a darkly futuristic homage to her classical training. Vintage Tomorrows, a feature documentary about steampunk, includes *The Heroine* and other footage of Unwoman. Unwoman has performed solo at major steampunk, goth, and sci-fi-related events all over the United States.

Kristin Dalleske

Kristin Dalleske is a freelance artist specializing in creature and puppet fabrication. She is the grand prize winner of the Jim Henson Company's official Dark Crystal fan film competition. Her creatures, costumes and replica props have been displayed at the Boulder International Film Festival, the Denver Museum of Contemporary Art and the Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum. In 2017 Kristin was hired to work at Jim Henson's Creature shop on the Netflix original series Dark Crystal Age of Resistance.



Welcome to WhimsyCon!

Letter from the Organizer

Welcome Ashore!

Whether it be your first time with us or it's not your first passage through our port, we are happy to have you join us for this wonderful weekend! Our dock is a place where everyone should feel safe and comfortable while we share in our interests and passions. We all come from different places and our destinations widely vary, but we come here once a year to revel together and be merry. We know that we have differences, but instead of focusing on those, let us focus on our shared joys and bring new ideas to each other. Be the best person that you can while you are here, and strive to be the awesome people that I know you can be!

Welcome to WhimsyCon 2020!

Julie Nakao

Julie Nakao
WhimsyCon Chair

Convention Hours

Friday: 5 PM - midnight

Saturday: 9 AM - 1 AM

Sunday: 9 AM - 4:30 PM

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Registration Hours

Friday: 3 PM - 9 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM - 8 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM - 5 PM

Vendor Room Hours

Friday: 5 PM - 9 PM

Saturday: 10 AM - 8 PM

Sunday: 10 AM - 4 PM

Art Show Hours

Friday: 5 PM - 9 PM

Saturday: 10 AM - 8 PM

Sunday: 10 AM - noon

Pick up & Pay:

Sunday, 2 PM - 4 PM

Shiny Garden Policies

WhimsyCon is hosted by Shiny Garden, and we strive to provide a safe space for everyone at the convention. This includes, but is not limited to, attendees, guests, panelists, vendors, volunteers, hotel staff, and members of the public passing through.

All attendees of Shiny Garden events must follow our policies. You can find the full text online at shinygarden.org/events/policies, and at our Registration desk in the upper lobby. If you have any questions about these policies, or believe someone is violating them, please find a convention volunteer at the Registration desk, in our Operations (Ops) room downstairs, or email harassment@shinygarden.org.

Please review the following abbreviated Safe Space & Anti-Harassment, and Clothing and Weapons Policies.

Safe Space & Anti-Harassment

Safe space means that our attendees are free express themselves and their interests without fear of being attacked for their love or passion for the subject material. It is an inclusive space for all people regardless of gender, gender presentation, pronoun choice, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, religion, age, or political affiliation.

Harassment will not be tolerated. Harassment is any activity or behavior that annoys persistently, bothers, creates an unpleasant or hostile situation or threatens another person or group of people. For example: unwanted or uninvited physical contact, unwelcome verbal conduct, following someone around (also known as stalking), or making threats against their person. Here are some guidelines you can follow:

- Before you touch, ask permission. “May I give you a hug?” “May I touch that fabric?” Also clarify if this is a one-time permission or if it extends longer (that day, that weekend, etc.).
- Accept no as a reasonable answer without follow-up questions. Someone's reasons are not your business unless they choose to share them with you.
- Absolutely inappropriate behavior includes groping, looking up skirts/kilts, positioning yourself to look down shirts/up dresses, coercing someone to do or say anything, hate speech (using words that purposely offend or insult).

Clothing & Weapons Policy

Please feel free to dress up as your favorite character(s) during the convention. When planning your costume, please mind the following guidelines, which are always in effect:

- Keep it PG: This is a family-friendly convention, and we want to maintain the goodwill of the event location, so please keep your bits covered.
- No real weapons (including, but not limited to firearms), even if you have a permit or a license. Specifically: metal weapons are not permitted. Working projectiles are not permitted.
- No realistic-looking weapons: If security can't tell from a distance that it is a fake weapon, then it is too real. We applaud your authenticity, but must ask that you leave it at home.
- If there is a costume contest at the event, do not point non-realistic-looking weapons at any attendee as part of your presentation. In a darkened room, all weapons can look realistic.



Colorado Festival
of
HORROR

Colorado Festival of Horror (COFOH) is ramping up for our inaugural event coming September 11-13, 2020. Special COFOH convention tickets are on sale now. Go to cofohorror.com for more information.

We are working to cultivate the horror community, engage fans and create a fun, safe, all-inclusive inaugural event.

Thank You 2020 Sponsors!

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Time Well Spent Games

Scavenger Hunt & Board Games

Scavenger Hunt

Here's your excuse for seeing all parts of the convention!

Pick up your Scavenger Hunt guide at the Faerie Room, and begin your hunt! Return to the Faeries with your treasures.

Fun, random prizes including dice, Faerie treasure, and even passes to HexaCon 2021!

(One hunt per person, please.)

Board Games

Come by the Club Room for boardgaming!

Bring your own games, ones bought upstairs in the vendor room, or check one out from the Shiny Garden board game library, located in the Club Room.

Tables are ready and local volunteers are on hand, ready to teach and play.

Checking out games and playing is free, so come play as much as you want!

Drop-in RPGs also welcome.

Room hours will be posted on-site.

Art & Acquisitions

Art Show

The Art Show is returning for 2020!

Located in the vendor room, the art show will showcase pieces in a variety of media from local artists.

These pieces will be available to bid on or buy outright, depending on your level of patience!

Silent Auction

You can find the silent auction tables outside Main Events and the Vendor Room on the upper level lobby.

Bid as much as you want. If your bid is the highest at the end of bidding, you win! Too impatient? If no one else has bid yet, you can purchase it outright at the Buy It Now Price! All proceeds benefit Shiny Garden.

Panelists (By First Name)

Amy Griswold

Amy is a professional seamstress with over thirty years of experience in clothing construction and industrial sewing including everything from wedding gowns to boat covers & reupholstery.



Bill

Bill has been gaming for over 30 years, and people keep coming back to play, so he must be doing something right. His first book, *The Widening Gyre*, is a world of steampunk and sorcery.



Ana MacDonell

Born and raised in Spain, Ana came here 25 years ago. After attending cons for 30+ years, she is a pirate, trekkie, shieldmaiden, companion, Sith, Stark, Gryffindor, Asha'man, and all around pun lover.



Blair Bartlett

Blair has been doing art in one form or another most of his life, including photography, 3D computer art, and polymer clay sculpting. Blair & his wife Mitzi live in Colorado with their cats.



Andarta

Andarta is a professional psychic who performs tarot and oracle card readings, past life regressions, shamanic journey work, and Reiki healing. She is an Empath, a Clairvoyant and Clairaudient.



Brenna Deutchman

Brenna enjoys creating stuffed animals for "kids" of all ages. She's done fiber art of every type - weaving, threadpainting, sewing, quilting, and more. She travels to conventions around the country.



Ash Marie

Ash (e/em or they/them) is a nonbinary fae changeling who bleeds glitter. Raised on sf/f cons, e majored in creative writing but works in horticulture. E liaises with the City of Fort Collins LGBTQIA+ committee.



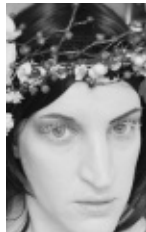
Calvin Studzinski

Rocket scientist, game developer, aspiring author, and avid amateur historian, Calvin has loved Steampunk since he found it. He will be publishing *Age of Aether*, the historical steampunk fantasy RPG soon!



Beverly Warner

Beverly of Charmedseed Costuming has created dozens of costumes, played SCA, run costume contests & judged costuming events like WorldCon, Nan Desu Kan & Denver Comic Con.



Carolyn Kay

Carolyn is a fae changeling struggling to make it in the mortal realms as a meager scientist and writer. Her stories often involve the inanimate, which only she seems able to see as living, breathing creatures.



Panelists

Catherine Winters



Catherine writes urban fantasy, women's fiction, and literary fiction.

Cori



Do you remember GhostBusters? Cory is kinda like that, and a Wizard, for your muscles.

Charles McLean Redding



Charles is a storyteller and worldbuilder. An author, musician, 2D and craft artist, he is also active in the Springs theatre community. Look for his Wasteland Bears in the art show, and check out his author table!

Dana Bell



Owned by two cats, Taj and Adara, over half of Dana's stories are about felines. Recently her first story for the 8-12 year old market was published, along with a romance and a shared universe.

Charles and Tauni Orndorff



With over 20 years experience Charles and Tauni are considered master costumers. They are skilled in making costume parts by vac-forming, casting, 3D printing, sewing and more.

