



# HITCHHIKERS GUIDE TO MEGAPLEX 2017

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#### SPACETIME ANOMALY ALERT

Commander Pounce T. Panther here. I am a Florida Panther and Megaplex's mascot. I'm contacting you from the future to warn you of the phenomena you should expect to encounter during your weekend:

Due to the warping of spacetime around the black hole designated "Megaplex 2017," programming is scattered across three different (but still conveniently accessible) buildings. Tidal forces have ripped the precious Headless Lounge into two pieces, one in the Tower and one in Palms. Refer to the Pocket Guide and map to get your bearings.

Depending on factors such as your proximity to the black hole and how much fun you're having, time may pass slower

or faster for you compared to other observers around you. Indeed, by the time you finish this paragraph you may find yourself already back home, wondering how Megaplex ended so quickly. During the convention, keep time to the best of your abilities and pace yourself using the "6-2-1" directive: Get at least 6 hours of sleep, 2 meals, and 1 shower every Earth day. Costumers and fur-clad species especially: Pay close attention to your energy levels, and stay hydrated and rested.

Throughout this sector, our crew will be issuing "Achievements" made from our fleet's deactivated communication devices. These Communicators are awarded arbitrarily and per the judgment of each crew member. Increase your chances of getting one by trying a little bit of everything at Megaplex.

Use this book and the corresponding pocket schedule to guide you for the duration of this unique spacetime event. Within these pages you will find information about Megaplex's panels, shows, games, special guests, our lovely charity The C.A.R.E. Foundation, blatant references to your favorite scifi franchise, and maybe some really bad space puns. There is something for everyone!

Godspeed, spacefarers, and welcome to Megaplex 2017. Live long and prosfur!



# WELCOME TO THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON ORLANDO AT SEAWORLD



Is it me or does this place look familiar? Some of you may remember the last time Megaplex was held here - way back in 2005! And just like Megaplex, the Doubletree by Hilton is bigger and better than ever before, and still growing. We have access to 60,000 square feet of meeting space, 2 pools, and free theme park shuttles to SeaWorld, Aquatica and Universal Studios. This place has more bars and restaurants than you can shake your wallet at.

#### HOTEL INFO

10100 International Drive Orlando, FL 32821 (407) 352-1100

#### PARKING

Free for guests
Discounted rate of \$6 for others.

#### CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT

Check-in: 3:00pm Check-out: 11:00am

#### THIS IS A NON-SMOKING HOTEL

Ask the front desk for locations of designated outdoor smoking areas.

## RESTAURANTS

#### **Barefoot Bar**

Poolside libations, frozen specialties and light fare

11:00 am - 10:00 pm

Laguna

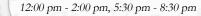


### B ps

Balinese-inspired lounge with premium wines and beers, signature cocktails and light fare

The Crazy

**Squirrel** 



Breakfast buffet plus all day menu; patio seating available

6:30 am - 10:00 pm



# Pavilion Pantry Market

24 hours



Conveniently located drinks! 4:00 pm - 11:00 pm

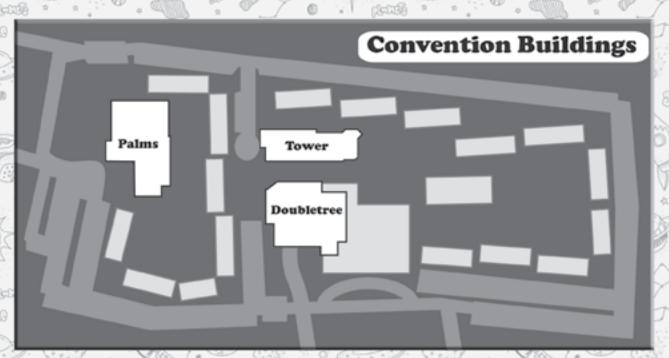


#### The Market

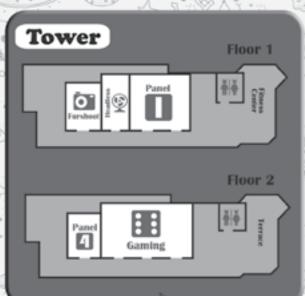
Pastries, beverages, & madeto-order deli sandwiches

6:00 am - midnight













# **GUESTS OF HONOR**



Check it out! As thanks for the Creativity and dedication that they have shared with the fandom, I found some very special souvenirs to give to our very special guests! I hope they like them. Ah, tribbles...the gift that keeps on giving. Anyway, please give a warm welcome to our Guests of Honor: Rick Griffin and Kodi!

## RICK GRIFFIN

Rick Griffin is the artist and author of the award winning Housepets! comic series, along with other titles such as A&H Club, Argo, Ten Thousand Miles Up, and more. He's been creating stories since childhood, with a future focus leaning toward graphic and traditional novels. When not going stark raving mad trying to translate ideas from head to paper, Rick can be found relaxing by repeatedly losing in competitive games and watching terrible movies on the internet.



You can find Rick Griffin at the "Meet the Guests of Honor" event, Friday at 6pm in the Main Ballroom. He will also be at table 2 in the Dealer's Den with many of his creations to peruse!

Website: rickgriffinstudios.com

Housepets! Comic: www.housepetscomic.com Patreon: www.patreon.com/rickgriffin





Kodi began his furry-adventures in 2000 after attending Midwest FurFest in Arlington Heights, IL. It was a love that would last a long time, taking his love for performing into working with the Make-A-Wish Foundation in Vancouver, BC and eventually helping to start Helping Pawz, a volunteer performing group, in 2003.

Of course, Kodi also began making fursuits not too long after entering the furry world and officially launched Kodimade in 2006. To date, Kodimade has had the honor of building over 150 fursuit for performers all around the world.

When Kodi isn't building fursuits or romping around performing, he's probably on an airplane - working in software product marketing, as his main career. Having also lived in a number of different cities (Ottawa, Toronto, Vancouver, Chicago, Seattle), Kodi continues to travel all over the world, visiting every continent and over twenty different countries!

Kodi's originally from Canada (Ottawa and Vancouver), and currently lives in Chicagoland where he continues to build fursuits, play lots of hockey for the Chicago Redliners, and volunteers his time working with Midwest Furfest.

You can find Kodi at the "Meet the Guests of Honor" event, Friday at 6pm in the Main Ballroom. He will also be at "Con Chairs Unleashed! - Running a Furry Con!" with Hino on Friday at midnight in Panel Room 1.

Website: www.kodimade.com

FurAffinity: www.furaffinity.net/user/kodipup

Twitter: twitter.com/theamazingkodi

#### AN INTERVIEW WITH KODI

**Pounce:** Commander Pounce here! I am sitting in my space suit and ready for a Megaplex-exclusive suit construction Q&A with the one and only Kodi! Kodi helped create Vancouver's *Helping Panz* volunteer performer group, and of course, he is the owner of *Kodimade* suits and Megaplex's suit-maker Guest of Honor!

**Kodi:** The honor is all mine, Pounce!

**Pounce:** Well let's get right to our first question. It seems suit manufacture has come quite a long way since its 20th century beginnings. Typically, how much does a modern suit cost to make?

**Kodi:** Well it depends on the design but a complete suit starts at 16.

Pounce: 16 million dollars?

Kodi: What? No, 16 hundred!

Pounce: Only 16 hundred?? That is amazing! How do you manage environmental control at such low unit costs?

Kodi: Environmental control?

**Pounce:** You know, removing body heat for instance. How long can a walk last before suit conditions no longer support life?

Kodi: Oh, well, it depends on how active you are in suit. Typically new suiters shouldn't push it more than a couple hours until they know what they're capable of. There are accessories to stay cool such as Underarmour and head fans. Remember to stay hydrated!

**Pounce:** Your body suits are built with a rear-entry design, is that true? You climb in the back and someone shuts the hatch?

**Kodi:** Um...the zipper is in the back, yes.

**Pounce:** How about mobility in suit? How well do yours perform over rough terrain?

**Kodi:** I suppose just about as well as any other. Normally we get your sneaker size and build the feet around a pair--

**Pounce:** Sneakers!? How do you keep the unit airtight? Hm...how does the suit's microgravity capability compare to operating in surface gravity?

