

# Myths and Legends Con

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# Performers



## Pandora Celtica

Greetings, felicitations, and hello!

We are Pandora Celtica, a dark faerie Celtic acappella band from the land of dreams and myth. The Queens and Kings of the Fae have ordered the creation of our band that we may be a beacon of magic and high art in the mundane realms, both for the mortals and for you, our fellow Bright Beings, who make your home here.

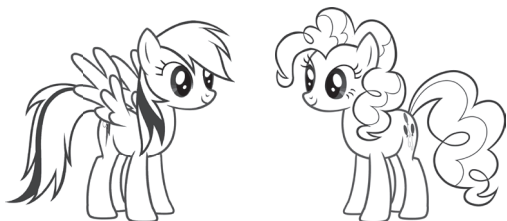


## The Kilted Man

Veteran performer Matthew Gurnsey delights audiences with his rousing performances of traditional Irish and Scottish music. Through the marriage of wit and finesse, Gurnsey charms his audiences, sweeping them into tales of wayward voyages, unrequited love and the vibrantly colorful lives of the everyman beloved of many Irish tales.

His unique talents with traditional Celtic instruments such as the concertina, bodhran, bones and mandolin, add an air of authenticity to each piece and his stirringly rich bass voice provides the foundation for the hauntingly beautiful melodies.

No stranger to live performance, Matthew began performing at a very young age and has appeared on hundreds of stages nationally and internationally, delighting thousands with his Scottish swagger and homespun charm. Matt especially honed his Celtic skills while living in Scotland among the people and culture that are his heritage and the inspiration for his music.

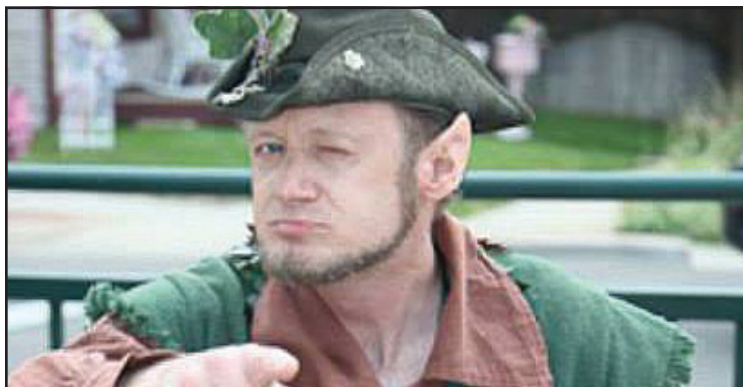


## Not Literally

Not Literally Productions was founded when Ginny DiGuiseppi and Dana Ritterbusch, already friends, met video producer and visual effects artist Erik Tande. The three teamed up in 2011 to produce their first Harry Potter parody music video, "We R Slytherins." It was so well-received that they decided to produce parody music videos for all four Hogwarts houses. They quickly expanded their production to include a vlog-style comedy advice series called "Ask Hogwarts," as well as other music video productions.

Following the release of their Hufflepuff music video, "Sorted This Way," Not Literally was invited to LeakyCon in Chicago to close their opening ceremonies with a surprise live performance. This was not only the group's first appearance as guests at a convention, but also their first live performance.

In late 2012, Not Literally branched out from the Harry Potter fandom and started to create works related to The Hunger Games, Doctor Who, Game of Thrones and other fandoms. You can check out their website at [www.not-literally.com](http://www.not-literally.com).



## Tomas O'Dreams

Tomas O'Dreams will alternately say that he was created at the dawn of time or that he hails from Loch Dannan in the land of the Faerie. During his youth, whenever that was, Tomas traveled the world collecting human tales and myths. He found himself in many far away places, more exotic than the land he comes from, and studied stories to bring back to the Faerie Court. Upon his return to Lothlorien, he gained the attention of Queen Titania. The Queen was so entertained by Tomas that she bestowed upon him the honor of being her personal Storyteller.

Tomas now travels the human realms again, where he has been entertaining both adults and children since 1987. Tomas is quick to tell a story or share the secrets of Faerie life to those who listen. Usually this trickster can be seen at Renaissance Festivals and Faerie Events around the Colorado area.

# Welcome to the 2013 Myths and Legends Convention!

## A note from the organizer:

At some point, I started dreaming. I dreamt of seeing my Harry Potter community coming together, having a place where we could all talk about our love of the characters and the plots and interact with like-minded people. One day I found that I had been talking about my dream enough that others saw it as real and tangible and I knew it was time to bring my dream to reality.

I found others who had the same dream, a place for their fandom to share their stories and costumes and lore, and I realized that I needed to create a home for all of us. There, the Myths and Legends convention was born.

I'm excited that my fandom families are here to join with me in enjoying the dream and the wonder that we have created: this place of community where everyone is welcome, where everyone has a home.

This weekend, I want you to step away from the Muggle world, away from the flood waters, and come find a cozy, safe island where you can immerse yourself in the fandoms that you love. I ask that you encourage others to join you in this place of positive freedom, where we lend a helping hand to each other, where community and a welcoming spirit reside. This weekend, whether you are Hufflepuff or Slytherin, Alliance or Browncoat, let's be kind. Let's listen to each other. Be open to making friends with people who love other fandoms and you may be surprised! Everyone is accepted in this home.

There's a quote from Jack Kerouac, "All human beings are also dream beings. Dreaming ties all mankind together." My dream is now our dream and I look forward to us all being tied together in our love of our fandoms. Thank you for joining me on this journey.

**Nikki Ebright, Dreamer**



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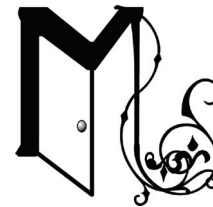
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## Policies & Hours

**Weapons Policies:** Nothing realistic looking, no projectiles, no knives or sharp, pointy things.

**Hotel Policies:** Outside food and drink is not permitted by the hotel in the convention space.

**Con Rules:** Please feel free to dress up as your favorite character(s) during the convention. (We sure plan to!) When planning your costume, please mind the following guidelines:

Keep it PG: This is a family-friendly convention.

No realistic-looking weapons: If security (hotel or ours) can't tell from a distance that it is a fake weapon, then it is too real. We applaud your authenticity, but must ask that you leave it at home. Specifically: metal weapons are not permitted.

