



# ANIMEFARGO That Time I Got ISEKAI'D!!



## PROGRAM GUIDE

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# Hours of Operation



## Registration

*Outside Room 174*

Friday: 11:00a - 9:00p

Saturday: 9:00a - 9:00p

Sunday: 9:00a - 2:00p

## Con Ops (Lost & Found)

*Room 174*

Friday: 10:00a - 2:00a

Saturday: 8:00a - 2:00a

Sunday: 8:00a - teardown

## Vendors & Artist Alley

*Woodland South & East*

Friday: 1:00p - 8:00p

Saturday: 10:00a - 6:00p

Sunday: 10:00a - 3:00p

*Sponsors enter 15m early each day*

## Cosplay Contest

*Main Programming*

Saturday: 7:30p - 9:30p

*Seating begins at 7:00p*

## Charity Auction

*Woodland South & East*

Friday: 1:00p - 8:00p

Saturday: 10:00a - 4:00p

*Winners must pick up items in Vendor Hall between 4:00p and 6:00p Sat.*

## Programming

*Main, Cedar, Elm, Chestnut*

Friday: 3:00p - midnight

Saturday: 10:00a - 12:30a

Sunday: 9:30a - 5:00p

## Anime Screening

*Executive III*

Friday: Noon - 1:00a

Saturday: 9:00a - 1:00a

Sunday: 9:00a - 3:00p

## Tabletop Gaming

*Walnut*

Friday: Noon - midnight

Saturday: 9:00a - midnight

Sunday: 9:00a - 4:00p

## Kids' Room

*Room 129 & 131*

Friday: 3:00p - 7:00p

Saturday: 10:00a - 8:00p

Sunday: 10:00a - 4:00p

## eGaming

*Birch*

Friday: Noon - Midnight

Saturday: 10:00a - Midnight

Sunday: 10:00a - 4:00p

*Sponsors enter at 9a Sat & Sun*

## Quiet/Manga Room

*Executive II*

Friday: noon - 11:00p

Saturday: 9:00a - 11:00p

Sunday: 9:00a - 3:00p

# Code of Conduct



## Be Respectful

Respect the hotel, hotel staff, Anime Fargo staff, and respect others staying at the hotel.

Pick up after yourself and be mindful of the hotel property.

Follow staff member instructions.

## Wear your Badge

Wear your badge between your head and waist and keep it visible at all times. If you enter a convention area without a badge you will be asked to leave.

## Obey the Law

All local, state, and federal laws must be observed. If something is illegal outside the convention, it's still illegal inside the convention. This includes underage drinking: the drinking age is 21.

## Observe Curfew Hours

Keep the noise levels down overnight - others may be trying to sleep!

Please note the hotel's curfew hours in the Hotel Rules section below.

## Lost Items

If you find something that isn't yours, take it to Con Ops (Room 174). If you're missing something, check Con Ops.

## Emergencies

In the event of an emergency, call 911. You may ask convention staff or hotel staff for assistance as well.

## Above All: Have Fun!

# Hotel Rules



Please be respectful of hotel property and staff. We don't want anything broken, and we're sure you don't want to be responsible for something being broken. Just keep in mind that we're all guests at the hotel, and we want to keep coming back!

Only use painter's tape to hang posters and other things around the convention. Anything else will be taken down by a member of AF staff.

Again, we don't want to damage the hotel!

Please note that curfew hours for the city of Fargo are between 11pm and 6am. Any persons under age 16 are not allowed to be in a public space without a parent or guardian during this time, including the public spaces of the hotel.

*(City of Fargo Ordinances, Article 10-0104)*

# Accessibility & Inclusion



Anime Fargo strives to be accessible to our con goers. We offer a variety of accommodations, such as priority seating, large print program guides, a quiet room, and more. If you are in need of any assistance, please stop in to Con Ops.

We also are inclusive of the LGBTQIA2S+ community. Gender neutral bathrooms are located across from Walnut. Pronoun stickers are available at Registration.

# Cosplay & Weapon Policy



Anime Fargo staff members have the final say on whether something is appropriate.

If it's illegal outside the con, it's illegal inside the con.

Anime Fargo reserves the right to change our policies at any time. That being said, we want all congoers to have fun and be able to proudly display their costumes!

For the purposes of this policy, a "costume" includes clothing, accessories, props, etc.

- Badges must be visible at all times, regardless of your costume/dress. Please display your badge somewhere on your torso (between neck and waist).
- Shoes must be worn at all times. Socks and bare feet are not permitted.
- Costumes must be cover areas commonly by a standard swimsuit and be in compliance with public decency laws and regulations.
- Remember, this is a family-friendly convention, and there will be children present. Profane language or symbols as part of a costume or printed on normal clothing will not be tolerated.
- Be tasteful with regards to clothing that may be offensive in any way.
- Cosplayers are asked to be mindful of the radius of their costumes and props. Some cosplays can be large and elaborate. However, please be courteous to your fellow con-goers. If your costume is interfering with others' movement, you may be asked to remove or change a portion.
- Any weapon props must be visibly peace bound.
- Live steel is permissible, but it must be peace bonded into the sheath. If there is no way to bind it into the sheath it is NOT permitted.
- Peace-bound bladed weapons CANNOT come out of their sheath at any time during the convention for any reason.
- Projectile weapons must be unfireable. How this is accomplished is up to the attendee. Some actions that will achieve this goal may include removing the firing mechanism, removing the firing pin, or making the slide/magazine load non-functioning. All projectile weapons will be peace bonded with a zip tie in such a fashion that the trigger cannot be pulled, as an added safety measure.
- No projectiles are allowed. This includes operating airsoft guns, filled water guns, and NERF gun darts.
- All non-steel and non-projectile weapons or props must be peace tied. This will be done with a temporary marking in a visible location on the prop that indicates that your prop has been approved by safety to be in the convention space.
- Consequences for removing a peace tie/peace bond will be determined depending on the type of weapon or prop, any actions involving the prop/weapon in question, and whether you have been previously approached.
- Consequences are at the discretion of convention staff and chairs. All decisions made will be non-negotiable and final.

Anyone deemed to violate these policies may be asked to change or leave the convention.

Anime Fargo fully believes that **COSPLAY IS NOT CONSENT.**

Please be respectful of your fellow congoers.

We have no tolerance for harassment.