**Kodi:** Pounce, are you asking me questions about *space suits?* I design *fursuits*.

[there is a pause]

**Pounce:** Ah...hahaha...of course! Yes. I knew that! Fursuits! Yes yes yes.

**Kodi:** Yeah. Sorry. Do you have any questions about making fursuits?

**Pounce:** Oh, um-- well, all I've got are-- let me look at my list. Hm.

Kodi: Take your time.

**Pounce:** Maybe this one? Regarding in-suit lavatory use--

Kodi: Ok, I think we're done.

**Pounce:** Right, uh, thank you very much for your time Kodi! Readers, be sure to visit kodimade.com to learn how you can own your very own Kodimade *furs*uit. You can also find Kodi at the links mentioned in the above section!







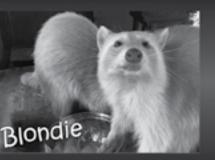














# **OUR CHARITY**

ATTENTION SPACE CADETS:

Sweet Lu the Lion needs your help!

Commander Pounce here. It would be remiss of me not to mention Lucious, a lovable big cat residing at The C.A.R.E. Foundation in Apopka, Florida. "Sweet Lu" has been diagnosed with Hypovitaminosis, a very grim affliction specific to lions, although so far the feline isn't showing any signs of slowing down. He needs more medical tests to get an accurate diagnosis and treatment plan, including possible surgery.

C.A.R.E. needs all the help they can get to support Sweet Lu, and over 200 other native animals and exotic pets who are unable to return to the wild and depend on their human Caretakers.

Megaplex attendees reached a big milestone last year: Over the last 12 years, the donation boxes accumulated over \$50,000 in support of The C.A.R.E. Foundation. With your help this weekend let's see if we can reach \$60,000! Together we can make Sweet Lu's story a positive one.

For more about Sweet Lu's condition, Visit: www.generosity.com/animal-pet-fundraising/sweet-lu-a-lion-in-need

The C.A.R.E. Foundation is a non-profit 501(C)3 Exotic Animal Rescue and Wildlife Education Facility. Learn more about C.A.R.E, including a guided tour of the animals, at *thecarefoundation.org* or stop by their table in the Dealer's Den.

You can help out C.A.R.E. or learn more about them at these great events!

#### CHARITY POKER TOURNAMENT

Saturday, Aug 5 • 1pm - 6pm Tournaments Room

Donate for a seat in the tournament and test your skill and luck against fellow furries! Fun for a good cause. Buy-in TBA.

#### PUCK'S PICKLED SHOW (18+)

Friday, Aug 4 • 10pm - 11:30pm Panel 1

For the 5th year in a row, come join Puck for a night of surprises, comedy, and angry raging! In this no-holds-barred comedy show Puck will point out everything wrong with the very fandom itself while raising money for C.A.R.E! And, as always, improv, audience participation, and memories Puck will regret shall run rampant in this late night, 18+ show!

#### C.A.R.E PREJENTATION

Sunday, Aug 6 • 10am - 11am Main Ballroom

There will be adorable live animals AND you can get your photo with them when you donate to help them. You won't want to miss this chance to see the animals you're saving!

#### THE C.A.R.E. CHARITY AUCTION

Sunday, Aug 6 • 11am - 1pm Main Ballroom

Here's your chance to claim unique and cool goodies donated by attendees. We take credit cards! We even give them back.

#### JONATION BOXES

All weekend!

These can be found throughout the con and at certain events. You may spot some fuzzies like Pounce wandering the halls with them! If you're a fursuiter and want to help collect donations, visit our information desk to sign up.

















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# DEALERS DEN & ARTIST ALLEY



#### DEALERS

**Booth 1 - Tempest Creations** 

Booth 2 - FursuitSupplies.com

Booth 3 - Personify 3D

Booth 4 - Pixel and The Wolf

Booth 5 - Zero Point 3D

Booth 6 - Tifography

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Booth 7 - Hyena Agenda

Booth 8 - Fae's Tiny Toes and Bows

#### Admin - Little Tales

1 - Isle Aukate

2 - Rick Griffin Studios

(Our Guest of Honor!)

3 - Fox Amoore & Pepper Coyote

4 - Mary Mouse - Certified Tags

5 - Tiger Brand Clothing Company

6 - Golden Druid

7 - Snoot Skunk

8 - Artiskim (Art of Madshy)

9 - Nagami Arts

10 - Bri Mercedes Art

11 - Draw Ponies, Furries, and Creatures

12 - Mek's Sketches and Illustrations

13 - Rysingson Accessories

14 - Cat Tail studios

15 - Ryuu Daiga

16 - Lemonbrat

17 - RoseNightshade.com

18 - Dreamvision Creations

19 - Zember Arts

20 - Lightning Dogs

21 - gBlazeWear, LLC

22 - Ink And Claw

23 - Kawaiidogarts

24 - Tartii's Goodies and Art

25 - Art By Chelsea

26 - Princess Rei

27 - Cabbits Co.

28 - FuzziMutt Creations

29 - CynicalHound Creations

30 - Foxy Pickles Illustrations

31 - Interlinked Jewelry

32 - Kawaii Designs LLC

33 - AuratoonDoodle

34 - Mad House Mind Works

35 - .fur

36 - Nightengale Needles

37 - Warhorse Workshop - Soap Pony

38 - Mitzi Emerson

39 - NaughtyByNature

40 - InkedFur

41 - SoberDOGS Art

42 - Mooncat Studio

43 - Sirkus and TheoTheFox

44 - Paw to Press

45 - A True Blue Artist

46 - PupnFluff

47 - Hitodama

48 - Royalty

49 - Lava Alley

50 - Teaberry Workshop

51 - Lunar Sapphire Arts studio

52 - NightlineZ

53 - Sugarmonster Creations

54 - MJG

55 - Aisu Art

56 - AunumArt Custom Creations

57 - Anything Goes Lasing, LLC

58 - Dragonmun Studios

59 - Fresh! by Flitt

60 - LytleLemur Art

61 - Art By Marina Neira

62 - Blankit Art and Design

63 - Ahro's Art

64 - Trouble's Little Sister

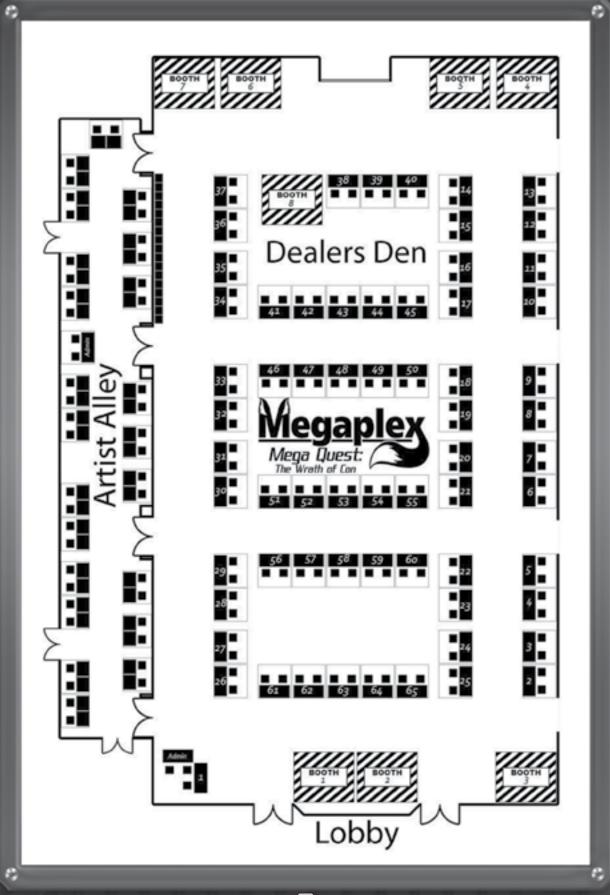
65 - Wolfu Merch

## DEALERS DEN AND ARTIST ALLEY HOURS

Friday 11am-6pm

Saturday 10am-7pm

Sunday 10am-6pm



# STAFF ARTIST BIOS

#### FOXENAWOLF

Foxenawolf is an Art College Graduate from CCAD who has carved out a full-time career as a live-streaming digital artist. She has a wide range of interests and talents from digital to traditional media to plush making. Foxena specializes in illustration for various levels of fiction from a professional clients to personal comic projects. She also has a deep interest in the art of creature creation and world building as seen in her plush making endeavors, and sprawling comic story.

