

# Hours Of Operation Quick Reference

### Registration

Friday 10am to 8pm Saturday 10am to 6pm Sunday 10am to 1pm

### ConSweet

Friday 10am to 2am Saturday 10am to 2am Sunday 10am to 5pm

### **Dealer's Room**

Friday 10am to 8pm Saturday 10am to 6pm Sunday 10am to 5pm

### **Operations**

Friday 8am to 2am Saturday 8am to 2am Sunday 8am to 5pm

### Gaming

Friday 10am to 2am Saturday 10am to 2am 10am to 5pm

### **Cosplay Office**

Friday 2pm to 8pm Saturday 10am to 4pm Sunday 10am to 1pm

# Registration Information

Registration handles giving out badges to pre-registered attendees, and selling badges to attendees that have not yet registered. You may register in Con Ops for a short time after the registration desk has closed. All individuals participating in convention events or watching convention functions are required to have a convention badge, which must be worn at all times.

### Registration Hotel Lobby Area

Friday 10am to 8pm Saturday 10am to 6pm Sunday 10am to 1pm

There will be two lines for registration: pre-registered, and at-the-door registration. Pre-registered attendees, who have already paid for their badge online or by mail, simply need to provide their name and identification to pick up their badge.

Attendees who are registering at the door may pay with cash or a check written out to "AniMinneapolis" At the door registration is \$35 for the full weekend for those 13 and older. There are no single day passes. Children from 7 to 12 can get a weekend pass for \$25, if accompanied by a paid adult. Children under 7 can register free with a paid adult. Max two children per adult, and those under 13 should be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Ages: Badges include an age indicator. A green stripe means 21+, a yellow stripe means 18-20, and a red stripe means 17 and under. Attendees need to provide a government-isseud photo ID with a birthdate to get any badge 18-20 or 21+ badge, otherwise they will be issued a 17 and under badge. A photo ID is still required for any 18+ events, and party hosts must check a photo ID in accordance with state law before providing alcohol also.

Lost Badges: If you have lost your badge, it can be replaced once by registration for a fee of \$20. Do not lose your badge, and keep it somewhere where it won't be misplaced. Abusing this priveledge to share badges, or the use of someone's lost badge, can result in explusion, dismemberment, or even death by heart attack.

Wearing Badges: Badges come with a lanyard to wear around the neck. Badges must be worn at all times during the convention, and are required for access to convention events. You may be requested by staff to present your badge at any time.

# Tips For Parents

Know your children's badge names and how they are dressed. Be sure to write your contact information on the back of the child's badge. Children 13 and under must be attending the convention with a parent or guardian, and children under 7 must have a guardian with them at all times.

# Hotel Information

Getting a hotel at the convention is the most surefire way to ensure you don't miss anything awesome, and stay well rested throughout the weekend. You can sleep in a little more, and go to bed a little later. At the Ramada, check-in begins at 3pm, and check-out is at noon.

# Welcome to AniMinneapolis

My Dearest Ladies and Gentlemen,

On behalf of all the wonderful staff, volunteers, catgirls, robots, catboys, automatons, mech pilots, schoolgirls, trained gorillaz, and pet rocks, I have the pleasure of formally welcoming you to AniMinneapolis 2012.

Over the course of this weekend, this otherwise innocuous hotel will be transformed from an insipid place of boring meetings to a wonderland of color, characters, and high-energy excitement.

Let this letter serve as your formal invitation; please bear it with you to the formal invocation of our unique society's rituals, at precisely three hours past noon this very Friday, when we cast the final spell.

Naruto plushies will be sacrificed. Death notes will be scribbled upon. And we will all sing our praise to the great Nyan-cat, whom we will never give up and never let down.

Be warned that such powerful magic can only exist when sustained with copious amounts of fun every day. Be warned that there are rules and responsibilities when altering reality.

Be warned that you are about to have an amazing weekend

My warmest regards,

Captain Ryan L. Kopf Chief Warlock of the Wizengamot

# Attendee Tips

#### Plan Ahead

If you plan your schedule in advance, you are less likely to miss that superawesome-must-see panel you came for. There are dozens and dozens of panels and events to choose from, so if you forget to read your schedule carefully, you are bound to miss something awesome!