**Registration Hours:**  
 Friday 3pm - 8pm  
 Saturday 9am - 7pm  
 Sunday 9am - 2pm

**Convention Hours:**  
 Friday 5pm - midnight  
 Saturday 9am - midnight  
 Sunday 9am - 4pm

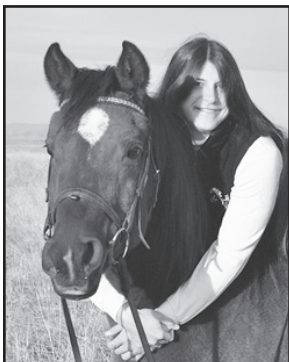
# Authors



## Vivian Caethe

Vivian Caethe's short stories and novellas have appeared in a variety of magazines and anthologies. Her most recent novella, *The Diamond City*, is published by Bold Strokes Books. While writing, thinking and breathing in general, she drinks tea in the constant search for the perfect cup. She lives in Colorado with her husband, his dog who thinks he's a human with hypertrichosis, and a supervillan cat. She can be found at [www.viviancaethe.com](http://www.viviancaethe.com).

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## J.A. Campbell

J.A. Campbell has been many things over the years, from college student, to bookstore clerk and an over the road trucker. But through it all she's been a writer and when she's not out riding horses she can usually be found sitting in front of her computer. She lives in Colorado with her three cats, her vampire-hunting dog Kira, her new horse and Traveler-in training, Triska, and her Irish Sailor. She is the author of many Vampire and Ghost-Hunting Dog stories and several young adult fantasy novels. She is also the editor for Steampunk Trails, a new steampunk fiction magazine. Find out more about Julie at [www.writerjacampbell.com](http://www.writerjacampbell.com) and follow her on Twitter@Pfirewolf.

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## Travis Heermann

Freelance writer, novelist, award-winning screenwriter, poker player, poet, biker and roustabout, Travis Heermann is a graduate of the Odyssey Writing Workshop and the author of the Ronin Trilogy and Rogues of the Black Fury, plus short fiction pieces in anthologies and magazines such as *Weird Tales*, *Historical Lovecraft*, and *Shivers VII*. As a freelance writer he has

produced a metric ton of role playing game work both in print and online, including *Legend of Five Rings*, *D20 System* and the MMORPG, *EVE Online*. His most recent novel, *The Wild Boys*, was released in December, 2012, from Damnation Books.

He enjoys cycling, martial arts, torturing young minds with otherworldly ideas and zombies. He has three long-cherished dreams: a produced screenplay, a NYT best-seller, and a seat in the World Series of Poker.



## Paul Lell

Born and raised in and around Denver, Colorado, Paul has been telling stories (some true, some not so much) for most of his life. This trait led to an early adoption of role playing games and a life long love of the written word. An abrupt change of career in 2007 gave him the opportunity to publish his first novel, and he's been at it ever since;

trying to outdo himself with each new book.

In 2013 he published the *Kalijor* and *Kalijor: Kids RPGs*, using the multitude of world-building data he's done to facilitate the writing of the novels. There is enough information to produce many sourcebooks and supplements and, in fact, there are many already in various stages of completion.

Currently residing in Westminster, Colorado (he never did make it far from where he began), with his family; a wife, two sons, a giant dog, and two giant cats, he writes daily, reads everything he can, and works on refining his stories and games at all hours.

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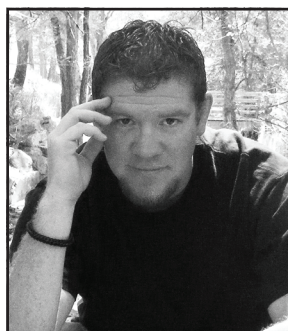


## Colleen Oakes

Colleen Oakes is the author of the best-selling novel *Elly in Bloom*, which debuted in September 2012. A die-hard Colorado native who really enjoys living in other places, she attended Concordia College in Bronxville, NY where she received her BA in Creative Writing. When not writing, Colleen enjoys swimming, traveling, and immersing herself in

nerdy pop culture. She now lives with her husband and son in North Denver. Colleen captures her thoughts about life (the good, bad, and awkward) pretty frequently over at her blog, *The Ranunculus Adventures*. 2013 will see the release of the much anticipated *Queen of Hearts*, her first epic-fantasy/fairy-tale crossover and *Elly in Love* (the sequel to *Elly in Bloom*) both being released by Booksparks Publishing.

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## Christopher M. Salas

Christopher M. Salas was born and raised in Pueblo, CO, where he developed a penchant for science fiction and the paranormal from his grandmother and uncle. As a child spending time with his grandmother, Juanita, included watching the BBC TV series, *Doctor Who*. His uncle Augustine would tell tales at the

dinner table, recounting scenes from movies he had watched, such as *Dawn of the Dead* or *The Exorcist*. This played a key role in Christopher's predilection for the horror and science fiction genre. Currently residing in Colorado Springs, CO, Christopher is in the midst of writing the *Abigail: Curses and Demons* series,

as well as several other literary works. Christopher is also a writer for Themis Comics' *Baron Von Saturday's Tales From Beyond* series.



### Kronda Seibert

In September of 2009, Kronda met the local Colorado Steampunks—all 8 of them—and decided that this movement needed a representative. Through creative footwork and reaching out to local publications, the group received international press and developed a reputation for doing fun stuff. After doing a few panels at local conventions,

Kronda decided to form a company, Victorian Productions, and recruited a few key members of the Colorado Steampunks to staff. Utilizing this team, Kronda wrote and directed four seasons of Radio STEAM, a pulp fiction podcast drama—with the help of a few guest authors here and there. Kronda also spearheads the Steampunk and science fiction convention AnomalyCon, which saw its third successful year in 2013.

Kronda is the author of the dystopian alternate history novel *Beneath the Crust* and the story *A League Below* in Penny Dread Tales III.

She lives in Colorado with her wife Jamie and their beautiful daughter Aubrianna.



### Mark Everett Stone

Born in Helsinki, Finland (The Land of the Uncommonly Stubborn), Mark Everett Stone arrived in the U.S. at a young age and promptly dove into the world of the fantastic. Starting at age seven with the Iliad and the Odyssey, he went on to consume every scrap of Norse Mythology he could get his grubby little paws on. At age thirteen he graduated to

Tolkien and Heinlein, building up a book collection that soon rivaled the local public library's.