# Operations



Operations is your one-stop shop for everything con-related! We have pins, pens, tape, aspirin, bandages, and other small yet useful items. Need a cosplay weapon peace bonded? Found a lost item? Need to report your lost item? Ops has you covered! If you need a person found, need security, or want to volunteer, we can connect you with the right person! Operations is open from 8:00a to 2:00a and is located in Room 174, by Registration.

# Registration



Registration is your first stop at Anime Fargo! You can pick up or purchase a convention badge at the registration table, plus snag a fun lanyard and add your preferred pronoun(s).

If you pre-registered, your badge is ready for you at the registration desk. Please provide the Eventeny QR code or confirmation number to pick up your badge.

If you'd like to purchase a badge, we accept all major credit cards and cash as payment.

All con attendees must have a badge!

All con attendees must wear their badge at all times while in con-run areas: Vendors & Artists Alley, Panels, Events, eGaming, Tabletop Gaming, Cosplay Contest, etc.

We do not offer limited-access badges, including parent or shopper badges. If you have questions about our badge policy please contact Registration staff.

Registration is located just outside of Con Operations, Room 174.

# Info Desk



Have a question? Want to find something? Interested in volunteering with Anime Fargo? Visit the info desk! We'll have staff on hand to answer questions or direct you in the hotel.

The info desk is located conveniently between Main Programming and the vendor hall, across from Registration.

# Buffington's Bunch



Anime Fargo could not be the amazing convention it is without the help from con-goers like you who volunteer. A few hours volunteering for a variety of small tasks such as badging doors and working a table in one of the gaming rooms helps us keep the convention running smoothly. Volunteering also introduces you to lots of fellow con-goers, helping you make both friends and memories.

If you didn't sign up before the convention, please visit the Volunteer HQ in room 121 for more information. Not only is it a good place to mingle with other volunteers, but you can grab a quick snack as you relax in between helping out and enjoying the rest of your con experience. There are other perks to volunteering such as special stickers and prizes for those who help out around con the most! Welcome to Buffington's Bunch!

## The Save Point



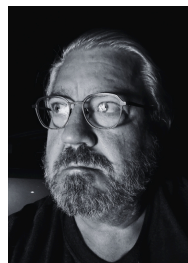
We have always believed you should capture the moment as we don't know what the future holds.

*Room 125*

Friday: Noon – 5p  
Saturday: Noon – 4p

Sharing room for cosplayers and photographers. Learn, teach, collaborate as we share ideas and help bring everyone to improve cosplay photography together.

And if you want to re-load any old “save points” you may have made in the past – join Anime Fargo on our Discord Server <https://discord.com/invite/cNh7cT8> and fill the #show-your-cosplays with old and new cosplay work.



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# Charity Auction



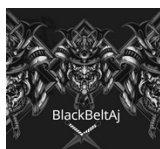
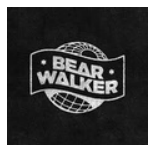
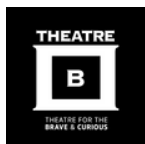
## Centre

Anime Fargo is proud to support  
Centre, Inc., as our 2024 charity.

Centre started as a nine-bed halfway house in downtown Fargo in 1976, with a mission to provide rehabilitative services to individuals to achieve social reintegration. Today, Centre has grown to offering 300 beds in five facilities across North Dakota. Annually, Centre serves approximately 1,400 to 1,500 individuals in its residential units through contracts with the Federal Bureau of Prisons, North Dakota Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, as well as local courts.

More than 70% of individuals in Centre's residential units successfully complete their programming. These individuals receive one-on-one case management, supportive employment services, chemical dependency and mental health treatment, and additional supportive services to assist in accomplishing their goal of social reintegration. In addition to residential services, Centre also provides care coordination and peer support services in Fargo, Grand Forks, and Mandan communities. Centre's newest endeavor is a 10-bed crisis and stabilization center in Williston, opened January 2024.

Anime Fargo would also like to recognize the donors to the charity auction:



# Cosplay Contest



It's no secret that cosplaying is a core part of a great convention, so of course we at Anime Fargo are more than happy to host a cosplay contest for all of our registrants! Please see below for information about this year's cosplay contest as well as general guidelines for the contest.

## Anime Fargo 2024 Cosplay Contest Information and Policies

### 1. Sign Up

Submitting a sign-up form indicates your intent to participate in the Anime Fargo Cosplay Competition on Saturday but does not guarantee participation. **Sign-up is available exclusively on Eventeny until 9:45a Saturday.**

### 2. Orientation

All entrants are required to attend the Anime Fargo Cosplay Contest Orientation at 10a Saturday morning in **Cedar**. If you do not attend, or arrive after we take attendance, you will not be allowed to partake in the contest. During Orientation we will go over Rules and Guidelines, complete Liability forms, give out times for Rehearsal and Workmanship Judging, and answer questions. If you were waitlisted, please attend Orientation, as a slot may become available.

### 3. Rehearsal

Rehearsal times will be given during Orientation and will take place in Main Programming. Please be on time for rehearsal. If you are not present at your scheduled rehearsal time you will not be allowed to partake in the contest. Rehearsal will be your time to practice getting on and off stage, setting your marks with the tech crew, and working with the MCs. **Please arrive in full costume.**

### 4. Workmanship Judging

Workmanship judging will be happening at the same time as rehearsals. If you elect to have your costume judged, you will be given a time slot at Orientation. Judging will happen in **Elm**. Rehearsal and contest will occur in **Main Programming**. Workmanship judging is optional but strongly encouraged!

### 5. Cosplay Photos

During Rehearsal and Workmanship Judging, the Save Point will also be available for official photos of your contest entry. The Save Point is located in room 125. This is optional but is free of charge and cosplay contest participants will be prioritized during this time.

### 6. Green Room (Cedar)

All entrants are required to be in the Green Room no later than 40 minutes before the show starts. Exact time will be specified at Orientation.

Please check-in with the Cosplay Contest staff when you arrive. All entrants are expected to arrive in full costume and makeup. Special consideration may be provided to entrants with difficult costumes if notice is given to event staff prior to the event.

Once checked in, entrants will have time for final fixes to their costume before lineup ahead of the contest. All entrants are asked not to leave for the duration of the event. Please be aware that space is limited in the Green Room, so please avoid any excess bags and items. Makeup and Sewing Kits are okay. There will be limited repair supplies available in the Green Room.

# Cosplay Contest Cont'd



## Prohibited From the Green Room

- Individuals not competing in the event (excluding guardians supervising minors)
- **Any** food (please eat beforehand)
- Drinks other than water (water must be in bottles)
- Leaving without staff acknowledgement

While in the Green Room, please contact one of the staff for any questions.