www.swaggerdile.com/ foxena www.tigerdile.com/ stream/ overlordfox www.furaffinity.net/ user/ foxenawolf www.etsy.com/ shop/ Foxena

#### PRINCEJ REI

Princess Rei is a self-taught freelance illustrator, and has been drawing anthropomorphic characters for at least 20 years. She mostly specializes in digital painting, where she creates engaging pinups for poster prints and digital wallpaper use. She works full-time as an at-home artist, but she takes her art with her, especially while travelling around the world.

www.furaffinity.net/user/princessrei www.patreon.com/princessrei www.facebook.com/AmethystValley



#### MADJHY / KIMARTIJ

Kimmy Artis (better known in the fandom as Madshy, ShyShy, Maddie, Mads or just.. Shy ) is a freckle-faced, tangled-maned, bespectacled animated character who struggles with gravity. She has been drawing since her tiny handpaws first gripped a pencil and she spends an inordinate amount of time (give or take 20 plus years) drawing silly cute animals. She loves to write poetry and plans to become a published author someday. Nowadays, she resides in Florida, still drawing adorable creatures and surviving on a diet of vegetable Pad Thai and croutons (preferably garlic flavor).

www.furaffinity.net/user/madshy www.artiskim.com

#### GOLDENDRUID

For the past 11 years GoldenDruid has made her life as a professional artist. She's been involved in furry culture for the majority of that time and loves creating art that inspires wonder and positivity in the fandom. Several notable projects she has founded include daily Grateful Paintings: an artistic and emotional exercise geared towards internal well-being and artistic improvement. And the invention of the Ultimate Badge Lanyard: A lanyard with multiple built-in clips; an effortless way to display all your favorite badges at once! Golden attends many conventions throughout the year, but her first ever was Megaplex. It holds a special place in her heart. She devotes many hours to creating art, panels, and volunteering to this, her favorite con.

www.furaffinity.net/user/goldendruid goldendruid.deviantart.com

#### **JIRKUJ**

Sirkus is an animator and digital illustrator who comes from the mountains of Georgia. She's a freelance artist who has been in the fandom for over 10 years. Sirkus specializes in 2D animal animation, and has previously worked in the live action film industry providing storyboards for short films. Her style draws influence from classic Disney movies, especially The Lion King, as well as Don Bluth's works.

www.sirkusart.com www.furaffinity.net/user/sirkus-pandemonium There is a theory which states that if ever anyone discovers exactly what Megaplex is for and why it is here, it will instantly disappear and be replaced by something even more bizarre and inexplicable. There is another theory which states that this has already happened.



#### JTARLILIY / NEKO

Neko is an artist whose style manifests itself through unique and diverse mediums. Utilizing a vast range of art from digital to traditional, two dimensional to three-dimensional with mediums such as paper, leather and metal. Drawing inspiration from her over 15 years of experience, her unique style can morph to fit any occasion or purpose. Always ready for a challenge, Neko is constantly experimenting with new ideas, technology and materials. Currently, Neko is taking commissions for illustration, leatherwork and fine art projects and can be contacted through her website.

www.furaffinity.net/user/tempestuous

#### BRIMERCEDEJ

Bri Mercedes Weidner (known online as Bri Mercedes) is a full time digital artist working from her home in northeastern Maryland with plants and cats for company. Fascinated with art and animals since birth, she earned a BFA in children's illustration in 2013 and began creating art full time in 2015. Bri draws artistic inspiration from nature, games, puns, and her desire for the happiness of others.

brimercedesart.com

# **EVENTS**

The most up-to-date programming schedule can be found online: megaplex2017.sched.org

# THURSOAY

## HARAOKE GALACTICA

Kryos Thursday 8pm - 12am Tournaments Room

Come sing, squeak or howl along with us! Our music selection contains nearly every title in the galaxy.

# 2001: A DANCE ODUSSEY

Megaplex DJs Thursday 9pm - 1am Main Ballroom

Open the Main Ballroom doors, HAL.

Sly As Fox: 9pm-10pm

BetaMonkey: 10pm-11pm

Maxx: 11pm-12am KaiZa: 12am-1am

# To Absent Friends

Hino Thursday 9pm - 10pm Panel 1

Before we begin this year's festivities, we pause to remember those who are no longer with us. To our absent friends: You are missed, you are loved, and you are not forgotten.

# DRAG QUEEN 101

Hecate

Thursday 10pm - 11pm Panel 2

Join Hecate, Brenda Banks, and London as we go over the history of drag, styles of drag, a Q&A, and a drag demonstration.



# ANOTHER DANG GAMESHOW WITH PUCK

Puck the Zennec

Thursday 11pm - 1am Panel 1

What would you do with your sanity, and a membership for next year's Megaplex, on the line? Come find out in this mystery gameshow, designed and hosted by the one and only Puck, where contestants will be pulled straight from the audience! Trivia, stunts, and surprises are what will get you to the top, but no matter how far you rise, you can come crashing down in an instant! Do our contestants have what it takes to claim the glory? Come find out at the first gameshow of Megaplex 2017! Who needs bowling when you've got gameshow trolling?

# FRIDAY

# **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Megaplex BoD

Friday 10am - 11am Main Ballroom

Kick off the con in style at the Opening Ceremonies and meet the staff, board, and Guests of Honor!

# **YOUR FIRST FURRY CON?**

Megaplex BoD

Friday 11am - 12pm Main Ballroom

Is this your first furry convention? Join KP, a Megaplex board member, for a fun and informative discussion about etiquette and information to make the most of your convention experience!

# BREAK THE ICE WITH PUCK

Puck the Zennec

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Friday 11am - 12pm Panel 1

Come laugh along with Puck as he teaches you his patented "Be a D.I.C.K." method of breaking the ice, making new friends, and having a good time! Puck will teach you special methods for getting to know new people in his crazy, unscripted way of going with the first thing that comes to mind!

# FURSUITING 101

AcidFox

Friday 11am - 12:30pm Panel 2

This is fursuiting 101. We go over basic up keep of a fursuit and how to fursuit. Also give pointers on buying or making a fursuit.

# CON ETIQUETTE

Puck the Zennec

Friday 12:30pm - 1:30pm Panel 1

Puck's guide to the Do's and the YOU HAD BETTER NOT's of a convention! Want to keep from being banned? Want to see JUST how much you can get away with? Well that is something Puck has perfected! Oh, and I'm legally required to state that the views and comments of this panel are in no way endorsed by Megaplex.

# BREW FURS MEET AND GREET

Nero

Friday 12:30pm - 1pm Panel 3

A meet and greet for all furs who make there own or want to learn how to make beer, wine, or mead, and to share stories, recipes, and mishaps!

# AUDIO / VISUAL FORUM

Megaplex BoD

Friday 1pm - 2pm Main Ballroom

An open forum about lighting, audio, and special effect technology, and their safe implementation.

## WHOSE LINE IS IT ANYWAY?!

XanteWolf

Friday 1pm - 2pm Panel 2

Come join XanteWolf and JyooCFroot's furry team for another night of laughs as we play classic games from the hit show Whose Line is it Anyway?!

# **WRITING WORKSHOP**

Kris Schnee

Friday 2pm - 3pm Panel 3

We'll read excerpts from your stories and offer each other feedback on the craft of writing.

# POOL/PLUSH SUIT CONSTRUCTION

Firr

Friday 2pm - 3pm Panel 4

There's more to building suits than just fur! Firr will show you how to make suits out of weird materials like PVC and fleece.

# SHINY & ZACK'S "OH NO, THEY'RE BACK' MUSIC HOUR

**Zack Grey** 

Friday 2:30pm - 3:30pm Main Ballroom

Apparently, multi-year contracts are a thing in the industry! Come check out the urban-folk music of Shiny & Zack as they continue to make you laugh and play contractually obligated music!

# YOU JUST BOUGHT A FURSUIT: NOW WHAT?

Pesto

Friday 2:30pm - 3:30pm Panel 2

Learn how to change the world, one smile at a time by suiting. All too often our suits spend to much time in the closet. Suit up and become a hero! Charities can use your unique support!

