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Uncover the secrets of the game designers, artists, and more.

All seminars are located in room 212. See you there!

THURSDAY

- 12-1 Starfinder 101
- 1-2 Starfinder RPG Rules Q&A
- 2-3 Starfinder Adventure Path 0&A
- 3-4 The Art of Paizo
- 4-5 Secrets of Golarion
- 5-6 Setting & Scene

FRIDAY

- 10-11 Inside Pathfinder Online
- 11-12 Introduction to the Pathfinder Playtest
- 12-1 Pathfinder Rules O&A
- 1-2 Secrets of Starfinder's Pact Worlds
- 2-3 How to Playtest the New Pathfinder
- 3-4 Designing Pathfinder Monsters
- 4-5 Pathfinder Adventure Path Q&A
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- 6-7 Ask the Paizo GMs

SATURDAY

- 10-12 Starfinder RPG Design Workshop
- 12-1 The Cutting Room Floor:
 - What DIDN'T Make the Pathfinder Playtest
- 1-2 Making Your First Pathfinder Playtest Character
- 2-3 Ask the Paizo GMs
- 3-4 Writing for Paizo
- 4-5 Paizo 2018 and Beyond
- 5-7 Auntie Lisa's Story Hours

SUNDAY

- 10-11 The Pathfinder Adventure Card Game
- 11-12 Music & Ambiance
- 12-1 The Pathfinder: Kingmaker CRPG
- 1-2 Introduction to the World of Pathfinder
- 2-3 Designing Planets for Starfinder



Pathfinder- and Starfinder-themed food awaits you at Scotty's Brewhouse. Come for the food; stay for the Goblin Ale!

Scotty's Brewhouse

1 Virginia Ave.

(10-minute walk from Convention Center)





WELCOME





A LETTER FROM PETER ADKISON

Welcome to Gen Con 2018!

Readers of program guides from prior years will notice a change in authorship of this year's welcome letter. Adrian Swartout, Gen Con's former CEO and my dear friend, previously wrote the annual welcome to attendees, but this year I'm excited to take up the task.

2017 represented an important milestone for Gen Con, marking 50 years of the convention as well as a change in leadership as Adrian deservedly retired after more than a decade of management. David Hoppe, a longtime game industry visionary, was chosen to helm The Best Four Days in Gaming. David and I worked together at Wizards of the Coast back in the '90s, and in addition to his many years of experience, I can attest that he's an all-around great guy. He and his team have prepared an EPIC show for you. With more than 16,000 events and 500 exhibitors, this Gen Con is jam-packed with options for every gamer!

With so many choices, it can be a bit difficult to select where to begin. Let me make some suggestions!

Last year, we expanded to Lucas Oil Stadium's field level for the first time, and in 2018, you can walk on the exposed turf itself at the all-new midfield experience! Try the Games Library, explore RPG and board game events, or take in a seminar or workshop.

This year, Gen Con also will host interesting discussions with great Guests of Honor in the game industry as well as curate talks in our new Insights program. If you're looking to expand your knowledge of games, these events are just for you!

I'd be remiss if I didn't mention that Magic: The Gathering will light 25 figurative candles as it commemorates its $25^{\rm th}$ birthday with hundreds of events.

Whether it's your first year attending or your 51st year, please accept my humblest gratitude for your support. Gen Con thrives because of the passion of its attendees, sponsors, exhibitors, event organizers, Event team, and the games community. Let's have an EPIC 2018 to kick off the next 50 years of Gen Con!

Game on!

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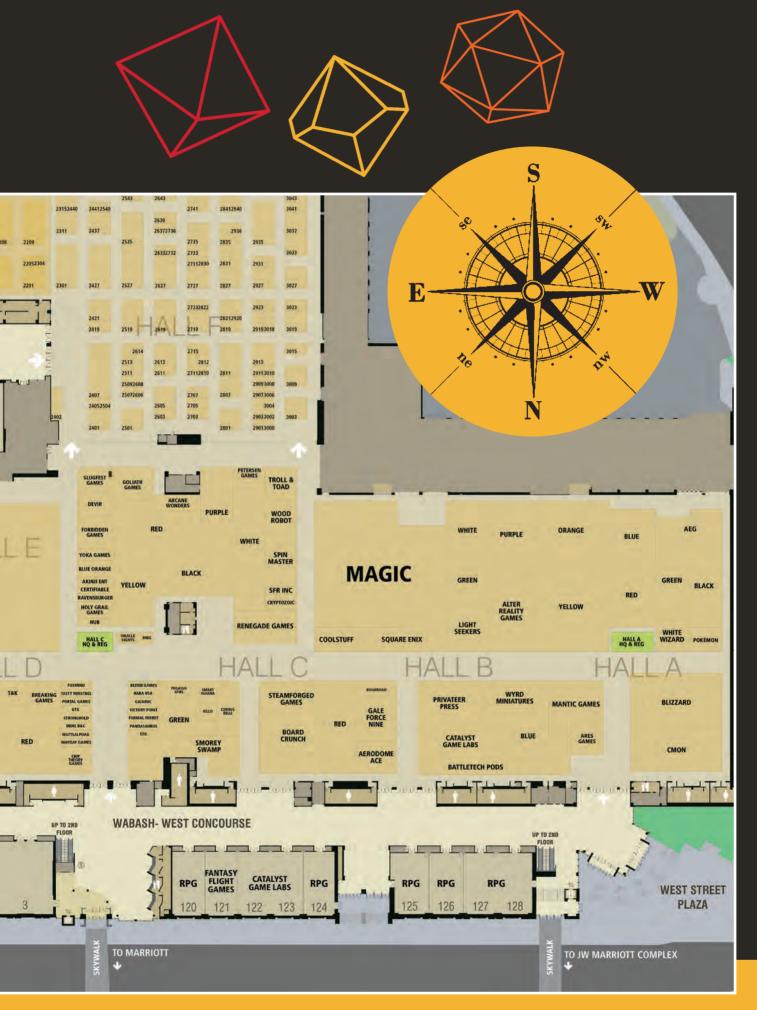
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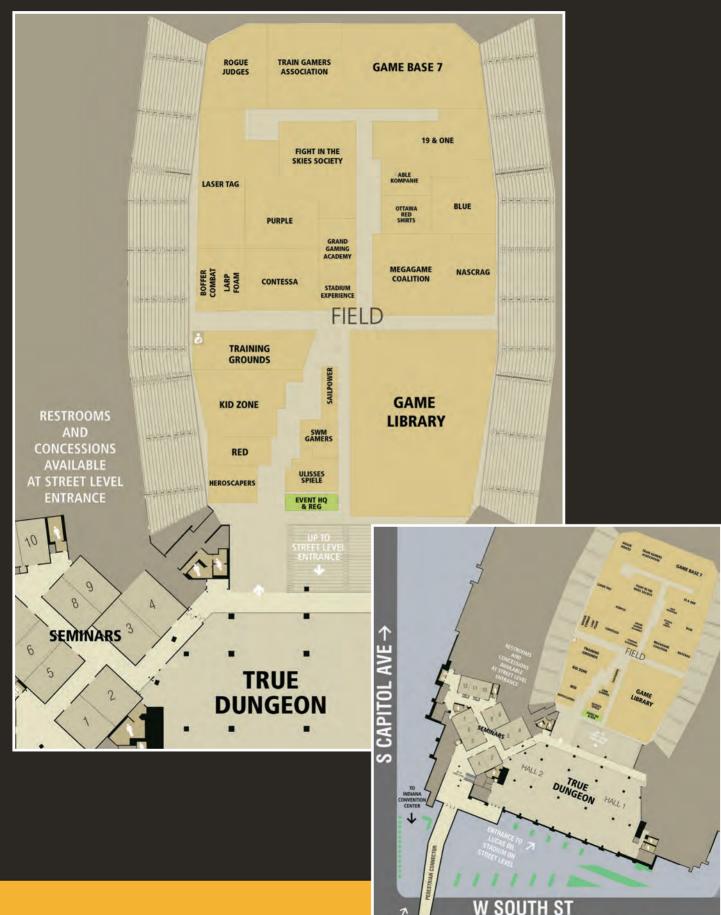
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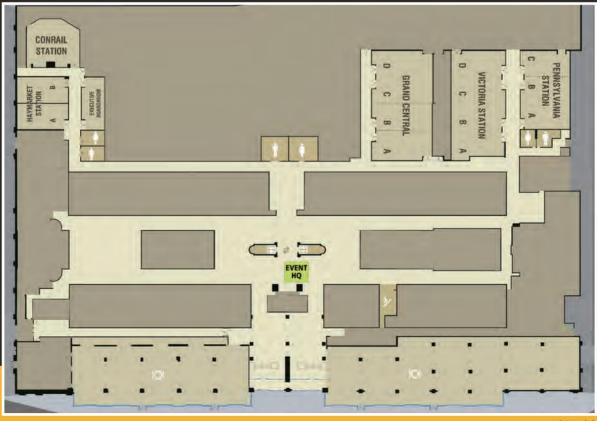
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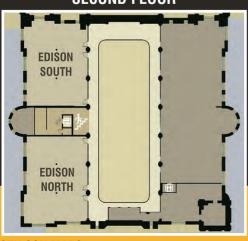
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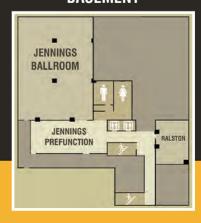
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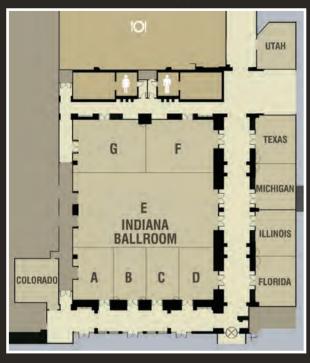
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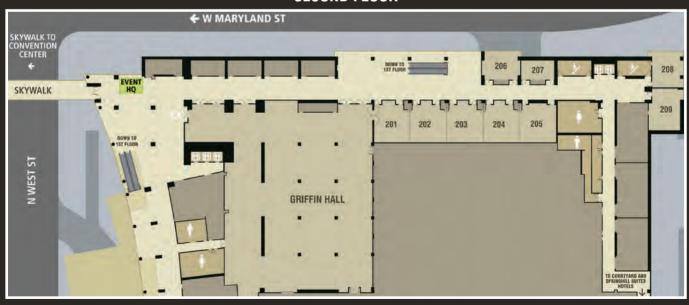


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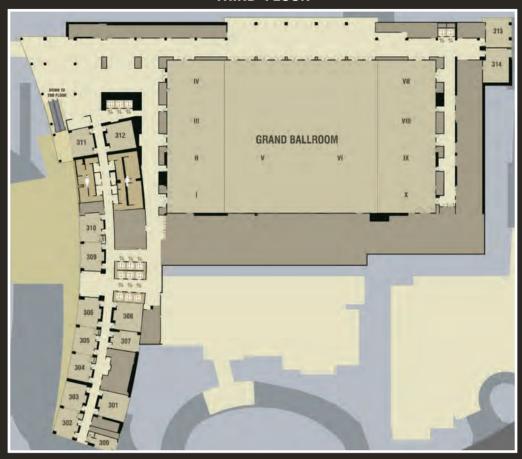


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CROWNE PLAZA

The Crowne has hosted many seminars in the past, but this year **Role Playing Games** ("RPGs") and **Live Action Role Playing** ("LARPs") have taken over this historic landmark. Many of these groups run a mix of LARPs and RPGs and are also running board games in nearby Lucas Oil Stadium. They are always open to helping new players get into games.

LUCAS OIL STADIUM

AT A GLANCE

EVENT HQ

Located behind the reservation desk

The nearest

EVENT REGISTRATION

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Connected via skywalk from the ICC

INDIANA CONVENTION CENTER



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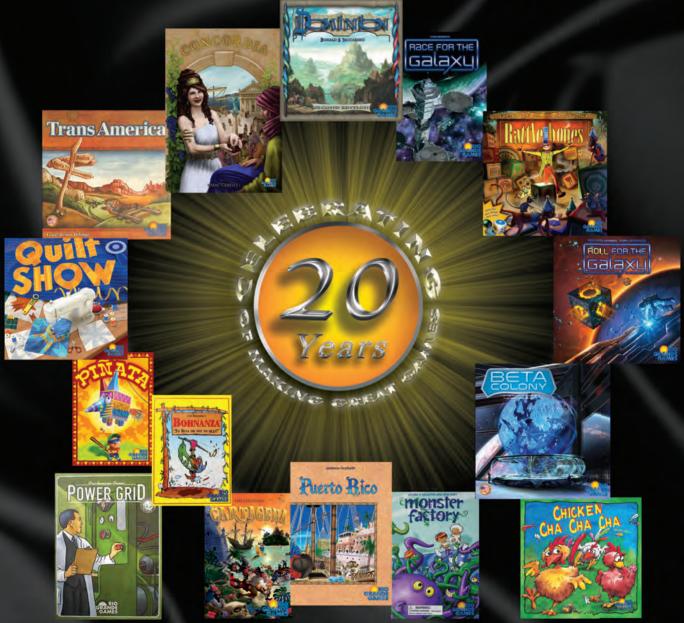
- CoGG's World of Darkness LARP, "San Francisco Shattered," at 5 pm daily – they're also running a variety of other games all weekend in Grand Central C & D
- Urban Myth's Dresden Files LARP, "City of Cold & Iron," at 7 pm each day
- Fight in the Skies Society has many high-demand RPGs running all weekend in Victoria Station C & D
- Windmill Games is running Dread in Hay Market A for much of the weekend

HOTEL AMENITIES

ATM Free Wifi **RESTAURANTS**

123 West Taggart's





Help us celebrate 20 years of bringing families and friends together with great games. Come to room 232 and play up to 60 different games for FREE Play a game of Dominion for a free Dominion promo. We'll be open from 10:00a-midnight, Thursday through Saturday.

Come see what's new under the sun!

EMBASSY SUITES

You'll find workshops ("WKS") galore here, both on gaming and nongaming topics. National Security Decision Making ("NSDM") and Escape Room are events that can be found here too!







EVENTS

- Chainmail Legion Learn how to make chainmail jewelry and accessories - Coronation II
- Magischola: Detention Break Out Escape Room – Ambassador III
- •Carnival of the Damned Thursday 8 pm – Chancellor I-III
- NSDM part seminar part live-action role playing all centered around geo-political themes – Consulate

HOTEL AMENITIES

Newly renovated lobby! ATM

RESTAURANTS

Claypool Grille





PLAY AT GEN CON IN HALL B

Come experience exciting events for all skill levels in events created especially for Gen Con! Formats include all the past favorites and some soon-to-be classics. To find out more details and see the schedule online go to www.pastimes.net/gencon.

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION BETA DRAFT & QUALIFIERS

Celebrating 25 years of Magic at Gen Con with 8 qualifying events leading to a Rochester Draft finals with Beta booster packs!

COMMANDER 2018 PREVIEW EVENTS

Enjoy the 2018 Commander decks prior to release!*

MINI-MASTERS GEN CON OPEN EVENT

No entry fee event! 9 - 10 AM daily.*

LEARN TO PLAY MAGIC

Get a M19 Welcome Deck and learn to play Magic - all weekend long in the Crossroads Concourse**

^{*} Limited seating.

^{**} One per player. While supplies last.

HYATT REGENCY

The Hyatt hosts everything from the latest indie RPGs to LARPs to the hottest recent and upcoming board game releases.



AT A GLANCE

EVENT HQ

Located on the 2nd floor with limited hours

The nearest

EVENT REGISTRATION

is at Main Registration in the ICC

Connected via skywalk from the ICC



EVENTS

- Indie Games Explosion runs Games on Demand in the Cosmopolitan Ballroom B – all events are genericsonly, so it's a great way to walk up and discover a new indie RPG
- The BGG Hot Games Room, hosted by BoardGameGeek, has expanded this year to take over the entire Regency Ballroom
- Darkness Remembered's nightly World of Darkness LARP, "Abundance of Sorrows," runs daily at 7 pm. They are also running a variety of board games and RPGs, including Adventurers' League in the Cosmopolitan Ballrooms A and C-D, and Studio 1.





RESTAURANTS

The Eagle's Nest Subway

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The JW Marriott ("JW") hosts many of the largest RPG groups and campaigns. We've expanded this year with a number of larger special events, as well. **Trade Day** also takes place in the JW on Wednesday.

EVENTS

- Baldman Games running official D&D 5th edition content in the Griffin Hall, including many newbie-friendly intro games all weekend
- Heroes of Rokugan is a fan-run organized play campaign for Legend of the Five Rings, in Grand Ballroom 1 & 2
- Legends of the Shining Jewel is a Pathfinder organizer play campaign, in **Grand Ballroom 8**
- Lone Shark Games is running huge mega-games for Thornwatch (Thursday 7 pm, Grand Ballroom 9-10) and the RPG version of Apocrypha (Friday 7 pm, White River Ballroom C-D)
- The Guild of San Marcos is a 7th Sea fanrun organized play campaign in room 303
- The Tower of Gaxx is an old-school D&D dungeon crawl where a ticket is one life, running all weekend in room 206
- Worldbuilders is hosting a celebrity game night with premier events Friday 6 pm in Grand Ballroom 9-10
- Greater Than Games is hosting a "Ruins of Atlantis" masquerade ball Thursday 8 pm with Geek & Sundry and Nerdist, set in their Sentinels of the Multiverse world
- CU Adventures in Time & Space escape room
- Many other dedicated gaming groups running RPGs all through the weekend

HOT TIP

Access to 1st floor meeting rooms via 2nd floor only.

HOTEL AMENITIES

Free Wifi **On-site parking ATM**

AT A GLANCE

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Located on the 2nd floor near the skywalk

Connected via skywalk from the ICC

Trade Day exclusively takes place at the JW **Marriott. During Trade** Day, educators, librarians, and retailers share cutting-edge information on how tabletop gaming intersects with their respective industries. **Highlights from Trade** Day this year include seminars on gamification and RPG design in the classroom, how to build a local community around tabletop gaming, and more.





RESTAURANTS

Osteria Pronto High Velocity Starbucks



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MARRIOTT

After a year of renovations, the Marriott is back and full of a wider range of events than ever before: RPGs, LARPs, Writer's Symposium, Puppets, and Cosplay are events and programs you can find here.

AT A GLANCE

EVENT HQ

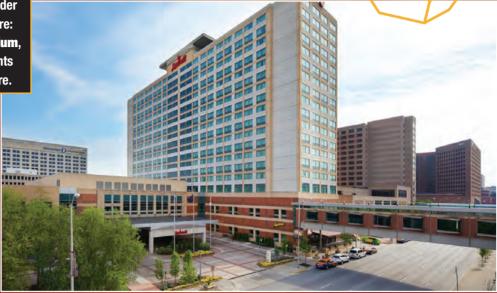
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HOTEL AMENITIES

ATM Free WiFi

RESTAURANTS

Conner's Kitchen + Bar Rye Bar Loaf + Vine Market Starbucks

EVENTS

- Chicago Dungeon Crawl's live-action immersive boffer combat - Marriott Ballroom 6, all weekend long!
- Stonemaier Games in the Denver room, hosting events and game nights all weekend long
- Puppet program seminar and workshop events including those hosted by our Puppet Guests of Honor!
- Writer's Symposium events where you can hone your fiction writing skills.
- Infinite Imaginations is running RPGs all weekend in Marriott Ballroom 9--10, ranging from Call of Cthulhu to Hero to Savage Worlds – and many in between



OMNI

The Omni hosts many different **LARPs** but also a few **RPGs** – particularly Call of Cthulhu in smaller, quieter rooms.







HOTEL AMENITIES

ATM

RESTAURANTS

1913 Restaurant Severin Bar Starbucks is located in the Union Station

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EVENTS

- LARPS by CoGG, Plaid Chameleon Games, Mind's Eye Society, and Learn Larp, LLC. Be sure to check out Infinite Imaginations, Inc "My Little Pony Hero" LARP events
- Novus Ordo Seclorum runs Call of Cthulhu all weekend across a number of different tracks, including invitational events for those voted "Best Roleplayer"
- Learn LARP is running small-scale Harry Potteresque events throughout the weekend, mostly in the Illinois Ballroom
- John Wick Presents is running two 7th Sea LARPs at 6 pm on Thursday and Saturday in the Fisher Ballroom
- Mind's Eye Society is hosting a large Vampire: The Masquerade LARP Saturday at 8 pm and a Werewolf: The Apocalypse LARP Thursday at 8 pm, both in the Jennings Ballroom



UNION STATION

The impressive and majestic Union Station is home to some of Gen Con's largest premiere events, including the **ENnies** and the Gen Con **dance**. Many **LARPs** also call the setting home. Official **Wednesday gaming** events also take place here.





HOT TIP

Even if you have no events scheduled here, it's worth a trip to see this historic landmark! It's one of the finest Romanesque Revivalstyled buildings in the country, with two breathtaking round stained glass windows.

AT A GLANCE

EVENT HO

Located in the lobby

The nearest

EVENT REGISTRATION

is at Main Registration in the ICC

Connected to the ICC (just outside Hall K) via walkways through the Crowne Plaza



EVENTS

- Several different horror LARPs using Cthulhu Live
- Several LARP adaptations of new and classic tabletop RPGs, including Delta Green, Wrath & Glory, Star Wars, and Fading Suns
- Popular custom homebrew events from long-running gaming groups like Elder Entertainment & Infinite Imaginations
- Magischola events from Infinite Imaginations that explore a magical school similar to the world of Harry Potter
- The ENnies Awards Ceremony Friday, 8 pm
- Gen Con Dance: Eight Bit Bash! Saturday, 9 pm
- Nerd Night for Charity Thursday, 6 pm

IRON HORSE BAR

A cool dungeon atmosphere where food & drink are served nightly. Located in the basement of the Union Station.

Thursday: 8 pm - close Friday: 8:30 pm - close Saturday: 6 pm - close



WESTIN

The Westin is home to film, entertainment, and

Anime & Animation events, along with some workshops and SPA events.

Here you will also find our new streaming stage. The Westin is a great place to stop by if you're looking for a break from playing games!



EVENTS

- Manga Library & Mystery Anime Theatre
- Yoga, dancing classes, stretching, and more!
- Entertainment events galore including concerts by The Shake Ups, Sarah Donner, and Marc Gunn, comedy events from the Damsels of Dorkington, CSz Indy, and Komedio Comedy, to name a few
- See films from longtime favorites like Zombie Orpheus Entertainment, and don't forget to check out the Gen Con Film Festival!



AT A GLANCE

EVENT HO

Located on the 2nd floor

The nearest

EVENT REGISTRATION

is at Main Registration in the ICC

Connected via skywalk from the ICC

HOTEL AMENITIES

Free Wifi FedEx Office Business Center – 1st floor ATM

RESTAURANTS

No Name Lounge Shula's Steak House Capital Grounds





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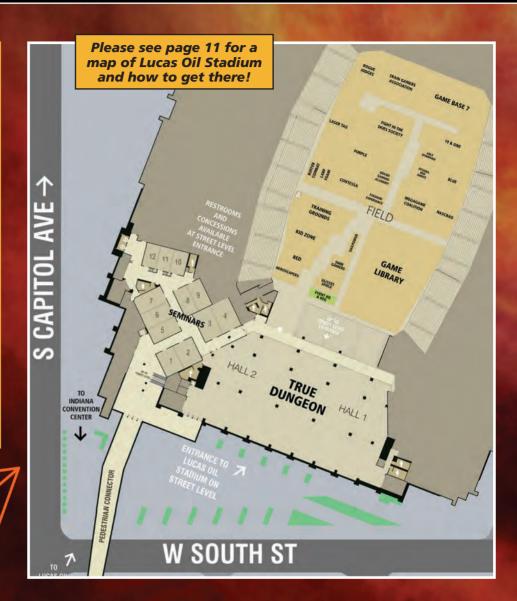


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LUCAS OIL STADIUM

Conveniently connected to the Indiana **Convention Center** (ICC), Lucas Oil Stadium (LOS) hosts events large and small, from the enormous, immersive **True Dungeon to KIDs** events appropriate for children of all ages. New in 2018, Gen Con's takeover of Lucas Oil Stadium features a midfield experience not to be missed. Game in a stadium built for pros!





MIDFIELD EXPERIENCE

LOS isn't just for the Indianapolis
Colts and Indy Eleven! You can walk
on the actual turf at the all-new
Midfield Experience. Take a photo
with a Gen Con backdrop, tag it with
#gencon, and you could find yourself
on the giant overhead digital displays.
Kids can get a free LOS button, and
if you go to LOS in the mornings, you
may receive an extra special surprise
while supplies last!

EVENTS AT LUCAS OIL STADIUM

More than 3,000 events will take place at Lucas Oil Stadium on the field level and in the stadium's exhibit halls. Stop by the Event HQ and see what's available for your time slot! Events include:

- Artemis Bridge Simulator
- Board games
- Boffer combat

- Gamer seminars
- Tactical laser tag
- Historical miniature gaming
- RPGs
- Workshops
- KIDs events

TRUE DUNGEON

One of Gen Con's most popular events, True Dungeon moved to LOS in 2016. Since then, its footprint has expanded and they've continued to tailor their offerings to Gen Con's attendees. A unique experience, True Dungeon puts players right into the thick of danger in a real-life RPG! Most tickets to this event have sold out, however, some attendees will not be able to attend and there are still a limited number of tickets remaining. Those interested should sign up at gencon.com under the "Find Events" link.

Find out more on page 130.





GAMES LIBRARY AND PICK UP PLAY

Ever wanted to try a game before you bought it? Need a quiet space to play your newest finds at the convention? Looking to explore a near endless game catalog? Games Library and Pick Up Play are just for you. With vast table space in LOS, this area is a calm oasis of gaming in the bustling core of the convention. Book a space for a time block or buy a weekend pass!

Find out more on page 102.



IMPORTANT INFO



GEN CON BADGES

WHY DO I NEED A BADGE?

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REGISTRATION POLICIES

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If an event has been cancelled, please see a nearby Event HQ for further instructions. **No refunds will be given for cancelled events without a stamp or signature from the area's Event HQ.** The last day to receive a ticket refund is 4 pm on the Sunday of the convention.

GENERIC TICKET REFUNDS

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IS E-TICKETING OPTIONAL?

For 2018, we are only using E-Ticketing with a select group of event organizers. Specific events will be designated as E-Ticketed only. There will be no option to get paper tickets for these events.

DO I NEED TO HAVE A SMARTPHONE TO USE E-TICKETING?

Nope! As an attendee all you need is your badge. Event organizers will use a smartphone or other device to scan your badge and redeem your E-Tickets.

HOW DO I GET E-TICKETS?

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REGISTRATION & CUSTOMER SERVICE

WHAT IS REGISTRATION?

Registration covers all processes associated with attending the convention, obtaining badge credentials, and purchasing event tickets. Registration offers four services: Event Registration, Customer Service, Special Services, and Will Call. The "Main Registration" kiosks are located in the convention center's Wabash-East Concourse near the Maryland Street entrance. There are also a few remote Event Registration sites, located in Hall A, Hall C, the JW Marriott, and Lucas Oil Stadium. Each service area is clearly marked for your convenience.

EVENT REGISTRATION

Event tickets can be purchased onsite at the Event Registration kiosks located in the convention center's Wabash-East Concourse near the Maryland Street entrance or at Event Registration kiosks in Hall F and the Marriott (Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, 350 West Maryland Street). See the Area Hotel Maps for specific locations. Gen Con accepts cash and all major credit cards (American Express, Discover, MasterCard, and Visa). Gen Con does not accept checks or money orders.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

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SPECIAL SERVICES

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Parents may also use this kiosk if they have already purchased a badge but need to obtain a child wristband.

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SHOW POLICIES

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OFFICIAL BEER OF GEN CON 2018

Locations on Georgia St and at their brewery on 135 N. College Ave, Indianapolis.

Sun King Brewing has teamed with Gen Con for seven years to bring fresh, local beer to attendees. Each year they create a custom brew with the attendees' help, and this year, they're proud to serve "Everlasting Gamer." Available on Georgia St., at their brewery, at packaged liquor stores, and through local bars and restaurants, Everlasting Gamer only will be available in limited quantities, so sample a drink and then grab a four-pack to take home!

They'll kick off the festivities at the Gen Con Block Party on Wednesday, August 1 at 5 pm with a Tapping Party for Everlasting Gamer, which will feature live music, food, and surprises! Their beer garden will open just outside the convention center at noon on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at the convention, and serve ice cold refreshment to 10 pm nightly.