## Award Categories

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • Best Novice Class          | • Best Master Class            |
| • Runner-Up Novice Class     | • Runner Up Master Class       |
| • Best Journeyman Class      | • Best Representation of Theme |
| • Runner-up Journeyman Class | • People's Choice              |

Best Representation of Theme and People's Choice awards are open to all participants, but only those who participate in Workmanship Judging are eligible for class-based awards.



Anime Fargo would like to thank CHI Friendship for the usage of the wheelchair ramp during the cosplay contest.



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# ANIME FUSION

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- GAMING
- VENDORS & ARTISTS
- ANIME SCREENINGS
- DANCES
- PANELS & EVENTS
- ROOM PARTIES
- CONFUEL (SNACKS)
- MANGA LIBRARY
- MAID CAFE
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# Screening Room



Drop in to our screening room and catch some anime! Screening takes place in Executive III and will run continuously throughout the day. Titles this year are provided in part by Sentai Filmworks.

## eGaming



Come check out Anime Fargo's eGaming room, where you can find a large selection of games of various types. We have classic consoles and arcade cabinets with your favorite retro games. Want something more modern? We also have PS4s and Xboxes for you. Looking for something more Japanese? You're in luck - we have a selection of Japanese rhythm game cabinets as well. And if you've always wanted to to be a Japanese train conductor, stop by and try your hand at the con favorite: Densha de Go!!

# Kids' Room



*Rooms 129 & 131*

Friday: 3:00p - 7:00p

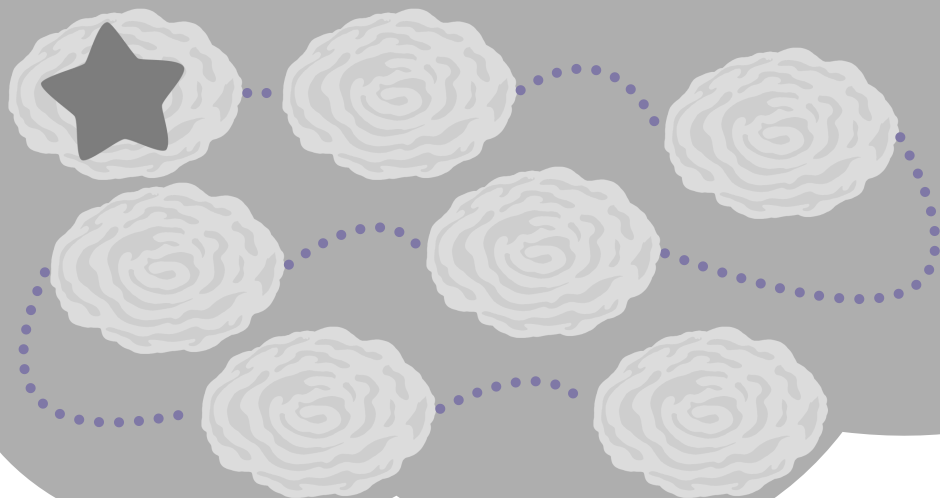
Saturday: 10:00a - 8:00p

Sunday: 10:00a - 4:00p

Join us in Totoro's magic world as we dance, play, and do a variety of kid friendly activities. Explore the otherworldly grotto, take a photo at the iconic bus stop from Totoro, and maybe bring home a little soot sprite friend! Meet up with other anime fan families and enjoy an adventure in another world.



HELP! Alfie has been Isekai'd and needs to find his way home! Investigate each of the portals located throughout the convention and collect a stamp by talking to a staff member in that area. The good news: your first portal is already completed just by visiting the Registration desk! Once you have them all, bring your program guide to the Info Desk to bring Alfie home!



# Amber May



Amber May is a Voiceover Artist who is known for her work in animation, video games, theme parks, commercials, cartoons, and children's entertainment. Amber is a native of Richmond, VA, who now resides in Los Angeles, CA. She has provided her voice to over 100 different media projects over the past decade. Some of her most known roles include Dehya in Genshin Impact, Yanqing in Honkai: Star Rail, Barbie "Brooklyn" Roberts in Mattel's movie Barbie: Big City, Big Dreams, the quick-witted Narrator in Komi Can't Communicate, and Regina, in Final Fantasy VII: Rebirth. Amber's credits also include Pokemon Journeys, Final Fantasy: Brave Exvius, Lupin the Third, Shadowverse Showdown, Kemono Friends, and GLITCH Productions' Sunset Paradise and Murder Drones. Amber is passionate about her craft and is motivated to help the next generation of voiceover actors learn the ropes.



Dehya

*Genshin Impact*

古見さんは、  
コミュ症です。

Komi Can't Communicate

Narrator

*Komi Can't Communicate*



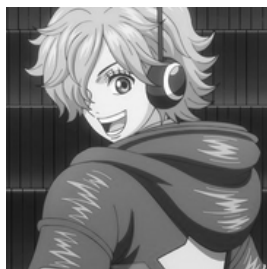
Yanqing

*Honkai: Star Rail*

# Madeleine Morris



Madeleine Morris (she/her) is a voice actor and adaptive writer. When Madeleine first dipped her toe into theatre at age 13, she wasn't sure if she would be cut out for it. Turns out that was a stupid thing to think, and she has spent every year since proving herself wrong. In 2010, she began working crew positions at Dallas institutions like Theatre Three, Kitchen Dog, and Second Thought. In 2011, she began puppeteering with Geppetto's Theater; in 2012, she discovered a visceral love of stage management; but on completing undergrad in 2013, she set her sights on a more robust performance career. In anime, Madeleine is known for her work on *Mushoku Tensei* (Rudeus/scripts), *Trigun Stampede* (Zazie), and *Girlfriend, Girlfriend* (Nagisa). Other favorite titles include *Frieren*, *How Heavy Are the Dumbbells You Lift?*, *Kaguya-sama: Love is War*, and *Fire Force*. She loves breakfast cereal and bug-type Pokémon. [www.madeleinemorris.actor](http://www.madeleinemorris.actor)



Lilith  
*One Piece*



Zazie the Beast  
*Trigun Stampede*



Rudeus Greyrat  
*Mushoku Tensei:  
Jobless Reincarnation*



# Ben Phillips



Ben Phillips is a voice actor and adaptive writer working and residing in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. You may have heard him in such anime as *Mushoku Tensei: Jobless Reincarnation* (Rudeus [Former Self]), *Frieren: Beyond Journey's End* (Denken), *Golden Kamuy* (Shiraishi), *SPYxFAMILY* (Narrator), *My Hero Academia* (Giran), *BOFURI* (Administrator), *High School DxD* (Freed Sellzen), *Saga of Tanya the Evil* and *Isekai Quartet* (Neumann), and such video games as *Tiny Tina's Wonderlands* and *Visage*. He has written adaptive scripts for such series as *Buddy Daddies*, *Dead Mount Death Play*, *The Duke of Death and His Maid*, and *The Great Jahy Will Not Be Defeated!* He is also a credited subtitler, quality control technician, and production assistant. His interests include video game music, television, and sketch comedy, and his greatest treasures truly are the friends he made along the way.