#### **Eat Two Meals Each Day**

We have a ConSweet filled with free pop and free rice, but you can't live off this stuff, even if you're Kirby! Getting regular meals, complete with protein, vitamin-C, and real nutreints, is important to keep your body from getting worn out. Eat at least two real meals per day. Consder ordering delivery, or getting some friends together to go out somewhere.

#### **Sleep Each Night**

You need to get at least six hours of sleep each night to fully enjoy the convention. While staying up is fun and exciting, most events end by 2am, and you won't have as much fun if you stay awake all night. Get some sleep and enjoy the next day rested!

### Shower Daily

Whenever you are having a ton of fun, sometimes it can be hard to remember to stop and think about others. Please, as a courtesy to other attendees who may be standing behind you in the autograph line, shower at least daily. It's not just the flowing locks and beautiful eyes that win over ladies for host club members: they also smell fantastic!

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# Rules and Responsibilities

Our anime convention has a number of rules, policies, and regulations that help make the convention run smoothly and be as fun as possible for everyone. We encourage you to read our rules to understand what is expected to help make the best, most successful, and most fun weekend possible. In addition to these general conduct policies, we also have rules and guidelines for cosplay, press, exhibitors, and others. Violations of these rules and responsibilities can result in loss of privileges, up to and including ejection without refund, legal action, or involvement of the authorities.

#### Rule Number One

Do not do anything that could make the convention less fun for other attendees, the hotel, the staff, or for yourself. If it's dangerous, obnoxious, uncomfortable, or otherwise, do not do it. It is all of our responsibility to let everyone have a safe, respectful, and fun weekend.

If it is illegal outside of the convention, it is illegal here. Excessive or underage alcohol use, drug use, harassment, carrying firearms, and many other things are illegal, and will result in your loss of the privilege to attend our convention. If you have a safety or security concern, bring it to the convention's operations center immediately. In emergencies, dial 911.

If you are hosting a party where alcohol is being served, it is your responsibility as host to ensure that the age of anyone drinking alcohol is checked. You should also designate someone not to drink, so that there is a fully competent person present to deal with any emergencies that might arise.

All attendees must wear their badge at all times throughout the convention, and it must be presented to convention staff on request at any time. Selling anything of any kind at the convention is prohibited unless you are a registered exhibitor with the convention. Pets and animals are not allowed in the convention space or hotel, unless they are working animals (such as seeing eye dogs). Smoking is not allowed in our hotel. Photography and video recording of any kind are strictly prohibited during any AMV contest or anime screening. These rules apply to all types of attendees, including exhibitors, press, and other congoers. We may also establish additional policies covering press, exhibitors, and others.

By attending the convention you understand that convention staff may take video footage and photographs throughout the convention which may be used in highlights, marketing endeavors, or other media. You consent to be filmed or photographed by staff, approved industry, or media during the entire convention without compensation to you. Your attendance constitutes a grant of rights to the convention to reproduce, display, distribute, perform, creative derivitive works of, or otherwise use any video or pictures that it obtains and in any manner throughout the world in perpetuity, including online, for broadcast, or other transmissions.

The convention's code of conduct and other rules are subject to change at any time, and without notice, at the discretion of the convention. Violation of the rules is grounds for immediate loss of your convention badge and suspension from the convention.

# Weapons and Large Props

All weapons and large props must be inspected and approved by our operations or security staff at the convention. We will then "peace mark" them, by affixing a ribbon or mark that indicates we have checked them, and, if necessary "peace bond" them by using ribbon or ties to keep your weapon from being drawn or used (for example, by someone who doesn't know the rules and sneaks up behind you and grabs it). Attendees must realize that it is a privilege to bring large props and weapons to the convention, and everyone must take great care to be careful not to damage things, whack people, or otherwise do anything that seems dangerous. We allow certain specific prop weapons and large prop items, but anything not listed below is not allowed. Please understand that due to crowding, space, or safety issues, we may have to change the rules mid-convention at any time.