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Scotty's Brewhouse has remained a downtown Indianapolis staple since 2009. They serve great food and beer, much of which is brewed at their local Broad Ripple brewery. Scotty's Brewhouse welcomes gamers with movies, a special menu, and weekendlong programming. A wide variety of menu offerings include a kid's menu, gluten-free options, low-calorie choices, hand-pattied burgers, and their signature 7 Tidals Buffalo Chicken Dip. A visit to Scotty's is a Gen Con tradition!



OFFICIAL PIZZA OF GEN CON

30 E. Georgia St. 317-656-6000 gethotboxpizza.com

Born in Indy in 2004, HotBox Pizza is not only a local favorite, it has served the official slice of Gen Con for years! This year, they're bringing their best offerings vet, including a custom Gen Con cup and signature Gen-Con-only pizza! Long-time attendees may know HotBox best for its late night delivery, mouth-watering breadsticks, and piping hot pizza. Get a pizza with gourmet ingredients at a price that will leave you more cash to buy games!

As the Official Pizza of Gen Con, HotBox will have convenient locations on Georgia St. and South St. (new in 2018), located near the Sun King Beer Garden. HotBox Pizza welcomes all Gen Con attendees and is happy to provide Gen Con deals, hotel delivery, online ordering, in-app ordering, and everything you need to keep your game going!





Gen Con has found another great Hoosier partner with Smoking Goose Artisan Meatery! With slow-cured, smoked, and other unique options. Smoking Goose's product must be seen and tasted to be believed. High quality meat, spices, and herbs take their products up a notch above the competition, and with multiple locations, they're ready to get in the game. Visit them online at smokinggoose.com or pop-in to their shop "Oca" which is conveniently located in the Sun King Brewery!



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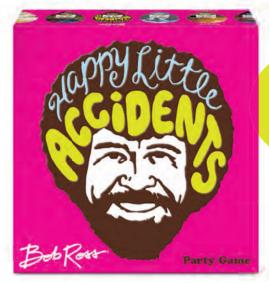
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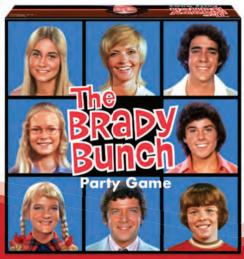


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Paizo Inc. is one of the world's leading hobby game publishers. Since 2002, millions of players have joined the goblin army by playing the Pathfinder® and Starfinder® roleplaying games across tabletops, at conventions, at their favorite local game store, and digitally on virtual tabletops. Paizo.com is an online retail hobby destination for millions of gamers that carries the latest products from top hobby game publishers. Players also find accessories, like dice and maps, miniatures, T-shirts, goblin plush toys, and the newest releases to quickly replenish those adventuring supplies for the next dungeon run.



CO-SPONSOR

Rio Grande Games is thrilled to be celebrating 20 years of bringing family and friends together with popular and award-winning games such as Dominion, Race for the Galaxy, Roll for the Galaxy, Power Grid, Bohnanza, and Concordia.

Come visit the Rio Grande Games rooms 232-235 from 10 am till closing, Thursday through Saturday, to try out some of our new releases like Broadhorns, Epoch, Northern Pacifc, TransEuropa, and maybe a few surprises as well on over 70 tables of games! As always, there is no fee to play in the Rio Grande Games rooms and we offer snacks and drinks from time to time as well.

We are happy to once again host the World Dominion Championship with a \$1,000 prize! All are welcome to sign up for the preliminary rounds that will be held Thursday through Saturday. Winners of those rounds will qualify for the semi-final rounds on Saturday evening. The finals will be held on Sunday.

Come play what's new under the sun!

BUZZARD

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Blizzard Entertainment is a premier developer and publisher of entertainment software. After establishing the Blizzard Entertainment label in 1994, the company quickly became one of the most popular and well-respected makers of computer games. By focusing on creating well-designed, highly enjoyable entertainment experiences, Blizzard Entertainment has maintained an unparalleled reputation for quality since its inception.



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CGE is a group of passionate people who love board games and enjoy creating entertainment for players. In 2006, they created the first edition of Through the Ages, and decided that it was what they wanted to do for a living. In 2007, CGE was founded and the first released board games were Galaxy Trucker by Vlaada Chvátil and League of Six by Vladimír Suchý. Since then, they have produced and published almost 50 games and expansions, including Codenames, Alchemists, Dungeon Lords, Tzolk'in, Last Will, Space Alert, Dungeon Petz, Tash-Kalar, and others. In 2014, they expanded into the realm of digital board games, with the implementation of Galaxy Trucker and later Through the Ages. Now, the digital team works on the Codenames app and Steam version of the popular Galaxy Trucker app. Focused on publishing the games of Czech and Slovak authors such as Vlaada Chvátil, Vladimír Suchý, and Matúš Kotry, they have also cooperated with authors from Coatia, Italy, and the U.S. They are a small company, but thanks to their worldwide partners, you can find their games in over thirty languages.



CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR

With over 20 million fans worldwide, Magic: The Gathering is the world's most popular strategy card game. Making an international splash at Gen Con in 1993, Magic: The Gathering has become a global phenomenon with more than 100 booster releases, printings in eleven languages, and more than 20,000 unique cards. At Gen Con 2018, Magic will give back to the gaming community with a host of planned events, tournaments, and surprises.

Magic: The Gathering was created by Richard Garfield, and is published by Wizards of the Coast. Wizards of the Coast brings people together through their shared love of games. *Magic: The Gathering, Dungeons & Dragons*, and other Wizards games are enjoyed by friends around the world, both at gaming tables and on digital platforms. Wizards of the Coast brings together world-class creators in game design, worldbuilding, fantasy art, and interactive events to create unforgettable moments. Wizards of the Coast is a subsidiary of Hasbro, Inc. (NASDAQ:HAS). For more information, visit www.wizards.com.



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The Pokémon Company International, a subsidiary of The Pokémon Company in Japan, manages the property outside of Asia and is responsible for brand management, licensing, marketing, the Pokémon Trading Card Game, the animated TV series, home entertainment, and the official Pokémon website. Pokémon was launched in Japan in 1996 and today is one of the most popular children's entertainment properties in the world. For more information, visit www.pokemon.com.



CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR

Upper Deck holds an award-winning portfolio of games, trading cards and collectibles that include the popular Vs. System 2PCG, Legendary and Legendary Encounters Deck Building Games, Dark Legacy: The Rising, Dungeon Draft and more. Stop by the Upper Deck booth to get free demos and learn about exclusive show specials. For fun events all weekend long, visit the Upper Deck OP area in Wabash 1-3.

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CMON is an international publisher and developer of board and tabletop games. CMON is well known for its focus on high-quality games featuring amazing miniatures, engaging gameplay, and deeply-developed worlds. Beginning from small hobbyist roots, CMON has grown into a multinational group that publishes many award-winning board games, including

Zombicide, Arcadia Quest, Blood Rage, Potion Explosion, and more. CMON's library also contains notable licensed titles, including A Song of Ice & Fire: Tabletop Miniatures Game, Bloodborne: The Card Game, and The Godfather: Corleone's Empire. CMON's products are found in all major markets around the world and in multiple languages. Stop by CMON's booth #415 at Gen Con 2018 to see our new releases, including Kick-Ass: The Board Game, Gizmos, A Song of Ice & Fire: Tabletop Miniatures Game, and more!



EVENT PARTNER

Forbidden Games is a new board game company founded by two veteran game designers and entrepreneurs:

Glenn Drover, the founder of Eagle Games and designer of numerous board games including the tabletop versions of Railroad Tycoon and Age of Empires III.

Jason Kapalka, a co-founder and chief game designer at PopCap, makers of video games such as Bejeweled, Peggle and Plants vs Zombies.

Forbidden Games' goal is to design and publish the highest-quality board games with eye-popping art that appeal to casual and hardcore gamers alike.

At Gen Con 2018, Forbidden is premiering Railroad Rivals and Victory & Glory: Napoleon. They are also giving sneak-peeks and demos for soon-to-be-released titles like Raccoon Tycoon and Extraordinary Voyages: Pirates!

Stop by their booth in Event Hall C to check out and play the new games.



EVENT PARTNER

Games Adults Play™, a new party game line, will debut at Gen Con 2018! Stop by Booth #2507 and the Event Hall to see all the new games and enter their Rummikub® and Sequence® tournaments for a chance to win grand prizes. Only Gen Con attendees

will receive exclusive card decks of their engaging gameplay. Don't miss their highly anticipated titles like The Oregon Trail: Journey to Willamette Valley!

This new collection of adult party games is geared for players 18 and up. Officially launching in August 2018, this line offers a fun experience for adults to spice up their game night. These exciting games include Tossed Salad®, a charades-like game that will leave guests in stitches; Sip It™, the drinking game where players perform crazy antics, FRIEND or FAUX®, a game of ridiculously revealing questions, and the smash hit S**t Happens™. For more information, please visit www.gamesadultsplay.com.



EVENT PARTNER

Greater Than Games is the publisher of Sentinels of the Multiverse, Spirit Island, and many other engaging, richly-themed and highly-replayable card and board games. They love playing games and they love their ridiculous process of game creation, and they

hope to continue producing high-quality tabletop games for many years to come. Their passion for boardgames, dedication to quality, and guiding life philosophies are reflected in the innovative designers, keen developers, and talented artists that they choose to work with. Find them in room 140-141 and booth 1343 to purchase and play these games and more!

ADMOGIC* GAMES

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LAUNCHING AT GEN CON! Breaking Games / AdMagic at Booth #2329 is releasing the Kickstarter smash-hit Rise of Tribes, and the massive new city-building strategy game, Expancity - which you'll be able to get for an amazing "Gen Con Only" price! You'll be able to demo both games, as well as meet the games' designers at the booth all weekend long.

Check out your favorite party, strategy and family games, including Cards Against Humanity and Exploding Kittens.

We'll have fresh titles from Breaking Games, like Sparkle*Kitty, Mixtape, Fake News, Circular Reasoning: The Well of Power, Re-Extinction and Asking for Trobils. You can also check out our best sellers: 4 The Birds, Letter Tycoon, Moonguake Escape, Game of Phones. POOP, and Keep Calm.

Come by and learn the games from the designers themselves. Or participate in our other game events happening during Gen Con!



EVENT PARTNER

Bushiroad is a worldwide multimedia company that specializes in TCGs such as Cardfight!! Vanguard, Future Card Buddyfight, and Weiss Schwarz.

Established in 2007, Bushiroad has evolved throughout the years by producing media giants such as New Japan Pro Wrestling, mobile games such as BanG Dream! Girls Band Party!

Bushiroad also holds annual international expos and competitions to promote their games and connect face to face with their clientele. With all its growth, Bushiroad has maintained its commitment to produce quality entertainment throughout all media outlets. Bushiroad's goal is to work with the fans to create the best products on the market.

Looking towards the future, Bushiroad will continue to strive to create superior entertainment and accessibility of their media.



EVENT PARTNER

CoolStuffInc.com is a leading online and brick-and-mortar hobby retailer based in Orlando, Florida. Founded in 2002, CoolStuffInc.com has been in the business of fun for over 15 years.

CoolStufflnc.com carries Board Games, Role-Playing Games, and Collectable Card Games such as Magic: The Gathering, Pokemon, and Yu-Gi-Oh! Popular Board Game brands available both in-store and on the website include X-Wing, Star Wars Armada and Imperial Assault, alongside Living Card Games like Legend of the Five Rings, A Game of Thrones, and Android: Netrunner. The company also runs GatheringMagic.com featuring new Magic: The Gathering content every weekday.

There are seven Cool Stuff Games retail locations in Florida: Orlando, South Orlando, Waterford, Hollywood, Jacksonville, Tampa, and Miami. Learn more about the company at CoolStuffInc.com, and more about our retail locations at CoolStuffGames.com.



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At PlayFusion, they make things. Physical. Digital. Mystical. Magical. They design experiences. On screen. Off screen. In

between. Their first game, Lightseekers, features unique mechanics that are easy to learn, with depth for advanced players. Their cards feature augmented reality and can be scanned into the digital game for even more fun. Lightseekers will introduce its third expansion, Kindred, and will be hosting its first ever US National Championship this weekend. PlayFusion is expanding its lineup. PlayFusion and Games Workshop have combined their mighty talents to bring you the "Warhammer Age of Sigmar: Champions" trading card game launching at Gen Con 2018! Visit booth #555 for more information and learn how to play these exciting games!



EVENT PARTNER

Spin Master is proud to be an official sponsor! In 2017, they announced the releases of Santorini™ and 5-Minute Dungeon™. In 2018, they're back in a big way! They are excited to unveil two new Marvel Universe-based games: Hail Hydra™, and 5-Minute Marvel™. Hail Hydra™ is a social deduction game where you and your

group of Marvel heroes battle Marvel villains to save New York City from destruction, and from the hidden Hydra agents trying to foil your mission! 5-Minute Marvel™ is a fast-paced cooperative card game where you and your group of heroes band together to defeat Marvel villains – all in under five minutes! They are also happy to announce Santorini Golden Fleece™ - the much-anticipated expansion pack to Santorini™! Stop by Booth #2727 to see these and their other great games!



EVENT PARTNER

Steamforged Games is a bright young UK-based games company that focuses on bringing modern design philosophy and leveraging a fully digital

pipeline to deliver high-quality miniatures and games experiences.

Our industry-leading minis are supported by high-quality rules and dynamic gameplay; SFG was founded in 2014 after publishing their first game "Guild Ball", a bloody table-top skirmish game of mob football...with axes!

SFG has enjoyed explosive growth with "Dark Souls™—The Board Game" and "Resident Evil 2 – The Board Game" projects. We have one of the most-funded board-game campaigns in Kickstarter history and consistently deliver high-performing KS projects.

- Built around a company ethos of "Quality First".
- Our market disruption approach creates brand-new genres of games and experiences.
- Continually building on our reputation for world-class miniatures/components and delivering award-winning game design.



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Mattel Games[™], the makers of UNO®, Magic 8 Ball®, Pictionary[™] and Rock Em Sock Em Robots®, returns to Gen Con! Mattel is excited to showcase a giant oversized version of the 2014 Kinderspiel de Jahres winner, Ghost Fightin' Treasure Hunters[™] including the new Ghost Fightin' Treasure Hunters[™] - Creepy Cellar Expansion Pack. Be sure to

come by and play this supersized game. We will have retail versions of both for sale at Gen Con, along with our suite of new 2-Player Strategy Games (Voltage, Spirits of the Wild, Trailmazer, and Blokus Duo). Stop by Booth #349 to meet and play with game designers Brian Yu (Ghost Fightin' Treasure Hunters™) and Nick Hayes (Wizards Wanted™), all while experiencing Mattel's newest games first hand. We will also be offering new editions of Mattel's iconic card game, UNO® and Magic 8 Ball®. So come by, say hi, get some deals, and have some fun!

SQUARE ENIX®

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Square Enix is a famed global video game developer and publisher known for the FINAL FANTASY, DRAGON QUEST, and KINGDOM HEARTS, among many more.

Their merchandise division, Square Enix Products, produces a variety of collectibles and toys along with their smash hit tabletop game FINAL FANTASY TRADING CARD GAME. This fast-paced competitive card game was developed in collaboration with partner Hobby Japan for a global release.

With its improved game mechanics and design, the Opus Series, which launched in autumn 2016, was localized into seven languages (English, French, Italian, German, Spanish, Japanese and Chinese) and is now enjoyed by fans the world over!

Other tabletop games, such as the party game, Chocobo's Crystal Hunt, and its expansion, have also been introduced. Square Enix also produces tabletop gaming supplies such as playmats and card sleeves.



EVENT PARTNER

The Table of Ultimate Gaming delivers high-value table gaming systems to fans of all board and tabletop games. They design and produce game systems that elevate your play. Using environmentally-friendly, sustainable Baltic birch and water-based stains, their tables are beautiful enough for use in the busiest game shop. Their remarkable

features include table tops that are stowed in the table and double as desks, USB, and AC power outlets, two different play vault depths, and beautifully-designed decoration packs that can be changed in seconds to suit your mood. All of these attributes work their gamer-designed accessories (including cup holders, dungeon master screens, card holders, and big pads) to make this the gaming table you have been waiting for. The Table of Ultimate Gaming allows you to play your games, your way!



EVENT PARTNER

TrollAndToad.Com returns to Gen Con, to fulfill your gaming needs and buy your games! TrollAndToad. Com is one of the world's largest online retailers for Trading Card Games such as Magic: the Gathering, Yugioh, Pokemon, and miniatures. Their massive inventory is one of the best on the web, and they are always adding new product lines like Dragon Ball Super TCG, Final Fantasy TCG, and more! They also offer all the gaming supplies you will ever need including deck boxes, sleeves, playmates, and tokens! Want to turn your old games into cash? Their dedicated staff will be on site to help! With over 20 years in the

business, TrollAndToad.Com prides itself in offering top-notch products, and providing customers with the best shopping experience possible, with the best prices on all the best games!





PROMOTIONAL PARTNER

D-Verse Publishing, LLC was founded by Jason Goike and J. Scott Rumptz in 2017 with the intention of creating high quality games with nostalgic roots. They began work on "NEXUS", their debut title, as childhood friends in the late 80's. Growing up in

Detroit on a steady diet of RPGs and board games, Jay and Scott are now bringing talented artists together from across the globe to create vibrant, immersive and imagination driven game worlds. Nexus is the first of many planned titles to come from D-Verse Publishing. Come by Entrepreneurs' Avenue, Booth #2959, to see the game and let them tell vou more!

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Minuteman Miniatures offers a unique new product: a Miniature You. By combining our free 3d facial scanning

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PROMOTIONAL PARTNER

SlugFest Games, makers of the Red Dragon Inn series, specializes in games that are easy to learn and dripping with theme. Visit them at Booth #1849 to learn about their

games or join one of their Learn to Play events on the schedule. And if you're already a fan, check out their new Munchkin crossover, The Red Dragon Inn Allies: Spyke and Flower, or try the long-awaited Red Dragon Inn 7: The Tavern Crew! Don't forget to pick up a free promo card – Adorabomb – a-never-before-seen card for use with the new Prize Variant for the game!



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Also check out their Gen Con launch, Phil Walker-Harding's Dungeon Raiders. There's a little of something for everyone!



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Special appearances from gaming luminaries, a silent auction, cash bar, and much more are planned for this special occasion. The "crown jewel of Gen Con" will continue to shine this year! Join us to celebrate this year's winners, and raise a glass to excellence!



2017 ENNIES AWARD WINNERS

JUDGES' SPOTLIGHT AWARD

- The Ninja Crusade 2e (Third Eye Games)
- Tales from the Yawning Portal (Wizards of the Coast)
- Rippers Resurrected (Pinnacle Entertainment Group)
- Coriolis The Third Horizon (Free League Publishing)
- Broodmother Skyfortress (Lamentations of the Flame Princess)

GOLD: Blood in the Chocolate (Lamentations of the Flame Princess) SILVER: Doors to Darkness (Chaosium)

BEST AID/ACCESSORY

GOLD: Call of Cthulhu - Keepers Screen Pack (Chaosium) SILVER: Kobold Guide to Plots & Campaigns (Kobold Press)

BEST COVER ART

GOLD: Call of Cthulhu Investigator Handbook (Chaosium) SILVER: Torment: Tides of Numenera - The Explorer's Guide (Monte Cook Games)

BEST INTERIOR ART

GOLD: Tales from the Loop-Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was (Free League Publishing)

SILVER: S. Petersen's Field Guide to Lovecraftian Horrors (Chaosium)

GOLD: Gnome Stew (www.gnomestew.com) SILVER: Age of Ravens (ageofravens.blogspot.com)

BEST CARTOGRAPHY

GOLD: Call of Cthulhu - Keepers Screen Pack (Chaosium) SILVER: 7th Sea: Map of Théah (John Wick Presents)

BEST ELECTRONIC BOOK

GOLD: The Things We Leave Behind (Stygian Fox Publishing) SILVER: Hubris: A World of Visceral Adventure (DIY RPG

BEST FAMILY GAME

GOLD: Bubblegumshoe (Evil Hat Productions) SILVER: Masks: A New Generation (Magpie Games)

BEST FREE PRODUCT

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REST GAME

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BEST MONSTER/ADVERSARY

GOLD: S. Petersen's Field Guide to Lovecraftian Horrors (Chaosium) SILVER: Veins of the Earth (Lamentations of the Flame Princess)

BEST PODCAST

GOLD: Ken and Robin Talk About Stuff SILVER: Spellburn

BEST PRODUCTION VALUES

GOLD: Call of Cthulhu 7th Edition Slipcase Set (Chaosium) SILVER: Unknown Armies Deluxe Set (Atlas Games)

BEST RPG RELATED PRODUCT

GOLD: Call of Cthulhu: The Coloring Book (Chaosium) SILVER: The ABCs of RPGs (Hunter Books)

GOLD: 7th Sea: Core Rulebook (John Wick Presents) SILVER: Adventures in Middle-Earth Player's Guide (Cubicle 7 Entertainment)

BEST SETTING

GOLD: Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was (Free League Publishing)

SILVER: The Dark Eye: Aventuria Almanac (Ulisses North America)

BEST SUPPLEMENT

GOLD: Pulp Cthulhu (Chaosium) SILVER: 7th Sea: Pirate Nations (John Wick Presents)

GOLD: Tabletop Audio (tabletopaudio.com) SILVER: Elven Tower, RPG articles and Cartography website (www.elventower.com)

REST WRITING

GOLD: Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was (Free League Publishing)

SILVER: Veins of the Earth (Lamentations of the Flame Princess)

FAN'S CHOICE FOR BEST PUBLISHER

GOLD: Wizards of the Coast SILVER: Chaosium

PRODUCT OF THE YEAR

GOLD: Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was (Free League Publishing) SILVER: 7th Sea: Core Rulebook (John Wick Presents)

AT A GLANCE

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Friday

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2001: Privateer Press 2002: Wizards of the Coast

2003: Malhavoc Press 2004: Green Ronin Publishing

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MARKETING FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS



Mondo is an expanding pop-culture tastemaker with a passionate love of film, art, music, and gaming, best known for creating limited-edition posters, vinyl soundtrack releases, and premium collectibles. In 2017, Mondo teamed up with Project Raygun to release The Thing: Infection at Outpost 31, a hidden identity board game based on John Carpenter's 1982 horror classic, which was met with an overwhelmingly positive response!

Mondo recently announced the launch of their new, independent games division, Mondo Games. With a strong focus on game narrative, as well as world class art, upcoming licensed games based on film properties such as Jurassic Park (with art by Matthew Woodson) and Fight Club (with art by Alan Hynes) will be featured at this year's Gen Con. In addition to games inspired by favorite films, the company will also be releasing an original narrative-based game in partnership with industry veteran game designer Richard Launius.

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Jellybean Games has a simple goal: To make your new favorite game. Their kidfriendly games feature vivid themes, gorgeous art, and endlessly replayable mechanics.

In Scuttle! you are swashbuckling pirate captains, racing other dastardly pirates to collect treasure. In Dracula's Feast, you are monsters at a masquerade ball, trying to deduce the roles of the other guests while keeping yourself hidden. In Ninjitsu! you are sneaky ninja masters, stealing ancient artifacts from everyone else while avoiding traps!

Their latest release, The Lady and the Tiger, contains five unique games in just 18 stunning cards. To celebrate Jellybean's first year at Gen Con, they're giving a free travel-sized copy of the game to everyone who visits their booth!

Jellybean Games has an exciting year ahead, with sequels to Scuttle!, Ninjitsu!, and Dracula's Feast on the horizon, as well as new titles such as Show & Tile, the tile game of art and imagination. To find out more, visit jellybean-games.com

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Ankama is known for its gorgeous, brilliant worlds which are brought to life in anime series, video games, comic books, and, of course, board games. You might be familiar with Krosmaster: Arena, and the worlds of Wakfu and Dofus. If you are, you know the quality that Ankama strives for in all its products.

But are you familiar with our many other board games? Stellium, where you are one of the architects of the universe. Henhouse Havoc, where you use your farmyard of doom to blow away your opponents. Boufbowl, where you succeed by wits and dirty tricks. And the upcoming Monster Slaughter, where you are a family of monsters in search of fresh victims.

Ankama is excited for this opportunity to present our creations to you. Stop by their booth to see the worlds of Ankama.

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We award Marketing Fellowships to the top six applicants from Entrepreneurs' Avenue each year. These fellowships afford the selected companies the opportunity to gain better exposure for their businesses through on-site marketing and expanded booth space.

Please join us in congratulating the Gen Con 2018 Marketing Fellowship recipients.



For more than a year, Stormcrest Games has been building toward the goal of releasing its main title, Master of Wills™. This painstaking yet rewarding process has yielded incredible results since playtesting at Gen Con in 2017. Master of Wills™ is a cyberpunk-themed deck building card and board game set in a futuristic dystopian world, but the game mechanics are different than anything seen before in the gaming market.

Master of Wills™ is a game of control and manipulation where the balance of power rests between opposing forces. Warring Factions push and pull the citizens of the Community to join their side and vanquish the opposition. Master of Wills[™] is a competitive 2–4 player game that pits two or more Factions against each other. Players build their Faction deck based on their strategic style of play influencing sectors of the Community to join their side. MOW is an epic tug-of-war where moves and counter-moves create an ever-changing game experience.

Stormcrest Games is proud to present a unique style of game that will claim new territory in the competitive card game world. Choose a side and became the Master of Wills™

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Based in Santa Monica, California, Kess is led by founder and CEO Alex Kessler, a prominent figure in the Magic: The Gathering community and host of the Masters of Modern podcast. The Kessler family has a deep history in the toy industry, and Alex is trying to expand that legacy by making his mark on the board game industry. Along with Alex, Kess is staffed with veterans of the toy industry as well as game designers with their own deep history in strategy gaming.

Hoping to add a new fun twist on strategy games, Kess released the card game Super Party Battle in 2017. While the game thematically focuses on the clique rivalries battling it out to throw the best party on campus, the game's focus is on card battle game play coupled with ridiculous mechanics like physical challenges, roleplaying, and charades.

Battle Bosses, Kess's newest title crowdfunding August 14th, is a collectible figure, board/ card game hybrid that they will be previewing to the public at Gen Con for the first time! 2 player duel and 6 player Arena, with MOBA-inspired gameplay will be available to demo!

For more information on Kess, check out their website at Kess.com

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The City of Games is a board game publisher known for creating games set in The City of Kings Universe. In 2017 they launched their first game, an MMORPG inspired board game which merges a story driven RPG with worker management.

In The City of Kings board game, players experience dice free combat and battle against more than 10,000,000 uniquely generated creatures on a map that has thousands of possible layouts, using characters they create by choosing from over 100 different options.

2018 sees the expansion of The City of Kings Universe with two new games being released:

Vadoran Gardens is a family friendly tile placement card game where you take the role of a young Vadoran acolyte tending the garden, feeding animals and studying ancient relics.

Rising Blades is an asymmetric exploration and fighting game where players take the role of Vesh's minions as they explore an untouched world and lay waste to everything around them.

The City of Games is based in England and promises to continue growing The City of Kings Universe, providing a uniquely immersive experience through a series of games.

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This year Gen Con is partnering with two incredible organizations in our charity efforts. One, as always, is local and supports our Indianapolis community, while the other supports our gaming community.

EVENTS FOR CHARITY

The following events support our Charity Partners:

- Aces of Painting Friday, 6 pm
- Cardhalla Destruction Saturday, 10 pm
- Charity Auction Saturday, 7 pm
- 8th Annual Charity Pub Party: SpaceWars! (ENT18135217)
- NASCRAG Charity Round(s) (RPG18125563, RPG18125563-69)
- Nerd Night for Charity (ZED18140541)
- Paizo Silent Auction
- Sh*tfaced Game Designers for Charity (ENT1813609 & ENT18136309)
- Slay the Balloon Creature Sunday, 12 pm

Funds raised at these events will be split evenly between both partners.

Check gencon.com for all the details!



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Rescued food is also used in the Second Helpings Culinary Job Training program that trains unemployed and underemployed adults for careers in the food service industry. This helps eliminate hunger and poverty at its source. More than 760 adults have graduated from this program, and Second Helpings alumni are now working in Central Indiana as cooks, executive chefs, business owners and culinary instructors.

Meet the team and learn more about their mission at their hallway booth located at the intersection of Crossroads and Hoosier Concourse.

www.secondhelpings.org.



The Jack Vasel Memorial Fund started in 2011, in memory of Jack Vasel, son of Dice Tower founder and host Tom Vasel and his wife Laura.