In college Mark majored in Journalism and minored in English. The newspaper business wasn't for him, so he did what every good writer does: find work in a wide variety of fields that included catering, bartending, and restaurant management. After getting married, he sold Hyundais (before they became popular) and, because he lives in Colorado, Subarus. Eventually he matured enough to be able to sit down and just write.

Currently Mark is working on his newest novel *Chicago: The Windigo City* and has two more coming out very soon: *I Left My Haunt in San Francisco* and *The Judas Line*, both from Camel Press. Recently, he has been featured in the Arts and Entertainment section of the Denver Post.

To be released March 15, 2013: *I Left My Haunt in San Francisco*, the third in the BSI series, is garnering rave reviews.



### Peter J. Wacks

Throughout the course of his life, Peter has acted (*Revenge of the Nerds* and others), he has designed and written story lines for games (the best-selling Cyberpunk CCG), written novels and other spec fiction (like *Second Paradigm*, which landed him a guest speaker gig at Mensa on writing true nonlinear concepts), and even gotten nominated for a

Bram Stoker Award for his first graphic novel, *Behind These Eyes* (co-written with Guy Anthony De Marco.) Currently, he is the managing editor of Kevin J. Anderson & Rebecca Moesta's Wordfire Press and he is working on his next 3 novels with *Xena* writer Steven L. Sears.



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











# Official Gaming Rules

Open gaming starts at 5pm on Friday and is available all weekend. RPGs will also be running throughout the weekend; check the room for a complete schedule.



## Liar's Dice


Each player begins with 5 dice. All players roll 2 dice. The highest roller is the first player. (If there is a tie, those who tied keep rolling until there is not a tie.)

- All players shake their cups, placing them face down on the table, and examine ONLY their own dice. Any player found to be looking at another player's dice will be ~~shot~~ eliminated.
- The first player places a bet of how many of a certain die there are on the table. Bets must be composed of two numbers: the number of pips on a die, and the number of dice on the table with this pip count (i.e. 2  or 6 ). All  are wild, and can be counted as any number. Bets include ALL dice in play, not just the dice of the player whose turn it is.
- Play continues clockwise. Each bet MUST increase either the dice count (2  to 3 ) or the number of pips on the dice (2  to 2 ) , or both (2  to 3 ). If, and ONLY if, the dice count increases, the pip count may be decreased (i.e. you can go from 4  to 5  but you cannot go from 2  to 2  or from 2  to 1 ).
- At any time after one player ends his/her bet, the next player may call into question the previous player's bet by calling him/her a "liar" before the next player begins. At that time, all players must indicate if they agree with the accuser or the accused. All those in agreement with the accuser raise a hand (and keep it raised for the tallying). All those in agreement with the accused do not. All players MUST choose a side.
- At this time, without bumping, shaking or otherwise altering the dice in any way, all players remove their cups and show their dice. If the number of dice on the table with the correct pip count meets OR exceeds the number bet, the accused wins; if there are not enough dice to meet the bet, the accuser wins. Everyone on the wrong side of the bet loses 1 die.
- Players may have a MAXIMUM of 5 dice in their cup at the same time. If any player is found to be hoarding, hiding, or otherwise concealing any dice beyond the limit of five, he/she will be ~~shot~~ eliminated.

## Liar's Dice Continued...

- At the beginning of his/her own turn, BEFORE rolling, a player may choose to buy back ONE die. Each die can be purchased for a \$1.00 donation. Players may NOT buy back any dice if they already hold 5 dice in their cup.
- The moment any player loses the last die in his/her hand this player is out of the game and may not buy back in. Last person with at least one die in their cup is the winner!

*All monies raised in the Liar's Dice tournament will be donated to Project Angel Heart, a non-profit organization that has been delivering free meals to those coping with life-threatening illnesses since 1991. Go to <http://www.projectangelheart.org> for more information about this amazing organization.*



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## Pirate King Competition

Be ye the King of Pirates for 2013? Compete in the Pirate King competition and lay claim to the right to carry the Staff of Bones! Will this year go to the current King, Captain Duckie Fou, or a new comer on the scene?

Come prepared to wow the judges Saturday afternoon with yer speech on Why you should be Pirate King for 2013, show them How to talk like a pirate, and finally tell them how Piratical be yer garb.

Ye will also be able to sway the populous starting Friday at 5pm - there will be casks for accepting of yer tin, so tell everyone to donate a doubloon (or a dollar) into yer bucket at Registration - each one counts for a vote! And all monies collected will go to helpin' feed folks by way of Project Angel Heart.

Votes from monies collected (by 5pm Saturday) and the competition will be tallied and the winner announced at the Buccaneer Bash.

Sign up at Registration and be prepared to be yer best piratical self Saturday! Mayhaps ye will be crowned Pirate King!



## Plunder Game

The rules o' the plunder game be quite simple, so listen up an' know 'em, so as ye can be sure of gettin' yer fair share o' the loot!

1. Each pirate will get one bag o' plunder! It be yers t'keep, an' it be filled with all manner o' random shiny.
2. If'n you're wantin' an extra share of the plunder, bags can be had from the Harbormistress for a pair o' gold doubloons. (Aye, she'll take that in bank notes, too.)
3. Each pirate should decide what o' their plunder, or other's, they be taken their own shine to.
4. Pirates should attempt to barter, bargain, convince and coerce their other pirate brethren to be handin' over their similar loot. Like them miniature silver buckles? Collect as many as ya can! YOU decide what you're going to collect -- and some of the loot will be worth much bigger prizes!
5. Winners t'be announced and prizes t'be handed out on Saturday evenin' during the Buccaneer Bash.