Erin Card



Erin is an award-winning aficionado and advocate of all things costume and couture. A seamstress, designer, and costumier 20 years in the making, she loves to bring her wealth of knowledge to the table.

Chaz Kemp



Chaz embraces an Art Nouveau style that incorporates vibrancy and color into fantasy and steampunk art. He recently finished the *Ashelon Oracle Deck*, a 52-card divination deck.

Hideyo Mochimo



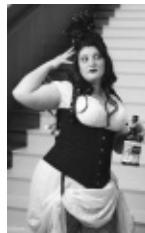
Over the twelve years Hideyo has participated in this hobby, he has hand-made over 200 cosplays, ranging from anime, to Disney, scifi, movies, and more.

Clockwork Rose Cosplay



Magnus Rose is an award winning cosplay craftsman and disability inclusion advocate for the con community. They specialize in original designs and budget oriented creation.

HopeFully Cosplay



Hope began cosplaying in 2013 & mermaiding in 2016. She tends to create cosplays from existing pieces, & placed 1st in the Creative Division of the costume contest at AnomalyCon 2017.

Panelists

Ian Brazee-Cannon

Ian is a writer, film maker, game designer, and pod-caster. His short stories have been in *Divided States of America*, *The Fifth Di...*, *Wondrous Web Worlds*, *Forgotten Worlds*, and various anthologies.



Kim Klimek

Dr Klimek is currently working on a textbook, *The Global Middle Ages*. Her other projects include the use of graphic novels in history classrooms, and PTSD and medieval Crusade veterans.



J.D. Harrison

J.D. writes epic length adventure romance about modern day jousters at renaissance faires. A lifelong horsewoman, animals factor into all her stories. She also loves helping people achieve their dreams.



Lara Beckwith

Lara is a Librarian and seamstress and grew up doing historical reenacting and sewing. She created the first Sewing Lab at the Aurora Public Library and now teaches sewing and more at Anythink libraries.



Jason Henry Evans

Jason always wanted to be a writer, he just didn't know it. His short stories and essays have been published in several different anthologies. His debut novel, *The Gallowglass*, was released this past summer.



Lena M. Johnson

Lena is a scientist with a writing problem. She has been published in various anthologies, including *Cat Tails: Warzone* and previous *Midnight Writers'* anthologies, of which she is a founding member.



JD Gryption

JD has developed a growing fascination with Civics. They wish to learn how to build an engaged community that can better understand personal progress and appreciate the positive impact of individuals.



Lorelei Suzanne

Lorelei is a Colorado author, pianist, violinist, teacher, and composer. She's active in music ministry and the singer/songwriter scene, and absolutely loves conventions!



Kevin Frost

Kevin is the lead editor of the retro-punk short story zine *Curiosities* and was a Parsec Award finalist for the companion podcast, *Gallery of Curiosities*, in 2018. When the weather is fine, he works on his house.



Losing Lara

Losing Lara is a singer/songwriter with a focus on nerdy music including Harry Potter and Firefly. She has performed on the Yes All Witches Tour. She just finished her first book, a LGBTQ sci-fi novel, *Prism*.



Panelists

Lou J Berger



Lou J Berger is an Active member of the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America (SFWA) and has published short stories in *Galaxy's Edge Magazine*, *Daily Science Fiction*, and a handful of anthologies.

Mike Kloepper



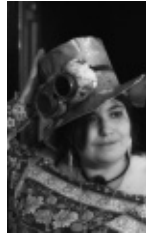
Mike (mikeyzart) is an award-winning artist with a career spanning over 3 decades. He has drawn over 1,000 professional portraits and 12,000 caricatures for collectors worldwide.

Lynelle Phillips



Lynelle loves costuming, building props, and movies. She is a Star Wars droid builder, costume maker, and scone baker extraordinaire. She built the main events large curtain, and can be found helping in the Parlour.

Mildred Toepfer (Mistress Mab)



Mildred is a Jill of many creative endeavors. She is an author, an artist, a cosplayer, and poet and a general weirdo. She is a steampunk enthusiast and loves delving into the sub-genres for inspiration.

Melanie Unruh



Melanie is an artist and maker of pottery, and sartorial arts, ranging from historical to fantasy, Viking to Victorian, & hats to spats. Melanie is an instigator for Denver Victorian & Steampunk Society.

Mitzi Bartlett



Mitzi is a local polymer clay artist who specializes in small, whimsical figurines of a fantasy and science fiction nature. She has focused on this for the last fifteen years, and hopes to keep doing so for as long as life allows.

Melissa Koons



Melissa is a writer, blogger, and book formatter for Write Illusion. She has won 3 awards for her writing and multiple publications. She works at the University of Colorado by day and publishes by night.

Mr. Harmel



Terry has been practicing and teaching martial arts for almost 30 years. He has been a sc-fi fan for closer to 50, but has only recently rediscovered the convention scene.

Michelle Reeves



Michelle has been in the Denver Sci-fi community for over 10 years. She knows the importance of including the next generation of geeks in conventions and strives to create fun and innovative panels for all ages/abilities.

Nancy Kay Clark

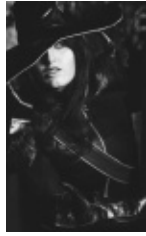


Nancy is retired and living her dream life in the mountains of Southern Colorado. She worked in animal health and has written articles for Morris Animal Foundation. She also proofreads for J.D. Harrison.

Panelists

NightmareLoki Cosplay

Dawn has been in the scene as a cosplayer and costumer since 2006. She makes it her goal to have fun with every con and every costume. Always willing and ready to learn new things as well as teach to those who are new.



Nikki Ebright

Nikki is the Executive Director for Shiny Garden and initial convention chair for MALCon, HexaCon, and WhimsyCon. She currently lives in the Netherlands.



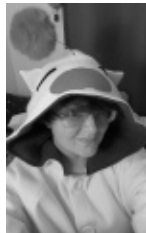
Nissa LaFete

As the faerie Queen of LaFete, Nissa began the Festival of Faerie in 2012. She is a maker of wings, stories, laughter, and new friends. She loves storytelling and hearing new stories!



Nonir Amicitia

Nonir is a queer, nerd, Social Justice Cleric, but none of those completely describe them. They use they/them pronouns and are one half of the pen name O.E. Tearmann.



Olivia Wylie

Olivia is a blogger, comic artist, professional horticulturist, illustrator and jack of all trades. Her projects revolve around historical and folkloric researches, particularly concerning the Gilded Age.



Pink Pitcher

Pink is a seamstress, textile and domestic historian, and artist (among other titles). She enjoys costuming and cosplaying in a variety of genres. She is currently publishing her very first comic - *Root & Branch*.



Sheila McClune

Sheila enjoys writing, cooking, creating art, costuming, and hosting tea parties. She often helps run conventions, especially in the con suite. In so-called Real Life, she works as a data analyst.



Stace Johnson

Stace is a Colorado writer, musician, and IT guy. He has published fiction, non-fiction, and poetry in various anthologies & magazines.



Stant Litore

Stant is the author of *Ansible*, *The Zombie Bible*, *Nyota's Tyrannosaur*, and *Dante's Heart*. He lives in Aurora, Colorado with his wife and three children. He would rather like to own a time machine or starship.



Susan Clare Adams

Susan is an author and poet with stories published by *Villainous Press* and two books of poetry by NT Publishing. She lives in Colorado where she surrounds herself with family and friends.



Panelists

Terry Kroenung



Terry teaches Bartitsu, the real-life Victorian mixed martial art that Sherlock Holmes used. His Steampunk novel *Paragon of the Eccentric* won the Rocky Mountain Fiction Writers Colorado Gold contest.

Veronica R. Calisto



Masseur of people and plot lines. Singer of songs inside her own head. Author of *Diary of a Mad Black Witch*, *A Griffin Scorned*, and the first two in the *SparkleTits Chronicals* series.

Tomas O'Dreams



Tomas (Liam Bootzin) the storytelling Leprechaun has been entertaining people with his stories since 1987. He brings children into an interactive environment where the land of Faerie is real and wishes come true.

Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo



Vonie' MA BC-DMT LPC NCC ACS, is a lifelong comic & sci-fi fan, leader American Dance Therapy Association's Geek Culture Group, & Captain of Airship Iron Opal, a NoCo based all ages social steampunk social group.

Venessa Robertson



Venessa is a Colorado author and a homeschooling mother of 2. When not writing she operates large and small rescue in rural Colorado.