- \* Guns: Realistic looking guns are only allowed if they have a very bright, obvious orange tip that shows they are non-working. Guns that actually work, or have the potential to work, or might be mistaken by the public as real, are not allowed. Toy or fantasy guns that are "obviously fake" are allowed.
- \* Swords: Swords are allowed if they can be tied shut in their sheath, or if they are made of wood or plastic. Swords must never be waved around or wielded, but they can be used for still posing for photographs.
- \* Bows: Toy, or otherwise wooden or plastic bows can sometimes be okay, but professional or compound bows are not. Equipping an arrow to a bow is absolutely never acceptable, even for photos.
- \* Large Props: Large props are generally okay, if you are extremely mindful of them. However if we find that we have large crowds, or if they become a problem, we may ask you to return them to your hotel room or car at any time. We will not store them for you.
- \* Pretend Weapons: Anything that is entirely obviously a play/pretend weapon that can not be mistaken for something that is actually a real weapon.

Any weapons may be disallowed at any time at the discretion of con staff. Please understand that this year may be very highly attended, and we may be forced to limit prop size at any time during the convention.

# Operations Information

Our operations office, known as "Con Ops," is the convention base of operations, handling safety, events, scheduling, and anything else you needed. Should you need help, Con Ops can often help you. You may visit us in Con Ops with your questions or emergency situations. Sometimes Con Ops will be closed during emergencies, and you will have to wait - but if you also have an emergency, please find a staff member immediately and ask them to let Con Ops know of your emergency. Con Ops can help panelists find their panels, parents find lost children, and anything else you need.

Con Ops Shoshone Room

8am to 2am Saturday 8am to 2am Sunday 8am to 5pm

# **Emergency Procedures**

Our operations center in the Shoshone Room room should be your first stop if you need immediate and urgent assistance. In especially dangerous or life-threatening emergency situations, you should call 911 immediately. If you are unable to safely and quickly make it to Con Ops, please inform the nearest available staff member immediately. If you witness an emergency or need help, please go to Con Ops and ensure the situation is resolved.

# Special Needs

Individuals with special needs who need accomodations are encouraged to attend our programs. If you are an individual with special needs in need of an accomodation, please see us in Con Ops. For hotel related special accomodations, please see the hotel front desk staff.

# Feedback & Suggestions

Your feedback is extremely important and valuable to us, and we encourage you to share both your negative and positive experiences with us, so that we can use your feedback to make a better convention every year. Starting on Sunday we will be distributing feedback forms that we encourage you to fill out. This information is extremely helpful and important in determining how to make our convention even better. After closing ceremonies, we may hold a feedback panel (unless everyone has gone home already) where you can give your feedback from this year, and let us know where we can improve in the future.

### **Room Parties**

AniMinneapolis does not run any room parties at the convention. That being said, we do not prohibit convention attendees from hosting their own private parties in their own hotel rooms. Parties must remember to take care not to disturb other quests. The convention and the hotel both reserve the right to shut down any parties that are being disruptive or violating the law. Remember to check a government issued ID (not just their convention badge) if you are serving alcohol or showing age-restricted material. Violating the law or causing a disturbance at a room party can result in removal from the convention, revocation of your convention badge, and possibly involvement of the proper authorities.

# Join Staff

Our convention is run thanks to the hard work and dedication of numerous volunteer staff members. Anyone is welcome to become a part of the dedicated crew that puts together our convention. While staff are not paid, it is a great opportunity to give back to the convention and ensure it gets better and better each year. If you're interested, look for the application on our website. Anyone is welcome to attend our staff meetings and become part of our community.

If you are only able to help at the convention, we encourage you to stop by our Operations department and inquire. We are always looking for people who want to help check badges (badger), go for things (gopher), and help clean rooms (mushroom).

### Anime Theater

Our anime theater is dedicated to video screenings of anime shows including both new hits and old favorites. We are attempting to start videos at a reasonably predictable time, but shows have odd episode lengths. At the top of the hour, if the current episode has less than 10 minutes remaining. we will let it continue to play. Additionally, if an episode ends 50 minutes after the hour, the next episode will not be played; we will start the next scheduled show at the top of the hour. Below are descriptions of some, though not all, of the featured shows that we have the pleasure of screening. Special thanks to our sponsors for permission to show these shows.