# FUR-HIKER'S TRAVEL GUIDE

Demet

Friday 3pm - 3:30pm Panel 4

Whether traveling across the galaxy or down the hall, always bring a towel. Learn how to travel prepared and efficiently by plane or automobile. A crash course for cadets and seasoned travelers.

# SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKEUP ON A BUDGET

Nanook.MoonSong

Friday 3:30pm - 4:30pm Panel 1

Want to learn how to do special effects, but short on funds? Come join us for a demonstration and a Q&A of special effects while on a budget!

## DANCEMANIA!

Megaplex BoD

Friday 4pm - 5pm Main Ballroom

DanceMania! is a dance event for everyone! This non-competitive dance show will allow all attendees to wear their best outfit, show off their best moves, and have lots of fun!

## THE FATE OF TORCH

Kris Schnee

Friday 4pm - 7pm Panel 4

A tabletop role-playing scenario! Space is limited so first come, first served!

# PAGAN MEET UP

MsStrawberryHasek

Friday 4:30pm - 5:30pm Panel 2

A gathering for pagans, druids, wiccians, lightworkers and all that wish to bring some light into the world.

## OVERCOMING SOCIAL ANXIETY

Jessebunny

Friday 5pm - 7pm Panel 1

Why do some people seem more naturally sociable than others? An open discussion about how we see ourselves compared to how others see us, and how you can feel more comfortable meeting new people.

# CONVENTION SAFETY

Kiku Otter

Friday 5pm - 6pm Panel 3

A discussion of safety concerns convention attendees might run into and how to handle them. Topics include traveling, fursuitting and adult safety.

# MEET THE GUESTS OF HONOR

Megaplex BoD

Friday 6pm - 7pm Main Ballroom

Join your host, KP, and our special guests Kodi and Rick for an informal (and possibly humorous!) discussion of their involvement in the fandom, projects they have worked on, and other areas of interest. The audience will have an opportunity to ask questions as well!

# POPUFUR SURVIVAL GUIDE

RawrJesse

Friday 6pm - 7pm Panel 2

What do you do when everyone wants a piece of you? How do you handle chaos and keep a smile on your face? We'll show you the proven path to social nirvana.

# DANCE COMPETITION AUDITIONS

ShyyBunny

Friday 7:30pm - 9pm Panel 2

Want to try and be a part of the fursuit dance competition this year? Make sure you attend either audition time to snag a chance!

## MEGAPLEX LATE NIGHT

Kuddlepup

Friday 8pm - 9pm Main Ballroom

Megaplex Late Night returns as our unique and fun late night talk show. Join host KP, the GoH's, and other special guests take the stage to entertain you in a one of kind late night show!

# SCRAPBOOKING FOR FUN

Star Raccoon

Friday 8pm - 9pm Panel 1

Chronicle your own adventures by creating a memory book for yourself!

# An Artist's Guide to Selling at Cons

GoldenDruid

Friday 8pm - 9pm Panel 3

Want to boost sales at your con table and create life long fans in the process? Create fulfilling customer relationships, set up an engaging table, and sell without feeling like a salesperson!

## FURSUITING FOR CHARITY EVENTS

Leilia Spaniel

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Friday 8pm - 9pm Panel 4

Want to learn how to get started performing at charity events in your area? This panel will cover how to choose and contact events, public performance tips, safety, and much more.

# DESSERT SOCIAL & POOL PARTY

Megaplex BoD

Friday 9pm - 11pm Pool

Join us for a free mouth-watering selection of sweet treats and fun at the Pool!

# HARROHE AND THE CITY OF A THOUSAND FURSUITS

Kryos

Friday 9pm - 1am Tournaments Room

Look at that. I referenced a movie that won't be out until after the con book goes to print! Let's hope it turns out to be good. Anyway, this is more karaoke.

# THE DANCE MUST FLOW

Megaplex DJs

Friday 10pm - 2am Main Ballroom

If you dance without rhythm, it won't attract the worm.

Roo3k: 10pm-11pm

Addix: 11pm-12am

Dox: 12am-1am

RuneTooth: 1am-2am

# PUCK'S PICKLED SHOW (18+)

Puck the Zennec

Friday 10pm - 11:30pm Panel 1

For the 5th year in a row, come join Puck for a night of surprises, comedy, and angry raging! Every year has a theme. What's this year's theme? It's a surprise! Come find out, and join Puck as he tears apart the one thing we all hold dear: The Furry Fandom! In this no-holds-barred Puck will point out everything wrong with the very fandom itself while raising money for C.A.R.E! And, as always, improv, audience participation, and memories Puck will regret shall run rampant in this late night, 18+ show!

# OPEN MIC COMEDY NIGHT (18+)

Drykath

Saturday 10pm - 11pm Panel 2

Everyone has a joke or two! Maybe you have a funny story to share? Making people laugh is awesome, so why not get up in front of a friendly crowd and try out some material? It'll be fun!

# SECRET IDENTITY: ARTIST (18+)

Syrae Universe

Friday 10pm - 11:30pm Panel 3

Hilarious, mature stories and experiences of what it's like to be a growing popular artist when the family and friends gradually enter and understand the community as a whole.

# EROTIC STORYTELLING (18+)

NightEyes DaySpring

Friday 10pm - 11:00pm Panel 4

Sex is a part of life, but writing an engaging story about it often goes beyond the sex. Tips and tricks for writing an amazing adult story.

# CON CHAIRS UNLEASHED! - RUNNING A FURRY CONVENTION

Hino

Saturday 12am - 1:30am Panel 1

Join Hino, our chairman, and Kodi, our guest of honor in A lighthearted conversation about what its really like to run a furry convention..

# AFTER DARK WITH MS STRAWBERRY (18+)

MsStrawberryHasek

Saturday 12am - 1am Panel 2

Breaking down Relationships, self esteem, and navigating love in our lifestyle.

# FURRY GIRL MEET AND GREET (18+)

Surry Kitten

Saturday 12am - 1am Panel 3

Let's have some girl time to talk and laugh! All female furs are welcome, because girls just want to have fun. PJs are optional, and chocolate is provided.



# STUFFED ANIMAL/PLUSHIES MEET AND GREET(18+)

Midnight

Saturday 12am - 1am Panel 4

Meet and greet for fans and collectors of plush toys. Quick panel on the care and repair of plush animals, how to clean them so they provide love and comfort for many years followed by show and tell.

# **JATURDAY**

# MILITARY FUR MEET AND GREET

Furry Crew Chief

Saturday 9am - 10am Panel 1

A meet and greet of active duty, guard, reserve, veteran, and even military supporters to broaden the support structure of military hardships.

# **DANCE COMPETITION AUDITIONS**

ShyyBunny

Saturday 10am - 11:30am Panel 2

Want to try and be a part of the fursuit dance competition this year? Make sure you attend either audition time to snag a chance!

## BEES AND BEEKEEPING

Searska GreyRaven

Saturday 10am - 11am Panel 3

Want to keep bees but don't know how to get started? Don't have the space for a hive, but still want to help? Just want to hear Searska talk about her bee shenanigans?



## MEMORY MAKING

Star Raccoon

Saturday 10am - 11am Panel 4

A Random fun meet up for people doing nothing right now at the con. Come take photos, meet new friends (or bring an old friend along)!

#### **FURSUIT GAMES**

Megaplex BoD

Saturday 11am - 1pm Main Ballroom

Our very own round of Furry Fursuit fun and games! Come test your skills or cheer folks on!

# THE THURSDAY PROMPT

Vixyy Fox

Saturday 11:30am - 12:30pm Panel 3

The Thursday Prompt is a writer's weekly prompt that allows you practice and critique of your writing style with and by other writers. It's meant to be fun - and it is.

## STEPMANIA FOR DUMMIES

**Jackal** 

Saturday 11:30am - 1pm Panel 4

Learn how to get into Stepmania in 5 easy steps, how to survive in the community, and join us for a Showcase to show off the type of songs being made into files for the game.

# SUPER SPONSOR LUNCHEON

Megaplex BoD

Saturday 12pm - 2pm Panel 1

Enjoy lunch with our Guests of Honor, key staffers and your fellow supersponsors. Not yet a supersponsor? You can still upgrade at the registration desk!