## Fantascenes (located in Ponyville)

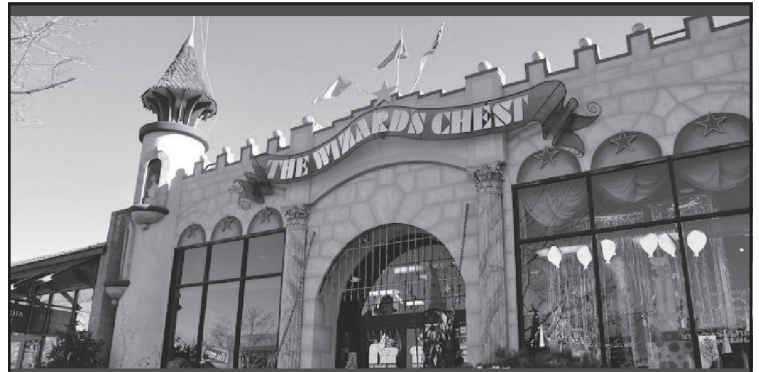
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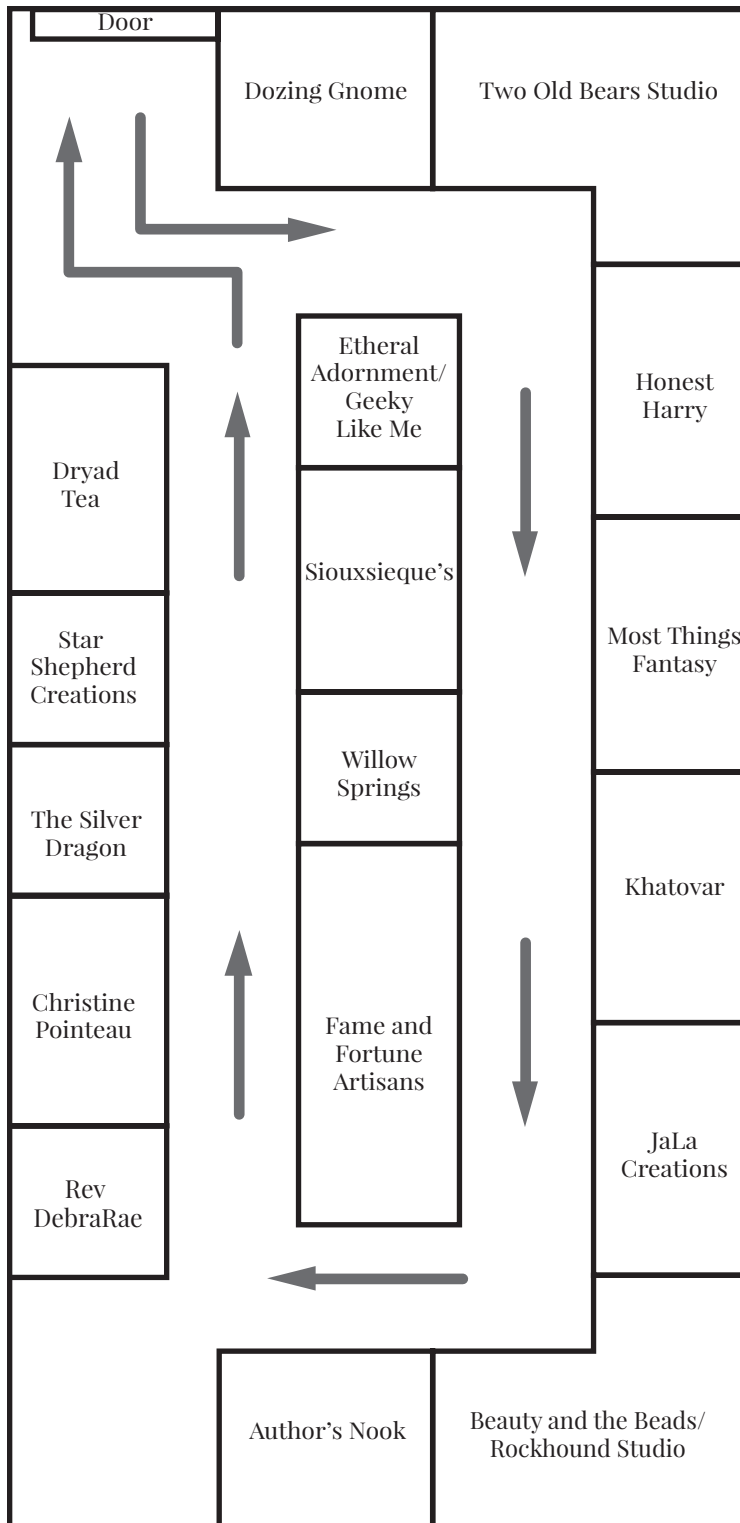
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# Main Events

### **Wizards Yule Ball**

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Bring the family and put your wands in the air like you just don't care! Dress up in your finest dress robes or represent your house or alignment in your favorite colors. Enjoy Not Literally and their take on the wizarding world as well as music and dancing and giveaways; friendly to all ages of witches and wizards.

### **Browncoat Shindig**

*Pandora Celtica*

Music and friendship. Hang out with your fellow Browncoats, old friends and new. Enjoy the stylings of Pandora Celtica while you drown your sorrows in some mudders milk. We'll finish the evening with a rousing chorus to that esteemed hero of Canton.

### **Buccaneer Bash**

*Not Literally, Pandora Celtica, The Kilted Man*

The pirate tradition continues! Join in the revelry with the seventh annual Buccaneer Bash - food, cash bar, live music and more! Family friendly from 6 pm - 9:30 pm with shanty sing alongs and the crowning of the 2013 Pirate King. After 9:30 pm, it's adults only for more singing and kilt blowing.

### **Hobbit Second Breakfast**

After some early morning pirate yoga (or a bit of rest from the Buccaneer Bash festivities), join us for a Hobbit style second breakfast. Advance sign-up required.

### **Doctor Who 50th Anniversary Celebration**

*Michelle Talkington and Daniel Sharnier*

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the beloved show, Doctor Who. We'll start off at 1pm with a Doctor Who fashion show; any attendees in Whovian dress, be it friend or foe, are invited to join the parade. Entrants will be grouped by era and there may be a Jelly Baby Award for the least represented Doctor! At 2pm, Girls of Geek 12 will showcase their 50 Year Tribute video. At 3pm, join in the Doctor Who trivia. How much time and space do you recall?

**Please note there will be giveaways at every major event!**

# ••••• Panels •••••

## **Airships & Pirates in Anime**

*K. Seibert, P. Wacks, C. Salas*

Anime runs the gamut on setting. Which anime stories nailed what we expect from airships, pirates and even steampunk? Why were they good (or bad)?