#### Cowboy Bebop (Bandai)

It is year 2071, and the entire solar system is now accessible through hyperspace travel. After an accident with one of these gateways destroyed the moon and killed many people on Earth, Mars has become the new central hub of human civilization - complete with interplanetary crime. Cowboy Bebop follows the story of a crew of bounty hunters (aboard the spaceship "Bebop") apprehending fugitives for bounties.

#### Gravitation (RightStuf)

Gravitation is a Yaoi story surrounding an aspiring singer, Shuichi Shindou, and his band, Bad Luck, One fateful evening he meets the tall, blond haired stranger, Eiri Yuki. Eiri dismisses Shuichi's work, hurting Shuichi's feelings deeply. Despite his anger, Shuichi is intrigued... and fascinated by this new stranger.

#### Persona: Trinity Soul (NIS)

Taking place ten years after the end of Persona 3, Persona: Trinity Soul is set in Ayanagi City where the police are investigating several cases of "Apathy Syndrome."

#### Rental Magica (RightStuf)

Itsuki Iba is the second president of magician-dispatch service and Mage society. Astral, Ironically not even a mage, Itsuki Iba and the Astral society complete jobs to try to pay the bills... and evade abolition.

The full anime theater schedule can be found on pages 12-13.

# Gaming

We are excited to present a console video gaming room, including the NOS high-performance gaming lounge. We also have an arcade gaming room featuring some of your favorite arcade games. Come participate in tournaments, and maybe even make new friends. Please take care to protect the video games, controllers, and consoles that we provide.

### Gaming

Suites 302 & 303

Friday Saturday Sunday

10am to 2am 10am to 2am 10am to 5pm

Anime Theater Suite 301

10am to 2am

10am to 2am

10am to 5pm

Friday

Sunday

Saturday

#### **Game Room Rules**

- 1) Some games will be available for temporary checkout in the game room. Once you see a game you would enjoy playing, let us know, hand us your badge, and it will be returned back to you once you have returned the game disk.
- 2) If a game is defective or if anything is malfunctioning, please let us know immediately.
- 3) Please share game systems. If there are people waiting, those who have been playing for longer than two hours (or shorter if there are many people waiting) may be asked to allow another person to play. Tournament play, however, is exempt from that rule. If you're in a tournament, you're totally allowed to play as long as necessary during the tournament. (Rules still apply prior to tournament start, so no five-hour pre-gaming marathons).
- 4) No arguing! Any fighting will result in being removed from the game room.
- 5) Theft or intentional damage to games and systems can not be tolerated. You will be turned over to the police, and any privileges to the Con will be revoked.
- 6) If you would like to have a tournament not currently scheduled, that's great! Let us know what Video game/TCG tournament you'd like to play in and we will see about making it happen!
- 7) A list of possible tournaments will be posted by the door, if you'd like to see another game on the list, just list the title of the game down under the Suggestions section.
- 8) Be respectful! Handle the games/consoles/controllers/cards/etc with care, or you may be cutting your stay in the game room short.

# Dealers Room

Filled with anime goodies, our Dealer's Room has everything an Otaku could ever want. Whether you need a Kakashi plushie to keep you warm and safe at night, or a Haruhi wallscroll to oogle, you can probably find it in our awesome dealers room!

### Dealers Room West Menominee

Friday 10am to 8pm 10am to 6pm Saturday Sunday 10am to 5pm

#### Dealers 2012

Anime Palace Asylum Anime BowenDragon1 Cardz Xtcetera Eagle Anime Far East Emporium Gaijin USA, Inc. Jedi Master's Toys & Collectibles Lady Heather's Fashion Legend of Gamers Source Comics and Games **Toadhill Shops** 

#### **Dealers Room Reminders**

- \* Please avoid taking photos of costumes in the dealers room; ask people to step outside the room instead, or you may find yourself holding up a lot of other people.
- \* Please remember common courtsey in our dealers room, and don't push or shove.
- \* Shoplifters will not be tolerated, and will be reported to the police.
- \* We recommend that you leave large props and large bags in your room.

# **Artists Alley**

Buy awesome original pieces of art - ranging from crafts, to buttons, to badges and more. Visit our artists, in the same room as our dealers, to see some of the coolest stuff - and maybe even commission your own ideas!