## DANCE 101

ZaphanKelgoris

Saturday 12pm - 1:30pm Panel 2

We'll be teaching dancers about dance, manners, and battles for competitions and teaching small fundamentals to help dancers enter the world of dance.

# FURRYWOOD: MOTION CAPTURE

Furrywood

Saturday 1pm - 2:30pm Panel 3

Isn't motion capture that thing where guys wear skin-tight suits with ping pong balls on them? It can be, but it's much more than that! In this audience participation panel, we'll learn about 'mocap' by exploring the latest technologies that allow it to be performed even at furry conventions like this one!

## CHARITY POKER TOURNAMENT

Kryos

Saturday 1pm - 6pm Tournaments Room

Of all of the ways to do good for The C.A.R.E. Foundation AND have fun at the same time, gambling is one of them!

# TRANSGENDER OR QUESTIONING MEET AND GREET

Andi

Saturday 1:30pm - 2:30pm Panel 4

Come meet others of non-typical gender identity back-grounds. Educational materials will be available. Introduce yourself and let's make our community more close knit.

# FURVILLA MEET AND GREET

Furvilla

Friday 2pm - 3pm Panel 2

Meet the admins of Furvilla, the browser-based game for furries by furries - ask questions, get cool swag, and have fun!

## FOXES AND PEPPERS

Fox & Pepper

Saturday 2pm - 3pm Main Ballroom

Fox Amoore and Pepper Coyote bringing you their musical talents of singing, piano, guitar, and fun with songs from their collab album "Hashtag" and Fox's new album "The Dreamcatcher".

# PRACTICAL EFFECTS AND PROPS QEA

Logen L. LeNoir

Saturday 2:30pm - 3:30pm Panel 1

Come join us for a Q&A with a respected artist currently working in the theme park industry making props and animatronics!

## HOW TO DESIGN AND SELL CHARACTERS

FurryFilth (Tofu)

Saturday 3pm - 4:30pm Panel 3

Learn how to chose the right personality, lines, color palette, and patterns for a custom character for yourself or for adoption! We'll also cover the best way to get the most money for your adopts.

# AVIATION FURS MEET AND GREET

Nicholai Gaul

Saturday 3pm - 4pm Panel 4

Returning for its second year, the Aviation Furs Meet & Greet is for all who love flying! Whether if it's commercial aviation, military, or general aviation, everyone is welcome to attend.

# FURSUIT DANCE COMPETITION

Nanook.MoonSong/ShyyBunny Saturday 4pm - 6:30pm Main Ballroom

Our dance competition is back! Come see one of the most popular events in the fandom live!

# DON'T LET YOUR DREAMS BE DREAMS

Lightning Dogs

Saturday 4pm - 5pm Panel 2

Have a dream project gathering dust? Don't let "reality" get in your way! Let the team behind Nerdy Show's in-development animated series Lightning Dogs zap you into action with tales of dumb jokes becoming brilliant decisions, teaming up with your heroes, and bringing crazy ideas to life - no matter the genre.

# FOODIE FURS MEET AND GREET

Demet

Saturday 4:30pm - 5:30pm Panel 4

Are you a fan of food? Do you like watching cooking shows without actually cooking yourself? Come join us to share recipes, prep hacks, and learn about the latest cooking craze: sous vide!

# LIVE FURSUIT HEAD BASE BUILD

Saturday 5pm - 7:30pm Panel 3

Watch a fursuit head base built live in less than 3 hours. This will be a Q&A to answer any build questions you might have during the build!

# INFLATABLE ANIMAL TOUS MEET AND GREET

Mac

Saturday 5:30pm - 7:30pm Panel 2

Come and mingle with a bunch of giant inflatable animals! This panel allows everyone to interact with pooltoys handson, ask questions, and learn all about 'squeakies'. Fursuiters welcome!

## FLORIDA MEET AND GREET

Sendemi aka Sharkliver

Saturday 6pm - 7pm Panel 1

The state of Florida is large, but not too large for everyone to get to know one another. Come on down and say hi to your neighbors!

# HOW TO RUN A SUCCESSFUL FURMEET

Calliope Rabbelle & Candorian Saturday 6pm - 7pm Panel 4

Do you want to start a furmeet in you area? Unsure where to start or how to proceed? This panel will help using insight from 4 year running local fur meet administrators of the Freedom Lake Park Furs!

## FURSUIT PARADE PHOTO LINEUP

Megaplex BoD

Saturday 7:30pm - 8pm Main Ballroom

Make sure to make your way to the main ballroom if you want to join us for the fursuit photo and parade!



Megaplex BoD

Saturday 8pm - 9pm Main Ballroom

It's the annual fursuit parade! We'll begin with a group photo, then watch the suiters strut their stuff – a perfect photo opportunity for everyone! Line-up begins at 7:30pm. At 8pm, the photo will be taken, and the parade will kick off!

## STARSHIP DANCERS

Megaplex DJs

Saturday 9pm - 2am Main Ballroom

Young people from all over the globe are joining up to dance for the future. I'm doing my part!

Antimon: 9pm-10pm Recca: 10pm-11pm Takum/YNA: 11pm-12am Robbie: 12am-1am

Laser Raccoon: 1am-2am

# ART JAM

GoldenDruid

Saturday 9pm - 10pm Panel 1

Come hang out and draw in a relaxed environment that's all about making art and new friends. Friendly advice/critiques are encouraged! Side effects include: networking, artistic growth & giggles!

# BABYFUR & KIDFUR MEET AND GREET (18+)

Playbill Pup

Saturday 9pm - 11pm Panel 2

A friendly gathering of babyfurs, kidfurs, caretakers, and anyone looking to have a good time. Playbill the pup brings this gathering back for a fourth year, with plenty of fun activities!

# SCUBA FURS MEET AND GREET

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Saturday 9pm - 10pm Panel 3

Are you a Diver or interested in diving? Come meet other underwater enthusiasts and share your experiences!

# THE CATNIP COMMITTEE

Tiffany, Nico & Amrod Tiger Saturday 9pm - 11pm Panel 4

Let's get all the cats together for a meet and greet! We will be providing pamphlets to educate on domestic and wild cat breeds. We look forward to meeting all of you cats! Fursuiters and nonsuiters welcome

# **HARRONE:** THE NEXT GENERATION

Kryos

Saturday 9pm - 1am Tournaments Room

The ultimate installment in the Karaoke saga. I won't give away any spoilers here, but I hear someone dies.

# MACRO FURS & You (18+)

Vev'ian Amber

Saturday 10:30pm - 11:30pm Panel 3

A panel to introduce what a macro/size-play fur is, bring others out who are interested in the same likeness, and compare mannerisms of characters.

# FOX AND PEPPER AFTER DARK (18+)

Fox Amoore & Pepper Coyote Sunday 12am - 1am Panel 1

Fox and Pepper bring their nonsense carnival of music and alcohol to Florida for a second time! Enjoy original music, covers of songs we probably don't actually like, and two of the most handsome musicians the fandom has to offer!

# TWEET READINGS FROM THE UNDERWORLD (18+)

Trudy Jumpps

Sunday 12am - 1am Panel 2

Ever wonder what the message inbox of someone else sounds like when read dramatically?

# ADVANCED FORM SCULPTING FOR FURSUITS

**Ober Rivers** Panel 3

Sunday 12am - 1am

Tired of fighting with foam and getting nowhere? Let Ober Rivers show you his own special brand of Power tool Foam Fu!

# VORE FURS MEET (18+)

Theothefox

Sunday 12am - 1am Panel 4

A meet and greet panel for those interested in vore! This will be a simple meet up to mingle with other vore enthusiasts, vore artists, and those curious about vore!



## CARE PRESENTATION

Megaplex BoD

Sunday 10am - 11am Main Ballroom

There will be adorable live animals AND you can get your photo with them when you donate to help them. You should avoid this presentation if you are a terrible person who doesn't like helping cute critters in need.

# WRITING IN THE FANDOM FROM PUBLISHING TO COMISSIONS

Caudle

Sunday 10am - 11am Panel 2

Interested in writing the next great work of Furry literature? Just wanna get published or start up commissions? Come listen to Communications Major and short story author Caudle as he expounds on it!