Jack was born two months premature and very ill with neonatal meningitis. After nearly seventy days in the hospital, Jack passed away. The gaming community rallied behind Tom and his family during this challenging time.

The Jack Vasel Memorial Fund grew out of Tom's desire to honor that support and make a difference for people in need. The Fund provides financial assistance to members of the public who are part of the gaming community and who have suffered personal hardship not of their own making.

It is our hope that this work provides Jack with a lasting legacy that supports the entire gaming community.

www.jackvasel.org.









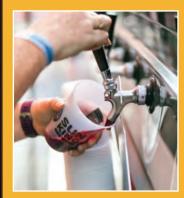
BLOCK PARTY

Gen Con's outdoor experiences have expanded into the all-new Block Party! With bands, food trucks, pizza, and more, the Block Party will rock Indy all weekend long! No badge is required for Block Party events, so invite your newbie friends to visit the ultimate outdoor summer event.



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TAPPING PARTY



Everlasting Gamer, the Official Beer of the EPIC Gen Con 2018, will tap for the first time, live on Georgia Street on August 1 at **5 pm**. Head to the Gen Con beer garden for a beer with everlasting flavor and epic taste! Ages 21+





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BLOCK PARTY CONCERT

On Wednesday night, Gen Con's largest outdoor concert will plug in at 5:15 pm with Indy favorites Brother O' Brother, leading into a blistering set with live rock legends Local H. Local H, a certified gold recording artist, is celebrating 25 years of rock excellence with thousands of concerts from around the world. Attendance to this event is free and not to be missed.

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- Lunch shift 11 am 4 pm
- Dinner shift 5 pm 10 pm

Get hot eats and tasty treats with Friday and Saturday food trucks on South St., and tweet your favorite foods with

hashtag #gencon all weekend long!







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For the 18th year in a row, the Diana Jones Award for Excellence in Gaming celebrates everything that's the best about gaming. That can mean a game system or supplement, a magazine, a company, a designer, an event or convention, or any other entity that shows gaming at its absolute zenith.

The announcement of the Diana Jones Award winner is one of the first events at Gen Con. During the months before the show, the Diana Jones Award Committee — a mostly anonymous group of gaming alumni and illuminati from around the world — begins discussions about the best and brightest from adventure gaming in the previous year. After much playtesting, conversation, and voting, the committee's nominations are whittled down to a shortlist, which is the cue for more discussion and voting until a single winner is declared.

At a private event held the Wednesday before Gen Con begins, winners receive the traveling Diana Jones Award trophy, a perspex pyramid containing the burnt remains of the last unsold copy of TSR's *Indiana Jones RPG* from 1984. To find out why the trophy takes this unusual form, visit DianaJonesAward.org.

The award was set up in the year 2000, with the first trophy given out at Gen Con 2001.

The items on this year's shortlist are:

- The 200 Word RPG Challenge. A competition organized by David Schirduan and Marshall Miller.
- Actual Play. A movement within hobby games.
- Analog Game Studies. A journal edited by Aaron Trammell, Evan Torner, Shelley Jones and Emma Leigh Waldron.
- Charterstone. A board game designed by Jamey Stegmaier, published by Stonemaier Games.
- Harlem Unbound. A roleplaying game sourcebook by Chris Spivey, published by Darker Hue Studios.

Special thanks to the sponsors of this year's Diana Jones Award ceremony:

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To discover who has won the eighteenth annual Diana Jones Award, stop by the Gen Con Info booth or visit DianaJonesAward.org after the convention!

PREVIOUS WINNERS

- 2000: Peter Adkison, founder of Wizards of the Coast (and now owner of Gen Con LLC and Hostile Work Environment)
- **2001:** Ron Edwards and his self-published RPG *Sorcerer*
- **2002:** Joint award: Jordan Weisman (FASA, WizKids) and *Nobilis* RPG
- **2003:** *My Life with Master* by Paul Czege, from Half-Meme Press
- **2004:** *Ticket to Ride* by Alan R. Moon, from Days of Wonder
- 2005: Irish Game Convention Charity Auctions
- **2006:** The Great Pendragon Campaign by Greg Stafford
- **2007:** Joint award: *Grey Ranks* RPG and Wolfgang Baur
- **2008:** *Dominion* by Donald X. Vaccarino, from Rio Grande Games
- **2009:** BoardGameGeek.com, edited by Scott Alden and Derk Solko
- **2010:** *Fiasco* by Jason Morningstar, from Bully Pulpit Games
- **2011:** *Nordic Larp* by Jaakko Stenros and Markus Montola
- **2012:** *TableTop* by Wil Wheaton, from Geek & Sundry
- **2013:** *Hillfolk* by Robin D. Laws, from Pelgrane Press
- **2014:** *Guide to Glorantha* by Greg Stafford, Jeff Richard, and Sandy Petersen, from Moon Design Publication
- **2015:** Eric Lang
- **2016:** Gen Con, The Best Four Days in Gaming™



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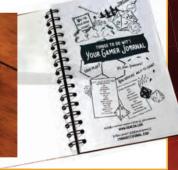
Whether you're rolling for initiative in a fantasy RPG, battling in an epic minis game, or playing your favorite dice game, this branded Gen Con Dice Tumbler will keep the action on the table. Made with high quality components and designed by the geniuses at Broken Token, these tumblers will sell quickly!

CON*QUEST JOURNALS

BOOTH #2304

This year's journal is EPIC! Con*Quest has created several journals over the years for Gen Con attendees and have a passionate following. Track your games demoed, make a shopping list, and more with one of their amazing journals!





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BOOTH #1501, 1511, 1605

Returning as an Event Partner in 2018, Coolstuffinc.com has stunning products perfect for any tabletop gaming session.



MERCHANDISE



OFFWORLD DESIGNS BOOTH #349, GEORGIA ST, AND WABASH LOBBY

The official apparel and merchandise partner of Gen Con, OffWorld Designs has more Gen Con gear than ever! They have a new location conveniently located on Georgia St., so you can shop while you take in the Gen Con Block Party. Whether you want t-shirts, pint glasses, hats, or more, OffWorld has the perfect sizes, cuts, and fits of everything a gamer could



want. Many items will sell out during the show, so if you miss out, check out www.offworlddesigns.com for reprint options.

PINBAZAAR: GEN CON

BOOTH #2229

Collector Pins-(see page 153) Brand new for 2018, PinBazaar's collectable enamel pins will become the talk of the convention! Buy them, trade them, and explore the Exhibit Hall through their offerings!

UKIYO-POP

BOOTH #258

Posters- A new partner for 2018, Ukiyo-Pop's poster prints are like nothing else!



LEGION SUPPLIES BOOTH #2608

Did vou miss out on Legion's classic metal gamer lunch boxes last year? A limited supply are available for 2018, so get 'em before they're gone!

PASTIMES EVENT HALL

Magic: The Gathering fans know Pastimes as the Midwest's best Magic organizer. This year, to celebrate Magic's 25th Birthday, they'll have exclusive Gen Con playmats near Magic's event area. What better way to commemorate an important year for Magic than with a designer playmat?!



STARWIND DESIGN

BOOTH #2450

StarWind's dice bags are new for 2018 and a great way to consolidate your Gen Con 2018 dice treasure trove!



PROGRAM INDEX

Gen Con is far more than just gaming! With so many programs and events, it can be difficult to stay on top of everything that's going on!

Below, you'll find a handy guide to all programs and types of events at Gen Con.

Anime & Animation – We offer a wide range of animation, anime, and manga-related events! Whether you've only seen one anime, or you're a seasoned otaku, there are events for you! Find out more on page 80.

Art Show – With close to 100 artists exhibiting their best work, you're sure to find something that piques your interest at the Gen Con Art Show. See Featured Artists and more on page 108.

Auction – Sell games, bid on games & collectibles for charity, and buy gently pre-owned games at the consignment store! Schedule and more information on page 110.

Authors' Avenue – Featuring 30 authors, including New York Times Bestsellers, and award-winning writers from around the world. Check out the new releases and get your books signed! See page 126.

Cosplay Program – Whether you're just getting into cosplay or you're ready to learn how to create amazing costumes and props, our cosplay program is for you. Find cosplay Guest of Honor and program information on page 124.

Costume Contest – Celebrating its 33rd anniversary, the costume contest awards several prizes across numerous categories to the best costumes. Free to watch! Saturday at 4 pm, in the ICC 500 Ballroom. More info on page 120.

Dance – The Gen Con Dance is a fun way to spend your Saturday evening. Mingle with friends and dance the night away starting at 9 pm at The Grand Hall in Union Station. Free to attend, just bring your Gen Con badge! Cash bar available for 21+ attendees. See page 118 for more info!



Electronic Gaming –Looking for a traditional arcade experience, or want to try one of the free play rooms filled with consoles from the 80's & 90's? Check out our E-Gaming program on page 84.

Escape Rooms – An Escape Room is an immersive experience in which you and a group of friends use clues, your wits, and a little dexterity to solve the mystery and escape the room! We have partnered with several Indy companies to provide exciting escape room experiences – find out more on page 86.

Film Festival – Running for 11 years, the Film Festival gives out awards for feature-length shorts & web series. Watch movies and attend seminars on film creation! Most Film Festival events are free to attend. Find out more on page 132.

First Exposure Playtest Hall –

Game developers and publishers set up their unreleased games to get valuable feedback from experts – Gen Con attendees! Get a peek into the game development process and help shape the future of the games' design. Flip to page 74 for more information.

Games Library – Located in Lucas Oil Stadium, reserve space to play your own games or check out games from our massive library! More info on page 102. **Gen Con Insights** - Inspired by the format that's made TED such a phenomenon, Gen Con is committed to creating a premiere speaking experience in gaming through our Insights program. Read more about the program on page 94.

Miniature Hobby Events – Learn the basics of painting miniatures at Paint & Take, enroll in one of our many classes to learn a new skill or advance a current skill, or emphasize the fine art of detail in the Miniatures Painting Competition. More info on page 112.

National Security Decision
Making (NSDM) – NSDM originated at
the U.S. Naval War College and has had
a presence at Gen Con for the past 26
years. Part seminar, part live-action role
play, learn about real-world crises and
work with other players to implement a
solution. Learn more on page 114.

Puppet Program – Whether you're already a puppeteer, interested in the art form, or just want to be entertained, our Puppet Program has something for you. Guests of Honor this year are Carroll Spinney (Big Bird, Oscar the Grouch) and Steve Whitmire (Kermit the Frog). Find puppet events and more on page 100.

SPA Program – Our Supplemental Activities Program has something for everyone. With hundreds of events, including crafting, dancing, exercise, city tours, and more, these non-gaming activities are always a fun way to mix up your Gen Con weekend. More info on page 116.

Writer's Symposium – Hone your fiction writing skills with over 150 events in the Writer's Symposium! Attending authors and more information can be found on page 128.



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37 ZOMBIES

We are an eclectic group of Game Masters who love gaming. Our goal is that every player has an amazing experience at our games!

37Zombies.com

BYOV

We run beginner-friendly LARPs, tabletop games, and this year, a non-collectible card game. Our LARPs are known to have cross-genre characters from time to time. We are light on rules, heavy on fun.

byov.com

DAMSELS OF DORKINGTON

The Damsels of Dorkington are a female NerdCore comedy trio. Our goal is to celebrate Dork Pride. We're three nerds, we're proud of it, and we think you should be, too.

DorkPride.com



CU ADVENTURES IN TIME & SPACE

CU Adventures in Time & Space is an escape room company in Urbana, IL. With a focus on narrative storytelling, high production values, and clever puzzles, and our reviews consistently mark us as one of the best escape room experiences in the state.

cuadventures.com

CRAFTY GAMERS

Get crafty with us! Etch glasses, plates and a slate cheese board.
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http://createncraft.com/gencon



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DARKNESS REMEMBERED

Darkness Remembered is a tribute to former Gen Con LARP organization Dark Duality. The remaining members created Darkness Remembered to carry on the tradition of World of Darkness LARPs at Gen Con. We've since expanded into tabletop, card, and board games.

darknessrememberedgames.weebly.com



CRYPTOZOIC ENTERTAINMENT

Cryptozoic Entertainment is dedicated to the concept of "Fans First," striving to develop the most creative and sought-after products for pop culture enthusiasts worldwide. The passionate team at Cryptozoic aims to inspire gamers and collectors all around the globe, while bringing fans together as part of the Cryptozoic community.

cryptozoic.com

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We place highest emphasis on telling good stories and creating immersive, meaningful experiences for our players that focus on the intellectual and emotional, rather than on a character sheet. We want our players to tell epic stories after leaving our games!

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DOCTOR BEUHLER EVENTS

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experimentalgamer.com



THE ESCAPE ROOM USA

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FELDRA GAMERS

We are a group of friends who met through gaming in college. Although we are now spread out across the country, we meet every year at Gen Con to rekindle friendships and play together. We work to inspire new and veteran gamers alike through a variety of original, story-driven games.



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gf9games.com/



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Goodman Games publishes old-school dungeon crawls that use modern rule sets. We are best known for the Dungeon Crawl Classics RPG and adventure modules. The Goodman Games DCC tournaments at Gen Con have become legendary events that sell out every year!

goodman-games.com

GROGNARD STUDIO

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heroes-of-rokugan.net/



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MAMS GAMING

MAMS focuses on running underserved or unrepresented RPGs by recruiting excellent game masters with a passion for their games. MAMS handles the administration and organization of events and other details so that the game masters can focus on providing players with a great gaming experience.

mams-gaming.com

METALHEAD MINIS

Metalhead Minis classes started in August 2009, with the Beginner Painting Class. Since then, it has grown into more advanced classes and techniques. Lyn has over 20 years of teaching experience and ensures that all classes consistently maintain a highquality learning experience, filled with fun and encouragement.

metalheadminis.com



NORTHERN VIRGINIA GAMERS (NOVAG)

Northern Virginia Gamers is a gaming group based out of the suburbs of Washington, DC. This year they'll be running exciting miniatures events for their 21st year at Gen Con.

stevegibsongames.wordpress.com/novag-events-at-gencon/2018-2/

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NASCRAG **NASCRAG**

NASCRAG is the National Society of Crazed Gamers, a group of writers, artists, and performers who get together to bring a custom game of roleplaying and puzzles to Gen Con every year. These Dungeons & Dragons and Pathfinder games are sure to be some of the most unique gaming experiences around!

nascrag.org

MU SKULLS

The MU Skulls are a group of like-minded people with a desire to run entertaining and creative roleplaying games. We specialize in horror roleplaying but enjoy a wide variety of games.

muskulls.org

MIND'S EYE SOCIETY

The Mind's Eye Society focuses on providing immersive, high quality LARP events in the World of Darkness with an emphasis on roleplay and costuming. Above all the we seek to provide an engaging, welcoming LARP experience for new and veteran players.

mindseyesociety.org/



NOVUS ORDO SECLORUM

Novus Ordo Seclorum brings a full slate of exciting games and tournaments delving the depths of the Cthulhu Mythos and beyond! Try a variety of styles playing Call of Cthulhu, as well as Champions, Traveller, and Trail of Cthulhu.

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OTTAWA RED SHIRTS

The Ottawa Red Shirts are all about miniatures games. Their scenarios are designed for convention play, to make sure gamers get the most time and enjoyment out of their events.

facebook.com/ottawaredshirts/

PARTY OF ONE

Party of One is a Minnesota-based gaming group that has run RPGs at Gen Con for 20 years. Whether fantasy, sci-fi or modern, their goal is a great gaming memory.



PIMP MY BOARD GAME

Pimp My Board Game is dedicated to making great games even better. They specialize in crafting, painting, improving, and personalizing loved games.

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PLAID CHAMELEON GAMES

For a dozen years, Plaid Chameleon Games has been running Live Action Role Playing in the world of 7th Sea. They focus on character-driven adventures with full back stories, innovative features, and twisted plots. Veteran players and newcomers are both welcome.

RED RAVEN GAMES

Red Raven Games is a company dedicated to creating imaginative, family-friendly board games. From the fast paced Eight-Minute Empire to the innovative storytelling hits Above and Below and Near and Far, Red Raven Games has something for everyone.

redravengames.com

RUSTED PORTAL GAMES

Creators of Apocalypse the Risen, a post-apocalyptic fantasy horror RPG based on Earth 25 years after the fall of society, successfully Kickstarted in 2017. Company goals include fueling player creativity through inspirational campaign settings and compelling narrative.

rustedportal.com

WINDMILL GAME CO.

Windmill's experienced GMs bring both hilarity and horror to life in games of their own design - from the comedy of ADGNEPSEF555 and Tokyo Masks to the terror of Dread, Windmill Game Co. is your one-stop shop for a great gaming experience at Gen Con!

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STRONGHOLD GAMES

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StrongholdGames.com

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WORLDBUILDERS

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universalhorizonsgaming.weebly.com

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reliquarygamestudios.com



VESUVIUS MEDIA

Vesuvius Media, the creators of Dwar7s Fall and now Dwar7s Winter, is a community-driven game development company that carries online games, mobile games, graphic novels, and board games in their portfolio. Whether online or on the table, their team continually interacts with players, so the community shapes the future of Vesuvius games!

vesuviusmedia.com

SWMGAMERS

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FIRST EXPOSURE PLAYTEST HALL

The First Exposure Playtest Hall is now in its seventh year, with more participants than ever before!

Managed by Double Exposure, Inc. (the company that runs DEXCON, DREAMATION, MAELSTROM, and METATOPIA), the First Exposure Playtest Hall allows designers and publishers to preview and test their creations before they go live. Many in development role playing games, story games, board games, and card games will be represented. What you play this year could be the hottest game at Gen Con next year!

Tickets for playtests are FREE to all Gen Con attendees. At the start of each slot, you will choose a game that sounds interesting from the designers' descriptions, and sit down for two hours to give it a try. The designers and publishers need YOUR feedback about how to make their game better; you could be a part of shaping the new crop of exciting offerings for 2018! Spectators are welcome, and even if you don't have a ticket, come talk the folks at the FEPH and they'll try to fit you in! All events are free and the games listed here are just a sample of those available to test.



AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

ICC: 107-110 All events are free to attendees!

DAYS & TIME

Thursday, Friday, & Saturday 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm

> Sunday 8 am, 10 am, Noon

FEPH PARTNERS

The First Exposure Playtest Hall will also host HO tables for companies involved in the business of producing games and managing game creation. If you have a game in development, or just have questions about the details of production and management, this is your chance to sit down and talk directly with one of our partners; they are here to help make your game design idea a reality!

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PLAYTESTING GAMEPLAY FOR 2018

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The Aetherium Roleplaying Game opens Anvil 8 Game's miniatures skirmish game to a whole new frontier, with a full ruleset you can use to enter the Quantum Noise as a character of your own creation. An innovative dice mechanic simulates the limitless possibilities that the digital mindscape allows; characters are able to twist the rules of reality, or rewrite them! Play as an anarchist, corporate agent, activist, hacker, spy, and more as you struggle to maintain impossibly complex machinery, and your mind soars through infinite worlds. Your body may be trapped in meatspace, but playing the Aetherium Roleplaying Game transports you to a bold new dimension.





ROGUETROUT GAMES **RED GOLD RUSH**

Red Gold Rush is an economic game that recreates the first 100 years following the discovery of raw copper in Michigan's Upper Peninsula in the 1840s. Drawing on extensive research and featuring dozens of historical documents and images, Red Gold Rush traces the development of the massive mining ventures that once accounted for over half the world's copper. Representing investors, players establish mines and explore other industries such as transportation and smelting to outsmart their opponents. Using a variety of mechanics such as hand management and action point allowance, players manage money and shares in mining companies; extract, smelt and sell copper; anticipate economic opportunities and challenges; influence the market; and squeeze profits out of their mining ventures to turn a massive profit. Before there was gold, there was Red Gold.





ASTERI GAMES KARDASHEV

An inventive strategy game where you compete to build the most advanced space civilization by expanding your territory, researching new technology, and conquering your foes. Play as one of six cultures, each with their own unique strenaths.





BOLL FULL OF FUN GAMING ONSLAUGHT

The monsters are coming to take back what once was theirs. Can you and your comrades fend them off this time? . Cooperatively coordinate how to stop this attack, because the Onslaught is coming.



BROOKSPUN GAMES LEGACIES

Cement your legacy for the next 300 years in this strategic workerplacement game that has you making the best choices for your relationships, investments, and heirs. Will your influence stretch across centuries?





EARTHFIRE GAMES MEAT SWEATS

A meat-themed, dice-rolling, pushyour-luck party game for 3-8 players. Each player takes on the role of a restaurateur in an international festival of meats. The goal is to both serve and consume more meat than the other restaurateurs





BLACK SUIT GAMES DATE NIGHT

As a young couple date nights are rare. You just got in the door from a great night out and you're looking to move the

date to the next step... Can you survive all the distractions? Young children, the dog, your opposition? Can you set the mood perfectly? Are you able to distract and delay your opponents to kill their mood? Be the first couple to do it to win this couples party game!





BOARD GAME BROTHAS RAP GODZ

Rap Godz is a game that lets you live through the career of a hip-hop artist from humble beginnings to god status. Each player plays cards onto their career timeline to boost their money, rap skills, or street cred and to earn record sales plaques. All the players will be trying to achieve goals and milestones while competing to take over cities and avoiding the negative impact of having beef with other players. At the end of 3 albums, the player with the most plaques wins!





VESUVIUS MEDIA NOCTURION

In Nocturion, players take on the role of Noble Houses that try to prove their royal status by fulfilling the quests of Emperor Alexius IV. The player with most glory points wins the game





HEADCRAFTED GAMES BOX OFFICE BATTLE

In Box Office Battle, you are the head of an aspiring movie studio. Each player customizes their unique movie projects and puts them up against each other to earn the most money (final win condition). The core of the game is competitive tableau. building with an auction/gamble scoring system. There is a mix of skill and luck that allows both analytical and intuitive players to compete. 2-5 players, 60-90 minute game time





ETERNAL STUDIOS THIFVES' FORTUNE

This is a fast-paced treasure stealing card game where players fight over mythological artifacts from all around the world. Steal treasures that share the same set to unlock new abilities, and combine their effects to take what you need to fulfill your contract and win the game. Just remember, what you take is never yours for long





BLUE FAIRY GAMES NEW BEEGINNINGS

It is Springtime in the local beehive and the queen is ready to swarm with a portion of the hive to seek out and establish a new home. To prepare, she is holding a competition for the hive to see which bees are best fit to go with her. As a player, you take on the role of a team of bees competing in this game. Can you be more efficient than your opponents in collecting resources for the hive, managing new growth, and protecting the hive from danger and disease? Only the best will get to go with the gueen on this new adventure





BRAN NEWTON GAMES FARBOTS MARS

This project started with a game built around a programming mechanic to simulate the time delay between a team of robotic mission control specialists on Earth, and remote exploration robots on distant planets. In the FARBOTS series, this mechanic offers a risk vs. reward element as players must decide whether to forge ahead with multiple transmitted actions before receiving word back on the results of earlier moves. If you like exploration and puzzle solving, FARBOTS may appeal to you. This is a large project in early development.





DASTARDLY DESIGN CO. **OUT OF LINE: FOOD TRUCKS**

Out of Line: Food Trucks is the first in a series of take-that strategy games based on meeple placement, line queuing, card management, and some good old-fashioned lucky dice rolling. Use your cards to speed your way through the lines or sabotage other players by making them take a call from their mother. Each player must fulfill several food requests while balancing card play to prevent attacks from others. Plays perfectly as a social party game or way to end a night of hardcore gaming. What could be more fun than waiting in line? Playing a game about waiting in line.





GO BOOM GAMES ALVARIUM

You are a group of bees competing with other bees to create the most honey so that your hive will survive the coming winter. Éach round, Scout Bees will discover new areas of the field, finding new hives and new opportunities for the Worker Bees to pollinate flowers, collect nectar, gain the Queen's favor, create honey, and even sting a bear. Use your workers efficiently and always be ready for a change in the weather! After 12 rounds, the player with the most honey is the winner!





VIGOR RPG VIGOR

Vigor is a fiction-first, storytelling TTRPG about survival, community, and revolution under harsh conditions and cruel hierarchies. Told through the lens of a Middle Ages Dying Earth metanarrative, Vigor invites players to create rich, deeply flawed characters who attempt to eke out a living and band together against the oppressive forces that corrupt their world.





TURN SIDEWAYS GAMES TACO NINJA ADVENTURE

Taco Ninja Adventure is a card and dice game for 2-4 players that plays between 30-40min. Taco Ninjas each have unique, special abilities and land attacks on the other team by rolling dice. Take turns in the dojo to learn more powerful attacks and collect item cards while your teammate defends you on the field of battle. Give aid from the afterlife or get very lucky and reincarnate as a new Taco Ninja!





EROTH PRODUCTIONS DIVISION SIX

It is the year 2000. For centuries, the secret government organization known as Division Six has protected mankind from the servants of darkness - monsters, dark fey, evil spirits, and the greatest threat of all, the Infernals. Now, the dot-com boom has allowed the spread of the Infernals' greatest tool: The Book of Demons, a manual on how to summon the denizens of Hell. Demonic activity has reached a feverpitch. Put on the badge, take the oath, and prepare to defend humanity from the forces that would devour it





MAGICOLISEUM

In MagiColiseum, you play as a sneaky, competitive, all-powerful Wizard gambling on the order of unicorn deaths. You summon traps, place bets, and cast spells (like the cheater you are) to increase your odds of winning. At the end of each round, chaos strikes - magic is empowered, traps are activated and unicorns die When the magical dust settles, the Wizard with the most money gets all the bragging rights and can like, buy a new wand or something.





CACKLEBERRY GAMES GARDENS OF BABYLON

Gardens of Babylon is a unique 2.5D maze building and tower defense euro-style game. Using hexagonal tiles, players take turns building a pyramidal 2.5D maze. They then move their gardeners through the maze to plant seeds that allow them to claim specific tiles. Each claimed tile earns its owner some points: the higher the tile, the more points it's worth. The goal is to block or out-maneuver their opponents in order to claim and defend the most valuable tiles. The winner is the player with the most points once all tiles have been placed and all seeds have been planted



DESIGN: GIANTSDANCE GAMES: PUBL: PENCIL FIRST GAMES. **TIME EMPIRE**

Time Empire is a Time-Travel, Worker-Placement, Area-Control strategy game for 2-4 players. In the distant future, aliens are trying to take control of Earth, wiping out our institutions and erasing our history. The good news: Time Travel has just been invented! Which of Earth's great empires will rise to the top?





DEAD ALIVE GAMES OMICRON PROTOCOL

Omicron Protocol is a near-future intra-apocalyptic skirmish game in which rival factions fight for the scarce resources they need to survive the downfall of their beloved city, San Lazaro. Each faction and its members are represented by detailed 30mm miniatures, and players can play out the story of the game cooperatively, or battle it out on a 2'x2' board to dominate what was left of the City. The characters each have their own rich history and personality, as well as powerful abilities they can use to help their faction survive and escape the City alive! The game is filled with innovative game mechanics that will make each game feel dynamic, cinematic, and bring players deeper and deeper into the rich and colorful world of San Lazaro!





WINSMITH GAMES FLICKED & FURIOUS

Select your vehicle, rev your engines, and live your life a quarter lap at a time! Flicked & Furious is a dexterity, combatdriven racing game for 2-5 players that plays between 20 and 50 minutes. Each turn, flick your vehicle down the race track, gain distance, dodge hazards, grab power-ups, and knock your opponents off the track. Use your missiles, traps, and turbo boosts wisely to devastate your opponents at just the right time as you whip around the track to victory. 'Don't get furious...Get flicking even."





CRAVON STUDIOS RARE ROSES

Rare Roses is a family weight game featuring the artwork of renowned fantasy artist Nene Thomas. It is a game where you are a floral designer specializing in rare roses. You compete by purchasing stock from the available market, and filling orders that come in from your stock. Each player also has a specialty that they try to focus on for bonus points. Can you be the best floral designer in town?





ZILLA GAMES

FIGHT! FIGHT!! FIGHT!!!

Fight! Fight!! Fight!!! is a fastpaced, "take-that" game with a board full of eccentric characters who are abducted by aliens and or forced to fight

The goal is to advance through the spaceship by fighting other characters, driving opponents backwards, using special character abilities, jumping through portals, and ultimately reaching the final control room portal first.







SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

STADIUM EXPERIENCE AT LOS MIDFIELD

Walk where the greats play! Home to the NFL's Indianapolis Colts and the NASL's Indy Eleven, Lucas Oil Stadium is a state-of-the-art sports arena that is open to you, the Gen Con gamer. For the first time, Gen Con has teamed with the stadium to allow you to walk on the turf at midfield! Take a selfie, post it to Twitter with #gencon, and you may see yourself up on the giant video boards at Lucas Oil Stadium itself!

Special surprises and giveaways await you at midfield – see you there!



CARDHALLA 20

Welcome to the 20th annual Cardhalla at Gen Con. Come join us for this special anniversary of building, donating, & destroying. What started as a moment of passing time has become a beautiful event for fun and charity!

Cardhalla is a 24-hour **free** event where everyone can participate. Come help build a city of cards all made from donated cards. Just grab a pile and start folding and stacking. Be artistic and have fun. Make just about anything you want. Got some time between events and just need a place to unwind? Come join for a couple of minutes.

But then, on **Saturday Night** come help join destroy everything for charity. Bring some pocket change to throw with all money going to our Charity Partners – **Second Helpings** and **The Jake Vassel Memorial Fund**. The closing festivities begin at **10 pm on Saturday** including the auction for the first throw and total destruction at 10:30 pm.

COLLECTIVE ART PROJECT

Is a large-scale, living fantasy painting where you can express your inner artist. Join Artist Kathleen Hardy who has created this one of a kind art piece, by painting the canvas. The piece will be on display in the **Capital concourse, outside the Hall K entrance.** Release your artist within.

PAINTING HOURS Thursday-Saturday: noon-7 pm Sunday: 11 am-2 pm

A bit about Kathleen:

Kat Hardy has two degrees in the arts (photography, and graphic design/multi-media imaging) and has been working as a professional artist for nearly two decades. She has won awards at Con on the Con, Necronomicon, CopperCon, Capricon, and LepreCon. Her work has been published in art books from Catalyst Game Labs, Hero Games, Emerald Press, and more. Kat has been an active participant in Gen Con for the past 18 years. "I am a big fan of the energy and excitement of the event, and I'm excited to find a way to bring new possibilities to the show." She is currently pursuing a degree in psychology and hopes to continue to use art and the creative process in therapeutic ways and bring art to a broad diversity of people.





COIN OP ARCADE

Bring your quarters, we've got a Coin Op Arcade featuring classic video game machines for you to play and experience. The Coin Op Arcade is located in the Indiana Convention Center pedestrian connector leading to Lucas Oil Stadium, 24-hours a day during the show. Relive your childhood or experience these classics for the first time!



SMOREYSWAMP - 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Greg Smorey & the SmoreySwamp have been running events for 25 years! Celebrate by playing some of our premier events, including the Axis & Allies 1942 2nd Edition Tournament, Axis & Allies War at Sea League, & IKUSA/Shogun Tournament - along with Larry Harris' new **War Room** & Philip duBarry's new **Black Orchestra**. We look forward to seeing you!

OUIET ROOM

Need to de-stress, de-compress, and re-group? We have just the place. Our Quiet Room, located in **room 211** of the convention center is a low light. self-monitored space where you get away from the high stimulation of the convention. Take a moment or linger, whatever you need.

QUIET ROOM HOURS Thursday-Saturday: 10 am-6 pm Sunday: 10 am-3 pm

A guiet zone will be immediately outside of the room where you can sit, rest, and seek some relief. This area will be open for the entire duration of the convention.



THE IRON HORSE

Gen Con's own watering hole will be available in the evenings for you to come and chill in a cool dungeon atmosphere while enjoying food and drink. There are plenty of tables to enjoy playing games there too!

The Iron Horse is located in the **basement of the** Union Station. The bar will be open to Gen Con attendees (21 and over).

HOURS

Thursday: 8 pm-close Friday: 8:30 pm-close Saturday: 6 pm to close





FAMILY SERVICES

NURSING AREA/STATIONS

There are a few locations where nursing mothers can find some privacy.

LOCATIONS

- Lucas Oil Stadium Training Grounds area (on the field)
- Crossroads Concourse Women's Restroom - across from the security and first aid offices. Several private rooms with lounge chairs.

BALLOON SCULPTOR

Gen Con's resident balloon sculptor Tim Thurmond is back for another creative year of building unforgettable masterpieces from balloons.

Stop by the **Hoosier concourse** to watch Tim create his one of kind masterpiece! On **Sunday at 12 pm** come help us "slay the creation!" for charity. First strike goes to the highest bidder! All proceeds go to our Charity Partners – Second Helpings and The Jake Vassel Memorial Fund

A bit about Tim:

Tim Thurmond's passion to show the world just how much ingenuity can be crafted from a balloon began over 20 years ago. Since then he has created unforgettable masterpieces that have won numerous international

Visit Tim's mastery at www.TheBalloonSculptor.com



CHAIR MASSAGES

Enjoy a relaxing massage from Enroute Spa offering onsite therapeutic chair massages focusing on neck, shoulders, back, arms, and hands. Just the thing to rejuvenate you for your next gaming adventure.

Services cost between \$20 and \$40 (not including tip), cash and credit card only. No appointment is necessary. Massages are located on the corner of the Crossroads and Hoosier concourses!





CHEESE WEASEL

Want to play a fun game where you can meet exhibitors and try some new games? Join in and have fun while supporting our industry!

Stop by the Cheese Weasel hallway booth, located in **the Capital concourse** and get your Quest Cards. The ConQuest program is an exciting way to tour the hall and potentially win some great prizes! Cheese Weasel primarily promotes small and new game companies and products.





WORSHIP SERVICE

The Christian Gamers Guild is hosting a non-denominational worship service on **Sunday at 9 am** (ZED18125669). The service includes readings from scripture, singing familiar hymns, sermon, and offers an optional communion. The service will be held in the **Westin: Grand Ballroom IV**.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Indiana Blood Center Blood Mobile is back for another Gen Con blood drive! We have two locations this year, outside the **Westin hotel** and in the **ICC Motor lobby**, just outside Main Registration.

HOURS Thursday – Saturday: 10 am-3 pm

Stop by the Blood Drive's hallway booth in the **Crossroads Concourse to schedule your appointment**. The donation process takes less than an hour and most people are eligible to donate with very few causes for deferral.

It's a simple thing to do and is the gift of life for those in need.



STREAMING INFO



twitch.tv/officialgencon twitch.tv/genconstudio



youtube.com/genconvideo



GAMERS LIVE

"Gamers Live" - the improvised comedy show inspired by the popular "The Gamers" film series - is back and bigger than ever! Brought to you by Zombie Orpheus Entertainment (Booth #100), "Gamers Live" mashes together pop culture, gaming, and audience suggestions to create a hilarious, one-of-a-kind live show! A Gen Con tradition since 2012: check it out!



VOW RENEWAL CEREMONY

Gen Con and the VeryVocalViking are hosting Geeky Weddings & Vow Renewal events throughout the show along with a Group Geeky Vow Renewal on Saturday at 7 pm in the Union Station Grand Hall. (ZED18144115).

These unofficial, non-denominational gamerthemed ceremonies are available to all. Guests are welcome, pictures too! Celebrate and reaffirm your commitment. Walk-ups are welcome, space permitting. Congratulations!



COMMUNITY ROW

Located in the **Lucas Oil pedestrian connector**, you'll find representatives from a variety of local organizations that can help you find gaming and other great opportunities for fun the other 361 days of the year! Learn about local conventions and other gaming groups, and have your picture taken with the Stormtroopers of the local 501st Legion.

Participating companies are:

- 501st Legion of Indiana
- Tabletop Gaymers
- WGU Indiana
- The Indianapolis Public Library Foundation
- LWV of Indianapolis
- Who's Yer Con





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ANIME THE GEN CON WAY!



Wasabi Anime® and the Gen Con Anime & Animation
Program have moved back to the Westin Indianapolis this
year. Japanese pop culture programming at your favorite
tabletop gaming convention has been a staple for attendees
for some time now, and this year we've expanded the Anime
& Animation Program (now back in the same room as the Film
Program) with some tried and true experiences and some new
ones you should check out! This year we've partnered with
several amazing groups and companies.

THE COMIC BOOK & MANGA LIBRARY

(Westin, Cameral)

Manga, or Japanese comics, have been around for years, but have only recently exploded onto the mainstream scene. Once hard to find, manga is now readily available almost everywhere and even has its own section in most major bookstores. Whether you're a longtime fan of manga, or just want to stop by and see what all the buzz is about, there's something for you in the Manga Library.

Open Thursday - Sunday at 10 AM.



EVENTS FROM ANIME CROSSROADS

Anime Crossroads is Indianapolis' favorite annual anime convention, and their team will be on hand to host a variety of panels, events, and popular game shows.

Check out Anime Family Feud (ANI18144626) on Friday and Deal or No Deal: Anime Edition (ANI18144627) on Saturday!



ANIME FAMILY FEUD! FEB 8TH-10TH, 2019
PRESENTS

ANIME DEAL OR NO DEAL!

For the latest updates from the Anime & Animation Programming Track, follow Wasabi Anime (WasabiAnime) on Social Media!



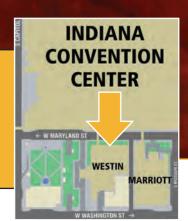






ANIME IS BACK IN THE WESTIN!

Swing by the Westin Indianapolis which is located north of the Indiana Convention Center. You can enter from the Maryland Street side of the hotel by crossing the street via the connected walkway (2nd floor) from the convention center. All anime programming takes place in the first floor conference space of the Westin in the following rooms: Cabinet, Cameral, Capitol, and Congress I.



FUNIMATION NOW!

Need more anime after the convention? Sign up for Funimation's streaming service via Funimation.com/WasabiAnime and get your first month FREE! Just use promo code WASABIGENCON2018. Only Credit Card subscribers on funimation. com can redeem the coupon (Not valid if using PayPal or buying a subscription in iTunes and Roku.) Users will get \$5.99 off even if they purchase yearly subscription. Codes are valid only in US and Canada regions. Active subscribers cannot redeem this coupon. Promo code expires on 9/4/2018.

FUNIMATION

MYSTERY ANIME THEATER 9001

(ANI18144240)

(Formerly Mystery Anime Theatre 3000) A Gen Con Anime Track Tradition! Watch an anime film with Wasabi Anime® as they provide commentary to improve(?) the movie. This year, we'll tell Shinji to "get in the damn" mech complete with a cash bar in the room! Premium tickets are also available.

(ANI18144241) Saturday at 9 PM.



ANIME VIEWING ROOM

(Westin, Congress I)

This year's Anime & Animation Viewing Room opens each day at 10 am and features screenings from AnimEigo, Discotek Media, Funimation, HomestarRunner.com, NIS America, Sentai Filmworks, and VIZ Media.

Check the schedule for exact times and titles.

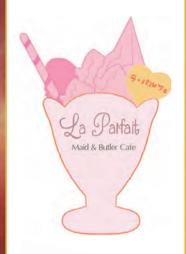


AnimEigo



The most kawaii event at Gen Con! Immerse yourself in all the cute you can handle in the convention version of a maid cafe. (No food or beverage included.)

> **Multiple sessions** Friday - Sunday. ANI18144682, ANI18144683. ANI18144684. ANI18144685, & ANI18144686









MY LITTLE PONY PAINT YOUR OWN PONY

(ANI18144687)

We provide art supplies, paint, and blank ponies. You provide the creativity! Make your own custom MLP figure. For children & Bronies of all ages!

Sunday at 10 AM.



AT A GLANCE

The Anime & Animation Programming Track takes place on the 1st floor conference space inside the Westin Indianapolis. Programming starts at 10 AM each day of the convention, and ends at midnight each night except for Sunday - when programming wraps up at 4 PM. There is an info desk in the Westin conference area near the south entrance of the hotel with daily updates to events and

SATURDAY MORNING CARTOONS BREAKFAST

(ANI18144681)

Join us for a morning of cereal, milk, and classic '80s cartoon goodness. Show up in your pajamas for this throwback way to kick off your day. Seating is limited!

Saturday at 10 AM.







ELECTRONIC GAMING

Arcade classics, Battletech Pods, and bridge simulators oh my! We'll have several spaces dedicated to e-gaming this year for those who prefer to mix up their gaming experience.

CLASSIC CONSOLE ROOM

Presented by



From PCs and arcades to consoles old and new, World 9 Gaming aims to provide the highest quality video gaming experience to events in the Midwest and beyond. Our passion is classic games from our childhood. Whether it be NES or Genesis, Mario or Sonic, look to us to hit that nostalgia sweet spot. With our dedicated staff, tournament expertise, and expansive collection of games and consoles, World 9 is ready to take Gen Con to the next level.

LOCATION

ICC: 135

DATES AND TIMES

Thursday – Saturday: 10 am – Midnight Sunday: 10 am – 4 pm

ARCADE ROOM

Presented by



The VideoGame Palooza arcade provides a full room of classic arcade cabinet games, including old favorites, multicade systems, and a 10 player Killer Queen cabinet! All machines are set to free play, and the cost is only \$6 an hour. Special classic tournaments will run throughout the course of the show as well.

LOCATION

ICC: 134

DATES AND TIMES

Thursday – Saturday: 9 am to Midnight Sunday: 9 am to 2 pm

STARSHIP BRIDGE SIMULATORS

Presented by



You and a group of 4 (or more) will work together as the command deck of a starship bridge; the commander will direct various stations, including communications, weapons, etc., as you all work together on various missions to save the galaxy. Each crew member has their own video touchscreen pad from which they control their crew functions. There's nothing else like it. Curious? Stop by to watch a game, or try the free tutorial bridge.

LOCATION

ICC: 136

DATES AND TIMES

Thursday - Saturday: 10 am to Midnight Sunday: 10 am to 4 pm



COIN-OP ARCADE

Presented by



Want to relive your childhood arcade experience? Check out the Coin-Op Arcade! Located in the pedestrian walkway to Lucas Oil Stadium, this corridor is lined with classic video arcade machines. A quarter (or two) is all you need to be transported back to when the arcade was the coolest place to be, and show your kids what we played before we had the internet!



BATTLETECH PODS

Inside your completely immersive, enclosed Battletech Pod, every moment counts! Control a thirty-foot tall, 75-ton walking tank, blasting your way to victory! Destroy your opponents while withstanding their attack on you. New this year, you can walk up to play a game, or sign up in advance; check out event listings for available tickets.

LOCATION Hall B

DATES AND TIMES

Thursday - Saturday: 8 am - 2 am Sunday: 8 am - 3 pm





ESCAPE ROOMS

WHAT IS AN ESCAPE ROOM?

An escape room is an immersive experience in which you and a group of friends use clues, your wits, a little dexterity, and sometimes, a bit of luck, to solve the mystery and ESCAPE THE ROOM! You only have a brief period of time, usually one hour, to make your escape/save the world/stop the bad guys/deactivate the bomb. You'll have to work together quickly to solve the

puzzles and riddles, so grab your squad and get ready for the adrenaline rush!

Due to overwhelming demand, Gen Con has again expanded its Escape Room offerings, with both onsite and nearby escape room locations. With 4 different partners, and 15 unique rooms, there's a theme for everyone!



THE ESCAPE ROOM USA

The Escape Room USA offers a NEW, fun, and interactive adventure game designed for everyone. The concept: You and your team are locked in a themed room where you have 60 minutes to find clues, solve puzzles, and discover keys and combinations to escape the room before your time is up! The Escape Room Indianapolis is fun with your family, friends, and co-workers!

SCHEDULE

Thursday: 9 am - midnight

Friday and Saturday: 8 am - 2 am

Sunday: Noon - 1pm

Filter by host: "The Escape Room USA" in the Gen Con Event Catalog for location and availability.



ESCAPEINDY

EscapeINDY has clocks, locks, and secret passages in each of our fully themed rooms for your team of four to ten players. You must meet two goals: collect the hidden asset and escape the room before time runs out! To complete your mission, you will need your wits, teamwork, and a lot of critical thinking. Located in the heart of downtown Indianapolis, our escape room missions are appropriate for agents 10 years and older.

SCHEDULE

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday: 10 am – midnight

Sunday: noon - 2:30 pm

Filter by host: "Escape INDY" in the Gen Con Event Catalog for location and availability.



CU ADVENTURES IN TIME AND SPACE

CU Adventures in Time and Space is excited to return to Gen Con with a new set of genre escape rooms on-site at the convention! Featuring high tech games with an immersive atmosphere, CU Adventures challenges teams to not only escape a room, but to save the world. Players fight to stop Dracula, prevent a Lovecraftian apocalypse, explore an alien spacecraft, and more. With a permanent facility in Champaign-Urbana Illinois, CU Adventures has premiered new supernatural, sci-fi, and fantasy escape rooms at Gen Con since 2016 and this is the only convention where these cuttingedge games can be played. More information about CU Adventures can be found at www.cuadventures.com.

MAGISCHOLA

Magischola: Detention Break Out Escape Room; presented by Learn Larp, LLC. Welcome to Magischola, where you have been assigned detention for misuse of magic (or professor favoritism, who knows which?). Work with your friends to solve the series of puzzles and magical effects to discover the mystery of the ghost who cursed you.

SCHEDULE

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday: 10 am to 10 pm.

Search for "Magischola Escape Room" in the Gen Con Event Catalog for location and availability.

SCHEDULE

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday: 9 am - 10:15 pm

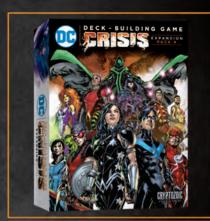
Sunday 9 am - 1:30pm

Filter by host: "CU Adventures in Time and Space" in the Gen Con Event Catalog for location and availability.

BOOTH 601

CRYPTOZOIC*

WWW.CRYPTOZOIC.COM



DC Deck-Building Game Crisis Expansion Pack 4



DC Spyfall



Epic Spell Wars of the Battle Wizards: Panic at the Pleasure Palace \$32

DEMO THESE AND OTHER CRYPTOZOIC GAMES AT OUR BOOTH. STOP BY HALL C AND PLAY IN ONE OF OUR TOURNAMENTS!





FAMILY FUN

Gen Con makes families a top priority for the convention, and offers a great deal of programming for kids of all ages and their families.

AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

ICC : Exhibit Hall, Family Fun Pavilion

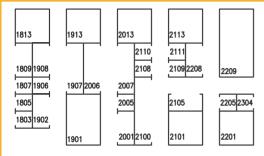
DAY & TIME

Thursday – Saturday 10 am – 6 pm

> Sunday 10 am - 4 pm

FAMILY FUN PAVILION

For over a decade, Gen Con has created a dedicated space for family gaming for all ages. Exhibitors in this area showcase games for the intrepid young players.



PARTICIPATING EXHIBITORS

PANTICIPATING EXHIBITORS		
Bananagrams2105	Green Couch Games 2108	
Big Potato Games2105	HABA USA1907	
Blue Orange Games 1813	Haywire Group2006	
Brain Games2205	Mayday Games2101	
Bricks & Boards2001	Nauvoo Games2009	
Calliope Games1901	Peaceable Kingdom 1805	
Card Caddy2111	Pegasus Spiele2013	
Conquest Journals2304	Ravensburger2113	
Continuum Games 2109	Renegade Game	
Cranio Creations2005	Studios2209	
FoxMind1908	Resonym1803	
G33k & Co1902	Set Enterprises2208	
Gamewright2100	Spy Alley2110	
Gigamic1913	Surfin' Meeple2201	
GPI2006	Twin City Games 1906	
Grand Gamers Guild 2007	University Games 2208	

















FAMILY FUN BUTTON PROGRAM

Collect all six buttons and then head over to the Information Kiosk to collect the ULTIMATE BUTTON! Buttons can be found at the following locations:

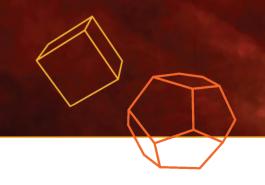
CMON - Event Area Mattel - Booth #349 Days of Wonder - Booth #1619 Catan Studios - Event Area at Catan HO Upper Deck - Wabash Ballroom CGE - Room #236 Gen Con - LoS Mid-Field Gen Con Ultimate - Info Kiosk

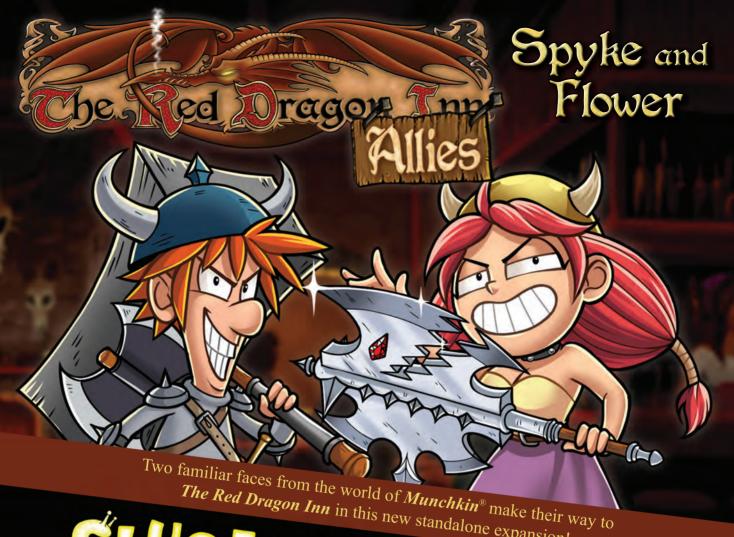
DESTRUCTION OF THE BALLOON CREATURE

During the entire weekend, a giant balloon creature is created, then at noon on Sunday, it will be destroyed for charity! Come watch the wild fun just outside the Exhibit Hall doors.



A special thanks to Bob, James, Kyle, Char, and all the Training Grounds volunteers for their continued help and support with this program.





The Red Dragon Inn in this new standalone expansion!

SLUGFEST GAMES

BOOTH 1849

Check out the Gen Con coupon book for an amazing deal on the game that started it all!

Regular Price: \$37.95 Gen Con Price: \$35



With Coupon



Coupon offer valid only on original Red Dragon Inn game. Offer only valid with coupon. While supplies last. Limit 2 per customer. Munchkin is © 2001-2018 by Steve Jackson Games. All rights reserved. Munchkin, the Munchkin characters, and the pyramid logo are trademarks or registered trademarks of Steve Jackson Games, Incorporated, used under license by SlugFest Games. All rights reserved. GEN CON is a trademark of Gen Con LLC. All rights reserved. Used under authorization.



FAMILY FUN

KID EVENTS

The KIDs programming area, located in Lucas Oil Stadium, next to the Training Grounds, is the perfect place to take your child who is ready for more structured activities. Most of the events in this area are ticketed and include both kid friendly crafting events and kid appropriate introductory RPG events. You'll find wand making, "sword" fighting, and a variety of activities, suitable for whatever your kid might be interested in. Search "KID" events in the online event guide to see the variety of KID events offered here.

AT A GLANCE

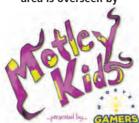
LOCATION

Lucas Oil Stadium: Field

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Sunday Various

The KIDs programming area is overseen by





AT A GLANCE

NEW LOCATION

Lucas Oil Stadium: Field

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Saturday 10 am – 8 pm

> Sunday 10 am – 4 pm

Check event listing for special events located in Training Grounds.

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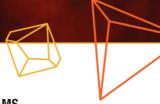
TRAINING GROUNDS

Training Grounds is the place to introduce younger kids to the gaming world and all its possibilities. Come play and explore! Training Grounds is most appropriate for kids ages 4-9 years old; please note that kids may not be left unattended in this, or any area.

Training Grounds has some scheduled events, but primarily has many free form activities and games being led by members of the Gen Con Event Team. Stop by any time to see what's happening and join in the fun! There's always a giant castle being built, a pirate raid in progress, or a craft being taught. Training Grounds also has a large inventory of age appropriate board game and card game titles.

FOR THE LITTLEST OF LITTLES

Gen Con has a nursing/pumping area toward the rear of Training Grounds, with a comfortable chair and privacy drapes. There is also an adjacent crawling and toddler area. This area provides a clean, carpeted, quiet area where your little ones can spend some time during the convention.







ARMORY

Outfit yourself with only the best supplies for interstellar adventure with the hardcover *Starfinder Armory!*Within this directory of futuristic equipment, you'll find tons of adventuring gear for the Starfinder Roleplaying Game, from weapons, armor, and augmentations to technological items, magic items, vehicles, and more!

AVAILABLE NOW AT PAIZO'S BOOTH [#103]!





STREAMING

For the first time in Gen Con's 51-year history, we will be live streaming several talks, seminars, and entertainment events throughout the weekend on our two Twitch channels! The live streams will be running all weekend, check out gencon.com for the most up-to-date schedule.

STREAMERS



MAZE ARCANA

Maze Arcana is a multi-platform concept creator, helmed by Satine Phoenix & Ruty Rutenberg, that specializes in fostering an inclusive culture and augmenting the community with positive and uplifting content.

> Inkwell Society Live! Friday 7 pm

Sirens of the Realms Live! Saturday 4 pm

Theogony of Kairos Live! Saturday 10 pm



SATINE PHOENIX

Satine Phoenix is an illustrator, comic book creator and author who spent the last 8 years encouraging the Los Angeles Dungeons & Dragons

Community. She began by coordinating weekly D&D games at Meltdown Comics and building meetup.com/
LATabletopGamers. She founded CelebrityChariD20.com with Keith Baker for Reach out and Read in 2010. Satine co-created Maze Arcana in 2016 with Ruty Rutenberg as a way to connect with fellow gamers across the world. As Guild Adepts, they create tabletop content and travel the world from game stores to conventions teaching others how to take their games to the next level. You can read about her Gaming Escapades over the years on io9.com, Wired magazine, Maxim and Time Magazine.



RUTY RUTENBERG

Ruty Rutenberg is a former U.S. Army OIF/OEF combat medic turned actor, author, voice-over artist, and award-winning Dungeon Master and showrunner. The films and TV series he has worked on include Argo, Fury, Baby Daddy, The Finest Hours, The Magnificent Seven, and Grow House starring Snoop Dogg

and directed by DJ Pooh. Most recently, Ruty was the Lead Designer on the platinum selling Xanathar's Lost Notes to Everything Else, the D&D Guild Adept's follow-up to Xanathar's Guide to Everything. You can find XLN, along with his platinum selling Adventure League Season 7 module A Day at the Races and other Guild Adept products on D&D'sDMsGuild.com.



B DAVE WALTERS

Storyteller, Geek, Motivator, and proud Scoundrel American. DM of

ToK: Theogony of Kairos, Harmatio on Inkwell Society; Chato on We're Alive: Frontier on Project Alpha and Co-host of Ask Your Black Geek Friend on Geek & Sundry. Social handles BDaveWalters everywhere.



STREAMING STAGE

twitch.tv/officialgencon

Tune in to twitch.tv/officialgencon to watch games led by Gen Con friends Adam Koebel, Travis McElroy, Satine Phoenix, Ruty Rutenberg and more! This channel is also the place to find talks from Tabletop Industry Insiders and Guests of Honor.

Streaming Stage table provided by Hammered Tables.

STREAMING STUDIO twitch.tv/genconstudio

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Watch interviews and see what's hot on twitch.tv/genconstudio. Our hosts will be chatting with game designers and publishers to talk about what they're releasing at Gen Con and beyond.

Streaming Studio table provided by Carolina Gaming Tables.



ADAM KOEBEL

Adam Koebel is the co-designer of the award-winning tabletop roleplaying game Dungeon World. He's

a full time Twitch broadcaster, best known for his work with the RollPlay family of live RPG campaigns as well as the long-running Roll20 Presents series, for which he is GM in residence. Adam is an advocate for diversity in games, and is an outspoken proponent of boosting LGBT voices in tabletop. When he's not doing all that, he's probably eating ramen or taking photographs.

Once More Unto the Dungeon...World Thursday 7 pm

Once More Unto the Dungeon...World Saturday 7 pm

Once More Unto the Dungeon...World Sunday 1 pm



TRAVIS McELROY

Travis McElroy is a professional podcaster who hosts numerous shows including The Adventure Zone - on which he plays Dungeons & Dragons with his dad and brothers. In addition, he co-hosts My Brother, My Brother and Me (MBMBaM), Shmanners, Trends Like These, Til Death Do Us Blart and more. He is also one of the titular brothers of the My Brother, My Brother and Me TV Show. He, along with his brothers and dad, has adapted The Adventure Zone arc one into a graphic novel available July 2018.

Travis McElroy Livestream Friday 1 pm



SAVING THROW

Saving Throw was founded in 2013 to focus on building a community around role-playing games through inclusion,

interaction, instruction and just plain ol' good times. Since then they've produced hundreds of hours of liveplay streams, sketches, instructional videos, and reviews and raised thousands of dollars for charitable causes. With new content five days a week Saving Throw is making sure everyone has a place at the table!