### Artists Allev East Menominee

Friday 10am to 8pm Saturday 10am to 6pm Sunday 10am to 5pm

#### Artists 2012

**A&S Novelties** Allison Strom Alucard Aim for the Head Black Belt Inc Bleb's Corner Death n Rainbows Studios

Fappy&Nips GA-AZ Inno-Rain & Seagulls **Key Masters Ind Lunar Storm Studios** MapleHouse Naki

Sagemoon Arts Shinigami Treasures SUPAHNAN Toast Jelly VioletIris Production

### ConSweet

The ConSweet is your free Ramen, Rice, and Pop headquarters. Unlimited amounts of Pepsi products, rice, and cup ramen noodles can help keep up your energy throughout a long and busy weekend! Please do your best to help keep our ConSweet neat and clean.

### ConSweet Suite 215

Friday Saturday Sunday

10am to 2am 10am to 2am 10am to 5pm

#### **ConSweet Rules**

- \* Remember that the ConSweet does not offer nutritious meals. All attendees must remember that they should eat real meals at least twice each day. ConSweet is only meant for a quick snack between convention events.
- \* You must remember to pick up after yourself. Don't leave empty cups of ramen or sodallying around please have courtesy to ConSweet staff and other attendees by putting your empty cups of ramen and soda in the trash can!
- \* Sleeping is not allowed in the ConSweet or any place other than your hotel room.

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# Cosplay Events

The convention includes numerous special cosplay events designed to let you show off and showcase your wonderful cosplay costumes. The mainstage masquerade is our primary costume contest, with participants competing to be the best in show. There are also numerous photoshoot opportunities and additional contests held throughout the weekend.

### Cosplay Office Yakima Room

2pm to 8pm Saturday 10am to 4pm Sunday 10am to 1pm

# Masquerade Contest

#### How To Participate

To participate in the cosplay contest, please pre-register by 8pm on Friday in the cosplay office. Registration ends Friday night, though it may be open on Saturday morning if enough timeslots are still available.

#### **Contest Categories**

Participants can choose to be judged in either their costume workmanship, their performance, or both. Each category is divided up into judging categories, which include Inexperienced, Experienced, Master, and Youth divisions. Workmanship entries will be judged both on overall appearance and the quality of the construction of their costume, and performance entries will be judged on acting, memorizing, performing, and presentation skills. Participants can choose to participate solo, or as part of a group. Complete rules and entry forms are available in the cosplay office. Please register as early as possible.

# Hall Cosplay Workmanship Contest

The hall cosplay contest is a workmanship contest in which you compete on your craftsmanship and costume creation skills. To compete, you must enter with your costume in the cosplay office from 10am to 1pmon Sunday. You will either be judged immediately, or if judges are unavailable you will be scheduled a time to be judged later in the afternoon.

# Photoshoots

Numerous photoshoots for various shows and fandoms have been scheduled throughout the weekend. Most of these photoshoots are primarily meetup opportunities, and there will not be a staff member present, so a fellow cosplayer or photographer will want to take charge of coordinating pictures. We're sure the first villain from your series to arrive will be more than happy to take charge. Additional photoshoot times may be added in the cosplay office room, so please check there if you would like us to schedule a time for a series that is not yet listed.

The main photoshoot gathering area will be in the hotel courtyard. If it is raining, groups should meet in the hotel lobby area and decide where to proceed.

### Friday

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4pm	Kuroshitsuji (Black Butler)
5pm	Hetalia
6pm	Soul Eater
7pm	Homestuck
8pm	MLP
9pm	Pokemon
10pm	Hellsing
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### Saturday

10am	Vocaloid
11am	Full Metal Alchemist
12pm	Kingdom Hearts
1pm	Final Fantasy
2pm	Naruto
3pm	Death Note
4pm	Ouran Host Club
5pm	Katekyo Hitman Rebo
6pm	Dragon Ball (All)
7pm	Blood+

One Piece Miyazaki

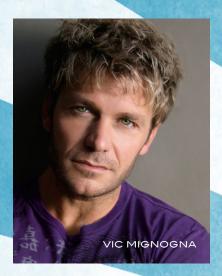
Sunday		
10am	Kenshin	
11am	Bleach	
12pm	Haruhi	
1pm	Lolita Fashion	
2pm	Bebop	