# CHARITY AUCTION

Megaplex BoD

Sunday 11am - 1pm Main Ballroom

Bid on an eclectic selection of goodies from the sublime to the ridiculous. All proceeds go to the CARE Foundation, an animal rescue and wildlife education facility here in Orange County, FL.

# DANCER FUR MEET

Imogen

Sunday 11:30am - 12:30pm Panel 1

Like dancing? Come meet up with other dancers in the fandom to get together and maybe learn a few tips or tricks from each other. There will be music, and maybe a little dance off, and all are welcome, from veteran to novice!

# FURRY LANGUAGE

Ccritt93 & Romeo Rabbit

Sunday 12pm - 1pm Panel 2

Let your fur do the talking on Furry Language! Based on TV's Body Language—teams of two use pantomime to convey clues to furry-themed puzzles. Fursuiters and nonsuiters welcome...even better together! (Fursuiters are advised that every player will have a speaking role at some point in the game.)

## EARS UP!

Caudle

Sunday 12pm - 12:30pm Panel 3

Put your ears up and your tail in gear for this event! A mass audience participation game, follow the omniscient voice of The Narrator. Do what he says, or else!

# SUPER SMASH BROS. TOURNAMENT

Kawanii

Sunday 12pm - 3pm Tournaments Room

Interested in a super smash brothers tournament? Sign up and join us for a good ol' smack down with your favorite Nintendo characters!

## FLOOR WARS PRE-WORKSHOP

ZaphanKelgoris

Sunday 12:30pm - 1pm Panel 4

Want to learn the rules for Floor Wars? Come to this pre-workshop before the official Floor Wars happens!

## IMPROVING YOUR FICTION

NightEyes DaySpring

Sunday 1pm - 2pm Panel 3

If you want to improve your writing, how do you go about dong that? We'll be talking about how to use character arcs, plot, and character agency to make your stories better.

# FLOOR WARS

Nanook.MoonSong/ShyyBunny Sunday 1:30pm - 3:30pm Main Ballroom

Floor Wars is back! Come see dancers battle head to head in an improv dance battle!

# PLASTIC MODELING 101

Nathan Tarnung

Sunday 1:30pm - 3pm Panel 1

Do you like planes, trains, or automobiles? Do you like to build things? A love for history? Then come on down and learn how to turn plastic into detailed replicas!

# Puppeteering 101

J.R. Schnauzer

Sunday 1:30pm - 2:30pm Panel 2

Ever wanted to be a puppeteer, but didn't know the way to get started? This panel will teach you the basics to get you going.

# FURRYWOOD: VOICE ACTING

Furrywood

Sunday 2pm - 4pm Panel 4

This is your chance to be a voice actor! In this audience participation panel, volunteers will be invited to come up to the microphones to perform lines from a stack of prepared scripts. Voices are recorded on a professional rig, then edited and posted online at http://furrywood.com

## Two Rooms and a Boom

Gus Manen

Sunday 3pm - 5pm Panel 2

Stop your President from being blown up! But who is the President? More importantly... Who is the Bomber?! This is a social deduction game for two teams. Each game session lasts about 15 minutes with no player elimination

# TRENDING TOPICS WITH HILAHILA

Shy Matsi

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Sunday 3pm - 4pm Panel 3

Sit Down with HilaHila for his YouTube Trending Topics show at Megaplex. Topics will revolve around the contheme, Mega Quest: The Wrath of Con!

# APOCALYPSE SCENARIO TACTICS & ROLEPLAY

Kawanii

Sunday 4pm - 6pm Panel 1

Ever wonder what your apocalypse could be? Could you survive it? Do you know what to do? Come find out and have some fun, and even learn how to deal with the wastes lands or even being stranded.

# PAWPETS SHOW LIVE!

Funday Pawpet Show Sunday 4:30pm - 6:30pm Main Ballroom

A 2 hour live performance of the long-running Funday Pawpet show; you get to see it all happen live. Come hang out with all your puppet faves and surprise guests!

# CONQUERING PCD ONCE AND FOR ALL

RawrJesse

Sunday 5pm - 6pm Panel 3

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Turn Post-Con Depression into the launching pad for your next great chapter!

# **CLOSING CEREMONIES**

Megaplex BoD

Sunday 7pm - 8pm Main Ballroom

Relive the memories, find out what this year's statistics were, and get a sneak peek at new things for Megaplex 2018!

# THE DANCE PARTY AT THE END OF THE UNIVERSE

Megaplex DJs

Sunday 9pm - 1am Main Ballroom

Warning: Attending this dance without proper paradox-inhibiting apparati may cause spacetime to abruptly cease.

Abraxo: 9pm-10pm

RexWusky: 10pm-11pm

Konomichi: 11pm-12am Emma: 12am-1am



# THE ARTIFACT

by skippyfox

Ensign Yuga's cup of coffee was the only thing keeping him grounded. He clutched it dearly and let the steam hug his nostrils. There were three things he was presently not fond of: Being awake at 05:00, shuttle turbulence, and his current mission, on which he had just been briefed.

His rusty tail swished anxiously. Commander Tabeesh noticed. "Are your instructions clear, Ensign?" the officer barked.

The fox straightened up. "Yes, Commander! We rendezvous with the Panteran ambassador at 08:00 and deliver the tri-lithium in exchange for one hour to study... 'the artifact." A pause. His ears splayed. "Ah, Commander? If I may ask... how is a historical relic meant to help us on a mission to locate a defector?"

A puff of air escaped the Doberman's snout. She turned away from Yuga to watch the shuttle's viewfinder. "What, not a believer in prophecies, Ensign?" She said this with a sarcastic haughtiness - a gesture of sympathy. "This mission may seem loony, but orders are orders."

To believe in prophecies means to believe in fate, Yuga thought. That our paths have already been chosen. That we have no free will.

Absolute hogwash.



"We have 20 minutes. Need a refill before we disembark?" The Doberman gestured toward Ensign Yuga's coffee cup. The fox looked at his paws. The cup was already empty. He merely muttered "Coffee. Coffeecoffeecoffee," and turned toward the replicator with another flick of his tail.



"Ambassador It'inmi. It is an honor."

"The honor is mine. Mmm."

They rubbed affectionately. This was the customary greeting of all felines, as it was their primitive ancestors', and to insult the panther by skipping it would end the mission right there. Ambassador It'inmi offered his most cordial feline embrace, the kind that wasn't quite right until it *just* started to get awkward. "Uhh...ok." Then they all stepped back and nodded.

With an excited inhale and eyebrows raised high, It'inmi started. "Earth creatures! Can I offer either of you anything before we commence with our trade? Some water?" And then the panther proffered a word that sounded a lot like "coffee," and Yuga's eyes lit up, and before he knew it he held in his paws a goblet filled with a thick, green, bubbling liquid.

He sniffed at it, shrugged, and gave it a few cautious laps. It felt as if he stuck his tongue into a power outlet, and tasted just the same. The fox felt a surge of energy, blood churning rapidly through his arteries. The shadows under his eyes disappeared. Ensign Yuga was alert and ready for anything. This stuff was amazing! What had the ambassador called it?

Glancing up to see a perky fox with smoke coming out of his ears, It'inmi smiled. "It's not often I see an Earthling who truly enjoys a cup of *confefe!* But let's move on. Yes, Commander, our ship is reading a perfectly stable supply of tri-lithium from the containers we retrieved from your ship. You have satisfied your side of the bargain! Now, then, to the Artifact! As we agreed, you have one hour."

The trio slid into an interior hall which the ambassador referred to as "the ball pit." On display was a vast, bright collection of otherworldly spheres, reflective relics of ancient alien civilizations. To Yuga they were just as interesting as an old bag of peas. His attention was instead drawn to the center of the room: A single, thin, rectangular book beck-

oned to him from behind a glass stand.

The ambassador beamed with excitement. "You've found it!" he shrieked, as if the blatant, glowing display in the middle of the hall had been eluding them the whole time.

Despite the supposedly overwhelming allure of one book in a room, Commander Tabeesh managed to keep her composure. "Is that the artifact, Ambassador?"