Saving Throw Wildcards Charity Game for Extra Life Friday 4 pm



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GEN CON INSIGHTS

The past few years have seen tabletop games explode into pop culture consciousness. Podcasts, streaming video, and featured pieces in major media have led the way. Their professional content, slick production values, and genuine passion have made the hobby more accessible to new audiences than ever before. Gen Con, of course, is thrilled by this trend and is working to do more to be a part of it.

Gen Con Insights is our response. Inspired by the format that's made TED such a phenomenon, Gen Con is committed to creating a premiere speaking experience in gaming.

This year is our first step, we will continue to hone and refine this program making it a best-in-class event that will endure past Gen Con, streaming to new audiences for years to come on Gen Con's YouTube channel.

CHANGE MAKERS

GEN CON INSIGHTS

(SEM18144405)

Thursday, 5 pm

ICC: 500 Ballroom/Reception

Introductions by Peter Akison & Ajit George

STREAMING INFO

All Industry Guests of Honor events will be recorded for delayed-release during and after the show on Gen Con Twitch and YouTube channels.



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GEN CON PROGRAMS



youtube.com/genconvideo

CREDITS

Insights CoordinatorAjit George

Recording & Live Editing



PRESENTERS



PETER ADKISON

Peter Adkison has worked as a serial entrepreneur in the tabletop games industry since 1990. His first business was Wizards of the Coast, which he founded in 1990. During his 11-year tenure as CEO, Wizards published Magic: The Gathering, acquired and relaunched Dungeons & Dragons, and brought the Pokémon trading cards out of Japan to the rest of the world.

After leaving Wizards he acquired the Gen Con tabletop games convention which he still owns. Under his ownership, Gen Con has grown from 18,000 attendees to over 61,000.

At age 50, Peter Adkison decided to change careers and follow his dream of becoming a filmmaker. After a couple of experimental projects, Adkison has

decided to focus his efforts on Chaldea, a fantasy web series that combines live action film with comic art (www.worldofchaldea.com).

Adkison's bio is on Wikipedia at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter Adkison.



BEN DOBYNS

Ben Dobyns and his talented collaborators at Zombie Orpheus Entertainment (ZOE) and Dead Gentlemen Productions (DGP) have been pushing boundaries within the independent film scene and tabletop gaming industry since releasing *The Gamers* in 2002. By empowering fans to legally remix, create, and share their creations, ZOE has built a sustaining community of supporters. Using a combination of monthly subscriptions, crowdfunding pledges, and direct digital distribution, ZOE has become the rarest kind of indie film company: one that is consistently and ethically profitable.

Ben works with a diverse team of storytellers to develop and produce projects that seek to normalize women's rights, LGBTQ identity, racial justice, indigenous cultural revitalization, and economic justice through the lens of genre comedies and dramas. Ben is currently

showrunner for Strowlers, an open cinematic universe set (so far) in Seattle, Ireland, and Mongolia, and The Gamers: The Series, which recently won Best Pilot at Vancouver Web Fest.

Outside of the film world, Ben is a professional jazz pianist and church organist, a published short story author, and he writes and stages massive interactive murder mysteries. He currently lives in Vancouver, Canada with his partner and their child.



SHANNA GERMAIN

Shanna Germain is an award-winning writer and editor with dozens of books, hundreds of short stories, and myriad other works to her name. She's the co-owner and managing editor of Monte Cook Games, LLC. Her recent books and games include Numenera, No Thank You, Evil!, Predation, As Kinky as You Wanna Be, The Lure of Dangerous Women, and The Poison Eater.

Find her at montecookgames.com and shannagermain.com.



INDUSTRY GUESTS OF HONOR

CHANGE MAKERS

The Industry Guests of Honor program is a new initiative for 2018. Once known as the Industry Insider Featured Presenter program, Industry Guests of Honor are selected based on a theme.

This year's Guests of Honor are "change makers" in the hobby and industry of games and the culture built around them. Each guest will host a moderated "uncommon conversation" about their work and influence as well as participate in a moderated round table discussion.

INDUSTRY LEGENDS



DAVE ARNESON



GARY GYGAX



TRACY HICKMAN



MARGARET WEIS

ADVISORY PANEL

Matt Forbeck
Ajit George
Nicole Lindroos

STREAMING INFO

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ANITA **SARKEESIAN**

Anita Sarkeesian is an award-winning media critic and the creator and executive director of Feminist Frequency, an educational nonprofit that explores the representations of women in pop culture narratives. Her work focuses on deconstructing the stereotypes and tropes associated with women in popular culture as well as highlighting issues surrounding the targeted harassment of women in online and gaming spaces.

She has been a panelist at the United Nations and been a guest speaker at various fan, media and technology conferences including XOXO, The Media Evolution Conference, Women in the World and GeekGirlCon. Anita has been interviewed and featured in publications such as Wired, The Guardian, Rolling Stone, The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times and The Colbert

Anita was named one of TIME's 100 Most Influential People in the World in 2015 and was the recipient of the 2014 Game Developers Choice Ambassador Award. In 2016 Anita was awarded an honorary PhD from The New School in New York City.

Anita's first book, History vs Women: The Defiant Lives That They Don't Want You To Know, co-written with Ebony Adams, is due out October 2, 2018.

www.anitasarkeesian.com

EVENT INFORMATION

AN UNCOMMON CONVERSATION W/ ANITA SARKEESIAN Moderated by Luke Crane (SEM18144146) Thursday 8 pm

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION W/ INDUSTRY GUESTS OF HONOR Moderated by Jason Morningstar (SEM18144149) Saturday 10 am

> LOCATION ICC: 500 Ballroom/Recp



JORDAN WEISMAN

Jordan Weisman has been the driving creative force behind many tabletop and video game companies. He has invented several gaming genres and created some of the most loved and longestrunning game franchises including BattleTech/ MechWarrior, Shadowrun, and Crimson Skies.

Jordan founded his first company, FASA, in 1980 to publish pen and paper roleplaying games, board games, and novels. He pioneered publicly accessible virtual reality at his second company, Virtual World Entertainment, which he sold to the Disney family in 1992. Weisman founded FASA Interactive to develop his properties for PC and sold that company to Microsoft in 1998. As Creative Director for Microsoft Entertainment he oversaw the first two years of Xbox titles including Halo. While at Microsoft Jordan conceived and pioneered the transmedia experience for Steven Spielberg's A.I. Artificial Intelligence. spawning the new genre of Alternate Reality Games. After leaving Microsoft Jordan returned to tabletop games founding WizKids to create the genre of collectible miniature games with Mage Knight and HeroClix. WizKids was acquired by Topps Inc in 2003, the same year that he founded 42 Entertainment to produce ARGs, including "I Love Bees," "Year Zero," and the "Why So Serious?" campaign for The Dark Knight. Most recently Jordan founded software studio Harebrained Schemes with Mitch Gitelman where he has been reinventing Shadowrun and BattleTech as modern computer games.

Weisman is a New York Times bestselling fiction author, winner of the Northwest E&Y Entrepreneur of the Year award, Time Magazine's Ten Best Ideas, dozens of design award, and has been inducted into the Academy of Adventure Gaming Art & Design Hall of Fame

EVENT INFORMATION

AN UNCOMMON CONVERSATION W/ JORDAN WEISMAN

Moderated by Nicole Lindroos
(SEM18144148) Thursday 3 pm

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION W/ INDUSTRY **GUESTS OF HONOR** Moderated by Jason Morningstar (SEM18144149) Saturday 10 am

> LOCATION ICC: 500 Ballroom/Recp



NOLAN T. **JONES**

Nolan T. Jones is the co-founder and Managing Partner of Roll20®. In 2012 while pursuing a career in comics. Nolan and his partners Rilev Dutton and Richard Zavas came up with Roll20 Virtual Tabletop as a method to play tabletop games over long distances. Since then, Nolan has been key in hiring Roll20 staff as they build a brand -- with a member community of over 3 million -- based on camaraderie and respect. The Roll20 team's efforts were recognized by four consecutive **ENnie Awards for Best Software** (2013--2016).

Nolan is a proud graduate of the University of Kansas Film & Media Studies Department and lives in the Las Vegas Valley since 2009 with his spouse. His favorite biographical joke is that his hobbies are reading and sports.

EVENT INFORMATION

AN UNCOMMON **CONVERSATION** W/ NOLAN T. JONES Moderated by Tanya DePass (SEM18144147) Friday 10 am

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION W/ INDUSTRY GUESTS OF HONOR

Moderated by Jason Morningstar (SEM18144149) Saturday 10 am

LOCATION ICC: 500 Ballroom/Recp

NDUSTRY GUESTS OF HONOR



TANYA DEPASS

Moderator for Nolan T. Jones

Tanya DePass is the founder and Director of *I Need Diverse Games*, a non-profit organization based in Chicago dedicated to better diversification of all aspects of gaming. *I Need Diverse Games* serves the community by supporting marginalized developers to attend the Game Developer Conference, by participating in the GDC Scholarship program, and assisting attendance at other industry events. It also is seeking partnership with organizations and initiatives. #INeedDiverseGames wants to make it better and more inclusive for everyone.

Tanya is a lifelong Chicagoan who loves everything about gaming. She founded and was the EIC of *Fresh Out of Tokens* podcast where games culture was discussed and viewed through a lense of feminism, intersectionality, and diversity. Now she's a co-host on the *Spawn on Me Podcast*. Additionally, she's the Programming Coordinator for OrcaCon, and often speaks on issues of diversity, feminism, race, intersectionality & other topics at multiple conventions throughout the year. Her writing about games and games critique appears in Uncanny Magazine, Polygon, Wiscon Chronicles, Vice Gaming, Paste Games, Mic, and other publications. She's also the editor of Game Devs and Others: Tales from the Margins.



LUKE CRANE Moderator for Anita Sarkeesian

Luke Crane is the Head of Games at Kickstarter where he has helped thousands of creators bring their games to life. He is also a designer and publisher of weird underground RPGs like Burning Wheel, Mouse Guard and Torchbearer.



JASON MORNINGSTAR Moderator for Round Table Discussion

Jason Morningstar is a game designer who lives in Durham, North Carolina, USA. Best known for his game *Fiasco*, which earned him his second Diana Jones Award for Gaming Excellence. Jason's design credits include *Night Witches, Ghost Court, Grey Ranks, Durance* and many other games. He has also made games for clients like Google and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Jason's games have been featured

at Indiecade and in the Gen Con 50th anniversary museum.

Beyond roleplaying, Jason consults on the use of games for

teaching and learning, most recently with the University of California, University of Michigan, Kaiser-Permanente Health Care, and the Innovation Learning Network. In addition to design, Jason has written extensively on game-related topics. His articles have appeared in the journal Analog Game Studies and anthologies States of Play and Unframed.



ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION W/ INDUSTRY GUESTS OF HONOR (SEM18144149) Saturday 10 am

LOCATION ICC: 500 Ballroom/Recp



NICOLE LINDROOS Moderator for Jordan

Weisman

Nicole Lindroos entered the game industry in 1989. Since that time, she co-founded Adventures Unlimited magazine, served on the board of the Game Manufacturers Association and as the chair of the Academy of Adventure Gaming Art and Design. She has volunteered both on the advisory committee and as head of the Origins

Awards and has been an active freelancer for large and small companies alike. Since the year 2000 she has been coowner and General Manager of Green Ronin Publishing.

Her current special project has been the transmedia property *The Lost Citadel* and an effort to get the tabletop games industry to adopt a professional code of conduct and uniform anti-harassment policies and procedures. She's also the sweetest person you never want to piss off.





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PUPPET PROGRAM

Puppetry is an ancient art form that has been used to educate, entertain, and inspire audiences of adults and children for centuries. Whether you're already a puppeteer, interested in the art form, or you just want to be entertained, there's puppetry programming at Gen Con that is sure to captivate you. We're bringing in top performers in their field to offer everything from workshops, to shows for kids, to after-hours shows for adults only. We have a NEW location this year for most puppet events, Indiana Ballroom E, with plenty of room for multiple workshops and presentations at the same time. It's your central location at Gen Con for all your puppet needs!

AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

NEW! Marriott: Indiana Ballroom E

DAY & TIME

Various

PUPPET SCHEDULE

(subject to change)

THURSDAY		
SEM18140362	Puppet Eye Mechanisms	12 pm
SEM18143048	An Afternoon with Steve Whitmire	2 pm
WKS18140256	Make a Sandwich Puppet	3 pm
SEM18140358	Building a Shoulder Familiar Puppet	5 pm
ENT18140247	Puppet Karaoke	8 pm
FRIDAY		
KID18140535	Kids Make a Moving Mouth Puppet	9 am
SEM18140368	Puppet Building Pro Secrets	11 am
WKS18140376	Fantasy Finger Puppets	12 pm
SEM18142852	I Married Big Bird: Stories from Debbie	2
14///64 04 42 05 5	Spinney with special guest, Carroll Spinney	2 pm
WKS18143055	Making Puppets Come Alive with Steve Whitmire	3 pm
WKS18140284	Make a Hamburger Puppet	4 pm
SEM18143062	From There to Here with Steve Whitmire	6 pm
ENT18140255	Late Night Puppet Slam	11 pm
SATURDAY		
KID18141265 A Monster's Mother Goose Puppet Show 9 am		
KID18140537	Kids Make a Moving Mouth Puppet	10 am
SEM18142849	Honor That Bird, with Carroll Spinney	11 am
KID18140253	Puppet Karaoke Kids	12 pm
SEM18140538	Character Design for Puppetry and Beyond	1 pm
WKS18143067	Monitor Puppeteering with Steve Whitmire	2 pm
ZED18140551	Puppeteer Social	4 pm
WKS18141267	Puppet Playtime Improv Experience	9 pm

KID18143077 Food Rod Puppets with Stacey Gordon

Puppet Petting Zoo

WKS18140534 Monster Mix Up Puppet Workshop

SUNDAY

A Monster's Mother Goose Puppet Show 9 am

10 am

11 am

1 pm

2 pm

FRIDAY 11PM

Puppets from Cupboard to Character

WESTIN GRAND BALLROOM V: ENT18140255

LATE NIGHT PUPPET SLAM

Come join a slightly raunchy and always funny time, as featured puppeteers bring a variety of skits with a geeky theme; remember, this show is for adults only!



GEN CON'S GUESTS OF HONOR FOR THE PUPPET PROGRAM CAROLL SPINNEY & STEVE WHITMIRE!

Caroll Spinney

Caroll Edwin Spinney has performed Big Bird and Oscar the Grouch on Sesame Street for almost 50 years. Spinney is an American puppeteer, cartoonist, author and speaker.

Spinney joined Sesame Street for the inaugural season in 1969. He has performed the Big Bird and Oscar characters in Australia, China, Japan, and across Europe. As Big Bird and Oscar, he has conducted orchestras across the US and Canada, including the Boston Pops, as well as visiting the White House multiple times. He has also provided the characters' voices on dozens of albums over the years.



Steve Whitmire

Steve Whitmire is an American puppeteer who has worked on The Muppets and Sesame Street. Beginning his involvement with the Muppets in 1978, Whitmire inherited the roles of Kermit the Frog and Ernie, after Jim Henson's death in 1990; he performed the characters until 2016 and 2014, respectively. As part of the Muppet cast, he has appeared in multiple feature films and television series, performing a variety of characters on The Muppet Show, Sesame Street, and Fraggle Rock and during such occupations has worked for the Jim Henson Company, Sesame Workshop, and the Muppets Studio.



Steve and Carroll will have periodic signings both in the back of the Exhibit Hall in the Signing area, and at the Puppet table in the Entertainment section of the Exhibit Hall; check signage onsite for specific times.

We're also happy to have return again, as our Puppet Program Coordinator, Stacey Gordon - Stacey is one of our principal performers at our Late Night Puppet Slam, and has been invaluable in helping to grow the program. She's also the performer of the "Sesame Street" Muppet character, "Julia". Be sure to check out Stacey's multiple workshops, including many kid friendly workshops, to work on your own creation!

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GAMES LIBRARY & PICK-UP PLAY AREA



The Gen Con Games Library is so massive that it's taking over the field at Lucas Oil Stadium again! The Games Library and Pick-Up Play areas make it easy and fun to discover new friends and board games.

The largest destination in the entire convention to sit down, relax and game! The Games Library has hundreds of games available to check out so you can play all weekend long. The Games Library, located in Lucas Oil Stadium, will again offer a Weekend Pass for unlimited access to the entire area for the whole weekend.

PICK-UP PLAY AREA

Need more players or looking for a game to join? The Pick-Up Play Area within the Games Library is your go to destination. Complete with its own matchmaking system, gamers can easily find games that need players or find players that need a game! Meet up with a group of friends or find new ones to play with. The amazing team of volunteers will help you find open tables to play. Bring your own games or choose one from the extensive Game Library selections. Game on!



DONATE YOUR EXTRA GAMES!

Too many great games cluttering your home or just need to make space on your shelf for your latest Gen Con find? Give your gently used titles a new life by donating them to the ever-expanding Games Library. All varieties are welcome from classic board and card games to new RPG's. They will be a welcome part of the Gen Con family.

AT A GLANCE

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DAYS & TIME

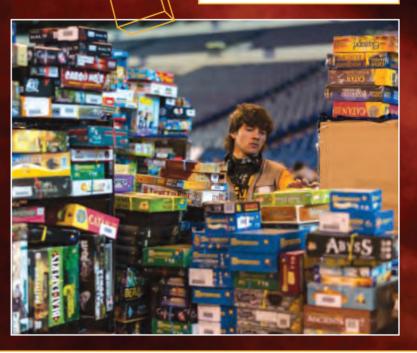
Thursday, 8 am through Sunday, 4 pm



EVENT TICKETS ZED18128662 - ZED18128672

A Games Library event ticket grants you full access to the library and space to play in. You can buy an event ticket for just a portion of the day, a full day or the entire weekend for maximum gaming enjoyment.

Find tickets to the Games Library & Pick-Up Play Area on gencon.com by filtering by Host: "Lending Library Logistics."



COLLECT! BUILD! BATTLE!

LEARN TO PLAY IN THE CROSSROADS CONCOURSE!







ENTERTAINER

Entertainers will be roaming the hallways and corridors of Gen Con throughout the convention. There are two dedicated performance spaces, one located on the Hoosier concourse and the other at the intersection of Crossroads & Wabash.

Check the onsite signage for the schedule. Tips are welcome!



DIFFERENT DRUMMER BELLY DANCERS * %

Different Drummer Belly Dancers (DDBB) are back and bringing their fandom love with them. Moving their hips to their favorite music and honoring their favorite fandoms, these dancers will get you on your feet and smiling. This year they're holding a belly dance party called a hafla! Whether you find DDBD busking in the halls, teaching classes, throwing parties, or dancing before the Saturday Costume Contest, DDBD is here to entertain you.

Catch Different Drummer Belly Dancers at:

- Their dance classes!
- The ENT Belly Dance Party Hafla! ENT18126769
- Dancing in the hallways
- Visit us at our booth in the Entertainer Spotlight of the Exhibit Hall. This year *Fandoms in all their color and* music will be saluted at the Pre-Costume Contest show on Saturday.

For more information, visit us at www.ddbd.org/gencon. Find us on Facebook @DifferentDrummerBellyDancers and follow us on Twitter @ddbd.

RED RUM * 9

Red Rum is the brainchild of Renaissance Faire veterans Captain Romeo 'the' Red (Adam Fivush, who plays guitar, bodhran and is the main songwriter), Rum (Andrea Fivush,



who plays autoharp and bodhran) and Scurvy Minstrel Teig (Tim Hoke who plays mandolin, fiddle, tin whistle, guitar, spoons, bodhran and anything else not nailed down). These scurvy Pirates gallivant across the countryside looking for their lost ship, the Luna Sea. To aid their way, Captain Red and Minstrel Tieg quickly devised a plan to earn enough gold to travel from port to port by performing Renfaire standards, folk and pub songs, and original songs and parodies with their unique comic flair and style. Rum just came along for the rum (and Captain Red). Needless to say, trouble is never far behind for this motley band of well-dressed pirates.

In addition to wandering the halls and playing for anyone who will listen, Red Rum has shows on Friday and Saturday nights at Gen Con. Check out www.RedRumBand.webs.com and like them on Facebook @RedRumBand.

THE IRISH BARD *

Andrew McKee - The Irish Bard entertains with new and exciting arrangements of traditional Celtic & comedic folk music. A storyteller and weaver of dreams, Andrew brings to life a ceilidh atmosphere with music and stories for one and all. You will be intrigued, entranced, inspired and amused by his rhythmic audacity and melodic mischief. Join the Irish Bard for Celtic folk, filk, and fun!



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than ever. Looking to
trump the release of the
critically acclaimed CD,
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geek and created an
album of songs dedicated
to you, their fellow



gamers. Laugh, clap and sing along as they pay homage to some of the greatest science fiction and fantasy stories and writers of all time as only Water Street Bridge would do. Don't worry, they'll slip in some of your old favorites too. Alt-folk has never been so *ALT*.

Check them out at www.WaterStreeBridge.com, on Facebook or follow them on Instagram @waterstreetbridge.

CLASSICAL MUSIC INDY

Classical Music Indy is the non-profit producer and syndicator of classical music radio programs, the originator of numerous community engagement and education programs, and an advocate for classical music and classical music-makers. #RandomActsofMusic is a program offered by Classical Music Indy for the city of Indianapolis. #RandomActsofMusic creates a new contemporary culture of classical music

with spontaneous pop up performances anywhere and anytime. This year at Gen Con we will be providing a surprise array of gaming and film music favorites with a trio of classical musicians!



SPOTLIGHT



Marooned, the singing pirates of Gen Con, return to bring their blend of pirate shanties. Irish ballads, and humor to Gen Con's 51st anniversary. How could any sea-dog worth their salt miss such a gala event? Hailing from the desert, these landlocked sailors have been delighting audiences for over twenty years with their combination of shanties, Irish ballads, and humor.

A mainstay of Gen Con's atmosphere, Marooned has released their last three CDs here at the convention (claiming that the proceeds go to help further fuel their dice addiction). Listen for them as they wander the convention halls or visit them at the Entertainer's Spotlight in the dealer's hall. They'll be happy to see you and are always glad to favor you with a song. Catch a song, take a photo, or just stop by to say ahoy!

Like us on Facebook at https://www. facebook.com/MaroonedLV/, find us online at http://marooned.us/



BIG CHANCE

Hailing from Nashville, TN, Big Chance is a rock band of nerds. Band members Jimmie Linville, Daniel Pingrey, and Zach Staas spend their time gaming when they're not on tour. They first became friends playing Halo, Magic: The Gathering and Dungeons & Dragons at a local hobby shop - now they can be found playing Hearthstone, Overwatch, and a 1980s expansioncomplete copy of Talisman.

"We were gamers before we were musicians," says singer Linville, "We've stayed true to that through the years. And every year at Gen Con we get to play music and games for 4 days straight, so that helps.

They've now shared the stage with Counting Crows, Jared & the Mill, and Toad the Wet Sprocket. Adam Duritz, of Counting Crows, tweeted of their album, Death Head, "it's like suddenly remembering all these good things I never want to forget." Come see them perform as a 5-piece at Gen Con, then game with them afterward!



INSTANT GAME SHOW

Do you like trivia and physical challenges? Do you like lip sync battles? Do you love to win stuff? Then have we got a show for you. Instant Gameshow is traversing the hallowed halls of Gen Con in search of contestants and the next one could be you. Featuring a handful of hosts and a plethora of prizes, the only thing you won't take away from a round of Instant Gameshow is a frown.

Check our Facebook page and Twitter fee to find out where we'll be next and maybe you could be the next big winner on Instant Gameshow! Brought to you by the '40 Going on 14' podcast and Gen Con.

APRYL KNIGHT *

Apryl Knight is a multi-instrumentalist specializing in the exceptionally weird and obscure. Her current favorites are hurdy gurdy (an instrument that dates to at least the 10th century which she describes as a violin with a piano interface), bowed psaltery (a 20th century instrument based on ancient psalteries, but with a full chromatic range and played with bows), and Pianonomicon (her toy piano which she has modified and liberated from its original case). She currently has three CDs - "Allons-y! Time Traveler's Tunes", "Rennies Of Unusual Sound", and "Dance The Knight Away." By the time you read this, her newest geek CD, "One Nerdy Knight", may very well be finished! Level Up Your Party with adventuring music!

For more info, visit www.aprylknight.com, www.facebook.com/ AprylKnightMusician, and www.twitter.com/apryl_knight.



AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

Exhibit Hall

DATE/TIME

Thursday - Saturday 10am – 6pm

> Sunday 10am-6pm

* Denotes those with tables in the Entertainer Spotlight area.

🤏 💊 Denotes those hosting events during the show. Check online for details on specific events, dates, and times.



MARC GUNN * 🦠

Marc Gunn is a geek musician. He fuses his love of science fiction, fantasy, and comedy with his Scots-Irish heritage. You will laugh and smile to songs inspired from Firefly to hobbits, dragons to cats, to traditional Irish drinking songs. He's topped the charts on iTunes and Amazon and won numerous awards. He is a leading innovator on his musical weapon of choice, the autoharp.

Gunn's activities are not restricted to musical performance alone. In 2005, he transformed his popular Celtic Music Magazine into one of the first podcasts - Irish & Celtic Music Podcast, one of the earliest podcasts to go online and definitely one of the longest lasting. It is still published after 12 years and has won twice for Best Music Podcast in the Podcast Awards.

Gunn has an adventurer's soul, he combines his love of travel with his love of music. Every year, he takes other adventuring souls on Celtic Invasion Vacations.

Pirates vs Dragons is Gunn's new steampunk solo album with a riveting story about a musician shanghaied by air pirates to sing the glories of dragon hunting.



ENTERTAINER SPOTLIGHT

CAPTAIN AMBIVALENT

Captain Ambivalent is a nerd-rock singer/songwriter/ superhero with an accordion, boldly battling market forces since 2005.

The Captain's glacial rise from obscurity to international obscurity began at Valparaiso, Indiana open mics and has grown to include Doctor Demento, WXRT's Local Anesthetic, WFMT's The Midnight Special, South Bend Public Television, Whiting Indiana's PierogiFest, oneman shows in alternative theaters and Fringe Festivals, and even a brief cameo on America's Got Talent. But his favorite gig is Gen Con (shh, don't tell the others).

The 2012 debut album "Fear The Accordion" and 2014 follow-up "Pirate Ninja Zombie" were relevant to Con-goers, but this year brings the release of "Save The Orcs," a full band EP of ten funny songs specifically inspired by D&D, computer games, H.P. Lovecraft, B movies, Paranoia, and Star Wars.

Captain Ambivalent is honored and humbled to be roving for his sixth year Saturday and Sunday, in this the 51st year of the ongoing orc genocide. Save the orcs!

For more info visit www.captainambivalent.com or www.facebook.com/ CaptainAmbivalent.





DAN THE BARD *

Dan the Bard composes, records, and performs songs about Dragons ... and the Dungeons in which they dwell! He has 10 CDs, the most popular of which are his "Gamer Trilogy": Manticores and Owlbears (2009), Bard Camp! (2011) and Epic Lute (2014), not to mention his BRAND NEW CD Cross-Genre References (2016), featuring songs about Star Wars, Star Trek, Comic Books, Game of Thrones, Anime, Doctor Who, and more!

Dan has several shows at Gen Con (check the schedule) and has also performs at GaryCon, ACEN, C2E2, WindyCon, DucKon, OPCON, CODCON, GameholeCon, ConOntheCobCon and CapriCon. He is also the Music Director of the Bristol Renaissance Faire where he has been performing for the last 20 years!

Check out www.danthebard. com and "like" him on Facebook at www.facebook.com/danthebard.



DAMSELS OF DORKINGTON *

The Damsels of Dorkington are a female Nerdcore comedy trio who perform live comedy shows and concerts at conventions and other geek-centric events. Whether they are taking Star Wars to task or mashing up Game of Thrones and Hamilton (yes, the musical!), their shows are jam-packed with references to their favorite nerdy properties. From fantasy to sci-fi, tabletop games to video games, comic books to

Shakespeare, there's something for everyone here (though be advised: their shows are for adult audiences only).