## **Alliance LARP Denver**

*Jesse Grabowski*

Enjoy a brief explanation of Alliance LARP Denver and then participate in the action (or watch) as a band of adventurers attempt to assist the locals with various problems that arise on any given day. (Combat and Role-Play)

## **Alliance LARP Denver “Tavern Night Murder Mystery”**

*Jesse Grabowski*

It is Dame Draphan’s ten year anniversary of being knighted and she is inviting all nobles and commoners to her manor for a festive celebration. Come interact with various members of the land, and try not to get killed in the process. (No combat; all Roleplay)

## **Ancestry of Malcolm Reynolds**

*Tiffany Fugère*

His parents are named on the “wanted” poster/screen, but who are they? Concocted 500 years of fake genealogy, using canon places/events and tied into actual families in present times. Watch for the Easter eggs in the genealogy; you might see some names you recognize!

## **Asian Mythos & Fantasy**

*M. Boroson, T. Heerman, V. Caethe*

The boundaries between the East and West continue to dissolve, with more and more West fiction delving into Chinese, Japanese and other Asian culture for its source-material. Discover some of the history and mythos of the far East.

## **Blanket Forts**

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

## **Bodypainting with Mythica von Griffyn and Danny Dupree**

*Mythica von Griffyn and Danny Dupree*

Come visit the ever popular artists Mythica von Griffyn and Danny Dupree as they create masterpieces on bodies.

## **Broomstick Pencils**

Learn how to make you own pencil-sized Broomstick in a hands on session, and then take it with you!

## **Bubbles and Bouncyballs**

Blow bubbles and bounce balls :)

## **Bubblewrap!**

Find yourself popping the bubblewrap before paying attention to what’s inside the package? Come and make some noise! Bubblewrap will be available for you to grab, twist, roll on - whatever makes you happy!

## **Cardboard Jewelry**

Bangles, bow ties and beards! How creative can you get with a bit of cardboard and other random things? Come out and try your hand at making “jewelry” with supplies we provide and then show off your creations to our judges. All ages.

## **Chainmaille 101: Costume Armor and Jewelry**

*Billy Van Ark*

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

## **Chainmaille 201: Inlays and Angles**

*Billy Van Ark*

This hands-on class will answer any questions you have from Chainmaille 101, and then cover the basics of inlays (mixing colors to make an image or pattern) and joining pieces at angles (essential for maille shirts!)

## **Chaz Kemp: Meet the Artist**

*Chaz Kemp*

Come meet Chaz Kemp, the artist behind the beautiful Art Nouveau illustrations for the Myths and Legends convention. He’s mostly harmless. Ask about his inspirations, his artistic style, his band Pandora Celtica and line up for free autographs.

## **Common Room**

Enjoy some casual socializing time. Lounge in the common room, meet with your friends, and discuss what you’ve liked best about the con so far.



## Cosplay Photography

*Don Searle*

How well do your convention photographs turn out? Do you get home, look at them, and wish they looked a little better? We can help! We will be holding a beginners photography class that focuses on how to take better cosplay pictures at a con. You will learn some basic rules and techniques that will make a difference right away. Of course the best way to truly learn is to practice, so you will put your new found skills to use. Take your pictures on Saturday, choose your best ones, and bring them back to class on Sunday to show them off. We will take some time to critique your work, and give you some pointers to work on.

## Costuming with Wonderflex

*Erin Card*

Join Erin and her group of panelists as they demonstrate some of the great effects that can be achieved using Wonderflex in costuming. Hands-on and take home available.

## D20 - Arthurian & Greek Myth RPG

Become a legend in these fast paced D20 settings based in Authurian and Greek mythology. Can you protect the Kingdom and its people or fall to the Medusa?

## Doctor Who Past, Present and Future

*Heather Maloney*

Have you always wanted to discuss a visit to Raxacoricofallapatorius? Think you know what Steven Moffat has up his sleeve for the 50th Anniversary special? Then this panel is for you. Spend an hour with Heather Maloney, The National Doctor Who Examiner and host of The Geek Port Podcast for an interactive discussion about all things Doctor Who.

## Doctor Who: 50 years of Companions

*Heather Maloney*

Since 1963 there have been numerous companions that have jumped aboard the TARDIS to travel through time and space. Which companions are your favorite? Which assistants could you have lived without? Spend an hour with Heather Maloney, The National Doctor Who Examiner and host of The Geek Port Podcast for an interactive discussion about the companions we love, and those we love to hate.

## Drink the Tea

*Vivian Caethe*

The world of tea is varied and filled with history and tradition. But this doesn't mean that tea has to be intimidating or overly complex. Rather, it can be a wonderful diversion, a lifelong occupation, and a comforting ritual. Drink the Tea is a guide to the basics of tea history, tradition and enjoyment, as well as a tea journal to guide your journey into the world of tea. Will you drink the tea?

## Ebook Conversions

*Quincy Allen*

A brief seminar on how to format manuscripts and convert them to eBooks for sale or personal use--for when you just don't want to wait to get picked up by a Publisher.

## Fandom Films

*Reel Nerds Podcast*

Denver's own Reel Nerds Podcast discusses the fandoms you love and the films built into them in a live podcast style panel. With each new summer blockbuster season the community of geek films grows and the number of fans grows with them. But which of these films has served their fans best, grown their fanbase the most, and what is the future of these fandom film franchises?

## Favorite Heroes in Harry Potter

*A. Mayer, P. Nihiser, V. Caethe*

Who was your favorite Harry Potter hero and why? This will probably also turn into who was your favorite HP villain.

## Friendship is What?

*Jeffrey Kirby*

Come along to the land of Equestria! Have you ever wondered what makes My Little Pony so popular? What's the appeal of small horses in primary colors? Is the fandom really as creative as it appears to be? And just what the heck IS a Brony, anyway (spoiler, we might surprise you!) Aimed primarily at non-fans, we aim to discuss and explore the latest incarnation of My Little Pony. Come join us and see why friendship really is magic!

## Game of Thrones

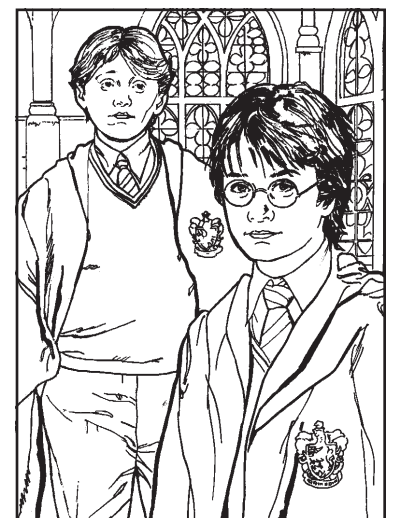
*Ana MacDonell and Lorien Klette*

Look into the fire with Melisandre of Asshai at The Song of Ice and Fire prophecies and loose ends. Spoilers!!! A look to the teasers that GRR Martin dropped all over the books to drive you insane. Trivia, and door prizes for awesome costumes.