"Come and see. We collected it from your home world." In seconds, the panther held the book in his paws for the fox and Doberman to examine. A colorful cover yielded a vibrant planet-scape. Yuga recognized the purple sand dunes of Moebius III. Markings in the ancient Latin alphabet and Arabic numerals, both long forgotten in favor of the standard galactic, spanned the front.

Ensign Yuga was selected for this mission because he was a student of the old Earth languages before joining the Fleet. He immediately recognized the numerals as a "common era" year, and some quick mental math told him this book was about 500 years old.

It was the sheer anachronism of the remaining feature on the cover of the book that baffled Yuga. It depicted a panther in a torn Fleet uniform, under attack by what appeared to be a pack of ravenous, toothy hairballs. Yuga and Tabeesh recognized the panther immediately: It was their defective colleague, the very one they were hunting.

Ambassador It'inmi gave the bewildered canids their hour, and left them to study the artifact.

Yuga maneuvered the shuttle back to their ship, the two occupants side-by-side in anguishing silence. Autopilot would have sufficed, but Yuga needed something to do with himself to calm his nerves. No amount of coffee or corfefe could fix an existential crisis quite like this one. His tail flicked back and forth, distraught. Tabeesh was trying to occupy herself for the last hour with an article about Tribble infestations in the Rigel system but, Yuga observed, she had not scrolled past page 1 on her tablet.

Yuga had carefully translated the entire Artifact, page by page, line by line. Most of it had useless information records of some trivial Earth event long ago; names of trading booths in a marketplace; a story about a sick lion; an advertisement with a long list of cheeses. Some relevance, however, may have been found in the part of the book that described an anomaly warping space and time. It was the only way Yuga's brain could grasp how the book's author could have come upon information about the present day - But it was a weak grasp. The *kind* of information that was in there...how could such a record have ever existed?

What had boiled their brains was the section titled "The Artifact," on pages 22 and 23 of the Artifact itself. Everything had turned upside-down. The Commander had looked like she was going to strike the poor Ensign. She had thought the fox was playing a prank and taking it too far. But he had double and triple checked in a cold sweat, and there was no doubt that the script described none other than Yuga and Tabeesh themselves: Everything that had happened to them, their current mission, and how that mission would end.

"Stop!" Tabeesh had interrupted Yuga's translation before it was complete. "What does all of this mean? What the hell are we looking at?"

"Now," Yuga had heard himself weakly say, "We're looking at *now*, Commander. Everything that happens now...is happening *now*."

Then their story ended, and the pages that followed were nothing but archaic names, ancient event regulations, and old-fashioned ads.

Now, Yuga stared at Tabeesh, hunched over her tablet in the safety of the shuttle, far away from the book. Do I really believe in prophecies? Yuga thought. In fate? Have our paths been chosen for us, long before we were even born? Have we no free will?

Tabeesh sat up. They exchanged shaken glances. Yuga liked having control of his life. His fate should be his choice, not the whim of some ancient recordkeeper. He realized he didn't want to know the answer, but the realization made him feel even worse. Because orders were orders. Yuga knew what Tabeesh was about to say.

The Commander hailed their ship. "Plot a course for Moebius III."



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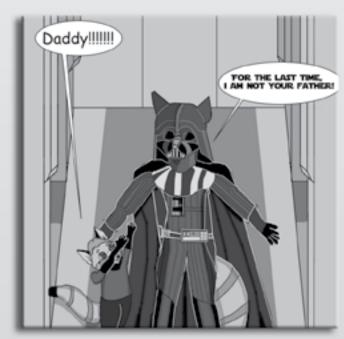
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Thanks for all your hard work.

- Kittrel the Con Book Coyote



#### Dear Pounce,

Let me extend my warmest thanks for the invitation last year to Megaplex 2016: British Invasion, celebrating all walks of British culture with a furry twist. I felt right at home!

I am rather thrilled to learn of Megaplex 2017's "outer space" theme which, as I understand, extends into the interests of time travel. I'd have taken the TARDIS there right away, if only someone hadn't nicked it during the convention last year. Come to think of it, the paw prints on the ground where I had left it looked like they could have belonged to a panther about your size.

At any rate, I am eager to make my return to Megaplex this year, where I'm certain I'll be seeing you again, and the old blue box. I'd like it back, please.

Kindest Regards,

The Doctor

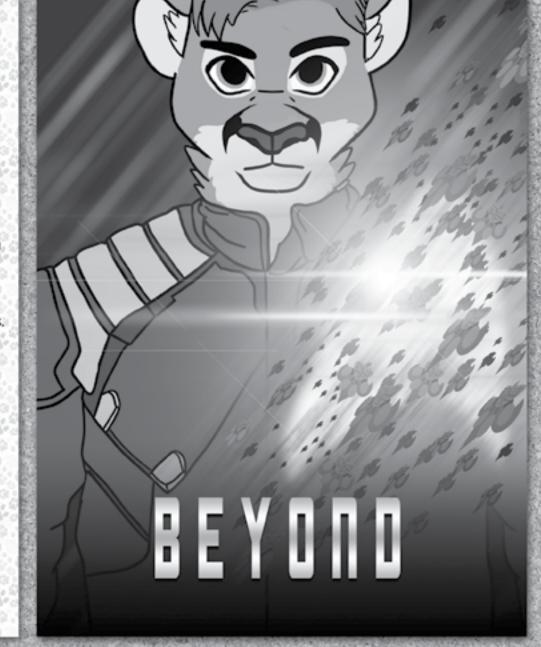




# Commander Pounce's Guide Lo Maneuvering in Zero-G

- Brace for microgravity by holding onto a railing or other stable construct.
- Let go. Note: Panthers, as all cats do when experiencing freefall, will begin an involuntary twisting of the body, as if to land on their feet.
- 3) This is your life now.





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"Convention Space" is defined as all publicly accessible areas on the premises of the DoubleTree by Hilton Orlando at SeaWorld (including the entire meeting space, lobby, atrium, dining areas, parking lot, elevators, stairwells and hotel room hallways) as well as the first floor Staff Suite and Sponsor Suite.



# CONVENTION STAFF & SECURITY

"Convention staff" are volunteers whose goal is to make sure everyone is comfortable and has a great time. The role of convention security staff ("security") is to protect Megaplex's attendees to the best of their ability by patrolling the convention space and enforcing convention policies.

If you have a problem or you are in trouble and need assistance, seek out a member of convention staff for help. Staff members can be identified by staff badge or designated staff outerwear.

The senior members of the convention staff will resolve any disputes or questionable events. Their decision will be final. Security will issue warnings if they observe violations. In any dispute, the general rule above will apply.

If you have a complaint or a non-urgent problem that cannot be solved until after the event, we recommend writing up as many details as possible about the issue and submitting it to a senior staff member, or emailing it to mp-feedback@megaplexcon.org. This is the best means for staff to listen and consider feedback, as staff may be very preoccupied during the event.

#### MEMBERJHIP

Nobody is permitted into convention space without a valid membership, represented by a membership badge ("badge"). Convention staff issues badges to a single individual. They may not be shared or duplicated in any way, and they may not be obtained by any other means.

You acknowledge that your government issued identification will be verified to validate the information that is found on the face of the ID, such as your name, address and birth date. This information is only used to verify your age and have your name on file in case an emergency arises. This information will not be published to any entity, and will only be used for aggregate analytic statistics.

Your badge must be visibly displayed at all times when in convention space, and must be presented or surrendered to any staff member upon request.

Megaplex reserves the right to request that you purchase a full-price membership to replace a lost or stolen badge. In the event of a lost badge, a single replacement badge may be issued at a reduced cost. Repeated lost badges will need to be replaced at the price of a full membership.

Megaplex reserves the right to withhold or confiscate any current year Megaplex Membership badge with an inappropriate name. In the event that a badge is withheld or confiscated a single replacement badge may be issued at a reduced cost.

#### MINORS

Anyone 16 or older and able to present a valid government-issued photo identification ("ID") may register to attend any general audience events.

Anyone between 13 and 17 years of age, excluding anyone between 16 and 17 with ID, will require a parent or legal guardian ("parent") present at registration on site. Parents must have a valid ID, and will be responsible for anyone in their care. (You must have your own parent or legal guardian with you to receive your badge.)

Anyone 12 and under is admitted free and should not register online, but must be accompanied at all times either by a parent or a chaperone. Chaperones must be designated by the parent at the time of registration.