Denken

*Frieren: Beyond  
Journey's End*



Shiraishi

*Golden Kamuy*



Giran

*My Hero Academia*

# Paul St. Peter

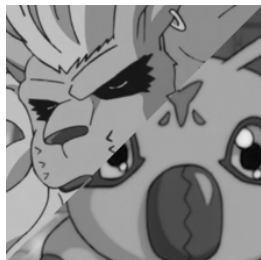


Paul St. Peter, twice nominated for BTV Awards, is a voice actor from Los Angeles, whose many anime and video game credits include KINGDOM HEARTS (Xemnas), NARUTO (Nine Tail Fox), ONE PUNCH MAN (Beast King), DIGIMON (Wormmon, Leomon), ROBOTECH (Zor Prime), BLEACH (Yammy Riyalgo), WORLD OF WARCRAFT (Boden The Imposing), DYNASTY WARRIORS I-IV (Yuan Shao), DIGIMON: THE MOVIE (Kokomon), ZETMAN (Sugito), MAJIN (Majin), TESTIMONY OF THE NEW SHE DEVIL (Valga), BERSERK (Grunbeld), MIRACULOUS LADYBUG (Master Fu), GODZILLA III (Takeshi), LUPIN Pt.5 (Mamo), and RESIDENT EVIL 5 (Swahili Zombie). Paul does comical voices too, from WORMMON (Digimon Warriors) to PUNCH (Cowboy Bebop).

Among his other game, anime, and feature credits are GURREN LAGAAN (Jorgun), THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO (Mondego), MONSTER (Dr. Reichwein), PAPRIKA (Konakawa), LUPIN III: THE SECRET OF MAMO (Mamo), DURARARA (Higa), X-COM (Dr. Heinrich), BATTLE B-DAMON (Armada), DIABLO III (Demented Spirit), and DEFIANCE (Burgess). Paul's voice can also be heard in MONSTER STRIKE (Death Panda), DRAKENGARD III (Michael The Dragon), JOJO'S BIZARRE ADVENTURES (Wamuu, Dire, Jack The Ripper), NARUTO 7: ULTIMATE NINJA STORM (Kurama), THE SEVEN DEADLY SINS (Armor Giant), among many others.

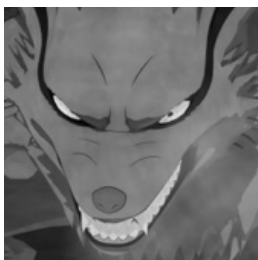
A versatile performer, Paul sang for four seasons with the San Diego Opera Company, three years with the Civic Light Opera, and appeared in several productions at the Old Globe Theatre. In Los Angeles, Paul has acted at the Globe Playhouse, Richard Basehart Theatre, Palos Verde Shakespeare, performed with the Rogue Artists, and has toured for eleven seasons with the Nevada Shakespeare Festival.

As an instructor, Paul has taught speech, accents, dialects, phonetics, vocal production, and Shakespeare at The American Academy of Dramatic Arts, California State University Los Angeles, San Diego State University, Los Angeles Broadcasting School, the Windward School, and is an acting coach for Native Voices at the Autry, a Native American Theatre company, and for the Rogue Artists.



Leomon, Wormmon

*Digimon*



Kurama/Nine-Tailed Fox

*Naruto*



Xemnas

*Kingdom Hearts*

# MR Magnet (aka Magnus Rose)



MR Magnet (aka Magnus Rose), head designer of WitchGender Designs, is an award-winning artist, costume craftsman, and disability advocate for the con community. With 20 years of sewing experience and a passion for creativity, they specialize in original designs and budget-oriented creation. While their passion for advocacy has led them to consult on numerous convention plans and public speaking adventures, their love of costuming has taken them around the world as a guest and judge at fan conventions and costuming events.



# Deovandski Skibinski Junior



Deovandski Skibinski Junior, a proud Brazilian at heart and North Dakotan by choice, is a multifaceted author with a knack for weaving captivating isekai narratives. Renowned for his mouth-watering churrasco skills, Deo is an adventurous wanderlust, often found ice fishing in North Dakota, beer in hand, or somewhere around the world. An ardent anime enthusiast, his love for the genre is reflected in his vivid storytelling and complex characters. The influence of Miku no Hi Kanshasai 39's Giving Day concert on Deovandski was profound, sparking his interest in computer science, a passion that has since intertwined with his love for writing. With 'A Husband Out of this World,' Deovandski invites readers to explore the thrilling, whimsical, and sometimes eccentric universe he has poofed into existence.

# The Kamikaze Snowmen



The Kamikaze Snowmen originally began in 1993 as a fun improvisational pastime between three junior high friends. The group evolved in the late 1990s-early 2000s into an indie comedy band, recording albums and playing live shows at coffee houses and college campus events. In the 2010s the Snowmen found a kinship with comedians and a home at conventions. Over the years they've grown their repertoire to include comedy showcases, hosting opening and closing ceremonies and cosplay contests, moderating panels with other guests, game shows, trivia, music video shoots, and more. The group now consists of primary members Paul "Not St. Peter" Tebben and Josh "Trumbo" Trumbo, with alum Terry Bown II still appearing on album tracks when able. Taking cues from classic vaudeville and adapting various pop-culture landmarks into their music, The Kamikaze Snowmen provide inclusive and interactive content perfect for any convention setting.

## Fan Suites



### The Crouton Room

*Friday & Saturday, 7p-1a*

It's what it says on the (tomato soup) tin - a room of croutons! With rice, soup, and drinks.

### Bluey's Playroom

*All ages: Friday, 2p-7p & Saturday, 11a-7p*

*21+: Friday, 8p-late & Saturday, 8p-late*

Bringing Bluey and Bingos' play room to life! We will be offering fun family friendly activities such as drawing, arts and crafts and scavenger hunts. And then when the kiddies go off to bed we have some fun adult beverages and music to let loose.