## Geek Crafts

*Billy Van Ark and Rebecca Blake*

The panelists discuss what geeky crafts they have made and how they made them, including: Jayne hat, stuffed police box, chainmaille shirts, and more! Please bring things you've made to share with everyone!



**GMing 101: Learn to be a Game Master...or just look like one!**

*BakuDan*

Do you want to run a roleplaying game? Does that book of rules just look too intimidating or is the pressure of being on the spot more than you can handle? Are you a player who wants to know what really goes on behind the GM screen when the snacks have run out and the players have gone home? BakuDan has been running roleplaying games for more than 20 years and he's had enough inspiring moments of awesome and made enough terrible mistakes to feel like he can share it and teach you a thing or two to make you a better GM. Come learn from his experience and share tales of your own at this panel.

**Harry Potter and the Methods of Rationality**

*Eneasz Brodski*

Come learn more about the fanfic-in-progress that has quite the buzz in the internet community. Writer Eliezer Yudkowsky has taken rationalism and applied it to the beloved Harry Potter world. Eneasz Brodski of the HPMOR podcast will explain HPMOR, what is rationality, and how the fanfic diverges from the original books.

**Kalijor RPG**

*Paul Lell*

The Kalijor Role Playing Game is built on an entirely new game engine and is designed to help you and your players experience the world in your own ideal way.

**Latex in Costuming**

*Paul Lell*

Come learn how to use latex in your cosplay with a workshop demo. Watch Paul in a live demonstration during this interactive panel.

**LGBT in Media**

*K. Seibert, P. Wacks, V. Caethe*

The face of our society is changing. As a result, the face of fiction and fandom is changing. How has the LGBT movement affected mass media and even fandom?

**Live Model Drawing**

*Kathryn Renta*

Live model drawing doesn't have to be boring! Come hone your skills in an hour long session of timed poses with music and costuming.

**Make a Wizard Wand**

Make your own wizard wand! (Magic not included.)

**Make Your Own Psychic Paper**

Come and make your own psychic paper in the style of Doctor Who. It works for The Doctor, maybe it'll work for you?

**My Little Pony & Cross-overs: Expanding the Audience**

*M. Stone, P. Nihiser, V. Caethe*

The MLP universe continues to expand, but the content and audience are somewhat specific. Is there value in doing MLP cross-overs? Are the memes of zombie My Little Pony herald to a new wave of MLP cross-overs?

**My Little Pony Ears & Unicorn Horns**

*Rebecca Blake*

Come and make your own pony ears as well as decorate your own unicorn horn. Be a pony or an alicorn; it's up to you!

**My Little Pony: Cosplay is Magic!**

*E. Erdman, J. Whitby, K. King, Nessa, M. Erdman*

Hey everypony, from Los Pegasus to Manehattan! Join us for this fabulous chat about MLP cosplay! In this panel we will discuss what it is like to be in a group cosplay; the rewards, challenges and fun of it all. Also, we will be discussing how we made certain pieces of our cosplays, what inspired our vision for each character adaptation, how we made it all happen and more. We're raring to see you!

**NaNoWriMo**

*Q. Allen, P. Wacks, J. Campbell, V. Caethe*

The ins and outs of writing for NaNoWriMo. Why is it good training grounds for writers new and old?

**Overdue for a Female Who?**

*C. Salas, V. Caethe, J. Campbell*

There were rumors galore about the 12th Who being female. Good thing? Bad thing? Was it catering to the "strong women" themes throughout the industry and how would it have affected the whole of Whodome (if at all)?

**Pirate Films: The Good, Bad & Ugly**

*C. Oakes, P. Nihiser, K. Renta*

What are some great pirate films and which are the bad ones? What made them good or bad and what is the future of pirates in film.

**Pirate King Competition**

Be ye the King of Pirates for 2013? Compete in the Pirate King competition and lay claim to the right to carry the Staff of Bones! Will this year go to the current King, Captain Duckie Fou, or a new comer on the scene?

**Pirate Yoga**

*Jennifer Garrett and Tiffany Carlyon*

Come stretch out yer bones and limber up for the day with your favorites poses with a piratical twist. Challenge yourself by trying the Hungover Pirate (child’s pose) or Unfurling Sails (mountain pose). Open to all skill levels from swab to captain.

**Pirates, Airships & Cannons (Arrr-Tech)**

*T. Heerman, A. Mayer, M. Stone, G. De Marco*

The frigate, cutlass, zeppelin, cannon... how much do the accoutrements make pirate stories “pirate” stories, and what are the prevailing themes in a GOOD pirate story?

**Pony Tail Making**

*Luna Shore*

Come to this no-sew project panel to make your own pony tail out of yarn. All ages.

**Proud to be a Brony!**

*Jeffrey Kirby*

A round-table open discussion for any and every fan of My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic. In this panel we will discuss the characters and why we love them, the story up until now, and speculate on the upcoming Season 4. A word of caution though, here there be spoilers!

**Shadowcast: Dr Horrible’s Sing Along Blog**

*Shadowcast*

Enjoy singing along with your favorite bad guy as he blogs his way through his journey to join the Evil League of Evil. Will he get the girl? What about his nemesis, Captain Hammer? And what will become of Moist?

**Shadowcast: Once More with Feeling**

*Shadowcast*

Didn’t get enough with Dr Horrible? Stick around and watch the Shadowcast perform along with Buffy and the Gang. Watch out for the bunnies!

**Shaintar Justice and Life Campaign**

Its been called “Die Hard meets Lord of the Rings” and here is your chance to join in on the newest living world from Sean Patrick Fannon. The Justice and Life campaign is an ever evolving high fantasy heroic setting that changes as you, the players, take active roles to change the world. Pre-made characters will be available or bring your own J&L character. More information can be found at [www.shainter.com](http://www.shainter.com).