Also Appearing

Billy Van Ark

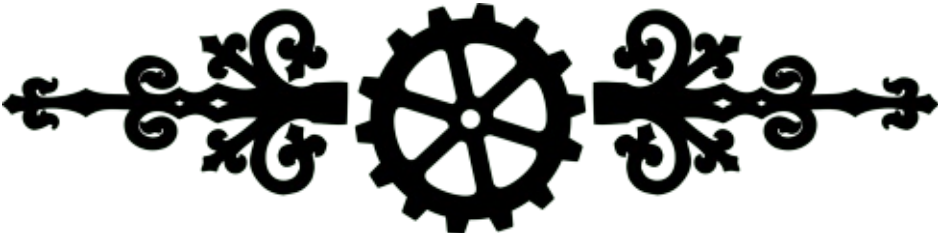
Lee Moody

Mike Cervantes

Brooke Lydick

Leif Olsen

Randy Upton



DENVER VICTORIAN & STEAMPUNK SOCIETY

PRESENTS FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DVSS DAY AT THE DENVER BOTANIC GARDENS



Our Flagship event, featuring a Lavish Afternoon Tea of Comestibles and Dainties of all sorts in the splendid confines of the Denver Botanic Gardens. Afternoon tea will be served at 2:00.

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020 @ 1007 YORK ST, DENVER

"Neo-Victorian and Steampunk attire is always admired, but never required."



STEAMPUNK SOIRÉE

A Neo-Victorian Ball presented in the historic Montclair Civic Center. Revel in Victorian aesthetics interlaced with goggles and gears, brass and lace. Authentic Victorian dances, delicate Refreshments, and a Grand Veranda. 6:30 in the evening.

SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2020 @ 6829 E. 12TH AVE, DENVER

We recommend our Facebook page for all particulars <https://www.facebook.com/groups/victoriansteam/>



HexaCon

A Denver Tabletop Gaming Convention

January 15-18, 2021

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Weekend

Board games

Role-playing games (RPGs)

Miniatures games

And More!

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A Shiny Garden Event

Vendors

A Little Bit of Linda

Handmade geeky and steampunk jewelry along with frames, wine stoppers, etc.

A&M Leatherworks

Whimsical Handmade Leather designs. Custom Teacup holsters designed around antique teacups and saucers. Lacework parasols and holsters. Tea party and leather accessories. Come chat with us about customs!

Ashelon Publishing

Ashelon Publishing strives to introduce positive cultural diversity to the Steampunk genre. We do this in our art and in the stories we write because the 1800s happened everywhere.

Beautifully Novel

Beautifully Novel creates unique and whimsical handbags from your favorite books. If you're looking for a bag that no one else has, this is your shop!

Celtic Glass Works

Custom Stained Glass Panels, Turned wood pens, and custom crochet hooks.

Dragon Wyck Embroidery

We at Dragon Wyck Embroidery like to try to bring your favorite fandoms to life with custom embroidered items.

Dryad Tea

Join Dryad Tea for all of your loose leaf tea needs! Hand-blended teas inspired by music, mythology, literature and general geekery. Hand made pottery and more! We are your one stop tea shop, just add hot water!

Fabriquewerx Studios

Fabriquewerx Studios offers leather craft, costumes and garb and a wide line of products for steampunks, jedi knights, elves, pirates and other gentle lunatics.

Funkmaster Lovecraft Studios

Home decor and wearables hand-crafted from antique and vintage materials.

Gathering Splinters

Gathering Splinters' artistry and craftsmanship evolved from a love of gaming and whimsy, incorporated in wooden trays, keepsake boxes and art. Aside from functionality and durability, an emphasis on beauty and artistry has been a main focus.

HAN Motogear

Made in USA Steampunk Leather Top Hats and accessories. Get your STYLE ON!!!

It's Just So You

Jewelry as Unique and Weird as YOU are. Laser Cut Earrings and Necklaces inspired by all things Light, Dark, and with Sprinkles on top!

Krystyna Lynn Kreations

Krystyna Lynn Kreations carries quality Steampunk attire, many of which has been made or designed by owner Rhonda Painter. If you can't find what you are looking for, ask Rhonda if she can make it.

Vendors

Moon Glory Gears

Moon Glory Gears creates art using antique watch gears onto a functional canvas, like a mechanical pocket watch.

Pocket Size Chainmail

A chainmail menagerie of octopi, dinosaurs, butterflies, lions, dreamcatchers, and more. Available as keyrings, necklaces, pins, bracelets, earrings, and even hair accessories.

Rabbit Tales

Rabbit Tales is a Multicrafting couple that have a little bit of everything for everyone. From 3D printing information and products, to resin crafted pendants and embroidered works, we're sure to have a something for you.

The Mad Tatter

The Mad Tatter creates lace designs incorporated into jewelry. I take the Victorian art of tating and bring it back in the present for people to enjoy.

Time Well Spent Games

Selling the hottest Card and Board Games is our passion!

Two Old Bears

I do custom jewelry both steampunk and chainmail. I also provide costume and tea accessories, etc.

Whimsical Whiskers

Whimsical Whiskers creates treasured friends. Unique dragons made with love and care. Don't forget to dress your dragon with a variety of accessories!

Wicked Gifts & Collectibles

Wicked Gifts presents custom fan shoes from Heaven in a Box, jewelry, hats and more!

Wings, Charms & Things

Here at WingCT we have a wide variety of costume accessories, wearable jewelry, decorative glass sun catchers, and unique bags.

Winterhaven Jewelry

The artisan of Winterhaven Jewelry has been providing unique chainmail to the Denver Metro area for almost 20 years.



Authors Nook

Jason Evans

Jason Evans has been writing fiction professionally for over five years. His debut novel, *The Gallowglass*, was released in July of 2018. Come visit Jason at his booth.

Leafing Out

Leafing Out explores the magic of the green world through art and ethnobotanical writings.

Loridian's Laboratory

Michael Kilman is an Anthropologist and the Author of the Chronicles of the Great Migration. When he isn't lecturing at the University of Colorado, he's out exploring other worlds and writing down what he finds.

Scott Kinkade

Scott Kinkade's steampunk and urban fantasy novels.

Stant Litore

Stant Litore is the author of *Ansible*, *The Running of the Tyrannosaurs*, *The Zombie Bible*, and *Dante's Heart*.

Venessa Roberston

Venessa is an author and ex-educator and is active in the writing and historic reenactment communities. She is the author of the *Victorian Paranormal Arcane Adventuress* series and the upcoming *StarHawks* futuristic military sci-fi series.

Wandering Jotun Crafts

Wandering Jotun Crafts is dedicated to serving and uplifting the folks society forgets: the queer folks, the down-to-earth pagans, the nerds--and the people who identify with more than one of those descriptions.

Art Show

Alain Viesca

Chaz Kemp

Melanie Unruh

Alli Hampton

Craig Griswold

Mike Klopfer

Amber Davis

Jameson Owens

Mitzi Bartlett

Amy Griswold

John Ajax

Olivia Wylie

Blair Bartlett

Julie Nakao

Peri Charlifu

Brenna Deutchman

Karen Lechtenberg

Robin Wheeler

Brooke Petro

Keith Goates

Sarah Simon-Blum

Carol Horen

Lynelle Phillips

Sheila McClune

Charles Redding

Mark Deutchman

Victoria Wagner

and Sponsored Artist

Vendors, Author Nook, Art Show

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Two Old Bears Studio					
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Gathering Splinters	Maxwell Drake GOH Ashelton Publishing	Unwoman GOH	Dryad Tea	Fabriquewerx Studios & Wicked Gifts	
A&M Leatherworks					
Krystyna Lynn Kreations	Entrance	Beautifully Novel	Vendor Coord.	Entrance	

Sessions & Panels

Atrium Events

Geeky Painting Make and Take

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Drop in sessions all weekend long

Geeky themes for your painting pleasure!

Exploding TARDIS, Starry Night, and more.

Come by for more information.

Color In

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Silent Auction

Ongoing

As things are purchased new items will take their place. Check back throughout the con!



SHINY GARDEN

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY WITH INCLUSIVE FAN EVENTS

Join us at all of our annual events:

HexaCon



HexaConDenver.org
Tabletop Gaming

WhimsyCon



WhimsyCon.org
Steampunk & Costuming

Druids and Dragons



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Camping and D&D

Shiny Garden

Shiny Garden, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, was founded in 2016 with a mission to create inclusive fan events and celebrate the diversity that makes our community so amazing. We currently host three annual events: HexaCon, and WhimsyCon, and Druids and Dragons. For more information, or to make a donation:

www.shinygarden.org

Sessions & Panels

Main Events Highlights

Concert & Opening Ceremonies

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Unwoman Q&A

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Peri Charlifu Q&A

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3D Printing

Sunday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Charles Orndorff (M), Tauni Orndorff

We will talk about two types of 3d printers and demonstrate using an FDM and SLA 3d printers, discussing the differences and advantages of each.