The Damsels can also be enjoyed through their weekly podcast, the Dork Pridecast, as well as their sketch videos and parody music. For more information, visit www.DorkPride.com



il Troubadore is Indianapolis' premiere intergalactic music ensemble. The group plays music from dozens of countries around the galaxy and sings in over four dozen languages. Whether appearing as the Klingon Music Project or with the Wookiee Cellist the group has delighted audiences throughout the Midwest and the Universe. If



Klingon Opera moves you, or if you thrill to the primeval sounds of the Ewok Celebration song, or if you enjoy various Terran folk and rock tunes, then don't miss il Troubadore as they wander the Indiana Convention Center during Gen Con 2018!

il Troubadore is Robert Bruce Scott - vocals and mandolin; Jon Silpayamanant - cello and vocals; Dianna Davis - winds, accordion and vocals; and Ron Fife - percussion and vocals.

For more info about il Troubadore and all the projects they are involved with, visit www.troubadore.com, www.troubadore.com/QoQ and www.troubadore.com/SW.

HUBABUG FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

Face painting for the young and young at heart. Our team will be roaming the halls and located in Kids Zone of Lucas Oil throughout the convention offering you an opportunity to bring your imagination to life. Wear a costume without a costume!







TIME TO BEGIN A NEW ERA!





ART SHOW

The Gen Con Art Show showcases some of the most prestigious and influential artists in the fantasy, sci-fi, comics, horror, and gaming genres. Art enthusiasts or those with a passing fancy will find the Gen Con Art Show the place to explore work by industry legends, meet new artists or just peruse the aisles and be immersed in the wonderful world of art.

AT A GLANCE

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Saturday 10 am – 6 pm

> Sunday 10 am – 4 pm

LOCATION

Exhibit Hall

ATTENDING ARTISTS

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Lucas Durham Nicholas Elias Steve Ellis Sam Flegal Tom Fleming Mitch Foust Gawki Justin Gerard Daniel Govar Nicholas Gregory Michael Haves Andrew Heath James Herrmann Alison Johnstun Sasha Jones Ingrid Kallick Priscilla Kim **Diesel LaForce** Megan Lara

Travis Lewis Ruwen Liu Lindsey Look Lor Illustration Michael Manomivibul Aaron Miller Raven Mimura Christine Mitzuk Anna Mohrbacher Allen Morris Scott Murphy My Pet Skeleton Kiri Ostergaard Leonard **Emma Overman** Allen Panakal Alessandra Pisano Mark Poole Claudio Pozas **Steve Prescott** Andrea Radeck Christine Rhee Mike Sass Dan Scott Lucie Shearer Sketchgeek Joe Slucher iohn stanko **Allison Stanley**

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New exhibiting artists to the Art Show are in *italics*. This list is not comprehensive of all the artists attending the convention, only those participating in the Art Show.







David LaRocca

FEATURED ARTISTS

Gen Con is thrilled to feature three incredible artists from within the Art Show who have contributed to the industry and exemplify what the Art Show is all about. Stop by the Featured Artists designated area within the Art Show to get to know these artists and their work.



ALAYNA DANNER

Alayna Danner is a fantasy illustrator based in Seattle. Originally from Madison, Wisconsin, she grew up as a big gamer

Alavna's recent clients include Wizards of the Coast for both Magic: The Gathering and Dungeons & Dragons, Valve for Artifact, and just finished art directing for AEG's Edge of Darkness.

> For more information visit www.alayna.net







SCOTT MURPHY

Scott Murphy grew up in western Massachusetts meticulously copying his favorite characters from comic books and video games.

Since graduating in 2006 from the Hartford Art School, he's been working as an artist for various games and publications. His work has been featured in Spectrum: The Best in Contemporary Fantastic Art, Imagine FX magazine, Infected by Art, and 3x3 magazine. Scott has most notably created work for Dungeons & Dragons, and Magic: The Gathering, as well as various illustrations for Paizo, Fantasy Flight Games, and several other gaming companies.

> For more information visit www.murphyillustration.com







MARK POOLE

Mark Poole grew up in an Air Force lifestyle of constant moving across America.

Mark began his professional journey doing illustrations for TSR and Dragon magazine. In 1992 Mark was asked to be part a small company called Wizards of the Coast. He is one of the original artists for the game "Magic the Gathering" with some of his early cards being: Ancestral Recall, Counterspell, Birds of Paradise, Balance and Library of Alexandria. He has worked with White Wolf, Hasbro, Sony Online Entertainment, Blizzard Entertainment, History Channel, Cirque du Soleil and many others over his 28-year career.

> For more information visit www.markpoole.net







AUCTION

Raise your hands! It's Auction time at Gen Con! Whether you are looking for some new loot, trying to make space for new games, or simply wanting a good bargain, the Auction area is the place for you.

HERE IS HOW IT WORKS:

BUYERS

Registration: When you arrive at the auction, simply pay \$1 and you will be issued a card with your unique bidder number.

Bidding: Hold your card up! When you see an item you want, hold your card high in the air with your number facing the stage and KEEP IT UP for as long as you are interested. If you hold your card up for longer than other bidders, you win! It's that easy!

Payment: You can pay for each item as you win, or you can open a tab for the day by leaving credit card information or a refundable \$50 deposit. If you open a tab, Gen Con will store your winnings until the end of that day's session.

Consignment Store: You can visit the Consignment Store at any time without needing a card. Anyone with a Gen Con 2018 badge can enter and purchase as much as they like without registering with the auction.

SELLERS

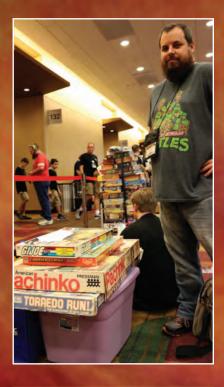
Item Drop-Off: Consult the schedule for Auction and Consignment Store item drop-off windows. Auction items must be registered on gencon.com prior to the show. No unregistered auction items will be accepted unless approved by the auction manager as an exception.

Payouts: There are three options for receiving payment from your sold items: Any time after your item is sold through Saturday at 7 pm; on Sunday from 10 am - 2 pm; or if you don't pick up your payout on-site, Gen Con will automatically mail you a check.

Unsold Items: Unsold items should be picked up on Sunday from 10am-2pm. All unsold items not collected by 2pm on Sunday will be donated to charity.

Consignment Store: Pre-registration is need for putting items up for sale in the Consignment Store; only costs a buck! Get in early so your items can be on display for up to three full days. You can choose to lower the price each day to entice eager shoppers to buy your item, after it goes on sale.





AUCTION EVENTS

COLLECTIBLES AUCTION

The Collectibles Auction on Friday evening is a special auction that caters to rare and coveted items. Want a sneak peek? Collectibles Auction items are on display in the glass showcase ahead of time. If you're looking for a hard-to-find item or the last card to finish off your collection, this is the opportunity for you. Let the bidding commence!

CHARITY AUCTION

Saturday night's Charity
Auction is one you won't
want to miss! The most
desirable items donated by
exhibitors and collectors
will be auctioned off and
all proceeds go directly to
this year's charities – Jack
Vasel Memorial Fund and
Second Helpings.

CONSIGNMENT **STORE**

Not in the mood for a bidding war. but still looking for a good bargain? Make your way to the **Consignment Store!** Peruse around the store and discover hidden gems amongst the thousands of items available. New items are added throughout the show with some prices changing daily.



AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

ICC: Room 130 - 133

DAY & TIME Consignment Store

Thursday 10 am - 11 pm

Friday

9 am - 11 pm

Saturday

9 am - 7 pm

Live Auction

Thursday 10 am - 11 pm

Friday & Saturday 9 am - Midnight

ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR SALE

(AND AVAILABLE TO BUY)

ACCEPTED GAMES & GAME RELATED STUFF!

Examples: Role Playing Games, Board Games, War Games, Euro Games, Card Games, Magic The Gathering, CCG's, LCG's, Collectible Pre-Painted Plastic Miniatures, Metal Miniatures, Toys, Art, and gamer related comics, books or magazines.

NOT ACCEPTED

Weapons, items with mold or mildew, counterfeit items, items that violate copyright, or too many copies of an unpopular item.

SUMMARY OF FEES

BUYERS

- To buy from the Consignment Store Free.
- To bid in the Live Auction One-time fee of \$1 for a unique card.
- To open a tab (optional) Credit card information or a \$50 refundable deposit. You can also choose to pay as you go without any deposit.
- Buyer's Premium 3% added to each transaction. Waived when paying cash.

SELLERS

- Auction Number All sellers are required to purchase a number card for \$1. (Use this for your bidding, too!)
- Consignment Store Items \$0.50 online or \$1 on-site registration per item.
- Live Auction Items \$1.50 online or \$3 on-site registration per item.
- Auction's Commission Percentage of the sold price:
- 15% for Live Auction items
- 10% for Consignment Store items

SELLER INFORMATION

ITEM DROP-OFF*** Location

ICC: Room 130 - 133

Day & Time

Wednesday * Noon - 6 pm

Thursday * 10 am - 8 pm

Friday * 9 am - 5 pm

Saturday ** 9 am - 11 am

SELLER PAYOUTS & ITEM RETURN

Sunday 10 am - 2 pm

- * Pre-Registered Consignment Store and Live Auction items accepted.
- **Consignment Store Auction items may be accepted depending on Auction inventory
- ***Non-registered items or drop off outside of scheduled times may be approved by auction manager

AUCTION EVENT SCHEDULE

COLLECTIBLES AUCTION Friday at 8 pm **CHARITY AUCTION** Saturday at 7 pm

All times are approximate. Check for the updated schedule posted in the auction room.

FORMS OF PAYMENT ACCEPTED

- Cash
- Any major credit card







MINIATURE HOBBY

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

You can go from beginner to expert miniature painter with MHE events! Learn the basics at Paint & Take, enroll in one of our many classes to learn a new skill or advance a current skill, prove your skills in the Speed Paint Arena, or emphasize the fine art of detail in the Miniatures Painting Competition.

PAINT & TAKE

Never held a brush before? Always wanted to try painting? Come sign up for a slot and join us in the Paint & Take area. We provide the supplies, minis and instruction. All levels of experience welcome, but this event is particularly welcoming to first time painters.

*Please note: Free brushes have been donated by Games & Gears. There is a limit of one brush per artist.

We could not be more grateful to our sponsors for making this event possible:

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Show your support for all of our amazing sponsors by visiting their booths and don't forget to pick up something special for your next project while you're there!

MHE WORKSHOPS

Learn from our experts and bring out the best in your mini art! Over 100 classes take you from the basics of mini painting, to more complicated classes such as blending and sculpting. For most classes, all levels of experience are welcome – just bring your questions and enthusiasm for miniatures and we'll do the rest.

MINIATURES PAINTING COMPETITION

Entry Dropoff: Thursday noon to 4 pm, Friday 10 am to 9 pm Entry Pick Up: Saturday 7 pm to 8:30 pm, Sunday 10 am to 3 pm

We're giving away cash prizes, medals, trophies and more! New criteria are being used for judging this year; check at the MHE HQ table for further competition information. Entry fee is two generic tickets.

CATEGORIES

- Painters: entries will be judged primarily on the technical painting skill
- Open: for pieces that are heavily modified or scratch-sculpted
- Diorama: the piece should tell a story
- Ordnance: vehicles with emphasis on painting skill and workmanship
- Unit: groups with a clear theme and consistent quality
- Hatchling Category (14 years old and under)

SPECIAL AWARDS GIVEN REGARDLESS OF CATEGORY

- Best in Show, which will receive a trophy and a cash prize of \$200
- Judge's Award
- Manufacturer Awards

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Gen Con's Painting Competition Awards Ceremony

Enjoy masterful creations by some of the best figure painters in the world as well as rising stars. Independent awards, the Aces of Painting, and the winners of the main competition will all be announced.

Join us for this exciting, free event!

Saturday at 6 pm in the ICC: 2nd Floor Serpentine.





EVENTS (MHE)



GO, SPEED PAINTER, GO!

Speed is the key here, but quality is just as important. Come watch the champions or test your speed painting skills yourself. All supplies (paints, brushes, minis) will be provided. All we need is you!

SPEED PAINT ARENA

It's not how fast you paint, it's how well you paint fast! You'll have 45 minutes to finish painting a miniature provided by our generous sponsors. Each session will determine who is the best and brightest. Then, these competitors will face off again during Sunday's *Championship Rounds* to find out who will be crowned the best in Indy.

We want you to be a part of the action. Even if our speed painting events are sold out, stop by and check, we might have a spot available for YOU!

Speed Paint events are being hosted by the following companies:

- Iron Wind Metals / Ral Partha
- Impact! Miniatures
- Privateer Press

- Reaper Miniatures
- Wyrd Miniatures

ACES OF PAINTING: CHARITY SPEED PAINT & AUCTION

Sixteen years since it began, this crowd-pleaser is not just about speed, it's also for charity. You'll want to be close to the action as you watch 10 of the best mini painters at Gen Con competing to capture the "Ace of Aces" title and a prize for the best painted mini ... not to mention bragging rights!

The Aces have one hour to finish an unknown mini. The minis are then displayed until the Gen Con Charity Auction, where they will be auctioned as a single lot, including a certificate signed by all participants and a wooden display base. All proceeds from the sale will be donated to **Second Helpings** and the **Jack Vasel Memorial Fund!**





Thanks to our MHE Sponsor **Games & Gears** for their paint brush donations and support!

AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

ICC: 2nd Floor Serpentine Lobby

ACES OF PAINTING: LOCATION

Speed Paint Arena

DAY & TIME

Friday 6 pm

SPEED PAINTING LOCATION

ICC: 2nd Floor Serpentine Lobby

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Saturday 10 am – 5 pm

Sunday Championship rounds by invitation only; come and watch!

*Various times: check the Event Charts for more details.

PAINTING COMPETITION AWARDS CEREMONY LOCATION

ICC: 2nd Floor Serpentine Lobby

DAY & TIME

Saturday 6 pm

MHE WORKSHOPS LOCATION

ICC: Room 101-102

DAY & TIME

Various





NSDM

This is the game: "You players are world leaders. You over there, you're the Cabinet. You folks in the corner are the military leadership. Here's your country; you know about it, it's real. The scenario is: it's the world as you know it today. Here are the real issues. Fix them. Start now." Do you feel up to the job?

AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

Embassy Suites : Consulate

DAY & TIME

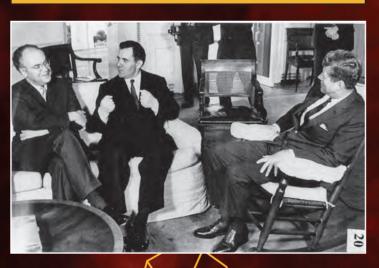
Wednesday-Sunday Various

THE NATIONAL SECURITY DECISION MAKING

(NSDM) GAME is a fast-paced, challenging political-military-economic simulation of strategy and geopolitics providing insight into cultures, political processes, geopolitical situations, and exploring the challenges of nations around the world. NSDM originated at the U.S. Naval War College and is based on games used by senior U.S. Government officials to explore geopolitical options. It has been presented at the U.S. Air University, National Defense University, Marine Corps Intelligence Activity, the Rochester Institute of Technology, Ashland University, Ball State University, and has been at every Gen Con since 1992.

NSDM is part seminar game and part live-action role play. Most find NSDM intellectually stimulating, vigorously competitive, and unlike any other gaming opportunity they have ever had.

Every game has new scenarios, new countries in play, and new challenges. Each player is assigned a role within a nation's decision making structure, from which he or she can affect the formulation of national policy in that nation in order to advance his or her assigned personal objectives.



NSDM'S 2018 PROGRAM & SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY

National Security Decision Making Contemporary Crisis Game	20:00
THURSDAY	
Pandemic: Might the World End with a Whimper? Fact v Fiction, History, Near-Term Potential	10:00
Weapons of Mass Disruption: Cyber War in the Current Global Environment: NSDM	11:00
National Security Decision Making Contemporary	12:00

Crisis Game

National Security Decision Making Contemporary 14:00

Crisis Game

100th World War I Anniversary, Germany in 1918: 16:00 From the Acme to the Abyss: NSDM

100th World War I Anniversary: Canadian Corps and 17:00 the 100 Days: NSDM

National Security Decision Making Doomsday 18:00

Scenario Game

"Near Future" Science-Fiction FastPlay National 21:00 Security Decision Making Game

The Cold War: A Concise Overview: NSDM 10:00

FRIDAY

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USS Scorpion: Theories and Evidence: NSDM	11.00
National Security Decision Making Cold War Crisis Game	12:00

Cold War FastPlay National Security Decision 14:00 Making Game

Cold War FastPlay National Security Decision 20:00 Making Game

SATURDAY

National Security Decision Making Doomsday	00:00
Scenario Game	
Alian nations? First Contact Protocol: NSDM	10.00

Alien-nations? First Contact Protocol: NSDM 10:00
Contemporary FastPlay National Security Decision Making Game 12:00

Contemporary FastPlay National Security Decision 16:00 Making Game

2018 Global Hotspots: NSDM 20:00 2018 Global Hotspots Q&A: NSDM 22:00

SUNDAY

Cuban Missile Crisis National Security Decision	10:00
Making Game: Washington Wobblies	

The biggest little games you'll ever play...







SPA PROGRAM

GET CRAFTY

With hundreds of events, this group of nongaming activities has something for everyone.

Whether you want to take a traditional crafting class, get moving in an active class, or go on an adventure, you've got plenty of options.

You'll find a huge variety of traditional **CRAFTING CLASSES**, including knitting and jewelry classes. Not sure where to start? Look for interesting and unique classes from the group Crafty Gamers.



One of the cornerstones of the SPA

program since its creation has been the

group **DANCING AND DRAGONS**, led by

of steps, including tango, waltz, swing,

dance, there's even a ballroom practice party on Saturday night, prior to the dance. Event ID: SPA18125935.

and salsa. If you'd like to put those dance class skills into action before the actual

professional dance instructors. Any of their classes are recommended to learn a variety

Ready to get warmed up and get moving? Try one of the **ACTIVE EVENTS**, such as the daily yoga and tai chi classes. And if you need to get into character, there's a variety of fighting classes.



Explore the city with multiple **DOWNTOWN TOURS** from Indiana Landmarks. For something a little scarier, join Chaos Haunted & Historical Tours for a downtown Haunted Walking Tour. And if you're thirsty, look up the Indy Brew Bus group, or Top Shelf Tours, for Brew and Wine Tours.



AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

ICC: Rooms 201-210

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Sunday Various

OPEN CRAFTING LOCATION

ICC: 208/209

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Saturday 8 am – 10 pm

> Sunday 8 am – 2 pm

SPA Program Sponsor







BE CREATIVE AT OPEN CRAFTING!NOW, WITH MORE CRAFTING GOODNESS!

Looking to try a new craft, or looking to be craftily inspired? Then stop by Gen Con's Open Crafting room.

Plenty of space and many free supplies are available; new this year, the room has doubled in size! Crafty helpers and company representatives will be in the room periodically to help you level up your crafting skills.

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COSTUME CONTEST

Join us for the 33rd Annual Gen Con Costume Contest where we've got the best and most creative costumes at the con on display. The Costume Contest will be held on Saturday at the Gen Con Main Stage in the 500 Ballroom and includes pre-show entertainment. Display your costume finery or just relax and watch the best show at the con!

Tickets are recommended (ENT18141232), something new this year, and seating priority will be given to those who have tickets. Get there early to reserve your seat! This event is FREE to anyone with a 2018 Gen Con badge.

COSTUME PARADE

The Costume Parade through the Indiana Convention Center will begin at approximately 3 pm. Anyone in costume may join the parade anywhere along the route.

COSTUME CONTEST CONTESTANTS

The parade is optional but encouraged; participation in the parade is not part of judging for the Costume Contest. More details will be provided at check-in.



PARADE ROUTE



The parade begins outside Hall A.

Enter Hall A traveling through the length of the Event Hall.

The parade will then exit through Hall D.

The parade continues north along the Crossroads Concourse, exiting outside the doors to the Westin.



A sharp right turn on Maryland Street through the Maryland Street Motor Lobby.



Another right turn at the corner of Capital



The parade ends at the Georgia Street

TIMETABLE

Saturday

Deadline to drop entries at the Information Booth

9:30 am-1:30 pm

Costume Contest Check-In No one will be entered in the Costume Contest after check-in has closed.

3 pm

Contestants line up for **Costume Parade**

3:05 pm-3:45 pm **Costume Parade**

3:30 pm **Pre-Show**

3:45 pm

Contestants report to line up for the **Costume Contest**

Costume Contest begins (ENT18141232)

AT A GLANCE

Costume Contest (ENT18141232)

LOCATION

500 Ballroom / Reception

DAY & TIME

Saturday 4 pm - 6 pm (Pre-Show at 3:30 pm)

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COSTUME CONTEST CONTESTANT INFO

CONTEST BASICS

Costume entries may be simple walk-on-andpivot displays or may involve a short presentation. Performances are limited to two minutes. You may perform your own speech, drama, song, or other skill, or you can simply model while our emcee narrates text that you provide. Either way, the emphasis of judging is on the costumes.



REGISTRATION

Advance registration is highly recommended. The costume contest is limited to 70 entries. If any category receives 16 entries, that category will be closed. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-entered basis. When the contest reaches capacity, a waiting list will be created. Entries on the waiting list will be admitted to the contest if a registered entry drops out or does not appear at check-in.

To register, fill out the form on the next page. This form does not register you for the convention—only the costume contest. A valid convention badge and two generic tickets will be required when you sign in at Costume Contest Check-In. Cash will not be accepted!

Emcee Introduction: REOUIRED! Our emcee will introduce you as you appear on stage. Write a short introduction for yourself that you would like the emcee to read. Type it or write it neatly and attach it to your entry form. This is your chance to impress the judges; include a description of the construction of your costume. This description is limited to 100 words. Gen Con reserves the right to edit material.

On-site entries: If you must register on-site, fill out the entry form (your introduction for the emcee **must be attached** and typed or neatly written) and drop it in the "Costume Contest Entry" box located at the Information Booth by 9 am on Saturday. If you miss this deadline, come directly to Costume Contest Check-In in the 500 Ballroom **Foyer** and staff will determine if there is room for you.

Contestant Check-In: All contestants must appear at Contest Check-In. Mailing or dropping an entry form reserves a space for you, but you are not officially registered until you appear

at check-in. Contestants who do not appear at check-in (see times below) are considered dropped. Check-in takes about 30 minutes. Your emcee introduction is required at check-in.

COSTUME CATEGORIES

Choose a category for your costume and check it on the entry form. Gen Con may add additional categories (if the Fantasy category gets 15 ninja entries, for example, a new ninja category may be added). You won't be shifted to a different category. In a case where cross-over is possible, just pick the category you prefer.

- **Superheroes / Sci Fi** (Robots, aliens, spaceship pilots, heroes, villains, etc.)
- Fantasy / Historical (Wizards, barbarians, pixies, mermaids, Egyptian slaves, WWII soldiers, Renaissance maidens, etc.)
 - Child (Ages 0–13, all costume types.)
 - Anime (Any character, creature, or element from any anime source.)
 - **Groups** (Teams of two or more costumers.)
- Game Characters (Characters from video games, board games, role-playing games, etc.)
- Professional (To keep the contest fair, you must enter the Professional category if you meet any of the following criteria, regardless of your age: 1) You are a past first-place winner of a Gen Con costume contest or other major costume contest within the past 5 years; 2) Your costume was constructed by a professional in the garment or costume industry, whether it was you or someone else; 3) Your costume was constructed by someone who earns the majority of their living in the construction of costumes or clothing.)
 - **Pot Luck** (Anything not covered above!)

After the winners are announced in each category, they'll be brought on stage briefly for judging in the "Best of Show" category. All winners are eligible for this judging.





COSTUME CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Deposit this form in the box marked "Costume Contest Entry Forms" at the Information Booth before 9 am on Saturday, August 4, or bring it directly to Costume Contest Registration.

*Please print or write neatly!

Contestant Name:(Your legal name, not the name of the character you will represent.)
(Your legal name, not the name of the character you will represent.) Address:
City/State/Zip:
Primary Phone: Alternate Phone:
Email Address:
Name of Entry:
Category: Please note the rule stated below regarding the Professional category before making a selection. Superheroes/Sci Fi □ Fantasy/Historical □ Child □ Game Character □ Pot Luck □ Professional □ Anime □ Groups □
Approximate Length of Your Presentation (limited to 2 minutes):
Special needs (if known): Music Microphone Other (specify)
Be sure to attach your typed or neatly written emcee introduction (100 words or less) to this form.
READ BEFORE SIGNING I agree to comply with the 2018 Gen Con Costume Contest Rules, and I further consent to the use of my picture, video footage, and the likeness of my costume by Gen Con Management in future promotional efforts and news articles. I understand that my personal information will be stored by the Costume Contest Coordinator only and will not be shared
with any outside party other than Gen Con LLC or its designees.
I understand that I must appear at Costume Contest Check-In on the day of the contest to complete the entry process; if I do not appear, I will be dropped from the contest.
Signature (Parent or Guardian must sign for entrants under 18 yrs. old)

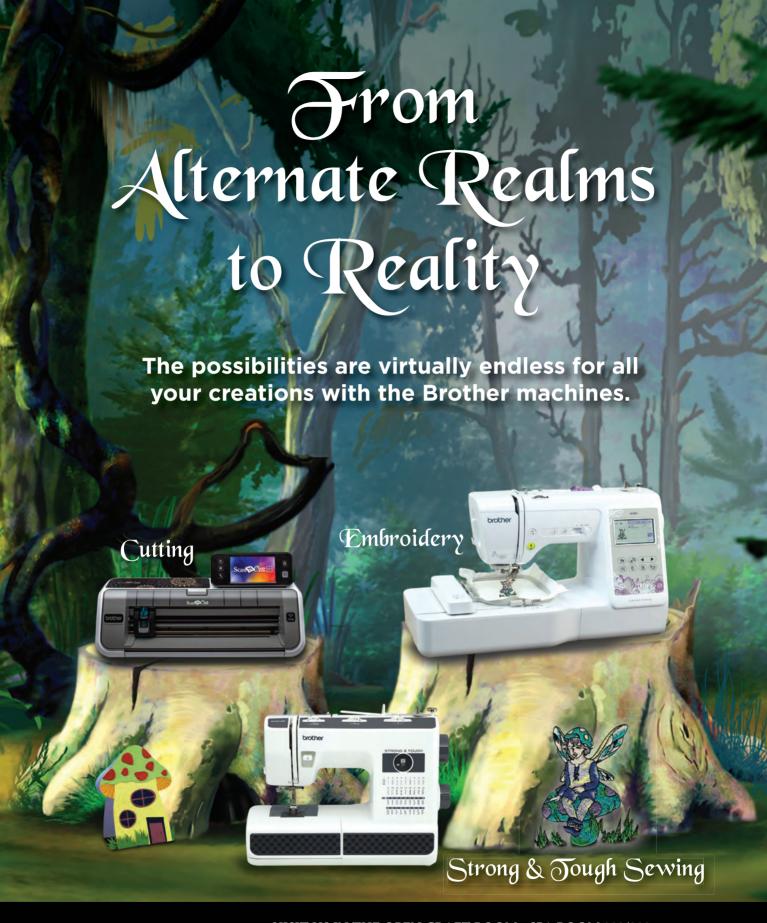
Note: This form enters you in the Costume Contest only; to register for the convention, visit the registration area in the Indiana Convention Center.

COSTUME CONTEST RULES

- 1. Any item or activity that presents the possibility of damage to the entrants, their costumes, the audience, or the facility is prohibited. Carrying or displaying weapons or weapon replicas of any sort is prohibited by Convention Management except during the Costume Contest. In other words, you may bring secured weapons directly to the contest, but you cannot wear or carry weapons into the convention areas or halls. Weapons must be removed and securely wrapped immediately upon leaving the stage. Prohibited items worn into the convention areas will be confiscated. Functional firearms are not permitted at any time in the convention or the costume contest. Fire and liquids are not permitted on stage.
- 2. Good taste must be used in creation and presentation of costumes and talent. Gore, graphic violence, nudity, swearing, or other objectionable elements may be grounds for disqualification as determined by the Costume Contest Staff. The Costume Contest attracts many families each year and Gen Con wishes to maintain a comfortable atmosphere for all spectators (PG-13).
- **3.** Any participant may be disqualified from the contest by Gen Con Show Management or Costume Contest Staff for failure to observe any of these rules. All decisions made by the judges are final. All prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the contest.
- **4.** Special stage requests will be considered but cannot be guaranteed. Requests should be submitted in writing along with the registration form.
- 5. All contestants must check in and be prejudged. A valid convention badge will be required at check-in, as well as TWO

- **generic tickets.** Refer to the Costume Contest Timetable elsewhere on this page for check-in times and location.
- 6. No entries will be accepted after check-in has concluded. Contestants who do not appear at check-in will be dropped.
- **7.** Restrooms are available in the convention center. Entrants are responsible for their own belongings. Gen Con is unable to provide a secure area for personal items. Contestants may bring an assistant to help with belongings.
- **8.** Contestants may supply music to be played during their performance. Music must be submitted at check-in, and must be on a CD or a flash drive in MP3 or MP4 format. Gen Con is unable to connect electronic devices to the house sound system.
- **9.** Questions about Costume Contest rules and registration may be addressed to the Costume Contest Coordinator. Contact Anne Brown at annekbrown@sbcglobal.net. Please do not send entries via email; emailed entries will be ignored. Include the words "Costume Contest" in the subject line.
- **10.** If you use spam-blocking software, please adjust your settings to accept email from the Costume Contest Coordinator (see Rule #9) so you can receive communication via email.
- **11.** Any prize money not claimed by Sunday at 4 pm at the close of the convention will be forfeited.
- ${\bf 12.}$ A maximum of three (3) medals will be awarded to winners for the Group category.