# New Friends

Name	Email, Phone, DeviantArt, or Facebook	
		You can use this section of our program guide to write down the contact information of any new friends you meet at the convention. You can also use our handy activities checklist to make sure you have the best weekend possible.
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		Activity Checklist
		[ ] Attended the Masquerade
		[ ] Bid in the Date Auction
		[ ] Attended a panel
		[ ] Danced with someone at the ball
		[ ] Got something autographed
		[ ] Played video games
		[ ] Attended another panel
		[ ] Added 5 new friends to this page
		After Con Checklist
		[ ] Texted a new friend
		[ ] Liked the con on Facebook
		[ ] Joined post-con Facebook group
		[ ] Signed up for the email list
		[ ] Planned costumes for next year

Please be sure to write legibly. We are proud to note that this program guide is printed on 100% recycled Death Note pages.

# Guests of Honor



# Vic Mignogna

Vic has been acting for stage and screen since he was 8 years old. But he started his career in anime over ten years ago as Vega in Streetfighter II. Since then Vic has been in 150+ shows and video games, known for such roles as Edward Elric in Fullmetal Alchemist, Tamaki Suou in Ouran High School Host Club, Fai in Tsubasa Chronicle, Dark in DN Angel, Kurz in Full Metal Panic, Broly in Dragonball Z, Kougaijji in Saiyuki, Ikkaku in Bleach, Yukito in Air, Takanaga in Wallflower, Luciano in Code Geass, Virgil Walsh in Trinity Blood, Hikaru in Macross and many more. Currently Vic is playing roles in the new Wolverine and Iron Man series on G4. He's also playing Zero in Vampire Knight, and Yoshimori in Adult Swim's Kekkaishi. He is also back in the role of Edward for Fullmetal Alchemist Brotherhood, playing Death Soythe in Soul Eater, as well as several others. Vic has also voiced roles in a large number of video games including Soul Calibur, Disgaea, Persona III, Project Sylpheed, FMA and more. But even longer than his voice acting, Vic has been a professional music composer / singer / producer who has written and produced hundreds of pieces for TV, radio and CD. He sings the themes for shows like One Piece & DBGT, and has produced several CDs of his own original music, all available on iTunes. Finally, in addition to anime and music, Vic has a degree in film and is deeply involved as an actor and director in several web series like "Nuka Break", "Starship Farragut", and is executive producing a brand new TOS based series "Star Trek Continues". Vic works regularly writing, producing and directing video and film productions of all kinds.

### Quinton Flynn

Quinton's voice has been burning up film and television since he first arrived in Los Angeles from his native Cleveland. He is an A-list voice actor, having played such famous video game characters as Axel in Kingdom Hearts II, Raiden in Metal Gear Solid, and Reno in the FF7:AC motion picture, and anime characters such as Iruka-sensei and Deidara in Naruto, Marcus Damon in Digimon Data Squad, and Carl in Blood+, in addition to other animated characters such as Jonny Quest, Spiderman, Speed Racer, The Human Torch, Timon, Snowbell in Stuart Little, just to name a few. His television and film appearances include Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, King of Queens, Animaniacs, Woody Woodpecker, Robot Chicken, and many more.



# Wendy Powell

Wendy Powell has been a professional voice actress for FUNimation Entertainment and Okratron 5000 for over 10 years. Most well known as the Homunculus named Envy in Fullmetal Alchemist, she's also starred in Yu Yu Hakusho as Mukuro, D. Gray-Man as Hevlaska, Shirguri as Iku, and Claymore as llene. Wendy is also often known for smaller parts, in which she usually dies a most painful death. Some of her credits include: Katsuko Momose in Chaos Head, Emi in Baki The Grappler, Amick in Blue Gender, The Fever Demon in Shin Chan, Kyo's Mother in Fruits Basket, Kasuga in Negima and Paula "Lady Death" in Trinity Blood. She has also voiced characters in: Baka & Test, Soul Eater, School Rumble, Kiddy Grade, Case Closed, Sgt. Frog, Peach Girl, xxxHolic, One Piece, Galaxy Railways, Tsubasa, Gunslinger Girl, Moon Phase, Glass Fleet, and many others. As a teacher by day, evil villain by night (same job, right?), Wendy most loves the Theatre, with anime coming up as a close second.