### That Time I Got Reincarnated to Attempt Some Sense of Joy in this Particular Room

*Friday, 7p-late & Saturday, 7p-late*

Step through the beaded curtain and transport yourself to a place to mingle, hang out with other con goers, and try to have some sense of joy in this lively party room!

### Best Spuds!: AHoy!

*Friday, 6p-2a & Saturday, 6p-2a*

This is a pirate themed room that will have non alcoholic and alcohol drinks. We will also have a baked potato bar!

### Café Leblanc

*Hours listed on door*

Step into Persona 5's Leblanc Café from the award-winning game and anime!

### The Maid Café

*Friday & Saturday, noon-midnight; Sunday, noon-4p*

Here at the Maid Café we dedicate our time to ensure your Convention is caffeinated and fun! Stop on in to check out our drink menu, which we promise to be both delicious and probably dangerously hot. Come for the beverages, stay for the fun! We also offer gaming tournaments, coloring activities, and events all throughout Con! We hope to serve you soon!

### Enigma

*Friday, 6p-1a & Saturday, noon-1am*

A mysterious door cloaked in riddles and intrigue. Knock to receive beverages from beyond, assisted by enigmatic creatures. What secrets will unfold? Dare to discover the unknown at Enigma.

### Teen Terrors

*Friday & Saturday, noon-10p; Sunday, noon-3p*

A room for Teens, run by Teens. We do fun events, we have fun decorations, we have a mannequin. What's not to love? We also provide a 100% Alcohol-free room that's offered as a safe space from the Terrors of Con.



# Black Hills Con

Pop-culture, anime, & sci-fi  
convention for all ages.

*Come see vendors, special guests, cosplay, panels, and events!*

June 27-29, 2025  
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# Tabletop Gaming



Welcome to Tabletop Gaming, (literally) the coolest room at Anime Fargo! Feel free to stop by at any time during our open hours to pull out a game from our collection to play with your friends or ask our friendly Grunkle or other staff to teach you how to play a game that looks interesting.



## Friday

**2:00pm: Roll Player:** Complete to create the greatest fantasy adventurer. Roll and draft dice to build up your characters attributes, purchase weapons and armor to outfit your hero and train their skills and traits to prepare them for the journey ahead. Earn Reputation Stars by constructing perfect characters to win.

**3:00pm: Magic Commander Event:** Players will be sorted into pods to play. We will have a small number of decks available to use if you do not have access to your own deck.

**4:00pm: Unsettled:** On a routine expedition out into the fringes of space, your vessel is ambushed by a very rude wormhole. Now, the captain and all major department leads are dead, critical systems are critically damaged and life support is running out. A board game where maybe drinking the gloopy fungus might help you survive and you'll never know if attaching rocket boosters to your boots is a good idea or a bad idea until you try it.

**6:30pm: Magic Bloomburrow Draft:** Free-to-play draft of MtG's Bloomburrow set. Draft is limited to the first 12 attendees signed up. If you are not present, your place will be given to an alternate. 3 rounds after draft is complete.

**8:00pm: Paranoia RPG:** In the far flung future of (CENSORED, this information is treasonous, citizen) you are a Troubleshooter for Friend Computer, tasked with finding trouble, and then shooting it, in the Alpha Complex. This quirky comedic RPG is about distrust of your party members and you should expect to die a lot, but that's okay, you have 5 extra clones waiting in the wings.

## Saturday

**10:00am: Android: Netrunner:** One player plays as an evil Mega-corporation bent on completing their nefarious objectives; the other as a hacker looking to expose the MegaCorp's secrets for their own purposes. Run fast, chummer, you can do a lot of damage in 23 seconds of downtime.

**11:00am: Magic Commander Event:** See above.

## Saturday cont'd

**12:30pm: Splendor Tournament:** In Splendor you are a gem trader looking to amass a collection of gems worthy of attracting the attention of nobility. Each turn you will take gems from the supply, or turn gems from your supply into mines that will produce gems for you every turn. A simple and fun game to learn!

**2:30pm: Red Dragon Inn Tournament:** The boss is dead, the dungeon is looted, and the treasure is spent. What do you do when you're an adventurer at the end of the adventure with only 10 gold left to your name? You head to the Red Dragon Inn to gamble and drink your friends under the table of course! You will select a unique character and battle it out to be the last player standing. Official Slugfest Games tournament kits ensure that everyone walks away with promo cards!

**7:00pm: Magic Commander Event:** See above.

**10:30pm: Werewolf:** A game of social deduction where the werewolves are eliminating villagers every night and causing terror. Work with your fellow villagers to determine who the werewolves are before they eliminate you!

## Sunday

**11:00am: Learn to Play Magic: the Gathering:** If you've wondered what the people at your local game store are doing involving land, monsters, and long descriptions of effects, look no further. We'll show you the ropes of Magic: The Gathering. Beginner decks will be provided.

**11:30am: Dungeons & Dragons 5e:** If you're curious about Dungeons and Dragons but have never known where to start, this session will teach you about how the game works, how to build your first character and give you a small introduction session to help you understand how dice rolls work and how interacting in the world works.

**12:00pm: Pathfinder 2e One-Shot:** A Fistful of Flowers is a short adventure for 3rd-level characters that takes a band of heroes out of the forest and into that most dangerous of locations—an aristocrat's fancy tea party.

# Panels - Friday



Times are subject to change; for the most up-to-date schedule, scan the QR code!



Panels that are 18+ are marked. No guests under 18 or without a government-issued ID are permitted.

## That Voice Over Audition

📍 Chestnut ⌚ 3:30-4:30p  
👤 Paul St. Peter 🎤 Panel

You got a spot for an audition in an anime - but now what? Never fear! Paul St. Peter is here to walk you through the first audition scares, talk about the dos and don'ts when it comes to auditioning, and answer your questions.

## The Latest Japanese Pop Culture Inspired by Japanese Swords

📍 Elm ⌚ 3:30-4:30p  
👤 Japan Outreach Initiative 🎤 Panel

This section introduces new pop culture trends that have recently become popular in Japan. If you love Japanese culture, anime, or cosplay, come join us! At the end of this session, you can also experience traditional Japanese games inspired by samurai.