We will have some pieces that we have made to show off

Alternative Relationships for Diverse Characters

Saturday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Literary

Nancy Kay Clark (M), Nikki Ebright, Stace Johnson, Veronica R. Calisto

Panelists will discuss different ways to show relationships outside the one man + one woman, monogamy-forever-and-ever model.

Animated short with Q&A

Friday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Writing

Saturday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Writing

Sunday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Writing

Maxwell Alexander Drake (M)

Maxwell Drake will show his 15 minute animated short and have a question and answer session about it. 18+ ONLY

Animation production

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Writing

Maxwell Alexander Drake (M)

Maxwell Drake will host a class about the animation process, taking story to the screen.

Art for Mental Health & Self Care

Saturday, 10:00 AM-10:55 AM, Art

Brenna Deutchman (M), Brooke Lydick, Mitzi Bartlett, Peri Charlifu

Art can be used to work out problems and as therapy; you just need to know how. We will talk about the mechanics and principles to let your art help your mental health!

The Art of War

Sunday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Literary

Kim Klimek (M), Calvin Studzinski

Historical warriors of Eurasia - learn about their technology, tactics, and poetry. Use the past to create a factual base for your writing!

"Art" of the Long Game

Sunday, 10:00 AM-10:55 AM, Art

Peri Charlifu (M), Amy Griswold, Brenna Deutchman, Mike (mikeyzart) Kloepfer

Or: Keeping momentum and staying the course. Sure it's easy to be super motivated when your business is brand new! Keeping momentum is hard, especially with set backs and unexpected problems that face every artist. Our panel of professionals will talk about the tricks and strategies that keep you focused and productive!

Atlantis: The Lost Island

Saturday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Literary

Andarta (M)

The Occultists during the Victorian period were obsessed with the concept of Atlantis. Come and explore their ideas with Andarta!

Author Mega Autograph Reception

Saturday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Main Events

Leif Olsen (M), Charles McLean Redding, Ian Brazee-Cannon, Jason Henry Evans, Julie Nakao, Kevin Frost, Maxwell Alexander Drake, Mike Cervantes, Stant Litore, Vennessa Robertson, Veronica R. Calisto

Attending authors, including our Guest of Honor Maxwell Drake, will be available to sell their books, provide autographs, and visit with fans.

Author Readings

Sunday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Literary

Stant Litore (M), Calvin Studzinski, J.D. Harrison

Readings by regional authors from their published works. Come enjoy hearing directly from the creators!

Autobilliards

Saturday, 3:30 PM-4:55 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Charles McLean Redding (M)

A new game for Steampunk Nobility: Autobilliards! With insight and luck, select the superior sphere, place your bets, and unleash them into the arena to determine the winner!

Sessions & Panels

Balloon Games

Saturday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Children's Programming

Tomas O'Dreams (M), Nissa LaFete

What are balloon games? You might think the name says it all, but no there are surprises around all the round edges. Will you master the balloons, will you win the game? Come and see.

Bartitsu: It Threw Moriarty Over the Cliff

Saturday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Writing

Terry Kroenung (M)

The first European mixed martial art, Bartitsu combines boxing, wrestling, stick, savate, and jujitsu. Doyle mentions it as the method used by Holmes to defeat Moriarty.(demonstration with slides)

Beginning Working with EVA Foam

Saturday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Parlors & Maker Space

Charles Orndorff (M), Tauni Orndorff

Demonstrate and discuss how to begin working with EVA foam. Starting with making a pattern, cutting the foam, shaping and gluing. This will provide a great start for your adventures in EVA Foam.

Behind the Scenes of Anthologies

Sunday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Literary

Dana Bell (M), Ian Brazee-Cannon, Kevin Frost, Susan Clare Adams

What happens after you submit your story? Learn from those who have been on multiple sides of this unique beast.

Being Kind To Our Fellow Creatives

Friday, 6:00 PM-6:55 PM, Art

Carolyn Kay (M), Amy Griswold, Brooke Lydick

It gets pretty easy to become competitive with other creatives when you see them getting opportunities that you'd like to have for yourself. After years and years of working your butt off, you see your peers making gains while your career is at a seeming stand-still. It's frustrating. Our panel talks about how important it is to be kind to each other and to be nice to your fans no matter what.

Black Panther: Wakanda Forever!

Saturday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Writing

Chaz Kemp (M)

Marvel's film combined gorgeous Afrofuturism with superheroics and political intrigue to become a worldwide phenomenon. We'll discuss what we took away from the film and what this means for the future.

Blanket Forts (adult session)

Saturday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Children's Programming

Michelle Reeves (M)

Blankets, coloring books, crayons, and stuffed animals. Wind down the night, make a fort and relax. Adults and calm teens only please.

Blanket Forts (all ages)

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Children's Programming

Michelle Reeves (M)

Remember how much fun it was to make forts in the livingroom with couch cushions? Let's do it again! This time we'll be using blankets and tables to take us on our imagination journey to the ocean or stars - wherever we want to go!

Boardgaming for Beginners

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Board Games & RPGs

Cori (M), Nikki Ebright

Ready to graduate from Parker Brothers, but feeling overwhelmed? Get the low down on the basics of this fun, yet oddly social hobby.

Chainmaille 101

Friday, 6:00 PM-7:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Billy Van Ark

This hands-on make & take will walk you through the basics of making chainmaille (a.k.a. maille). We'll cover the tools of the trade (pliers, rings, and patterns), and learn how to make a simple piece of maille that you'll take home with you!

Chainmaille 102

Saturday, 12:00 PM-1:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Billy Van Ark

This hands-on make & take will build on the techniques from 101. If you have prior experience, or attended Chainmaille 101, this is the class for you!

Sessions & Panels

Chainmaille Jam

Sunday, 11:00 AM-12:55 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Billy Van Ark

This hands-on make & take is open for all levels of chainmaille crafting. Work on your existing project or start a new one. Leftover materials will be given away to session attendees, so don't miss out!

Citizen Science and the Aspirational Classes

Saturday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Steampunk / Victorian

JD Gryphion (M), Olivia Wylie, Stace Johnson

Through the lens of the Industrial Revolution's democratization of the sciences, we will explore the application of a similar model in the modern era, personal success, and leadership.

Closing Ceremonies

Sunday, 4:00 PM-4:30 PM, Main Events

Leif Olsen (M), Julie Nakao, Kristin Dalleske, Maxwell Alexander Drake, Peri Charlifu, Unwoman

Come recap the weekend, relive the highlights, hear a few closing words from our guests, and say goodbye until next time.

Color In

Saturday, 8:00 PM-10:50 PM, Atrium - Upstairs

Join fellow con-goers for a coloring session in the atrium. Bring things to color and items to color with or use the provided materials! Enjoy some quiet coloring time after a long busy day.

The Complex Steampunk Villain

Saturday, 5:00 PM-5:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian
Carolyn Kay (M)

Mustache twirling villains are so 2D. What if your villain was a deranged alchemist or a psychopathic hypnotist? We'll talk about how to make your villain a more interesting mirror to your hero.

Corsetry fitting workshop

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Sewing Room

Lara Beckwith (M)

Come try on some corsets and talk about all things corsetry!

Corsetry from scratch

Sunday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Sewing Room

Beverly Warner (M), Jason Henry Evans, Lara Beckwith, Mildred Toepfer (Mistress Mab)

An overview of the processes, patterns, and materials for creating authentic foundations.

Cosplay and Photography for Every-Body

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:55 PM, Art

Blair Bartlett / Alternate Realities Studio (M), Amy Griswold, Brooke Lydick

Having a really good picture of your costuming is important! You have taken all the time and effort to make a really smashing costume, and you should document it in the best possible way. Find tips, tricks and things you never even thought about in this in-depth panel discussion.

Cosplay Power: Make-Up!

Sunday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Costuming

HopeFully Cosplay (M), Clockwork Rose Cosplay, Hideyo Mochimo, NightmareLoki Cosplay

Learn about basic make-up application for cosplay, including tips for creating popular cosplay looks, such as pretty princesses, natural heroes, and edgy villains.

Cosplaying with Kids and Families

Friday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Costuming

Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo (M), Ana MacDonell

Panelist share tips and tricks on successful con going and cosplay creating with kids of all ages.

Costume Contest

Saturday, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM, Main Events

Erin Card (M), Beverly Warner, Kevin Frost, Losing Lara

Join our hosts as entrants show off their fabulous and creative costumes and are judged by our panel of special guests.

Costume contest green room

Saturday, 4:00 PM-5:55 PM, Costuming

Beverly Warner (M), Erin Card, HopeFully Cosplay, Kevin Frost

This room is set aside for the Costume Contest participants to prepare before the Costume Contest. No peeking!

Sessions & Panels

Costuming for Accessibility

Saturday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Costuming

Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo (M), Ana MacDonell, Clockwork Rose Cosplay, Pink Pitcher

Disabled cosplayers and abled allies alike are welcome to join us as we take a look at an accessible approach to cosplay and conventions, while addressing both visible and invisible illnesses.