**Sheros and the Men Who Love Them**

*Amber Zeta*

A glimpse into the archetypal patterns of gender from the hit series and movie, Firefly and Serenity. We will explore gender expectations and how Serenity turns all that on its head and does back flips. With a Masters in Mythology Studies with a Depth Psychology emphasis, Ms. Zeta enjoys storytelling, myth, pop culture, and geekdom. Mythic coaching available via Zeta Moon, LLC. For more information, email [zetamoonllc@gmail.com](mailto:zetamoonllc@gmail.com).

**So You Wanna Make a Video?**

*Not Literally*

Join the team behind Not Literally Productions for a panel about creating content for web. Professional VFX artist and video editor, Erik will give you tips on the best ways to shoot footage and edit video, and Ginny and Dana will show you how to streamline the creative process and get eyes on your work. From the concept to the final product, Not Literally will show you how to get your ideas from your mind to the screen.

**So You Want to Turn Your Hobby into a Business...**

*T. Heerman, K. Seibert, T. Fowler, G. De Marco*

There are plenty of hobbies in fiction fandom, from costumes to artwork to tea to writing to pretty much everything. How does one go about making a living or at least creating income with a hobby?

**Storytelling and Fairy Tales**

*Tomas O’Dreams*

Tomas O’Dreams has been entertaining both adults and children since 1987. Tomas is quick to tell a story or share the secrets of Fairy life with those who listen. Usually this trickster can be seen at Renaissance Festivals and Fairy Events around the Colorado area.

**Sword Fighting 101**

*Troy Fluhr*

Want to learn more about sword fighting but have little to no experience? This is the place for you! Troy brings his equipment and years of experience with “boffer” swords and will teach basic stances, blocks and attacks and participants will have the opportunity to practice maneuvers with each other. Friday night ages 13+ welcome; Saturday ages 7+ welcome.

**Sympathetic Villains - The New Master**

*Q. Allen, T. Fowler, M. Stone, J. Campbell, C. Oakes*

The old Master was patently evil. A nasty curmudgeon with nefarious designs. The new Master was made into a sympathetic villain of galactic proportions. How does this change Who and how do sympathetic villains change our take on fiction?

## Tea Duelling

*Tiffin Master Dame Ursula Whiffenpott*

Hoist your Biscuits and Prepare to Duel!! Join Tiffin Master Dame Ursula Whiffenpott for a spirited Sudden Death Tea Dueling Tournament, sponsored by Dryad Tea! Never heard of a Tea Duel? Never fear! Tea Duelling requires only two things of its participants - steady hands and neat manners! Come test your nerves against your fellow con-goers! All participants receive a complimentary cup of Dryad Tea!

## The Hobbit: 1, 2 or 3 Feature Films?

*Q. Allen, T. Heerman, J. Campbell, V. Caethe*

There's been plenty of hub-bub about "The Hobbit" being too long and not deserving of three films. This discussion will go over the pros and cons.

## The SFWA Debacle: Mysoginy & Bigotry In Fiction

*M. Boroson, K. Seibert, M. Stone, C. Oakes*

The war rages on. SFWA's reputation continues to get sullied by blogs as a result of the "Cover in Question" and the Resnik retort. What does this mean for SFWA and how is this on-going debate affecting genre fiction as a whole?

## Unsung Heroines of Fandom

*K. Renta, C. Kemp, Z. Frazure*

With Professor McGonagall as a starting point, who are some of the great unsung heroines of fiction/fandom? Who do we revere and why? The same goes for villainesses.

## Weapons and Combat in Fiction

*M. Boroson, P. Wacks, M. Stone*

Swords, guns, cannons and fisticuffs--the tools of the trade of good writing? How, what, and where are they used, and when is it over the top? When does it fall flat on its a\*\*?

## Whedonverse

*Josh Wash Whitby*

Come join your fellow Whedonites to talk, share, argue and discuss your love for all of Whedon's creations! Buffy, Firefly, Avengers, Dr Horrible and more. More thrilling than staying at a cabin in the woods, more insane than living in a dollhouse.

## Where Does Firefly Go From Here?

*Q. Allen, T. Heerman, T. Fowler*

So Firefly was cut short. There are rumors of a graphic novel. There are rumors of a restart. Can what was be resurrected into what is? Should it be? If so, how?



## Who's Your Favorite Who?

*P. Wacks, P. Nihiser, J. Campbell*

Just like it sounds. With 11 to choose from and a 12th on the way, which is your favorite and why?

## Why Firefly Was Cut Short

*C. Oakes, C. Salas, K. Renta*

An entire generation of geekdom is scratching their heads about the end of Firefly. Why was it cut short and how can fandom prevent the best from getting chopped by studio execs?

## Women in Media and Fiction

*M. Boroson, K. Seibert, C. Salas, K. Renta*

The discussion continues, but now with a focus on whether the discussion itself has become part of the problem. By talking about "strong women in fiction" are we by default presuming that women aren't?

## Women in Pirating

*Holly Larson Smith*

Female pirates began roaming the seas in the 3rd century as fearless rulers, merciless marauders, and fiercely independent entrepreneurs. They looted all over the globe, from the Atlantic Ocean to the Indian Ocean, from the Chinese government to the Roman Empire. Learn how these women became successful pirates and how they were able to amass vast riches, glory, and notoriety.

## Writing Series: Getting Pigeon-Holed

*M. Boroson, T. Fowler, C. Salas, C. Oakes*

Authors frequently become famous for writing that one great EPIC series - and when they step outside those boundaries, they fall flat. What are the perils of getting pigeon-holed in your own series? (vis-a-vis Harry Potter and J.K. Rowling)

Thank you to everyone who has helped in any way along this journey to make the 2013 Myths and Legends convention happen. From my friends and family (for accepting my insanity in undertaking this endeavor) to organizers who have been-there, done-that to all the folks behind the scenes who put in countless hours, thank you very, very much.  
~Nikki Ebright

*If you have any comments about your experience this year, or suggestions for next year, please email them to [feedback@malcondenver.org](mailto:feedback@malcondenver.org)*

# Schedule

## Friday

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Gallifrey (Main Events)			Wizards' Yule Ball						Browncoat Shindig							
Serenity (Panel Room)	Drink the Tea				Weapons & Combat in Fiction		Asian Mythos & Fantasy		Body Painting with Mythica and Danny							
The Shire (Panel Room)	Airships & Pirates in Anime		Geek Crafts		So you want to turn your hobby into...		MLP: Cosplay is Magic!									
Ponyville (Activities Room)	Make Psychic Paper		Bubbles and Bouncyballs		Storytelling with Tomas O'Dreams				Sword Fighting 101							
Port Royale (Gaming Room)	Kalijor RPG: 5PM -9PM					Shaintar J&L RPG										
	Open Gaming		Alien Uprising with Sean Brown			Open Gaming		Mice & Mystics			Open Gaming					