VISIT US IN THE OPEN CRAFT ROOM - SPA ROOM 208/209

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COSPLAY

Cosplay, or costume play, is the art of dressing up to portray a character. Attendees dress as a variety of characters, from their favorite TV series, comic books, and games. This year, Cosplay programming is in a new location, Marriott: Ballroom 5; a much larger space with room for multiple workshops running simultaneously. Stop by and check out the latest cosplay trends!

AT A GLANCE

COSPLAY EVENTS LOCATION

Mariott Grand Ballroom 5

TIMES Various

COSPLAY GUEST OF HONOR JEDIMANDA

As a professional seamstress and avid costume maker with more than 6 years of experience, Jedimanda has won several costume competitions, and judged almost an equal amount. She has been featured on several sites such as StarWars.com, D23 (Disney fan club), Kotaku, Nerdist, and SyFy. Jedimanda is an epic seamstress with the cuts, scars, and glue gun burns to prove it. She currently travels all across the US for competitions, and is hoping to go internationally for competitions soon.

She divides her time between her love of costume making, oil painting, and building her SFX makeup portfolio! She has a BFA from University of Louisville in Fine Art Painting. She split most of her college and early post college time between working in theatre makeup and costume shop duties.

When she's not sewing or drawing her eyeballs out, she is a professional graphic designer and a professional wig maker, and works for Custom Wig Company.













MEET THE PRO COSPLAYERS

Come ask questions, learn about what cosplay is all about, and hear awesome stories! Guests include SKS Props, Brit Bliss, Mogchelle, HDC Cosplay, and Thousand Faces Cosplay. Meet the Pro Cosplayers: ZED18144011, Thursday 6 pm to 7 pm: Marriott: Grand Ballroom 5.

GEN CON'S 4TH ANNUAL CROSSPLAY CONTEST!

ENT18145007: Crossplay contest: Friday 4pm:

Come watch or compete! All are welcome to this incredibly fun event full of creativity and inclusivity! Bring your best crossplays and/or genderbends!

MOGCHELLE COSPLAY

Mogchelle has won countless awards for both craftsmanship and performance, starting as a novice, and working her way up to the master level of competition as of 2003. In 2012, she reached international award status by competing at the World Science Fiction Convention, where two awards were won, Best Re-creation, and a special Golden Quill award for a custom set of angel wings. Mogchelle coordinates the cosplay program, as well as participates in many cosplay workshops and seminars.



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AUTHORS' AVENUE



AUTHORS' AVENUE LOCATION

Exhibit Hall

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Saturday 10 am – 6 pm

> Sunday 10 am – 4 pm

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Level up your fiction library, meet the authors and publishers who bring worlds to life on the page.

SMALL PRESS PUBLISHERS

Apocalypse Ink Productions Brain Lag C.E. Rocco Clockwork Dragon

Kimber Grey

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INDEPENDENT AUTHORS

Christopher Bair
Doug Bedwell
E.D.E. Bell
Dylan Birtolo
Travis Anthony Cole
Isaac Crowe
Hans Cummings
Dire Destiny
Charles Embrey Jr.
Mary Fan

Robert Neal Geiger

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Little Guardians
Nathan J.S. Marchand
C.S. Marks
S.A. McClure
Hugo Valentin Negron
J. Wolf Scott
J.S. Skye

Daniel R. Stevenson V.J. Waks

NEW TO AUTHORS' AVENUE

The following are authors who are exhibiting in Authors' Avenue for the first time.

Damon Alan Elizabeth Corrigan Wm. Matthew Graphman

Travis Heermann Samantha Mina Katika Schneider J.J. Sherwood



AUTHOR GUEST OF HONOR

JAMES SA COREY



New York Times bestselling author James SA Corey is the pen name of collaborators **Daniel Abraham** and **Ty Franck**. Their space opera series of books "The Expanse" is currently in its third season on the Syfy network.

Ty and Daniel were both avid readers of science fiction from an early age but took different paths to become writers.

Daniel started early, writing "terrible short stories," but perseverance led to the stories becoming less terrible. In 1996 Daniel sold his first story to a semi-pro zine. Ty's love for science fiction lead him to crafting intricate worlds for roleplaying games. One major turning point for both authors was attending writer's workshops to learn and hone their craft.

Ty attended a writer's workshop taught by Orson Scott Card resulting in a story that ultimately

AUTHOR GUEST OF HONOR EVENTS:

James SA Corey, **Author Guest of Honor Q&A** (SEM18141261) Saturday, 11 am Westin: Grand V

Book Signings

(ZED18142623) Thursday, 3 pm (ZED18142622) Saturday, 2 pm Book Signing area of the Exhibit Hall

Other events in which James SA Corey is participating:

Collaboration and Coworking (SEM18142528) Thursday, 11 am

Writing Excuses Podcast (SEM18142720) Friday, 10 am

The Once and Future Podcast--LIVE 1 (SEM18142779) Friday, 1 pm

became his first professional sale, to the magazine "Orson Scott Card's Intergalactic Medicine Show."

Daniel attended a Clarion West Writer's Workshop with an amazing lineup of teachers including George R.R. Martin, Connie Willis and Gardner Dozois. This watershed experience helped to launch his career, which grew to include the successful Long Price Quartet and Black Sun's Daughter series.

Franck and Abraham met at Albuquerque's Bubonicon convention, then later partnered up when Ty and his wife moved to Albuquerque. Says Ty: "The pen name is just Daniel's middle name, my middle name, and his daughter's initials. It is intended to have the same sound as those grouchy SF writers of the 70's who drank too much at conventions and berated their fans. Daniel and I both love those guys."



WRITER'S SYMPOSIUM

Has a new location this year! Events will be held in the **MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN** hotel on the second floor.

EVENTS

Writer's Symposium is offering over 170 events to help hone your fiction writing skills. Specific tracks included:

- Mastering Fiction
- World Building
- The Publishing Industry

- Writer Talk
- Dynamic Story Creation
- Read and Critique

This year will include "**Ask Me Anything**" events from some of your favorite authors, along with **Q&As**, and much more!

For a full list of events, search gencon.com and filter by Host: Writer's Symposium. The schedule can also be found in the Writer's Symposium booklet available at the **Writer's Symposium HQ** in the **Marriott**.

AT A GLANCE

WRITER'S SYMPOSIUM LOCATION

Marriott: 2nd Floor - Various

DAY & TIME

Thursday – Sunday Various

PARTICIPATING AUTHORS

Daniel Abraham Keith Baker Richard Baker Elizabeth Bear Bradley P. Beaulieu Chris Bell Robyn Bennis Dylan Birtolo Anne Bishop Karen Bovenmyer David Brin Maurice Broaddus Terry Brooks Richard Lee Byers
Dana Cameron
Bruce Cordell
Erik Scott de Bie
Steven Diamond
Larry Dixon
Maxwell Alexander Drake
Steve Drew
Kirk Dougal
Carl Engle-Laird
Erin M. Evans
Toiya Kristen Finley
Eugene Fischer

Matt Forbeck
Ty Franck
Shanna Germain
Max Gladstone
Jerry Gordon
Tom Hoeler
Christopher Husberg
Christopher A. Jackson
Howard Andrew Jones
Richard Kadrey
Alethea Kontis
Mercedes Lackey
Keith Law

Julie Leung Steven Long James Lowder Scott Lynch David Mack Gail Z. Martin Kelly McCullough Mark McDonaugh Melanie R. Meadors James Minz Christopher Morgan Susan Morris Robert Mosher Daniel Myers
Chantelle Aimee Osman
Carrie Patel
Cat Rambo
Scott Rice-Snow
Eden Robins
Lisa Rodgers
Aaron Rosenberg
Jason Sizemore
Deborah Lynn Smith
Lucy A. Snyder
Michael Stackpole
Anton Strout

Kelly Swails Marc Tassin Howard Tayler Sandra Tayler Patrick Tomlinson Elizabeth Vaughan Tim Waggoner Dan Wells Gregory A. Wilson



		BOOK SIGNING SCHEDULE
٨	11am	Carrie Patel, Gregory A. Wilson
	Noon	Elizabeth Bear, Robyn Bennis
DA	1pm	Anton Strout, Patrick Tomlinson
RS	2pm	Mercedes Lackey, Larry Dixon
THURSDAY	3pm	Anne Bishop, Dana Cameron
	4pm	Terry Brooks, Elizabeth Vaughan
	5pm	Gregory A. Wilson, Max Gladstone
	10am	David Mack, Gail Z. Martin
	11am	Maurice Broaddus, Tim Waggoner
ΑУ	Noon	Scott Lynch, Keith Law
FRIDAY	1pm	Richard Kadrey, Christopher Husberg
Ξ	2pm	Jerry Gordon, Matt Forbeck
	3pm	JAMES SA COREY (Daniel Abraham & Ty Franck)
	4pm	Cat Rambo, Chris A. Jackson, Erin M. Evans
γ	11am	Terry Brooks, Deborah Lynn Smith
DA	2pm	JAMES SA COREY (Daniel Abraham & Ty Franck)
SATURDAY	3pm	Jason Sizemore, Carrie Patel, Dan Wells
SAT	4pm	Mercedes Lackey, Larry Dixon
3	5pm	Bradley P. Beaulieu, Anne Bishop
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SPECIAL GUESTS



TERRY BROOKS

Terry Brooks has thrilled readers for decades with his powers of imagination and storytelling. He is the author of more than thirty books, most of which have been New York Times bestsellers, including his fan-beloved Shannara series which was adapted to television. He lives with his wife, Judine, in the Pacific Northwest.



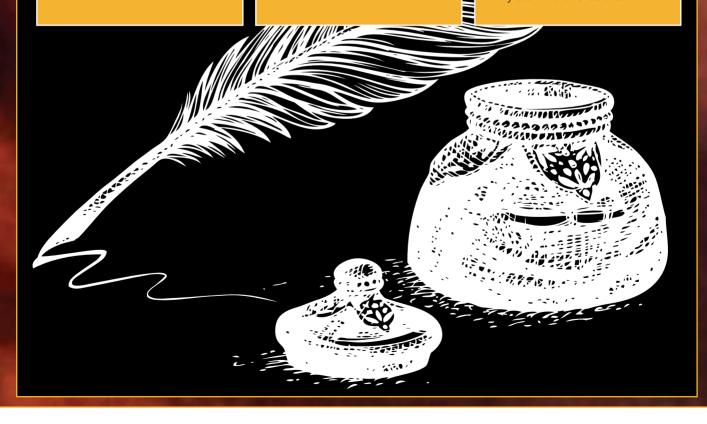
LARRY DIXON

Larry's careers in gaming, art, design, writing, comedy and film include the LotR and Hobbit films, over 60 RPGs, creature design for Disney, worldwide acclaim as a creative pro, and almost 300 convention appearances over the past 36 years. He is fun, helpful, insightful, dependable, and rich in potent antioxidants.



MERCEDES LACKEY

Mercedes Lackey has been writing professionally since 1985. She has 128 books in print, including many series: Hunter, Valdemar, Secret World Chronicle, SERRAted Edge, Elemental Masters, Obsidian, 500 Kingdoms, Heirs of Alexandria, Bardic Voices, Bedlam Bards, Diana Tregarde, Elvenbane, and Doubled Edge series as well as many stand-alone books.





TRUE DUNGEON

After 15 years at Gen Con, True Dungeon has taken the bold step to enhance their adventures with boosted sets, props, costumes and special effects with their new N-Series (Norse-themed) set of three consecutive modules. Rooms will be twice the size as last year's Moongate Maze adventure, and the immersion is enhanced with better components and more interactive rooms.

True Dungeon is also paving homage to their past by presenting a fan-favorite adventure from 2014 called "Into the Viper's Pit" that is geared toward newer players.

Regardless of which adventure is played, all players get a free bag of 10 Treasure Tokens (\$8 value), at least three random draws from our Treasure Generators, and a collectible limited-edition token. Those who survive an adventure gain a special "Survivor" button.



AT A GLANCE

LOCATION

Lucas Oil Stadium: Exhibit Hall 2

DAY & TIME

Thursday - Saturday 8:24 am - 11:24 pm

EVENTS

Newly enhanced sets, props & monsters. Perplexing puzzles & fearsome monsters await!

N1-ASTRAL JOURNEY TO THE BLISS

Part 1 of 3. Travel across the Astral Plane to gain access to a good-aligned plane - the Bliss. Team-oriented challenges of puzzles and simulated combat must be overcome to emerge victorious.

N2 - ODIN'S HAVEN

Part 2 of 3. Your adventuring party will wander among a frozen landscape in hopes of finding a secluded temple of Odin where you must overcome perplexing puzzles and fearsome monsters

N3 - VAULT OF THE ALL-FATHER

Part 3 of 3. Your group will search through a temple of Odin to discover the source of a vile corruption that threatens the peace of the Bliss.

TRUE GRIND: PANDEMONIUM AND BACK

A combat hackfest. The players are captured & must survive an onslaught of extraplanar minions to escape. Harder settings available. No XP. Expect a high casualty rate! Teamwork & tokens a must! Familiarity with TD's combat system required! (New players should first go through a normal dungeon or attend the TD 101 seminar).

INTO THE VIPER'S PIT

Last seen at Gen Con 2014, this is a great introductory dungeon for new players and a lot of fun for veterans who missed it the first time. Only the provided 10-pack of free tokens can be used.



TREASURE TOKENS

Every player receives a free 10pack of Treasure Tokens (\$8 value) at the start of their event. They can also be purchased just outside the event at the TD Store. These tokens represent a character's gear, and they can range from common weapons to powerful rings and amulets.

TRUE DUNGEON RIDDLE REVEAL

This is your chance to meet some of the folks behind the True Dungeon event as well as find out the answers to this year's puzzles. There will be a slide show, and each room in each adventure will be discussed. You can also give feedback to the True Dungeon Crew about how they can make the event better next year.

TRUE DUNGEON 101

Are you new to True Dungeon? Are you a veteran fan? The Dungeon Delver's Anonymous members will present a game mechanics primer, and they will share how to enjoy your time in True Dungeon. Longtime TD players and volunteers will be there to give you great advice on how to enjoy your True Dungeon adventure.

VOLUNTEERING

Be a part of the True Dungeon Team. Visit the TD Event Reg Desk to get more info on how you can join the TD team.



DUNGEON

JAstral Journey TO THE BLISS



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Tickets STILL Available!

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FILM FESTIVAL

FILM FESTIVAL EVENTS

FILMMAKER MEET & GREET FLM18142361 Friday at 10:00 AM Westin Caucus

GAME KNIGHTS SCREENING& STAND-UP COMEDY SHOW

FLM18132863 Friday at 8:00 PM Westin Caucus

Watch Game Knights, a half animated show about RPGers escaping their out-of-game lives. Then, laugh at R-rated gamergeek stand-up from the Gamers of Comedy! Door prizes!

GEN CON FILM FESTIVAL AWARDS CEREMONY

FLM18141792 Sunday at 1:00 PM Westin Council





GALAXY LORDS FLM18141973 8/2/18 11:00 AM Westin Council

Sci-fi Comedy. An overtly ridiculous, yet uncomfortably sincere space fantasy motion picture adventure set in the year 4.924,537,733AD.



BEHIND THE SCENES OF MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS: TRINITY WAR

FLM18141995 8/2/18 11:00 AM Westin Chamber

Parody/Mockumentary: This is a mockumentary look at the possible future of blockbuster movie making.



PLASTIC GALAXY: THE STORY OF STAR WARS TOYS FLM18141971 8/2/18 1:00 PM Westin Council

Documentary: Star Wars toys were a phenomenon that swept the nation, permanently transforming both the toy and movie industries, and creating a hobby that still holds sway over pop-culture.



JURASSIC ROAD FLM18142136 8/2/18 1:00 PM Westin Chamber

Documentary, Germany: A journey through Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgistan and China a group of Nerds tries to get to a factory in southern China to pick up a massive dinosaur.



MY BROTHER THE TIME TRAVELER FLM18141976 8/2/18 7:30 PM Westin Council

Comedy: After Maclain runs into his estranged brother. The two of them try to reconnect but there's something that Maclain can't get past... His brother thinks he's a time traveler.



UM CONTO DE BATMAN: NA PSICOSE DO VENTRÃ-LOQUO

FLM18142116 8/2/18 3:00 PM Westin Chamber

Feature Length Fan Film, Brazil:Batman discovers the mob changing medications for mental patients. A tale of the Brazilian life through the eyes of pop culture.



adventures of the ORIGINAL "The Gamers" -- trapped in our world for 15 years, this band of adventurers seeks a way home...but The Shadow has other plans.



LIVESCREAM

LIVESCREAM FLM18142119 8/2/18 5:00 PM Westin Chamber

Horror, Dark Comedy: A popular video game streamer accidentally starts playing a haunted game, with deadly consequences for himself and his fans.

HOUSE SHARK FLM18142126 8/2/18 6:30 PM Westin Chamber

Horror, Comedy: Just when you thought it was safe to go home! Frank finds his happy home under attack by a dangerous but largely unknown breed of shark It's JAWS in a house!



PENNY PALABRAS

PENNY PALABRAS FLM18142127 8/2/18 8:30 PM Westin Chamber

Supernatural, Thriller:Penny has experienced the paranormal for years. Now, she's tormented by a malevolent entity called the Straw Man.



CONSENSUS REALITY FLM18141977 8/2/18 9:00 PM Westin Council

Sci-fi, Thriller, A schizophrenic architect must embrace his madness in order to uncover the secrets of New York and an ancient Gnostic god imprisoned beneath the city, from escaping.





OF DICE AND MEN FLM18142115 8/2/18 10:30 PM **Westin Chamber**

Drama: When Jason enlists to go to Iraq, it may be time for John Francis to hang up his twentysided dice and take a job on the other side of the country.



SPACE 1889: THE SECRET OF PHOBOS FLM18141951 8/3/18 10:30 AM **Westin Council**

Steampunk, Germany: The official film set in Frank Chadwicks roleplaying universe Space 1889 by Clockwork Publishing who revived the game in 2013.

STAR TREK: THE FORGOTTEN VOYAGE -

THE DAY AFTER YESTERDAY

IS STILL YESTERDAY

FLM18133846 8/3/18 2:00 PM

Westin Chamber

challenge to produce fan films.

Come witness the creativity

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of poor college students

classic. With remastered

sound. Includes bloopers.

Three decades ago, it was a



ROCKETMEN FLM18133282 8/3/18 2:00 PM Westin Capitol I & II

Live action blends with animation for the comedic science fiction adventure of Seattle's little-known protectors, the Rocketmen.



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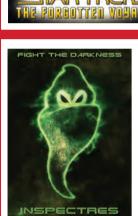
GLEAHAN AND THE KNAVES OF INDUSTRY FLM18141997 8/3/18 10:30 AM **Westin Chamber**

Opportunistic asshole is forced to join Gleahan of Eastvale, a delusional man who thinks he lives in a fantasy world, on a guest to defeat the "Dark Lord" who apparently rules Duluth.



TOURNAMENT FLM18142023 8/3/18 6:00 PM

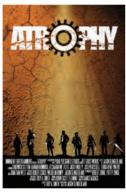
Westin Chamber Comedy: A group of unlikely friends gather for an epic tournament battle only to have a beautiful outsider to turn everything upside down.



INSPECTRES FLM18142018 8/3/18 4:30 PM **Westin Chamber**

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Comedy: In a world where ghosts and goblins are a commonplace, the InSpectres are the only exterminators capable of eliminating these supernatural nuisances!



ATROPHY FLM18142044 8/3/18 8:30 PM Westin Chamber

Sci-Fi. Steampunk:An engineer finds himself transported into a dying world where he has to battle against three assassins, a crazy Captain with an army and a 7-foot killing robot



ENGINES OF DESTINY

FLM18142986 8/4/2018 11:00 AM Westin Chamber Feature Film, Steampunk, Comedy: The adventures of a young TR. He is lead to an evil southern tycoon's airship works where he fights to free a British Royal and a German scientist



YELLOW SCARE FLM18142092 8/4/18 2:00 PM

Westin Chamber Comedy: Hitler has ioined forces with a mysterious evil to create a doomsday weapon capable of ending the war. All that stands in their way is the brave and bumbling Steel Brothers.



A GAMER FLM18142114 8/4/18 12:00 PM Westin Chamber

A documentary that explores the tabletop gaming world, the people who make games, and the people who play them.



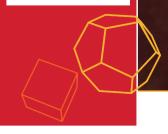
WHITE SPACE FLM18141998 8/3/18 10:30 PM **Westin Chamber**

Sci-fi:2150 A.D. A Captain and his misfit crew, is ready to make its final harvest of the season. He faces a brutal choice between turning back with no payday, or pursuing the ultimate haul



VULASSIC PARK FLM18141963 8/4/18 10:30 AM Westin Council

Parody - John Hambone has brought the ancient extinct picklesaurs back to life on his tropical island. Vulassic Park is almost ready for an eager public to visit!



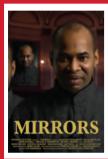






GLOSSARY OF BROKEN DREAMS FLM18142107 8/4/18 4:00 PM Westin Chamber

Lumpennerd Johannes Grenzfurthner gives an ideotaining cinematic revue about important political concepts. Everyone is talking about freedom! Privacy! Identity! Resistance! The Market!



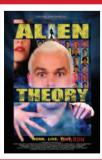
MIRRORS FLM18142111 8/4/18 7:00 PM Westin Chamber

Sci-fi, Thriller: As the year 1982 ends, World War III rages on. When a murderous defector and his dangerous clones plot final global annihilation.



EYE OF THE BEHOLDER: THE ART OF D&D FLM18141969 8/4/18 8:00 PM Westin Council World Premiere! & FLM18143214 8/5/18 11:00 AM Westin Chamber Encore Screening!

Feature Documentary: An exciting new documentary that explores the history, influence, and stories behind the artwork that helps create the worlds in which we all play.



ALIEN THEORY FLM18142113 8/4/18 8:30 PM Westin Chamber

Sci-fi, Comedy: A security guard thinks his boss is an alien and sets himself onto a secret campaign to stop whatever it is she might be up to. He's pretty sure it's world domination.



FLM18142066 8/4/18 11:00 PM Westin Chamber

Horror: A metal band that uses an ancient piece of music as the basis for their new

album... not knowing that any who hear it fall under a deadly curse, including themselves.







BASIC ADVENTURING 101 -SEASON 1

FLM18141975 8/2/18 3:00 PM Westin Council

A web series about Live Action Role Players that is realistic to the genre and created by people who have lived and loved the game.



2 KAWAII 4 COMFORT FLM18142051 8/3/18 12:00 PM

Westin Chamber

Comedy: A near fatal car crash on a trip to a convention causes four hyper dysfunctional anime fans to confront everything they were hiding from at the one place they go to escape reality.



DTG

FLM18142117 8/2/18 4:30 PM Westin Chamber

Comedy: Gwen, Martin, and Larry decide it's time they stopped messing around and get serious about playing games.



INDEPENDENT SERIES BLOCK

FLM18141950 8/3/18 1:30 PM Westin Council A selection of episodes from independent series. Level Cap, Gladiatrix, Best Plan Ever!, Calamity, Total Party Kill, The Spell Tutor 3.1 & 3.2, 2.0.2



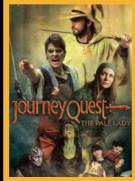
DEMON HUNTERS: SLICE OF LIFE FLM18128829 8/2/18 6:30 PM

Westin Capitol I & II
Fighting Evil.
Saving the
World. Punching
the Clock. An
anthology horror
comedy series
from the team
who brought
you The Gamers.



HEROIC PORTRAIT FLM18141999 8/3/18 3:30 PM Westin Chamber

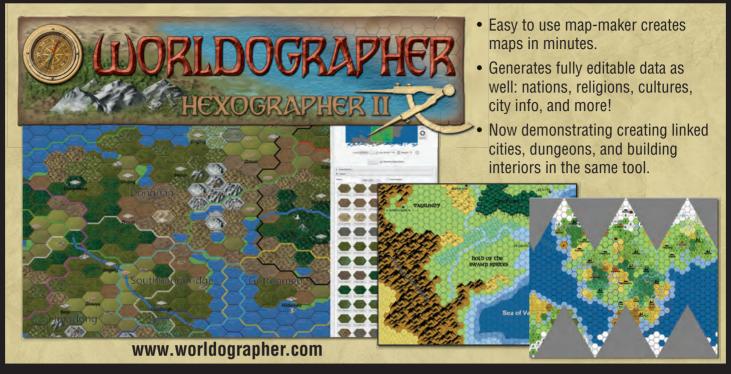
A cross-platform series that follows the creative process of Overwatch-themed photo shoots, featuring a new geek culture icon or influencer as each episode's model.



JOURNEYQUEST: SEASON 3 FLM18129582 8/4/18 3:30 PM Westin Capitol I & II

Season 3 of the critically acclaimed fantasy comedy!
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VOYAGE TREKKERS FLM18142093 8/4/18 3:30 PM Westin Chamber

Sci-fi, Comedy: The worst starship crew in the Galactic Union struggles to complete their mission while dealing with an existential crisis that rocks the galaxy



NEW YORK 2150 (TV PILOT)

FLM18142065 8/4/18 10:30 PM **Westin Chamber**

Sci-fi: A bounty hunter partners with ex-cop to track down a psychotic killer for a generous fee



THE HUNTED: ENCORE - SEASON 2 FLM18141962 8/4/18 10:00 PM **Westin Council**

Swords, Songs & Slayers collide in this Musical Action Comedy that pits Megan and her team of vampire hunters against a sinister bloodsucking syndicate.



DICE LORDS FLM18141968 8/4/18 7:00 PM **Westin Council**

A dark power has consolidated its forces and turned its jaundiced eve towards our blue and pristine world. The Earth needed heroes. Unfortunately, the Earth got the Dice Lords



SERIES

STROWLERS: PILOT FLM18128830 8/4/18 5:30 PM Westin Capitol I & II

STROWLERS: IRELAND & MONGOLIA

FLM18129532 8/4/18 6:30 PM Westin Capitol I & II

A world where magic is illegal & only your creativity & passion can keep you safe: experience the world of Strowlers. Q&A to follow with a special emphasis on collaborative story development.



NEVERLAND THE LARP SITCOM

FLM18142024 8/3/18 7:30 PM

Westin Chamber Comedy: Set entirely at a high-fantasy themed Live Action Role Playing game somewhere in the woods of New Jersey steadfast nerds gather together to pretend to be elves and demons



ASHER - THE SERIES FI M18141970 8/4/18 6:00 PM **Westin Chamber**

An original Brooklynbased series about an exorcist who makes a living policing the paranormal of NYC and helping the Big Apple's lost souls battle their demons.





COMEDY SHORT FILM BLOCK

FLM18141956 8/3/18 3:00 PM **Westin Council**

A selection of short comedic films. Backwash, Bill & Maggie's Intergalactic Taxi Service, Hunters in the House, The Broken Ship, The Mistress Of The Forest, The Naked Truth, Tuesday Crowd, UFO Diary



SCI-FI SHORT FILM BLOCK #1 FLM18141959 8/3/18 7:30 PM

Westin Council

A selection of Sci-fi short films. ARIEL, Companion, Wish You Were Here, Conquer the World, Echo, Reclamation, SandBox.



SCI-FI SHORT FILM BLOCK #2 FLM18141961 8/4/18 1:30 PM Westin Council A selection of short Sci-fi films. Drowned World, In Her Image, Craniac!,

Basics, Connect, Kessler Syndrome. Future Flu, Headspace Inc.