Costuming on a Budget

Saturday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Costuming

Clockwork Rose Cosplay (M), Charles McLean Redding, Hideyo Mochimo, Lynelle Phillips

Whether you're looking for a quick costume to have fun around the con or a masterpiece to take on stage, you don't need to break the bank to make something priceless.

Costuming on Short Notice

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Costuming

Ash Marie (M), Clockwork Rose Cosplay, Kevin Frost

How do cosplayers find time to make an elaborate costume every week and still have a job and/or social life? Tips for speeding up the process. Also: discuss the culture of "con-crunching."

Cover that piano Leg

Friday, 7:00 PM-7:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian

Ana MacDonell (M)

Victorian attitudes toward sexuality aren't quite what you thought that they were.

Creatives Round Table

Saturday, 3:00 PM-3:55 PM, Art

Chaz Kemp (M), Dana Bell, Ian Brazee-Cannon, Lena M. Johnson

We will talk with all creatives, artists, writers, costumers, creators and fans about how we create and what keeps us focused and motivated.

Crossplay and Genderbend 101

Sunday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Costuming

Lara Beckwith (M), Clockwork Rose Cosplay, Hideyo Mochimo

Have you ever wanted to perfect the art of cosplaying as a gender other than your own? Have you wanted to take a cosplay and alter it to fit the gender you identify as? This is the panel for you!

Death in Victorian times

Sunday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Writing

Ana MacDonell (M)

A morbid look at how Death was treated by Victorians. Their superstitions, rituals, and traditions.

Devilish Dirigibles

Saturday, 4:00 PM-4:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian

Calvin Studzinski (M), JD Gryphion

A frustratingly humorous history of lighter-than-air flight, starting with the 1783 Montgolfier Bother's ascension to the final N-Class blimp landing at Lakehurst in 1962.

Did Someone Say Art and Tea?

Saturday, 11:00 AM-11:55 AM, Art

Peri Charlifu (M), Blair Bartlett / Alternate Realities Studio, Brooke Lydick

The importance of sharing a meal (or a cup of tea), and working in a group. Artists are isolated by nature when we work, so forming tea and art groups is a good way to share the experience!

Digital art, the future and artist

Friday, 7:00 PM-7:55 PM, Art

Blair Bartlett / Alternate Realities Studio (M), Chaz Kemp, Mitzi Bartlett

Digital art has changed a lot in the last five years, it is so much more than a push button way to make art. Now that Cgi is the standard in many industries, what is the future of the art form and what about the artist?

Disney Villains That Still Terrify Us

Saturday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Literary

JD Gryphion (M), Catherine Winters, HopeFully Cosplay, Mike Cervantes, Mildred Toepfer (Mistress Mab), NightmareLoki Cosplay

No longer frightened by larger-than-life villains, we'll discuss the Disney Villains that terrify us by reflecting real-life behaviors like manipulation, gaslighting, and devaluation.

Distressing 101

Saturday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Costuming

Charles McLean Redding (M)

If it's for the rugged explorer, the wasteland scavenger, or the desert gunslinger... Costume distressing & weathering can bring a character to life! Learn techniques and meet some of the tools.

Sessions & Panels

Drake U: Don't Tell Your Story - Show It!

Friday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Writing

Maxwell Alexander Drake (M)

Ever wonder how the really good books suck a reader in and hold their attention page after page? It might not be the characters, nor even the plot of the book. It's could be the way in which the author writes that separates their story from the pack. Join award-winning author and former Lead Fiction Writer for Sony's EverQuest Next, Maxwell Alexander Drake, as he presents his class "Don't Tell Your Story, Show It!" During this class, you will gain insight into how to put your story together in a compelling way that will have your readers turning page after page to see what happens next.

Drake U: How to Create a More Realistic Fictitious World

Saturday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Writing

Maxwell Alexander Drake (M)

Have you ever wondered how sci-fi and fantasy authors create such vibrant, detailed worlds that suck their readers in and wrap them in a blanket so real, you question why our own world is not more like theirs? Join award-winning author and former Lead Fiction Writer for Sony's EverQuest Next, Maxwell Alexander Drake, as he lets you in on some of the secrets he uses to create worlds during his seminar "How to Create a More Realistic Fictitious World."

Drake U: Making Magic Believable

Sunday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Writing

Maxwell Alexander Drake (M)

Magic, by definition, is fake. It's an illusion. However, in a fantasy novel it's supposed to be more than that - it's a fact of the world as much as gravity or physics. But how to make it feel real to the reader? Join award-winning author and former Lead Fiction Writer for Sony's EverQuest Next, Maxwell Alexander Drake, as he delves into the mystical topic of weaving Magic into your story.

Drake U: Theme: If you don't have one, you don't have a story

Saturday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Writing

Maxwell Alexander Drake (M)

Theme is one of the great mysteries of writing. Every writer knows what they basically are, and they also know they should have one in their story. However, almost no writer knows how to actually discover their story's Theme, or, even if they find it, understand how to use it in their story. Join award-winning author and former Lead Fiction Writer for Sony's EverQuest Next, Maxwell Alexander Drake, as he presents his class, "Theme - If You Don't Have One, You Don't Have A Story!" In this lecture Drake not only breaks down exactly what a Theme is, he also teaches you how to discover your Theme, and once found, shows you exactly how to use that Theme to create a Dynamic Story!

Dungeon Master Class

Saturday, 4:00 PM-4:50 PM, Writing

Bill (M), Mike Cervantes, Pink Pitcher

Have you ever thought about becoming a Dungeon Master? We'll talk about preparation, world building, and running adventures. We will also explore what makes an exciting story.

Fabric Resources

Saturday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Sewing Room

Pink Pitcher (M), Beverly Warner, Hideyo Mochimo

Let's investigate modern textiles that approximate Victorian fabrics and where to find them.

Faerie Check-In ~Scavenger Hunt Begins

Friday, 5:30 PM-6:55 PM, Children's Programing

Nissa LaFete (M), Tomas O'Dreams

Come join us and see all the magic the Fae are up to this weekend. Make a craft, color a page, sign-up to have an 'Official' faerie interview 'cuz the fae want to hear from you and about you!

Faerie Interviews

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Children's Programing

Nissa LaFete (M)

The fae want to hear from you, come let the fae interview you. Tell Us Your Story - you are unique and the fae are very curious.

Sessions & Panels

Faerie Try Outs & Scavenger hunt treasure

Saturday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Children's Programing
Tomas O'Dreams (M), Nissa LaFete

Do you have what it take to be a certified Fae? It takes skills to be fae and there is so much to being magical. Come and test your skills, and earn an Official Faerie Certificate! (You know you're curious) Also, Come to the Conifer room to pick-up all you need to begin the adventure and scavenge the convention. This is a free activity and there are prizes if you complete the hunt.

Fashion and Music Hand in Hand

Friday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian
Stace Johnson (M), Mike Cervantes
Explore the connections between musicians and fashion in the Steampunk and fantasy genres.

Finding Your Artistic Passion

Saturday, 6:00 PM-6:55 PM, Art
Brenna Deutchman (M), Chaz Kemp, Mike (mikeyzart) Kloefer, Mitzi Bartlett
You're never too old or too young to find your art bliss! Art can be therapy, art can be a business or art can just be art! Let's talk about how we can find this bliss and how to sustain it so it serves us and fulfills our lives.

Fireside Chat with Stant Litore

Saturday, 10:00 PM-10:50 PM, Writing
Stant Litore (M)
You won't even notice that the fire is imaginary as Stant's readings will evoke images that make the stories real. You may leave shaken, you may have amazing dreams after; you will definitely know you were there.

Fitting Bodices

Saturday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Sewing Room
Lara Beckwith (M)
A discussion on how to use darts and gores to fit Victorian bodices.

Fourth Demension Tutuoring

Saturday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian
Randy Upton (M), Ana MacDonell
Creating the concept of time travel in art, craft, and literature.

Free Time & Scavenger Hunt Treasures

Sunday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Children's Programing
Tomas O'Dreams (M), Nissa LaFete
Come to the Conifer room to pick-up all you need to begin the adventure and scavenge the convention. This is a free activity and there are prizes if you complete the hunt.

Geek Songwriting

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Music
Stace Johnson (M), Lorelei Suzanne , Losing Lara
Our panelists discuss songwriting as a storytelling form, and play some songs from their repertoire.

Geeky Painting Make and Take

Saturday, 11:30 AM-1:55 PM, Atrium - Upstairs
Geeky themes for your painting pleasure! Exploding TARDIS, Starry Night, and more. Come by for more information.