Anyone under 18 may not enter areas designated for mature audiences.

Attendees under 16 years of age may not volunteer at the convention per Florida's child labor laws.

#### PUBLIC DECORUM

Unless otherwise noted, this section applies to convention space and to all hotel property, with the exception of private hotel rooms with doors closed.

All areas are considered to be suitable for all audiences, unless explicitly noted otherwise. Access to any events or content inappropriate for minors is controlled by security.

Dry clothes (shirt, shorts, and shoes at a minimum) are required. Clothing may not be overly revealing or inappropriate to the atmosphere of the convention, such as fetish-related garb and accoutrements. Discrete wearing of collars is acceptable, but leashes are not.

Full-body costumes and fursuits are excluded from the 'shirt/ pants/shoes' rule, provided that the costume is not unacceptably revealing. Certain accourtements such as collars and harnesses may be included as part of a costume, but no one is to be led around on a leash.

Convention or hotel security reserves the right to ask any attendee

to remove an accessory or article of clothing that is deemed to be disruptive to an event or function, or to the convention as a whole, such as (but not limited to) profanity, or symbols or messages of hate. This includes any and all armbands.

Public displays of affection beyond what is appropriate for polite company are frowned upon. Holding hands, hugging, chaste kissing, and the like are fine; anything beyond that is best taken to your hotel room.

Props, toys or accessories capable of causing injury, discomfort, or damage to clothing, costumes or property, or create a security risk are not permitted in convention space. This includes (but is not limited to) scooters, wheeled boards (such as "Hoverboards"), radio controlled drones, laser pointers, water guns, Nerf or other dart guns, and Silly String.

Aisles, corridors, and passages should be kept open and clear. Please be considerate of passersby and stay out of the way of traffic.

Conversation, music and video playback should be kept to a moderate volume and outside event rooms, as not to disrupt convention programming. Loud noise makers are not permitted.

Do not disrupt panels or events. A disruption may be (but is not restricted to) talking, shouting, heckling, or talking back, during panels or events in a way that might distract, interrupt or upset any performers, convention staff, vendors, or attendees of any age.

Banners, posters or signs may not be posted without permission. Convention banners, posters, signs and any other convention or hotel property, may not be removed or moved without permission.

Smoking is not allowed in any convention space, or hotel common areas, including the pool deck. Please use the designated smoking locations found outside the hotel.

Harassment of any kind, including physical assault, battery, deliberate intimidation, stalking, or unwelcome physical attentions, will not be tolerated. If someone tells you "no" or to leave them alone, your business with them is done. If anybody is repeatedly making you uncomfortable, please find a member of staff to help.

Megaplex staff is not responsible for solving any interpersonal or relationship problems that may arise between individual members. In general, we can take no action to prevent a person from attending the convention unless that person has made a specific and credible threat toward the convention itself or if another individual can produce a legal restraining order.

# CODE OF CONDUCT CONTINUED... &

#### ALCOHOL & DRUGS

Providing alcohol to individuals under the age of twenty-one (21) is against the law and convention policy.

Megaplex does not condone or tolerate the possession, use or distribution of illegal substances.

#### WEAPONS

All Federal, State, and local laws and ordinances apply to the possession, carry, and display of weapons at Megaplex.

No weapons, open carry or concealed, are allowed, and no real or prop weapon may be used or displayed in a threatening, reckless or dangerous manner.

For the safety and peace of mind of all attendees, all potentially deadly weapons, and realistic replicas that could be mistaken for deadly weapons, must be disabled, peace-bonded, or otherwise rendered inert while on display at the convention. If a weapon or replica is part of your costume, please consult Security for direction.



#### ROOMPARTIES

Activities taking place in a private hotel room are the responsibility of the person(s) renting the room. We do recommend that parties be kept to a moderate size, and that the noise be kept to moderate volume. Hotel security will break up parties that receive complaints.

Per hotel policy, kegs may not be brought into the hotel or guest rooms, and the hotel may evict, without refund, all occupants of a room violating this policy.

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC, AUDIO, AND VIDEO RECORDINGS

Attendees should be aware that they may be photographed or recorded at any time while in public areas. Megaplex reserves the right to authorize individuals to create and edit photographic, audio or video recording of convention space and events (many of which involve audience participation), and to distribute these productions, in whole or part, free of charge, for historical or promotional purposes. Attendees agree that they are not entitled to any notice or compensation for the appearance of their names, aliases or likenesses in such productions.

Members who wish to take pictures or make recordings for personal, non-commercial use while at the convention may do so in any areas, unless recording is explicitly forbidden, verbally or by sign, in an area or a performance. We ask that photographers and videographers act with common sense and courtesy, and refrain from recording any non-consenting individual.

The Funday Pawpet Show (FPS) may not be recorded without permission.

Permitted recordings may be shared on personal, not for profit websites. However, if someone is in the focus of the picture by themselves or with one other person, and they wish to have their photo removed, you must respect that person's request and remove the image. If the person is in a group of three or more in the photo, then it is considered a group photo, and would require objection from at least a 50% majority of the people in the photo.

Megaplex will not use the names or likenesses of corporately owned and trademarked mascots, puppets or other characters for any commercial or promotional purposes, except according to prior written agreement.

#### PREJUANO MEDIA POLICY

Megaplex is a private social function for members only, and as such, is closed to all press and media members and organizations. Making photographic, audio or video recordings of any convention event for investigative or commercial purposes is strictly forbidden.

Press and media members desiring a statement, press release or interview from Convention Staff should contact the Convention Director or Convention Promotions Director. Each request will be considered individually and on a case-by-case basis.

#### PETS & SERVICE ANIMALS

For the safety and comfort of members and pets alike, we do not allow any personal pets in convention space. Working service animals are permitted in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

#### DEALER'S DENE ARTIST ALLEY

Sales are not allowed anywhere in convention space except by paid vendors in the Dealers Den and by attendees utilizing the Artist Alley.

Convention and hotel staff take care to secure the Dealers Den area when it is closed, although it is recommended not to leave any cash or valuables in the area unattended at any time.

Merchants and sellers are required to collect a 6.5% sales tax per state and county law. The collection and remittance of taxes to the State is the responsibility of the individual dealers. The Florida Department of Revenue (DOR) has a Guide to Sales Tax for Convention Exhibitors and you can fill out much of the required paperwork on the DOR Website. Every seller will be required to show us that they already have a sales tax certificate, or we will be providing a sales tax packet to each and every dealer or artist alley artist that intends to make sales. It is up to the individuals to be sure they report and submit.

Stored and displayed items must not impede traffic flow, both in front of and behind tables. No more than two people may sit behind each table in the Dealers Den.

Artist Alley seats are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Artists may use only one space in the Artist Alley at a given time.

Seats may not be "held" for another person. Artist Alley spots that are left alone for longer than 15 minutes are considered abandoned and may be claimed by another artist.

Any material that is not suitable for minors must be censored while it is on display. Collections of adult artwork should be kept in a separate binder and marked as mature. Sellers are responsible for keeping unsuitable material away from the eyes (and out of the hands) of minors. Badges will include a "Minor" designation for attendees under 18.

Dealers Den tables may not be shared or resold without permission from the Dealers Den lead.

As with all convention space, loud or irritating displays are not permitted. Please keep all noise down to a reasonable volume.

Stolen material, pirated material, and weapons are not permitted for sale at Megaplex. In the Artist Alley, an item is only permitted for sale if it is either created by the seller or it is a composite work of which at least 75% is the original work of the seller. If you are unsure whether your items are allowed, please consult convention staff.

The Dealers Den lead will have the final say on all disputes in the Den

#### INCLOUNG

These policies will be strictly enforced by security and staff, who will be clearly identified as such on site.

If a particular scenario is not specified here, the general rule listed at the beginning of this document will apply: Any action or behavior that causes significant interference with convention operations, excessive discomfort to other attendees, or adversely affects Megaplex's relationship with its guests, its venues or the public is strictly forbidden and may result in permanent suspension of membership.

These policies are intended to allow our members to have a safe, enjoyable convention experience. While we do not anticipate having to enforce these rules, be advised that convention staff will do so swiftly and firmly if the need arises.









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