## Saturday

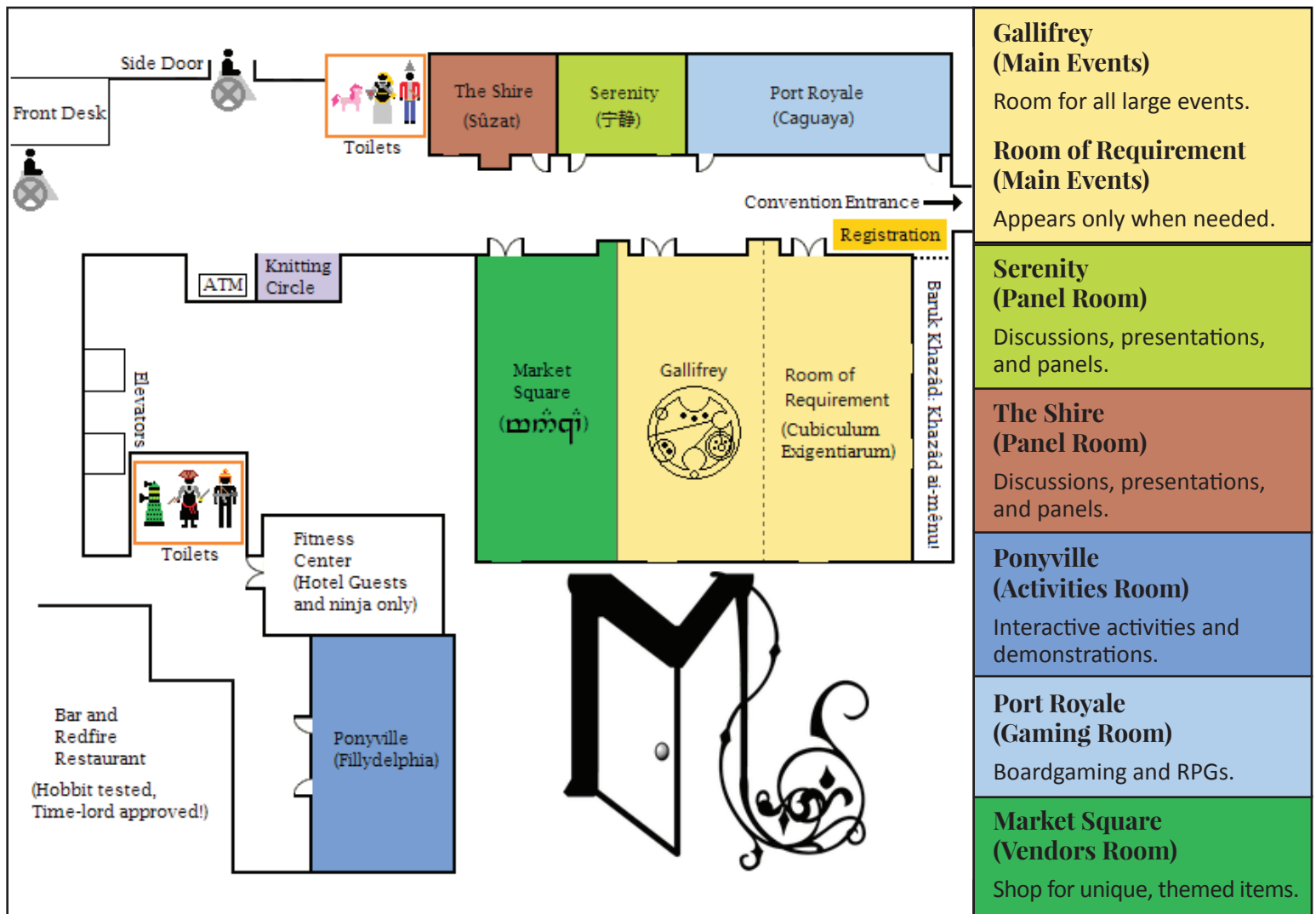
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Room of Requirement	Pirate Yoga					Shadowcast: Dr Horrible		Shadowcast: Once More With Feeling				Kilted Man		Tea Dueling		
Serenity (Panel Room)		Ancestry of Mal	Storytelling with Tomas O'Dreams		Women and Media in Fiction		Favorite Heroes in Harry Potter		Pirates, Airships & Cannons (Arrr-Tech)		Who's Your Favorite Who?		Sheros & The Men Who Love Them		Overdue for a Female Who?	
The Shire (Panel Room)			Sympathetic Villains - The New Master		Friendship is What?		MLP & Crossovers		HPMOR		So You Want to Make a Video?		Game of Thrones		Chaz Kemp: Meet the Artist	
Ponyville (Activities Room)	Cosplay Photography Part 1		Make a Wizard Wand		Chainmaille 101		Cardboard Jewelry		Latex in Costuming		MLP Ears and Unicorn Horns		Storytelling with Tomas O'Dreams		Blanket Forts	
Port Royale (Gaming Room)	LOTR Games: 9AM -9PM		D20-Arthurian & Greek Myth RPG					Open Gaming								
			Shaintar J&L RPG: 10AM - 2PM		Penny Arcade: Gamers vs Evil			Open Gaming			Kalijor RPG: 3PM - 7PM		Liars Dice Tournament			

## Saturday (cont.)

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Ponyville (Activities Room)	Broomstick Pencil		Fandom Films		Chainmaille 201		Swordfighting 101									
Port Royale (Gaming Room)	RPG (con't)		Open Gaming			Shaintar J&L RPG										
	Liars Dice Tournament (con't)		Open Gaming					Cards Against Humanity								

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The Shire (Panel Room)			The SFWA Debauch: Mysoginy & Bigotry		Unsung Heroines of Fandom		GMing 101		Writing Series: Getting Pigeon-Holed		Women in Pirating		Common Room			
Ponyville (Activities Room)	Pirate Yoga		Cosplay Photography Part 2		Costuming with Wonderflex			Bubblewrap!		Pony Tail Making						
Port Royale (Gaming Room)	Open Gaming		RPG					Open Gaming								
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