# Lewis "Linkara" Lovhaug

Lewis "Linkara" Lovhaug has had the misfortune of being cursed to review comic books on the internet. Somehow this has made him popular on the website That Guy With the Glasses, though many suspect it's more so people can stare and laugh at the weirdo. On his show, Atop the Fourth Wall, he regularly contends with the surreal, the stupid, and the senseless books that the comic industry has produced over the last eighty years. If that wasn't sad enough, he also has done a retrospective on Power Rangers (released on the schedule of when a blue moon rises on the 13th hour of the 13th day of the 13th month), actually attempting to grant serious analysis to a series about guys in spandex punching rubber-suited monsters. It's best not to make direct eye contact with him.



# Guests of Honor



## Greg Ayres

Greg Ayres can usually be found rockin' out somewhere, whether animated or not. From the loud-mouthed Hideki in Nerima Daikon Brothers, to Koyuki, singing with the the band in Beck:Mongolian Chop Squad, he's always glad to shake things up a bit. He can be heard as Son Goku in Saiyuki, Chrono in Chrono Crusade, Kaoru Hitachiin in Ouran High School Host Club, Yuki in The Wallflower, Uesugi Kenshin in Sengoku Basara, Seikechi Tayama in Oh Edo Rocket, Abe in Big Windup, Leo in Ghost Stories, Satoshi Hiwatari in DNAngel, Kaworu Nagisa in the Director's Cut of Neon Genesis Evangelion, Negi Springfield in Negima, Heihachi in Samurai 7, Jr. in Xenosaga:The Animation, Tsujido in Speed Grapher, Roan in Ragnorok The Animation, Yamazaki in Welcome to the NHK, Nowy in Glass Fleet, Gau Ban in Shadow Skill, Pope Alessandro XVIII in Trinity Blood, and a bunch of other titles. He's also in some newer shows like Baka and Test and Deadman Wonderland. When he's not in a booth with headphones on, you can usually find him sporting headphones of another variety behind "the decks". A veteran nightclub DJ of many years, Greg has really enjoyed the opportunity of doing something else that he truly loves at conventions. From packed rooms at anime conventions, to the legendary stage of The Knitting Factory (NYC), Greg never misses an opportunity to share his love of music with anyone who will listen.

### Shinichi "Nabeshin" Watanabe

Shinichi Watanabe (aka "Nabeshin") is known to anime fans as a larger-than-life, iconic figure with an outrageous sense of humor. He directed the comedy anime series Excel Saga, Nerima Daikon Brothers, and Puni Puni Poemy, which feature frenetic pacing and appearances by his animated alter ego, a mysterious, recurring character with an afro and distinctive outfit who is tangential to the story. Nabeshin has also served as series director for The Wallflower and Tenchi Muyo! GXP, and he can be found in these series as well, in cameo or supporting roles. Nabeshin has been quoted as saying that he places great importance in making viewers laugh. Stating that he values laughter as much as tears, his preference is to motivate viewers to have fun and enjoy a show. He reasons that his success stems from provoking the same, strong emotional investment—in a humorous way—as a traditional, sentimental story does. Nabeshin has also written lyrics for the opening songs of Excel Saga and Tenchi Muyo! GXP, and has served as storyboarder and episode director for a variety of other anime series.



# Sonny Strait

Most recognized as the voice of Krillin on the wildly popular, animated TV show Dragonball Z and as an illustrator for, arguably, the most famous, independently published comic book series Elfquest. Sonny Strait has over 20 years of experience in the arts. Besides Dragonball Z's Krillin, Sonny has worked on many popular anime characters including Maes Hughes in Full Metal Alchemist, the original Toonami Tom, Lupin in Lupin the III, and Usopp in One Piece. He has also worked as a writer and director on several TV series including Dragonball Z, Case Closed and Lupin the Third. In 2007 Sonny wrote and illustrated a graphic novel about a reluctant punk rock, faerie princess named Goat. The book, called "We Shadows", was published by Tokyopop and was nominated by The American Library Association for Best Graphic Novel in 2008. The book received glowing reviews in many trade magazines including Publishers Weekly, Newtype, Play and Anime Insider.