## Who's Afraid of the Big, Bad GWitch?

📍 Elm ⌚ 7-8p  
👤 The Skeleton Crew 🎤 Panel

Mobile Suit Gundam: The Witch From Mercury made shockwaves around the world, and felt focus grouped to appeal to The Skeleton Crew specifically. Let's gush about those cool robots!

## Warriors of Light: Guide to Final Fantasy

📍 Cedar ⌚ 7:30-8:30p  
👤 The Data Wizard 🎤 Panel

From 1987's Final Fantasy to 2024's Final Fantasy VII: Rebirth, there have been 16 mainline Final Fantasy games and over 100 additional games. We take an abridged journey through Final Fantasy's history and talk about our favorites.

## Bluejay's Dancefloor Madness (13+)

📍 Chestnut ⌚ 8-10:30p  
👤 Jay & Katie 🎤 Dance Party

Join us for a crazy-fun time and dance to your heart's content to all your favorite music! There will be EDM, phonk, pop, hyperpop, techno, club, Nightcore and more!!!

## Main Programming

### Asian Adventures on the Cheap! A Better Experience than Truck-kun!

👤 Deo Skibinski ⌚ 3-4:30p

Want to visit Japan but feeling overwhelmed planning a trip? Why not Southeast Asia! This panel will be focused on spotlighting Malaysia, Thailand and Singapore as a way for people who want to experience Japan, but feel overwhelmed as it's not that simple, plus travel tips so that you can save money and DIY the whole planning.

### Opening Ceremonies

👤 Anime Fargo ⌚ 5:30-6:30p

Whoops, you've been Isekai'd and now you're stuck at this Midwest Anime Convention! Hosted by your favorite Kamikaze Snowmen, join us to kick off Anime Fargo 2024!

### Dungeons & Dragons One Shot

👤 Guests ⌚ 8-11:30p

Join our guests for a D&D one shot adventure hosted by the Kamikaze Snowmen! Who knows what characters our guests will come up with, or what kinds of adventures await them!

## Scream Bloody Horror!

### Intro to Japanese Horror (18+)

📍 Elm ⌚ 8:30-10p  
👤 Liana & William 18+ 🎤 Panel

There are a few Western horror movies that have reinterpreted Japanese horror movies, but don't reach their heights. There's also more to horror than Ringu or Ju-On. I feel that everyone can agree that we all love a good, scary movie. Come hang out with two horror fans as we go over some of our favorites in Asian Horror.

### Second Guessing: Isekai'd Edition!

📍 Cedar ⌚ 9-10:30p  
👤 Oreishida, Animegirl 🎤 Panel

Second Guessing is a game show style panel where the audience gets to participate for prizes! Can YOU name those secondary characters?

### Dead, Alive, or Traumatized? (18+)

📍 Elm ⌚ 10:30p-midnight  
👤 Emerson & Breeze 18+ 🎤 Panel

Are they dead, alive or traumatized? Join a nursing student and psychology graduate as they discuss the extent of anime injuries (physical and psychological). Emerson will triage the patients and discuss their health status and chance of survival through the lens of modern healthcare. Afterward, Breeze will discuss the psychological impact of their experience, if they live to tell their story.

# Panels - Saturday



## Main Programming

### PYRATE CURSES

Paul St. Peter 10-11a

Well brush my barnacles and flog me for a Dutchman! Drop anchor shipmates and rest yer bones with old Frenchy. Take an hour and learn about pyrate lore and pyrate lingo. As my crew, ye will cross cutlasses using insults, curses, and oaths from the great age of piracy on the high seas. There be pyrate swag for all who brave the buccaneer waters, and special prizes for the boldest and best cursing and insulting scalawags among ye! Beware ye honest land lubbers...ye be sailing in pyrate waters!

### Anime Nonsense

Ben Phillips 11:30a-12:30p

We're planning a fun twist on Utter Nonsense! If you know the game, it's all about reading pre-written, hilarious lines, but with a twist - you have to perform them in different accents or impressions based on the cards you draw. For this version, we're swapping out the usual impression cards and replacing them with anime characters, character archetypes, and random anime-inspired voices.

## Disabled Cosplay and Posing with a Mobility Aid

Chestnut 10:30-11:30a

MR Magnet Panel

Disabled costumers and abled allies alike are welcome to join us as we look at an accessible approach to cosplay and conventions, beginning with costume construction all the way to cons and photoshoots while addressing both visible and invisible illnesses.

## Crochet Cosplay: To Be or Knot to Be?

Elm 11a-noon

Emerson Panel

It started with a pandemic, a hobby and a half-crazed idea. Two years and two awards later, Emerson is ready to share the why and the how behind his journey with crochet cosplay and help others join a growing niche community of crochet cosplayers by sharing the tips and tricks he has learned along the way. All you need is a crochet hook, scissors and a LOT of yarn. Let's get hooking!

### Vocaloid Trivia

Deo Skibinski 1-2p  
Prove your knowledge of all things Vocaloid and win some prizes!

### Lip Sync Battle

Madeleine Morris 2:30-3:30p  
(Don't) sing your way to victory in battle!

### Cosplay Contest

Anime Fargo 7:30-9:30p  
This is it! The cosplay contest! Come join to check out all the fantastic cosplays and cosplayers!

### Guests: Ask Us Anything! (18+)

Guests 10:30-11:30p  
Do you have anything you want to ask a guest? ANYTHING at all? This is your time to ask freely, but guests reserve the right not to answer.

### Whose Boobs are These?! (18+)

Josh, Emerson, Breeze 18 Midnight-1a  
Do you know your anime boobs? Think you know more than your friends? Wanna earn a "spicy" prize? Then come join the game show.

## Is It Masculine to Watch Anime?

Cedar 11:30a-12:30p

The Skeleton Crew Panel  
We'll explore what it means to be masculine (using anime), address the online discourse, search for an escape, and try to answer: what is masculinity?

## Voice Acting for Business and Pleasure

Chestnut Noon-1p

Paul St. Peter Panel  
Noted voice actor Paul St. Peter invites attendees to learn about the anime, game, commercial, and industrial experiences he has to share. He will ask questions of the attendees that pose interesting challenges, from how to say no to unscrupulous clients, to when to be "nice" to your fellow artists. There will be fun questions and answers, crazy stories about some of our favorite voice actors, and good lessons to learn about this strange business that we call "show".



# Panels - Saturday cont'd



## Minecraft YouTube Meetup

📍 Elm ⌚ 12:30-1:30p  
👤 Briar Rose Cosplay 🎤 Panel  
Calling MCYT fans of all series! Come hangout, play games, take pictures, and listen to music! Let's carve a little space for the local community of Minecraft YouTube (and stream) enjoyers!