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GOH Kristin - The Dark Crystal AOR

Saturday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Music
Kristin Dalleske (M)
Come and listen to our GOH Kristin talk about working on The Dark Crystal: Age of Resistance. NO PHOTOGRAPHY, NO CELL PHONES, NO VIDEO.

GOH Q&A - Maxwell Alexander Drake

Saturday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Main Events
Leif Olsen (M), Maxwell Alexander Drake
A question and answer session with award-winning Science Fiction/Fantasy author, Graphic Novelist, and Playwright Maxwell Alexander Drake.

Sessions & Panels

GOH Q&A - Peri

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Main Events

Leif Olsen (M), Peri Charlifu

A question and answer session with full-time artist and founder & guild master of the Arts and Artisans of Colorado guild Peri Charlifu.

GOH Q&As-Unwoman

Saturday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Main Events

Leif Olsen (M), Unwoman

A question and answer session with nationally performing and award-winning cellist-singer-songwriter Unwoman.

Grimm After Dark

Saturday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Main Events

Tomas O'Dreams (M)

Liam Bootzin and Yvonne Larson present the darker side of fairytales. The early works of the Brothers Grimm often illustrate the harshness of life and how not all the endings are happy. PG-13 Parental Guidance Suggested.

Hats to Spats

Friday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Melanie Unruh (M)

Dress accessories make the Genteel Steampunk. Ideas and resources for adding an air of authenticity to your Neo-Victorian attire.

Hitting Your Deadlines as Artists & Authors

Sunday, 11:00 AM-11:55 AM, Art

Amy Griswold (M), Chaz Kemp, Mitzi Bartlett

The end is near! For an artist, author or costumer, getting your work done on time is critical to the success of your project! We will talk about how to make your deadlines, set reasonable time-lines and tips, tricks and strategies to make it all happen.

Hobbits vs. Trolls

Sunday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Parlors & Maker Space

Mr. Harmel (M)

How small characters can take on big ones. Explained and demoe'd by a group of local martial arts instructors.

How To Design A New Monster

Sunday, 9:00 AM-9:55 AM, Art

Lou J Berger (M), Chaz Kemp, Ian Brazee-Cannon, Mitzi Bartlett, Randy Upton, Vennessa Robertson

Authors have a vast and deep mythology to draw from when drawing vampires, werewolves, and other mythological creatures. How do we choose which parts of their myths to incorporate into our own art? How do we incorporate new traits while still making them recognizable, and how do we avoid making our monsters derivative and stale? Our panel will discuss ways that you, as an author can inject new life into the monster genre and how, together, we can make monsters terrifying again!

How to Write Compelling Villains

Friday, 7:00 PM-7:50 PM, Writing

Sunday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Literary

Jason Henry Evans (M)

From villains we loathe to villains we sympathize with, you can't have a great story without great villains. Join us as we discuss how to create that villain!

Imposter Syndrome and How to Overcome it.

Saturday, 1:00 PM-1:55 PM, Art

Carolyn Kay (M), Amy Griswold, Brenna Deutchman, Mitzi Bartlett

Imposter syndrome is the psychological pattern in which an individual doubts their accomplishments and has a persistent fear of being exposed as a "fraud". Those of us suffering from this believe that we don't deserve all that we have achieved. The panel will discuss ways to help you get past perfectionism, get past insecurities and hopefully convince you that you don't have to get it right the very first time... or the tenth.



Sessions & Panels

Instant Slush Pile

Friday, 7:00 PM-8:50 PM, Music

Lou J Berger (M), Susan Clare Adams

Saturday, 1:00 PM-2:50 PM, Writing

Lou J Berger (M), Kim Klimek, Melissa Koons, Nonir Amicitia, Veronica R. Calisto

Sunday, 2:00 PM-3:50 PM, Costuming

Lou J Berger (M), Nonir Amicitia, Susan Clare Adams

Bring an anonymous manuscript of no more than 500 words and our moderator will read it aloud to their panel of judges. Can your manuscript make it to the end without three judges raising their hands?

Iron Costumer

Sunday, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM, Main Events

Erin Card (M), Beverly Warner, HopeFully Cosplay

It's Iron Chef, costume-style! Contestants will have 1 hour 45 minutes to create something exciting for the judges. What will be the secret ingredient? Hajime!

Jules Verne: Weirder Than You Thought

Saturday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Writing

Terry Kroening (M)

A survey of Verne's life and work, focusing on the less well-known aspects of both. Yes, his own nephew did try to shoot him in the groin. Yes, he did predict the Internet in 1863.

Kickstart Your Art (of all kinds)

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Art

Brenna Deutchman (M), J.D. Harrison

Tips from makers of all kinds, from authors to artists, on the ins and outs of crowd funding your creative endeavors.

Lantern Make & Take and Faerie Interviews

Saturday, 4:00 PM-4:50 PM, Children's Programming

Michelle Reeves (M), Nissa LaFete

Create your very own faerie lanterns and light up your night. Take a lantern to blanket forts, you might want to light up your room. Also, the fae want to hear from you, come let the fae interview you. Tell Us Your Story - you are unique and the fae are very curious.

Late Night Artist Chat

Saturday, 9:00 PM-11:00 PM, Art

Late Night Youth Artist Chat

Friday, 8:00 PM-10:00 PM, Art

Chaz Kemp (M)

One of your most popular activities! (All artists are invited to attend this gathering) Questions will be placed in a hat at the beginning of the chat. The moderator will choose one at random for our celebrity panel to speak about. Think of some juicy questions; really make us squirm!

Learn to use a sewing machine

Saturday, 11:00 AM-12:50 PM, Sewing Room

Amy Griswold (M)

\$5 make and take class!

Lexicon of Cosplay

Sunday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Costuming

Beverly Warner (M), Hideyo Mochimo

This panel will discuss the ins and outs of cosplay from how to get started to how to avoid burn-out. Techniques to keep your cosplay within your budget and still have the things you want most.

Lift up your Drinking Horns!

Friday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Literary

Kim Klimek (M)

Historical beer, wine, and alcohol making - what did we make, what did we drink, and how did we talk about it?

Live Figure Drawing: Cosplay Edition

Saturday, 12:00 PM-12:55 PM, Art

Mike (mikeyzart) Kloepfer (M)

Come and do some life drawing with Master artist, Mike Kloepfer; all levels of skill are encouraged to participate!

Losing Lara Concert

Saturday, 3:30 PM-4:20 PM, Main Events

Losing Lara Performance

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Music

Losing Lara (M)

Come get lost in listening to wizard rock (Harry Potter), Firefly, and other nerdy themed music performed by Losing Lara!

Sessions & Panels

Make a Faerie Garden

Sunday, 10:00 AM-11:50 AM, Children's

Programing

Michelle Reeves (M)

The faeries need your help spreading more plants around our neighborhoods. Come and create your own Faerie Garden you can take home.

Make more comics faster!

Saturday, 5:00 PM-5:50 PM, Literary

Pink Pitcher (M), Lou J Berger

Do you have too many ideas, and not enough time to draw? A prolific comic artist shares ideas, exercises, and shortcuts to help you get your story out!

Making A Mannequin

Sunday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Parlors & Maker Space

Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo (M)

Learn how to make your own custom mannequin for your costuming needs!

Martial Arts around the world

Saturday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Parlors & Maker Space

Mr. Harmel (M)

Some martial arts existed in the 19th Century, and your Steampunk adventurer might have known them. Others were developed more recently. See demos of several arts by local instructors!

Morning Meditation

Sunday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Main Events

Cori (M), Andarta

Enjoy some time to quiet the thoughts from the night before and enjoy some gentle meditation, contemplation, and reflection. Clear those mental cogs and gear up for a great day!

Multiculturalism and Cross Culturalism in steampunk

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian

Melanie Unruh (M), Jason Henry Evans, Mike Cervantes, Mildred Toepfer (Mistress Mab)

Taking on the ticklish issues of cultural exposure and sharing, and cultural appropriation and exploitation.

Musical performance by Stace Johnson

Saturday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Music

Stace Johnson (M)

An hour of music performed by local musician Stace Johnson.

Mustache and Beard Competition

Saturday, 2:00 PM-3:30 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Bring on your best beard and mustache style (or simulation if you don't want to compete with your current facial hair). Open to all genders and growing abilities! Winners awarded in Best Grown and Best Created categories!

NaNoWriMo Recovery

Saturday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Literary

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I wrote 50,000+ words in a month. Now what? And what's Camp NaNoWriMo?

Neo-Victorian Etymology

Sunday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Steampunk / Victorian

Stace Johnson (M), Mike Cervantes

An examination of how word meanings and colloquialisms developed in the Victorian era and how they have evolved through social use.

Nonbinary & Nonhuman: Do nonhuman NB chars count?