SUPERHERO/ **ACTION SHORT** FILM BLOCK FLM18141958 8/3/18 5:30 PM **Westin Council**

Short action/ Superhero films. Underground, BYTE: The Prequel, The Assassin's Apprentice, Deadly Damsel, Past & Future Kings, Super Amazing Man vs Doctor Evil. The Old-Men, I Know You.



ANIMATED SHORT FILM BLOCK FLM18141965 8/4/18 12:30 PM Westin Council

A selection of Short Animated films. Futureworld, Harold The 16-Bit Hero, Thump, Penguins in Paradise, Agent Bird, The Snow Girl, Bosatsu - Year of the Dragon, Sea-Tectives, The Puppy Trials, Crypto Force Alpha.



THRILLER SHORT FILM BLOCK FLM18141972 8/2/18 10:30 PM **Westin Council**

A selection of Short Thriller Films: Dark Trepidation, The Sorcerer's Finger, Creeper, The Son, the Father...



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FILM FESTIVAL



A CONVERSATION WITH MYSELF FLM18141996 8/3/18 1:00 PM **Westin Chamber**

Comedy: A thirty year old man is able to have a conversation with who he was at twenty and take a look at where they ended up.



TRANH & NOWAK FLM18141974 8/2/18 2:30 PM **Westin Council**

Action Comedy - France: An action comedy film featuring two special agents skilled in close-up combat and specialized in undercover operations.



RIGAMORTIS: A ZOMBIE LOVE STORY FLM18141964 8/4/18 11:00 PM **Westin Council**

A Fan Favorite Returns! After humanity quells an undead uprising, the last two remaining zombies pair up in search of sanctuary, but instead find love. Comedy, Horror, Romance, Musical



FAN FILM BLOCK FLM18141966 8/4/18 3:30 PM Westin Council

A selection of short Fan Films. Ceti Alpha No. 5, Prop Wars: Prop Harder, Bat in Black, Link, Harley, Frankie and Jude: Star Wars -Situation Normal, Batman: Patient Zero, Star Wars: The Lost Patrol. The Distant Echo: A Star Wars Fan Film.



Bridge, The Dryad Tree, Writer's Block.

Ladies



HORROR COMEDY SHORT FILM BLOCK FLM18141960 8/3/18 9:30 PM **Westin Council**

A selection of short horror comedies. Buy or Beware, God's Cellar, Life-O-Matic, One Hell of a Party, Lunch



SHORT

HORROR SHORT FILM **BLOCK** FI M18141952 8/3/18 10:30 PM **Westin Council**

A selection of short horror films. The Night Delivery, Galmi, Pop, Goodnight Gracie, Man in the Mirror, Click Send, Redruby, Vore, Hunted



SUBMERGE: ECHO 51 FLM18141957 8/3/18 5:00 PM **Westin Council**

Sci-fi. The planet Echo has been left in ruins. Only one survivor remains an alien woman called LYTE. One day she finds she is not alone, and her life is forever changed.



MALEFICA FLM18141978 8/2/18 6:30 PM Westin Council

Sci-fi, Fantasy, In the near future, the world has destroyed itself with war and chaos. The one responsible is a demonic witch known as Malefica.



DISCHARGED FI M18142003 8/3/18 4:00 PM **Westin Chamber** Animated,

Comedy: A mismatched quartet of not-

so-honorably discharged veterans unleash the good, the bad and the dark side of patriotism on Hollywood.



BULLIES FI M18141979 8/4/18 12:00 PM **Westin Council**

Fantasy, Family, Eugene, a shy 10-yearold boy, is bullied every day until he discovers a secret underneath the school that keeps him safe, for now...



FEMALE FILMMAKERS FLM18144060 8/4/18 11:30 AM Westin Caucus

The ladies behind the camera tell it like it is.

ACTING FOR FILM FLM18144056 8/3/18 1:30 PM **Westin Caucus**

Is it all glamour and red carpets? Learn from those who know.

POST PRODUCTION FLM18144053 8/2/18 2:30 PM **Westin Caucus**

Is fixing it in post a good option? Our filmmakers will let you know.

FILM BUDGET & FINANCE FLM18144054 8/2/18 4:00 PM **Westin Caucus**

How to raise the funds and what to do with them... no we are not handing out money.

SCRIPTWRITING FLM18144055 8/3/18 Noon **Westin Caucus**

The art of script writing. The ins and outs of putting words to paper.

PRODUCING AN INDEPENDENT SERIES FLM18144059 8/4/18 10:00 AM **Westin Caucus**

What does it take to put together your own series?

FILM PRE-PRODUCTION FLM18144052 8/2/18 1:00 PM Westin Caucus

Join our panels of filmmakers to discuss what to do before you start shooting your film.

LIFE ON SET, SHOOTING YOUR FILM WITHOUT GETTING SHOT

FLM18144058 8/3/18 4:30 PM **Westin Caucus**

Our filmmakers share their horror stories from the other side of the camera.



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EVENT RECOMMENDATIONS

With so many events at Gen Con (Over 17,000!), we understand that it can be difficult to decide on which ones to attend. The next few pages contain example schedules created by Gen Con staff and expert attendees to help you discover your next adventure. Enter the event code on gencon.com/event_finder to sign up for that event directly. If an event is sold out, search for the name to find other instances of that game in different time slots. Still have questions? No problem – Head over to the nearest Event HQ.

A HANDY GUIDE TO EVENT CODE ABBREVIATIONS

ANI - Anime Events

BGM - Board Games

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CGM – Card Games

EGM – Electronic Games ENT – Entertainment Events

FLM - Film Festival

HMN - Historical Miniatures

KID - Kid Activities

LRP – Live Action Role Playing

MHE – Miniature Hobby Events

NMN – Non-Historical Miniatures

RPG – Role Playing Games

SEM - Seminars

SPA - Supplemental Activities

TCG - Tradable Card Games

WKS - Workshops

ZED - Misc

NEWBIE NEWTON



TCG18130521	Munchkin CCG Draft	Thursday 1 pm
TCG18144014	Pokemon TCG Learn to Play	Friday 9 am
TCG18143496	Learn to Play Magic	Friday 5 pm
ZED18139385	Playtest A Game in Development!	Saturday 12 pm
TCG18134466	Final Fantasy Learn to Play~	Sunday 8 am
TCG18144167	Warhammer Age of Sigmar: Champions Starter Event	Sunday 1 pm





BEGINNER BOB



TCG18131146	Dragon Dice: Learn to Play!	Thursday 10 am
TCG18143485	Learn to Play Magic	Thursday 3 pm
CGM18140841	Vs. System: The MCU Battles Beginner Game	Thursday 5 pm
TCG18144014	Pokemon TCG Learn to Play	Friday 9 am
TCG18129379	Lightseekers Learn to Play	Friday Noon
CGM18134459	Chocobo's Crystal Hunt Learn to Play	Saturday 8 am
NMN18136017	Guild Ball - Welcome to the Pitch	Saturday 10 am
NMN18125787	Battletech Bootcamp	Saturday 5 pm
RPG18140281	Introduction to Adventure - Moonshae Preview	Sunday 10 am
CGM18136441	Cthulhu: A Deck Building Game	Sunday 1 pm

FIRST TIMER FATIMA



ZED18126778	Stink 15	Wednesday 5pm
RPG18142355	PFS Academy: Beginner Lessons	Thursday 11am
RPG18125582	Back to Basics	Friday 8am
BGM18128530	Diplomacy Introduction	Friday 8pm
ENT18141231	Gen Con Dance: Eight Bit Bash!	Saturday 9pm
BGM18130873	Munchkin - Learn to Play!	Sunday 11am

MAGIC MIKE



TCG18142995	MiniMasters	Thursday 9:30 am
TCG18142224	Birthday Qualifier - Core 19 Sealed	Thursday 3 pm
TCG18142236	Birthday Qualifier - Masters 25 Sealed	Friday 10 am
TCG18143845	TURBO TOWN	Friday 7 pm
SEM18128072	The Secrets of Magic the Gathering - plus Q&A	Saturday 10 am
WKS18125673	MTG - Determining Fakes & Securing Your Collection	Saturday 1 pm
TCG18142275	Battlebond 2HG - 2-Headed Giant Sealed	Sunday 10 am

MEEPLE MEERA



BGM18140698	Contest of Champions: Battlerealm Win a Box	Thursday 10 am
BGM18132646	Carcassonne Tournament	Thursday 8 pm
BGM18139585	Imhotep	Friday Noon
BGM18129277	Wits & Wagers Gameshow	Friday 10 pm
BGM18128247	Raccoon Tycoon	Saturday 4 pm
BGM18133743	WIN the GAME! Flea Marketeers	Saturday 8 pm
BGM18140662	Thornwatch - Play & Win	Sunday Noon

COLLECTOR CARLA



WKS18125720	Chainmail Dicebag	Thursday 11 am
TCG18142231	Birthday Qualifier-Dominaria Sealed	Thursday 7 pm
SEM18128071	The Secrets of Magic the Gathering – plus Q&A	Friday 10 am
SEM18144339	Magic: The Gathering 25th Anniversary Panel	Friday 11 am
TCG18131578	Star Wars Destiny Win a Box Tournament	Friday 4 pm
CGM18140770	VS. System: The MCU Battles Win a Box	Saturday 10 am
TCG18142261	Birthday Qualifier - Core 19 Sealed	Saturday 3 pm
TCG18130640	Munchkin CCG - Learn to Play	Sunday 11 am
TCG18129394	Lightseekers Learn to Play	Sunday 2 pm

BOOKISH BERNIE



BGM18139577	Word Slam	Thursday 3 pm
BGM18139706	Letter Tycoon	Friday Noon
BGM18139771	Werewords Deluxe Edition	Friday 6 pm
BGM18139511	The 2018 Gen Con Wordsy Tournament	Saturday 2 pm
BGM18138373	Codenames XXL Demos	Sunday 10 am
BGM18139749	Poetry Slam	Sunday 1 pm









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BATTLING BETTY



BGM18136500	1939-1945, World War Simulation	Thursday 9 am
BGM18129517	Titans	Thursday 6 pm
BGM18136374	Hail Hydra	Friday 10 am
BGM18131671	Bu~ y the Vampire Slayer	Friday 1 pm
BGM18139419	2018 U.S. National Ice Cool Championship	Saturday 9 am
BGM18130337	A Song of Ice & Fire Tournament	Saturday 9 pm



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NMN18127980	Kings of War: Learn to Play	Thursday 1 pm
NMN18139154	The Other Side Tournament	Thursday 4 pm
MHE18135290	Mold Making Basics for Heroic 25-30mm Scale Terrain Pieces	Friday 10 am
NMN18126150	Space Hulk 3D	Friday 2 pm
NMN18133562	Monsterpocalypse	Saturday 9 am
NMN18135923	Iron Arena	Sunday Noon
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RPG RAUL



SEM18132345	Introduction to Dming for D&D	Thursday 9 am
RPG18125563	NASCRAG Charity Round	Thursday 1 pm
RPG18131732	The Tower of Gaxx: Meatgrinder!	Thursday 6 pm
RPG18135702	Has Anyone Seen My Baby?	Friday 9 am
RPG18129684	The Imperishable Sorceress	Friday 8 pm
ZED18127570	Games on Demand	Saturday 10 am
RPG18141536	Humanitarian: Feed the Needy	Saturday 2 pm
ZED18128666	Gen Con Game Library & Pick-Up & Play Area	Sunday 8 am



EVENT RECOMMENDATIONS

TEEN TAYLOR



ZED18136875	BGG Hot Games Room	Thursday 11 am
EGM18127002	Empty Epsilon Starship Bridge Simulator	Thursday 2 pm
ZED18126636	Are You a Werewolf?	Thursday 7 pm
CGM18140842	Vs. System: The MCU Battles Beginner Game	Friday 11 am
SEM18141238	Getting Into the Video Games Industry	Friday 2 pm
ENT18136251	Get Hype! Podcast	Friday 5 pm
BGM18140669	Stab a Panda	Saturday Noon
SPA18126239	Introduction to Stick Fighting	Saturday 5 pm
TCG18130640	Munchkin CCG - Learn to Play	Sunday 11 am



PRIMASCHOLA PRIMROSE



KID18126858	Primaschola: Wandmaking for Wizards	Thursday 4 pm
KID18126866	Primaschola: Cure the Sick Creature	Friday 11 am
KID18126864	Primaschola: Potions Class!	Saturday 4 pm
SPA18135144	Cosplay Goggles	Sunday 12pm
KID18126872	Primaschola: Deuling Club	Sunday 2 pm

KID KACEY



KID18134582	My First RPG: Super Heroes!	Thursday 11 am
KID18134677	Super Party	Thursday 4 pm
KID18134754	Galaxy in a Bottle	Friday 2 pm
KID18134787	Alien Adventure Party	Friday 4 pm
KID18126551	Decorate your own Safety Sword	Saturday Noon
KID18134790	Mayham Monks	Saturday 2 pm
KID18141314	A Monster's Mother Goose Puppet Show	Sunday 9 am
KID18134824	Secret Messages	Sunday 11 am
KID18136808	Foodfighters Tournament	Sunday 1 pm

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THRIFTY TONY



BGM18133642	Codenames Pictures Demos	Thursday 9am
ZED18136618	Rio Grande Free Play	Thursday 10am
SEM18140684	Maze Arcana Panel with Cast of Sirens of the Realms & Inkwell Society	Thursday 2pm
ZED18139380	First Exposure: Playtest A Game in Development!	Friday 8p-10pm
ENT18141232	33rd Annual Gen Con Costume Contest	Saturday 4pm
ENT18141231	Gen Con Dance: Eight Bit Bash!	Saturday 9pm
ZED18141235	Cardhalla Destruction for Charity!	Saturday 10pm
ZED18141236	Slay the Balloon Creature for Charity!	Sunday Noon

LITERARY LENNOX



SEM18142578	Reading as Writers	Thursday Noon WS
ZED18142669	Signing - Mercedes Lackey and Larry Dixon	Thursday 2pm
WKS18142691	The Rules of Writing	Thursday 4pm WS
SEM18142674	Skype Seminar David Brin	Friday 3pm WS
SEM18141241	Writing for Video Games	Saturday 5pm VideoGameTalks
SEM18134440	Norse Folklore & Mythology	Sunday 1pm

Thanks to the following expert attendees, who graciously donated their time to make example schedules!



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Ben Ritter



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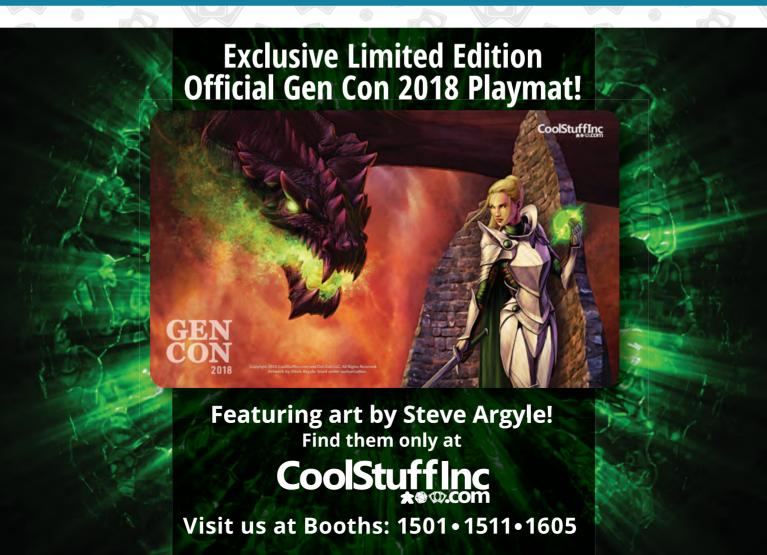
SEM18142584	Real Medieval Feasts	Thursday 8pm to 10pm WS
SPA18125925	Beginner Ballroom Dance: Tango	Thursday Noon
SPA18126386	Victorian Cupcakes	Friday 1pm
ZED18131216	Fun World and Beyond (A Parsely Adventure)	Friday 8pm
ENT18140255	Late Night Puppet Slam	Friday 11pm
SEM18141582	Kimono 101 - How To Wear	Saturday 3pm
WKS18125738	Large Chainmail Dicebag	Saturday 10pm
WKS18140534	Monster Mix Up Puppet Workshop	Sunday 11am

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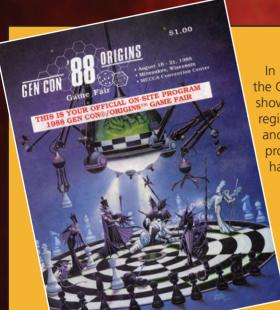






LOOKING BACK

Gen Con has formed the foundation of the tabletop gaming community for more than five decades. Gamers from across the country and around the world have made the pilgrimage to Lake Geneva, Parkside, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Sussex, Barcelona, Leicestershire, Tiel, Antwerp, London, Anaheim, West Sussex, Montreuil, and to Gen Con's current home, Indianapolis, to spend the weekend gaming with friends, old and new. Here's a look back at the past 30 years, to celebrate all that Gen Con was and all that it has become.



30 YEARS AGO - 1988

In 1988, Gen Con hosted Origins for the first time, creating the Gen Con/Origins Game Fair. The hype around this joint-run show created so much demand in the gaming community that registration for the grand event far exceeded expectations, and a disclaimer had to be written in to the first page of the program book that staff and volunteers were working as hard as they could to keep up with the gaming masses.



AD&D sessions were, by far, the most indemand events at the 1988 Gen Con/Origins Game Fair (not much has changed in the present – D&D events continue to be among our most popular). Dragonlance, a D&D campaign setting created by Laura Hickman, Tracy Hickman, and Margaret Weis, was gaining hype in this

era, and provided for exciting modules, as this setting introduced more *dragons* into the Dungeons & Dragons mix.

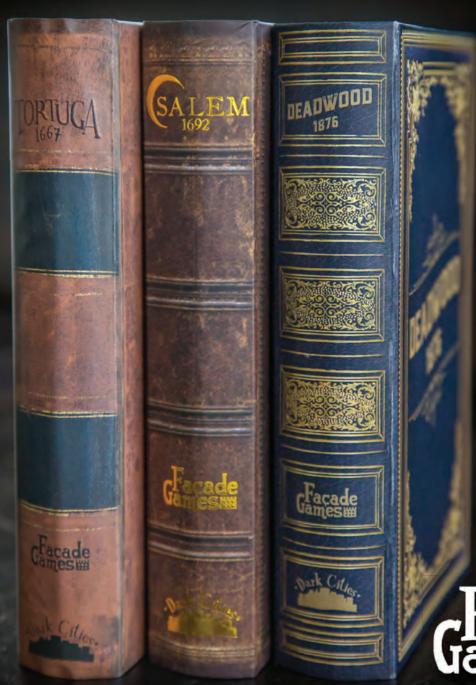


Dragonlance the board game was first published in 1988. In this capture-the-flag-style game set in the universe of the same name, each player controls a fleet of dragons competing to win control of the dragonlance.

Want to know more about the history of Dragonlance?
Attend the Margaret Weis Q&A seminar on Friday at 2 pm: SEM18143223



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25 YEARS AGO - 1993: THE RELEASE OF MAGIC

A year before the epic release of Magic: The Gathering, a small Seattle startup called Wizards of the Coast exhibited at Gen Con for the first time. The booth was co-sponsored by America Online, also a small business at the time. Since Wizards of the Coast were early adopters of internet sales, it was the perfect pairing.



In 1993, Wizards of the Coast came back to Gen Con with a plan to launch a game that would go on to become a worldwide phenomenon – a collectible card game created by Richard Garfield titled Magic: The Gathering. The game had made its debut at Origins earlier in the year, and Gen Con was going to be the first place the public could purchase it. However, the best laid plans of mice and men often go awry. The shipment of the first Magic cards had been held up at customs, and the

booth didn't actually have the product until two days into Gen Con. Knowing the potential of the game, Lisa Stevens and Peter Adkison sold decks of cards to unsure gamers, who would come back to the booth almost immediately after playing, asking to buy booster packs. By Sunday, they were selling boxes of booster packs to enthusiastic players!

The following year, the first expansion sets were released – Arabian Nights, Antiquities, Legends, and The Dark. In 1994, Wizards of the Coast held the first national championship, and a world championship following that.

From 1993 to today, gamers have enjoyed the simple, but addicting playstyle of this industry-changing game, and millions of fans continue to make Magic: The Gathering a worldwide phenomenon.



We are excited to celebrate the 25th birthday of Magic: The Gathering! With just under 500 Magic events to participate in, we're sure you'll find at least one way to join in the festivities. Never played Magic before, or returning after some time? No problem! Head over to the Event Catalog on gencon.com to find a Learn to Play event – you'll even receive a starter deck for free!

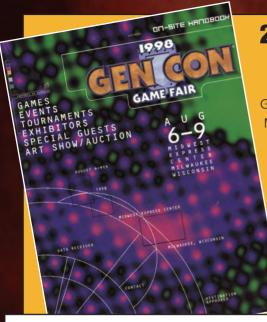


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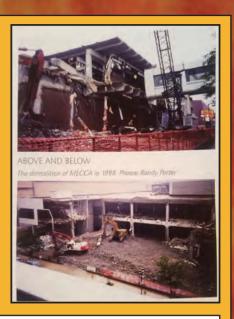
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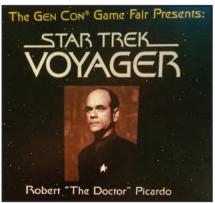
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20 YEARS AGO – 1998

This was the first year that
Gen Con was held at the
Midwest Express Center in
Milwaukee, after it outgrew
the MECCA Convention
Center and its subsequent
demolition in 1998. While
the move was sorely needed,
many felt sad that the place
they had known Gen Con
to be at, no longer existed.





Gen Con Guests of Honor that year included Jeri Ryan, Robert Picardo, and John de Lancie, as Star Trek: Voyager was in the height of its popularity. An attendee could also meet June Lockhart, Mark Goddard, Marta Kristen, and Angela Cartwright from Lost in Space, and Claudia Christian from Babylon 5. While sci-fi and

gaming have always gone hand-in-hand, fantasy and gaming have even stronger ties. A clear majority of the author guests of honor in 1998 had written novels set in the Magic: The Gathering universe or the Dungeons & Dragons universe.

The Featured Events from 1998 were similar to what was popular in 1988. The Dragonlance campaign setting continued to dominate D&D RPG sessions, while several other D&D campaign settings had increased in popularity as well: Forgotten Realms, Planescape, and Birthright. D&D continued to be the most popular events at the show.











This was the first year that alt-rock band They Might Be Giants performed at Gen Con. The band was initially unsure about playing the show, as they were touring for a new album and weren't certain how they fit into the nerd-community at large. However, they have since embraced the community, and came back to play at Gen Con 50 in 2017.





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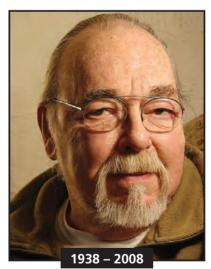






10 YEARS AGO - 2008

Despite the nationwide economic instability at the time, Gen Con saw record attendance numbers, and it was the first time the convention would raise more than \$20,000 for charity (Fisher House), proving that gaming took a central, and important place in the lives of many.



However, 2008 was a sad year for the convention and the gaming community. Gen Con founder and co-creator of D&D, Gary Gygax, had passed away just months before the show. A section of the 2008 Program Book was dedicated to celebrating his life, and several memorial events took place at the convention.



D&D fourth edition had just launched a few months prior, but gamers were uncertain about the update to the ruleset. While there were a few fourth edition events, most attendees were hungry for what they knew and loved, and 3.5 edition events reigned.



At Gen Con 2008, Paizo released the Beta version of the original Pathfinder RPG. Building adventures under the Open Gaming License, Paizo offered the ruleset as a free PDF download from their website, and subsequently, ended up winning an ENnie Award for it.

Attendees can help shape the next edition of Pathfinder by picking up the Pathfinder Playtest from the Paizo booth at Gen Con 2018!

Thanks for joining us on this trip down memory lane! We can't wait to see what the next 30 years hold for Gen Con.





IMAX EVENTS



In partnership with the Indy IMAX Theater and Indiana State Museum, Gen Con will have special programming playing the night of Friday, Aug 3 just blocks away from the Indiana Convention Center! Join us for Found Footage Festival's Salute to Nerds and the Lord of the Rings lock-in!



On **Friday, Aug 3 at 7:30 pm**, Joe Pickett (The Onion) and Nick Prueher (The Colbert Report) put their nerd credentials on the line in this guided tour through their geekiest VHS tapes found at thrift stores and garage sales across the country.

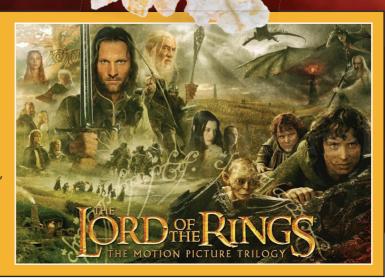
Highlights include "Secret Video Game Tricks" from 1989, an educational tape starring "The Worm Woman From Kalamazoo," and a collection of VCR board games covering everything from Star Trek to the Holy Bible.

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After the Found Footage Festival, stick around for the Lord of the Rings lock-in!

Starting Friday night at 8:30 pm, and finishing on Saturday morning at 9 am, this overnight showing of the extended cuts (Non-IMAX) of The Fellowship of the Ring, The Two Towers, and The Return of the King is going to be EPIC!

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August 2-5, 2018

Greetings!

On behalf of the City of Indianapolis, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the original, longest-running gaming convention in the world, Gen Con: The Best Four Days in Gaming. After celebrating the 50th anniversary last year, we are excited to see Gen Con continue its impressive legacy at the Indiana Convention Center for the 16th year in a row.

Indianapolis is proud to host Gen Con every year not just for the opportunity to showcase Hoosier Hospitality to over 60,000 visitors, but because this renowned convention is invested in social responsibility efforts. Over the past 12 years, Gen Con attendees raised more than \$230,000 for charity partners, and this year features two noble causes, local food rescue program Second Helpings and the Jack Vasel Memorial Fund.

Embracing the sentiment of Indy's new It's My City campaign aimed at making the city cleaner, greener, and more beautiful, this year Gen Con is instituting a multi-year plan to reduce paper usage, increase recycling opportunities, and offer collector's items in place of one-time signage. Giving back to the community and finding sustainable alternatives are our duties as socially-conscious, globally-minded citizens, and Gen Con organizers and attendees continue to show their commitment to the welfare of people and planet.

Whether this weekend marks your first gaming convention or Gen Con is a cherished pastime, I wish you all the best for an enjoyable, memorable weekend.

Warm regards,

Joseph H. Hogsett

Mayor

City of Indianapolis





FROM THE DESK OF **GEN CON PRESIDENT** DAVID HOPPE

LOOKING FORWARD

Gen Con 2018 is indeed an Epic Level Event and we're already looking forward to welcoming you back to Indy August 1-4, 2019. Mark your calendars now! We are living in a golden age of tabletop gaming and I am truly excited about the many more years of Gen Con epic-ness to come.

In the early days when I started in gaming at Wizards of the Coast and working on Magic we constantly agonized about video games and their potential domination of all gaming. Now, almost 25 years later tabletop gaming culture is downright mainstream, with no end to the growth and fun in sight. Yes, PC and console games are better than ever, and the Internet has fundamentally changed the way we work and play, but yet there's never been more tabletop choices and more ways to experience great games. Now when we look ahead it is with excitement, not fear.

At Gen Con one of our core beliefs is that technology will enhance and improve—but never replace—the joy of gathering around a table to play games with friends and family. Technology and the Internet will make Gen Con better and more accessible in the coming years, but at its core Gen Con will always be about seeing and playing new games, connecting with friends and having an amazing four days in Indianapolis.

But what might we see in the future? As I think about Gen Cons to come I'm excited by these things on the horizon:

- More apps videos, apps and technologies that make learning new games easier. "Alexa, teach
- More streaming, and even more streaming(!), and interactive tools to make it more social.
- New evolutions in crowdfunding: So much more creativity to be unlocked...
- Physical game assets backed by blockchain ownership...maybe?

At Gen Con we're watching all of the above and will make whatever is compelling in tabletop a part of the show when and where it fits. We also want to make Gen Con more available to more fans, new and old, online and off, and there's never been a better time to do that as well. So join us on this great ride in this golden age, we're just getting started on our next fifty!

Game on!

David Hoppe



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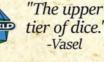














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