## How to Use Anime to be a Hero in Life

📍 Cedar ⌚ 1-2p  
👤 Faye Seidler 🎤 Panel  
This will be a live action video essay that explores how anime can teach us to be heroes through lessons of resolve and resilience. Faye Seidler is an award-winning activist and the panel isn't just about reflecting on anime, but getting inspired to make change and learn practical steps to solve impossible problems.

## Becoming a Cartoon: Voice Acting Basics

📍 Chestnut ⌚ 1:30-2:15p  
👤 Amber May 🎤 Panel  
Join guest Amber May as she gives a crash course on voice acting fundamentals.

## Fursuit Parade

📍 Roaming the halls ⌚ 1:45-2:15p  
👤 Local Community 🗣️ Event  
*Lineup starts 1:45.*  
Join the local furry community as they parade through Anime Fargo!

## That Time I Became an Author! Tips to Help You Too!

📍 Chestnut ⌚ 3-4p  
👤 Deo Skibinski 🎤 Panel  
This panel will cover self-publishing vs traditional, but focusing on self-publishing and how fulfilling but cumbersome it is, plus lessons learned.

## Kids' Masquerade Ball

📍 Cedar ⌚ 3-4p  
👤 Kids' Room Hosts 🕺 Dance Party  
Come one, come all, to the kid's masquerade ball! Put on your best fancy dress as we embrace the chaos that is music, streamers, and waaaay too many balloons! Drop in and out as you please, but be sure to come back when the party ends so you don't miss "The Great Popping". Yeah, it's gonna be loud!

## Super Friendly Friend Making Friends of All Sorts!

📍 Chestnut ⌚ 5-6:30p  
👤 Katie Beierle 🎤 Panel  
What do tortillas, hula hoops, and party hats have in common? NOTHING! Come check out the chaos! This panel will be LOUD!

## State of the V-Tuber Union

📍 Elm ⌚ 5:30-6:30p  
👤 The Skeleton Crew 🎤 Panel  
A look at the state of the v-tubing industry (primarily Hololive) post the industry's monumental popularity boom in 2020.

## How To Be an Ethical Pervert (18+)

📍 Cedar ⌚ 10:30-11:30p  
👤 The Skeleton Crew 18+ 🎤 Panel  
TSC will discuss how best to enjoy hentai manga, anime, games, and other media without your crush calling you hentai.

## Doujin Madlibs (18+)

📍 Elm ⌚ 11:30p-12:30a  
👤 Totally Just an Attendee 18+ 🎤 Panel  
Everyone loves Madlibs and doujins. Now in this special 18+ version of madlibs with specially modified doujins, we will create exciting stories utilizing the original thrill-ing imagery.

## The Art of Cross Gender Costuming (18+)

📍 Cedar ⌚ 11:30p-12:30a  
👤 MR Magnet 18+ 🎤 Panel  
Crossplay vs Genderbending. Crossing the gender boundaries of cosplay from changing the designs of your favorite existing characters to learning how to transform yourself to better fit the canon. *Due to the somewhat sensitive nature of discussion, this panel is restricted to 18.*



# Panels - Sunday



## Main Programming

### The Kamikaze Snowmen Anime Series Team Trivia Challenge 2024!

Kamikaze Snowmen 9:30-10:30a  
Our esteemed musical guests return with a gameshow designed to delight, deviate, and... devolve? There might be rules, there could be points, so come on down: you're our next contestant!

### Japanese Swordsmanship Demo

Agassiz Dojo 11a-noon  
**Kendo** is free-form Japanese fencing where two armor-wearing opponents try to score hits on specific targets on the body. In **iaido**, a practitioner executes set forms, or kata, against one or multiple imaginary opponents. Each kata describes how to respond to a situation, such as a surprise attack from a seated opponent or an attack from multiple opponents while walking. The roots of iaido date back some 400 years, and is primarily used for self-refinement today. Instructor Bradley Anderson currently holds the rank of 5dan iaido, 3dan in jodo, and 1dan in kendo. More information: [www.fargosword.com](http://www.fargosword.com)

### Adaptive Writing Approaches for an American Audience

Madeleine Morris 12:30-1:30p  
Voice actor, script adapter-person, and anime-enjoyer Madeleine Morris shines a light on the differences between translation and adaptation, shares her (totally subjective) philosophy on adapting international media for an American audience, and will likely wax poetic about jelly donuts... or were those rice balls?

### Merch Swap Meet

Elm 10:30-11:30a  
 Lenny & Co. Event  
Don't need old merch anymore, whether it's pins, buttons, posters, books, or even figurines? Bring them and see if anyone else wants them! Peruse what other people have and maybe even trade! All are welcome.

### Voice Acting & Mental Health

Chestnut 11:30a-12:30p  
 Amber May Panel  
The voice acting industry can be stressful. Guest Amber May will discuss potential difficulties and strategies to overcome them.

### #HusbandOutWorld Behind the Scenes

Deo Skibinski 2-3p  
This panel will dive deeper into how A Husband Out of this World evolved from a vivid dream to what it is today.

### Closing Ceremonies

Anime Fargo 4-5p  
With this, we bring Anime Fargo 2024 "That Time I Got Isekai'd" to an end. Get a recap of contest winners, 2024 attendance, and find out 2025's theme (but if you're reading this you already know it's ).

### Feedback Panel

AF Leadership Following Closing  
Anime Fargo 2024 has come to close, but that doesn't mean our work is done. Now it's time for some feedback. What did we do wrong? What did we do right? Is there anything you think we should change? This is your chance to tell us! For those unable to stay for the feedback panels, you can submit your feedback by scanning the QR code.

### Guest Meet & Greet (Sponsors Only)

Chestnut 10-11a  
 Guests Sponsor Event  
Did you sponsor Anime Fargo this year? Do you want to hobnob with the guests? This is your chance! Stop by Chestnut and chat with our guests.

Not a sponsor? Want to attend next year's meet & greet? Stop by registration to learn how you can become a sponsor for 2025!

### Villains of Paul St. Peter

Cedar 11a-noon  
 Paul St. Peter Panel  
Paul St. Peter talks about the vocal adjustments and character choices he has used to create some very frightening voices! His portrayals of XEMNAS (Kingdom Hearts), and NINE TAIL FOX (Naruto), have chilled many a spine, and the terrifying YAMMY RIYALGO (Bleach) is a study in pure menace. Paul will demonstrate his techniques in a clear, simple manner that will allow the fans to feel they are part of the creative process. Then he will ask for volunteers from the audience to rise and frighten everyone with their own vocal creations. Let's all have some scary thrills!