Saturday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Literary

Ash Marie (M), Nikki Ebright

Often, the nonbinary characters in sf/fantasy are aliens or fae who have a completely different concept of gender. Representation: Awesome. But does having only nonhuman NBs dehumanize real life NBs?

Oh Brother! Embroidery!!

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Sewing Room

Curious about machine embroidery but don't know where to start? Want to see the latest and greatest in the industry live in action? Come to our embroidery panel to learn about how machine embroidery technology can change how you create. We will be demoing the Brother Luminaire and the Brother PR1050X to demonstrate the difference between single and multi-needle machines and diving into some of the features that set these machines apart from the rest.

Sessions & Panels

Opening Ceremonies

Friday, 5:00 PM-5:25 PM, Main Events

Leif Olsen (M), Julie Nakao, Kristin Dalleske, Maxwell Alexander Drake, Peri Charlifu, Unwoman

Chair Julie Nakao welcomes everyone and introduces this year's Guests of Honor!

The Parsimonious Steampunk

Friday, 7:00 PM-7:50 PM, Costuming

Melanie Unruh (M), Charles McLean Redding, Lara Beckwith

Rummaging, thrifting, and modding your way to a cheap, easy, and authentic Steampunk kit.

Peter Pan Slumber Party

Saturday, 7:00 PM-7:50 PM, Children's Programming

Michelle Reeves (M)

Come in your pajamas for creative fun activities and more. Think Happy Thoughts!

Poetry Panel

Sunday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Literary

Stace Johnson (M), Dana Bell

Join our poets for a reading of original and established speculative poetry, from steampunk to science fiction and fantasy.

Princess Buttercup: A Great Role-Model

Saturday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Literary

Chaz Kemp (M)

Her nearly Royal Highness may not be the most shining example of a modern empowered woman, but was she a damsel in distress or a great role-model?

Putting the Punk in Steampunk

Friday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian

Melanie Unruh (M), Kevin Frost

Manifest the punk sociology into the material culture, art and artifacts of our countercultural community.

Scandal Is Growing In Your Backyard!

Saturday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Steampunk / Victorian

Olivia Wylie (M)

Guided by local horticulturist Olivia Wylie, you will discover the history in the symbolic code of flowers that daring Victorian ladies and gents used to pass messages and make statements. How risqué!

Scandalous Steampunk partnership dances

Saturday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Learn to dance through history with popular partnership dances like the early Victorian Waltz, the late Victorian Tango, and the roaring 20's swing. A fun adventure in dancing through time with Holly Tomazin from Adventures in Dance

Scientific Steampunk

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian

Calvin Studzinski (M), Olivia Wylie, Terry Kroenung

Steampunk is not just fantasy with gears, but a world that could have been. Here are several scientific and technological possibilities that might have brought more steam to real-world history.

Self-publishing on a Budget

Saturday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Literary

Melissa Koons (M), J.D. Harrison, Jason Henry Evans

Find out what you can do for free and what you'd want to pay for.

Shiny Garden: What's Next

Sunday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Music

Nikki Ebright (M), Billy Van Ark, Julie Nakao

The times change, and we change with them. Shiny Garden board and staff members discuss what is on the horizon and our long-term goals.

Sky Pirates and their Brethren

Saturday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Steampunk / Victorian

Chaz Kemp (M), Mike Cervantes, Vennessa Robertson

The romance of rogues and free spirits in the Steampunk genre.

So, you want to cosplay, but don't know where to start

Saturday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Costuming

Hideyo Mochimo (M), Beverly Warner, Lynelle Phillips, Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo

Let us help you with that!

Sessions & Panels

Social Consciousness and Steampunk

Sunday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian
Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo (M), Carolyn Kay

How the community incorporates themes of equality, social responsibility, and inclusion.

The Spirit of the Steampunk Era

Saturday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian
Melanie Unruh (M), Sheila McClune
Absinthe rose and fell in the Belle Epoch so it is naturally the favored refreshment of steampunks

Stace Johnson Concert

Friday, 4:00 PM-4:50 PM, Main Events

Stace Johnson (M)

Denver-based musician Stace Johnson Performs before the opening ceremonies.

STEAM Kids Experiments

Saturday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Children's Programming
Michelle Reeves (M)

Children of all ages are welcome to come see and make experiments that involve the STEAM principles - Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math.

Steam-Powered Ball

Saturday, 7:00 PM-8:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space
Blow off some steam as you bust a move to steampunk inspired tunes. Then join in the fun with steampunk and victorian dance mixers and called dances. More fun than a box of cogs and gears, with Holly Tomazin from Adventures in Dance.

Steampunk for Mental Health

Sunday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian
Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo (M), Carolyn Kay
Discussion of how and why this creative world is mental health positive, backed empirical evidence.

Steampunk in the Movies

Sunday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Writing
Lynelle Phillips (M)

Do you love movies with a steampunk flair? Come join us for a round robin discussion on your favorite steampunk movies and why you like them. Everyone is invited to share insights and opinions.

Steampunk Origami

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space
Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo (M), Ana MacDonell

Always wanted to learn about Origami, but never had the chance? Come join members of Airship Iron Opal to learn some basic building blocks of this intriguing art form.

Sticking the Landing: How to End Your

Sunday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Writing
Lou J Berger (M), Lena M. Johnson, Melissa Koons

The ending of a story has to come together with the right mix of finality and logical conclusions to the main plots. Why do some endings leave a lasting impact and others just fizzle? What does a good ending look like?

Sticks and Stones

Saturday, 10:00 AM-10:50 AM, Parlors & Maker Space

Mr. Harmel (M)

Self defense with canes, brollies and walking sticks for ladies and gentlemen.

Tea or a Perfectly Civilized Afternoon Nosh

Saturday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian
Sheila McClune (M), Mildred Toepfer (Mistress Mab)

The culture and practice of the quintessential Victorian afternoon refreshment. With recipes!

Tea Tasting

Friday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Literary

Sheila McClune (M)

What's the difference between an Oolong, a Lapsang Souchong, and a Darjeeling? Why are green and black teas brewed differently? Come sample a variety of teas and learn how they are best brewed.

Textuality of Asexuality

Saturday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Music
JD Gryphon (M), Ash Marie, Nonir Amicitia, Veronica R. Calisto

Should asexual characters be more often explicitly made canon? How can we achieve this?

Sessions & Panels

To Self Pub or Not: Is It Really Easy?

Sunday, 2:00 PM-2:50 PM, Literary

Stant Litore (M), Kevin Frost, Vennessa Robertson

What does it take to transform your beloved manuscript from standard manuscript format to print and eBooks formats and get it out there for purchase?

Tomas O'Dreams and Co.

Saturday, 1:00 PM-1:50 PM, Children's Programing

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Tomas O'Dreams (M)

Tomas the storytelling leprechaun is back with his faerie friends for more playful mischief. Children of all ages are welcome to this mix of stories and play.

Too Many Gears and Goggles!

Sunday, 11:00 AM-11:50 AM, Steampunk / Victorian

Sheila McClune (M), JD Gryphon, Melanie Unruh, Mildred Toepfer (Mistress Mab)

Let's expand the Steampunk trope beyond Neo-Victorian fantasy. What other elements are there to Steampunk beyond gears and goggles?

Top Hat and Bowler Making Workshop

Saturday, 11:00 AM-12:50 PM, Children's Programing

Michelle Reeves (M)

Don't have your own hat? Come and make your own Steampunk top hat or bowler.

A Tour Through Whitechapel

Saturday, 7:00 PM-7:50 PM, Writing

Ana MacDonell (M)

Take a tour through Whitechapel, visit the sites where Jack the Ripper committed his crimes, and learn about his victims. Browse through all the theories about his identity. Warning: graphic pictures

Trivia for Geeks!

Saturday, 4:00 PM-5:55 PM, Art

Peri Charlifu (M), Lee Moody

Think you know your geek trivia? Think you're the master of all things obscure? Test your knowledge against others with a trivia game consisting of 12 categories; three horror, three fantasy and three Science fiction! Play for prizes and bragging rights!

Tunes and Tones of Steampunk

Saturday, 4:00 PM-4:50 PM, Music

Lorelei Suzanne (M)

How steampunk music relates to more conventional 19th century music, what makes music Steampunk, steampunk instruments and songs

Under Where? Under There!

Saturday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Costuming

HopeFully Cosplay (M), Beverly Warner, Clockwork Rose Cosplay, Hideyo Mochimo, Lara Beckwith, NightmareLoki Cosplay

That's right, UNDERWEAR!! Let's talk about different undergarments and how they can enhance (or UNDERmine) your cosplay!

Unicorn Races & Unicorn Make & Take

Saturday, 9:00 AM-10:50 AM, Children's Programing

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Unicorns are not just a hobby, they're faster than the wind and just too beautifully fierce! Join the race and stay for a Make & Take. Create your own unicorn hobby-horse, \$10 for one or \$15 for two.

Unwoman Concert

Friday, 7:00 PM-7:50 PM, Main Events

Saturday, 5:00 PM-5:50 PM, Main Events

Sunday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Main Events

Unwoman (M)

Unwoman's live solo shows use electric cello played standing up, and live-looping accompaniment. Listen as she weaves her music.

Unwoman Demo and Q&A

Saturday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Music

Unwoman (M)

Ever wanted to learn from a GOH? Come sit with Unwoman and see how she loops her tracks with Q & A to follow.

Victorian Clothing for the "Stout" Figure

Friday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Costuming

Amy Griswold (M), Jason Henry Evans, Sheila McClune

Some hourglasses come with more sand than others. Become an expert on clothing for larger figures.

Sessions & Panels

Victorian Tailoring and Construction

Friday, 9:00 PM-9:50 PM, Sewing Room

Lara Beckwith (M)

Want to know what puts a cosplay or outfit over the top good? Learn how to make your clothing actually fit you before and after its construction.

Victorian Textiles

Saturday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Costuming

Pink Pitcher (M), Beverly Warner

Looking at the ways that production technologies influenced fashion, and fashion drove inventors to produce new technologies, in the early modern period. Looking at a time line of industrial advancements in cloth and notion production.

VIP Speed Chatting

Friday, 8:00 PM-8:50 PM, Main Events

Leif Olsen (M), Julie Nakao, Kristin Dalleske, Maxwell Alexander Drake, Peri Charlifu, Tomas O'Dreams, Unwoman

A FREE gathering of fans where the VIP and special guests visit YOUR tables just to meet YOU. Meet GUESTS OF HONOR, and many more!

Welcome to the Art Track

Friday, 5:30 PM-5:55 PM, Art

Peri Charlifu (M)

All art track artists who can attend should be here.

WhimsyCon Dance Party

Saturday, 10:00 PM-1:00 AM, Main Events

What's your whimsy? Ballroom or Regency, Funky Chicken or goth; come put in your requests and blow off some "steam".

DJ music provided by none other than GOH Kristin Dalleske.

Who stole the cookies?

Friday, 7:00 PM-7:50 PM, Children's Programing

Michelle Reeves (M)

Put on your thinking caps and come join Sherlock Holmes solve the mystery of who stole the afternoon snacks. Snacks will be available once the culprit is caught.

Why We Need Diversity in Entertainment

Saturday, 4:00 PM-4:50 PM, Literary

Olivia Wylie (M), Catherine Winters, Ian Brazee-Cannon, Vennessa Robertson

If we desire the best from our entertainment, then there is a need to have diversity in it as much as possible. Too often it seems like we are failing in doing this.

Wish You Were There: Worldbuilding

Saturday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Writing

Stant Litore (M), Calvin Studzinski, Lou J Berger

There are two kinds of worldbuilding: the kind that describes the story's world, and the kind that makes you wish you were there. Authors discuss the difference, and offer tips and techniques to help you bring your own fictional worlds to life.

Woman Warriors

Friday, 6:00 PM-6:50 PM, Steampunk / Victorian

Vennessa Robertson (M), Mr. Harmel, Randy Upton

How to create bold fighting women who lead, inspire, and know how to use a weapon or two (or three...).

Wonderland Unbirthday Tea Party

Sunday, 12:00 PM-12:50 PM, Children's

Programing

Michelle Reeves (M)

If it's your Unbirthday than come join the Wonderland characters for a special tea party. Children of all ages are invited to come.



Sessions & Panels

Working with EVA Foam Part 2

Saturday, 5:00 PM-5:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Charles Orndorff (M), Tauni Orndorff

In this continuation panel we will go further into working with EVA including detailing, sealing, painting and more. It's suggested that you attend the first EVA Foam panel but not required.

Writing Animals in Fiction

Saturday, 5:00 PM-5:50 PM, Writing

Nancy Kay Clark (M), Dana Bell, J.D. Harrison

How far can a horse really travel? Does a rider really guide a horse with her knees? Do dogs and cats think like us, or do they even like us? How do we portray animal movement and behavior realistically in fiction?

Yarn Arts

Sunday, 3:00 PM-3:50 PM, Parlors & Maker Space

Vonie' Stillson aka Lady Vo (M)

Learn how to make a yarn octopus! This will be a make and take.

Yay! I'm Immortal... Now What?

Saturday, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM, Art

Chaz Kemp (M), Catherine Winters, Ian Brazee-Cannon, Mitzi Bartlett

Becoming immortal is the dream of many people but let's explore the practical side of this wondrous gift? How do you acquire wealth? Do you have to spend your life moving from town to town pretending to be a high school student? Do you bother making friends knowing that you'll outlive them? The panel will discuss what they'd do if immortality comes knocking on their doors.

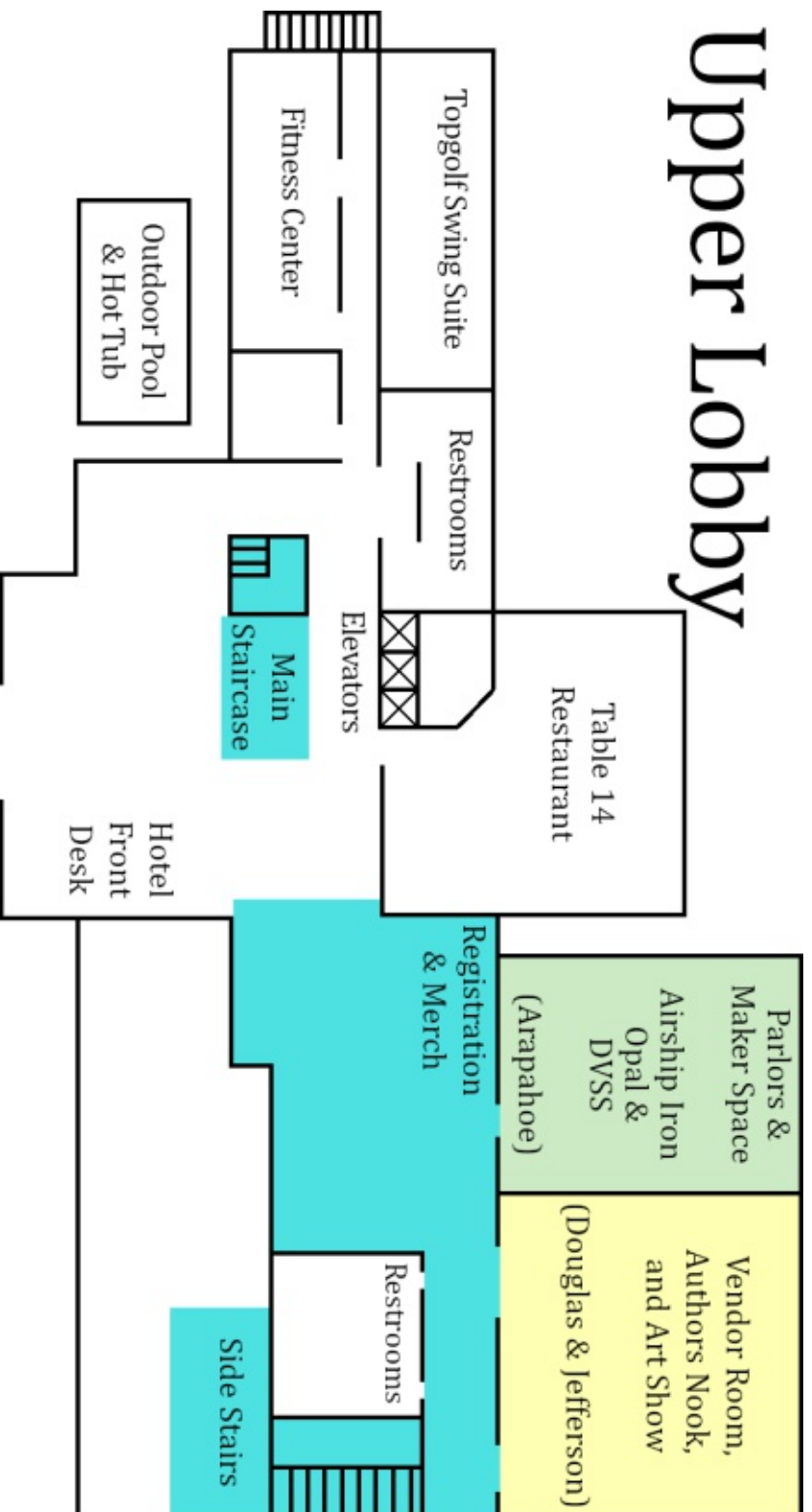




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Upper Lobby



Lower Lobby