# Panels - Sunday cont'd



## So, Your Kid's a Weeb. Now What?

📍 Elm      🕒 Noon-1p  
👤 Emily & AJ      🎤 Panel

Are you new to anime? Did your child drag you here? Learn the terminology essential to understanding if your child is being safe in this nerd community and get tips on how to check the age rating on the shows your kids are watching.

## We're Still Your Parents (LGBTQIA2S+)

📍 Cedar      🕒 12:30-1:30p  
👤 The Skeleton Crew      🎤 Panel

Your beloved Queer Parents have been reborn in a world without queer weeb community. We need your help! Come share your interests & remind us what home is.

## Mushoku Tensei

📍 Elm      🕒 1-2p  
👤 Madeleine Morris      🎤 Panel  
& Ben Phillips

Guests Madeleine and Ben discuss the hit show Mushoku Tensei, where each have provided a voice for main character Rudeus Greyrat (at very different points in the series).

## Building Your Network

📍 Chestnut      🕒 1-2p  
👤 Paul St. Peter      🎤 Panel

Paul St. Peter will offer this fun and instructive panel about aligning your resources and associates, so that you can create an effective network for achieving your goals. Working from the core of your family and friends, and extending outward to include social media and community assets, Paul will accompany you on this journey to build an effective support group. Whether you desire a career in show business, or simply want to be a better worker, Paul will share his insights and ideas in a way that will positively impact your daily efforts.



# Thank You!



Welcome to the second decade of Anime Fargo! This is our 9th year of in person conventions (plus 2 years of digital conventions). We're still growing and thriving in this wonderful & supportive community. We're so grateful to all of you for coming out to celebrate our fandom and discuss Anime and Japanese culture for so many years.

This convention would not be possible without the hundreds of hours that our fantastic, talented, all-volunteer staff have put in. There's a lot of behind the scenes work that goes into a convention. Whether it was someone reprising their role in a department or stepping up to work on something totally new, everyone explored new areas and added fresh touches to our yearly endeavor.

A special thanks goes out to our parent organization Digital Grail for their continued guidance and support that allows us to run this convention. Additional thanks goes out to our sister convention CoreCon for their assistance in our early years as we found our footing to become the con we are today.

## Sponsors



We'd like to give an extra shoutout to those who are able to support Anime Fargo at a sponsorship level (in exchange for perks at con, of course!). These wonderful people provide additional support to keep the con running smoothly, year after year. If you'd like more information on how you can become a sponsor for Anime Fargo 2025, just ask at the Registration desk!

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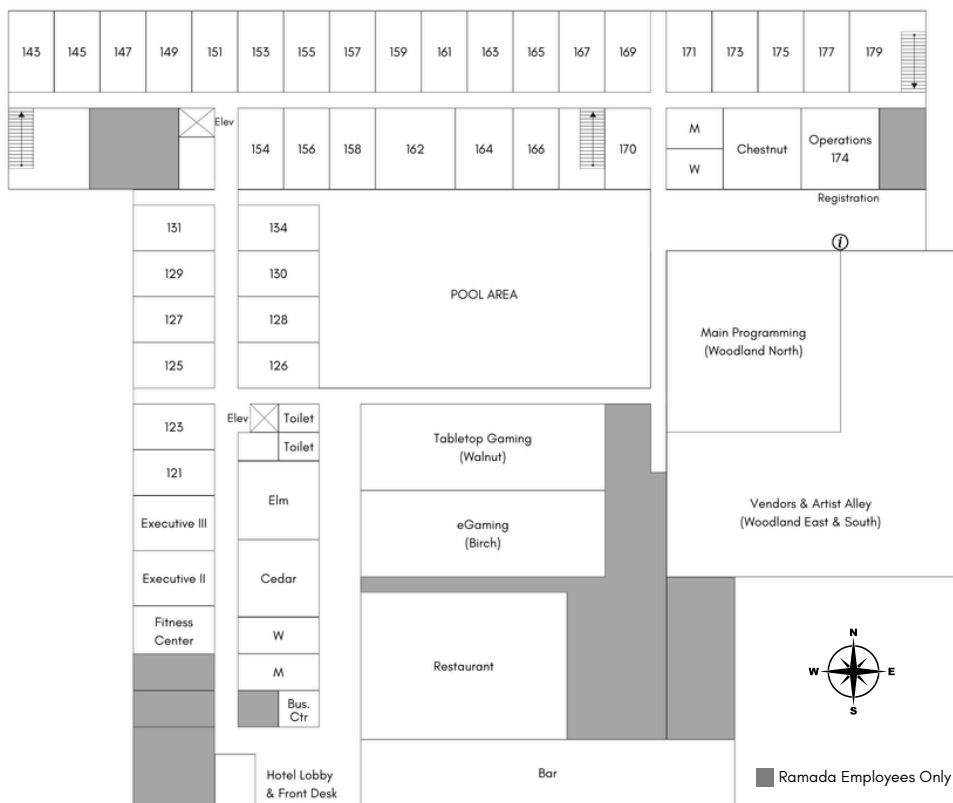
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## About Digital Grail



Digital Grail is a 501(c)3 organization that was created to host local conventions which spread knowledge of and celebrate a variety of hobbies, special interests, and pop culture phenomena. Digital Grail is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization, which strives to provide a safe and inviting environment for all to be their authentic selves while experiencing exciting events that connect, enhance, and support our diverse community. We inspire each other through empathy, inclusion, and service.

# Convention Map



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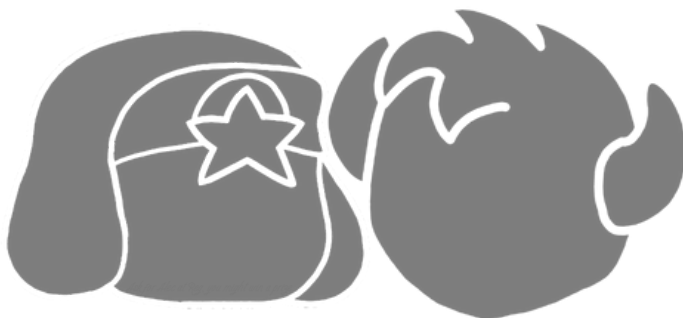
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