# Rob "Vash" Lewis

Rob "Vash" Lewis is a well known costumer and con entertainer across the Midwest. Since first attending Sugoicon in 2005, Rob has been dedicating his time and effort to bringing Master class costumes and well loved entertainment to the many conventions he attends. Not only is Rob dedicated to providing quality entertainment to the attendees of the conventions he frequents, but he also teaches survival skills on his favorite genre – zombies. As a laboratory professional, Rob gives insight to the pathological side of the undead, educating the masses for the future. Rob currently resides in Omaha, Nebraska with his girlfriend and two pesky cats.



# **Events Schedule**

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5:00 pm	Masquerade Test Run	SHINI PUNCHI 5:00pm - 6:00pm		Risembool Rangers Q and A 5:00pm - 6:00pm	Ghost Hound 5:00pm - 6:00pm
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9:00 pm	Concert 8:15pm - 10:45pm	Autographs - Sonny Strait 9:00pm - 10:00pm	Werewolf Game	Mice Will Cosplay 8:30pm - 9:30pm	Nyanpire 9:00pm - 10:00pm
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10:00 am	Star Trek Trivia with Vic Migogna 10:00am - 11:00am	O'Love: Anime Marriage Panel 9:30am - 10:30am	It's K-pop time! with Eun- hyuk and Yoseob 10:00am - 11:00am	Meet the Q-man! 10:00am - 11:00am	
11:00 am	Voice Acting: The Process 11:00am - 12:00pm	AniMinni Improv 10:30am - 12:00pm	Autographs - Vic Mignogna	How to Create Animation 11:00am - 12:00pm	.hack//G.U. 11:00am - 12:00pm
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1:00 pm	Boxers or Briefs with All Guests 1:00pm - 2:00pm		12:30pm - 1:30pm	Crossplay goes both ways. 1:00pm - 2:00pm	To Heart 1:00pm - 2:00pm
2:00 pm	Happy Fun Time: Duct Tape, Cons, and You 2:00pm - 3:00pm	Sherlock and Shenanigans 1:30pm - 3:00pm	Autographs - Sonny Strait, Wendy Powell, Quinton Flynn 2:15pm - 3:00pm		Gintama 2:00pm - 3:00pm
3:00 pm	Panel On My Wayward Son 3:00pm - 4:00pm	Its Time for New Original Creation! 3:00pm - 4:00pm	Autographs - Greg Ayres, Nabeshin, YTCracker 3:00pm - 3:45pm	Learn the Hare Hare Yukai 3:00pm - 4:00pm	K-ON! 3:00pm - 4:00pm
4:00 pm	Vampires DON'T Sparkle 4:00pm - 5:00pm	Baka Daikon Wallflower Poemy - Meet Greg Ayres & Nabeshin 4:00pm - 5:00pm	Unloved nations 4:00pm - 5:00pm	Berri team performance~! 4:00pm - 5:00pm	The World God Only Knows 4:00pm - 5:00pm
5:00 pm	Closing Ceremonies 5:00pm - 6:00pm				Closed at 5pm

# **Event Descriptions**

### **Friday Events**

Welcome to the Battle City Tournament! • Friday: 11:30am - 1:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Andy F.

Are you a Yu-Gi-Oh Duelist that's looking for the ultimate challenge? Then enter the Battle City Tournament and find out if you have what it takes to be the Duel Monsters Champion. Come learn the rules and ask guestions, but be warned entry to this tournament is limited, so come early.

Quinton Flynn's Favorite Voices • Friday: 12:00pm • Main Events • Quinton Flynn

Come talk to Quinton Flynn about some of his favorite voices - and maybe even have him do your favorites!

Tales of Panels. • Friday: 12:00pm - 1:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Jordan Fuller

Here we'll talk about the Tales of games and about how Namco hates the American Tales fan base. Remember Dwarven Vow #1: Let's all work together for a peaceful world.

Stranger Danger - The Panel for New Friends • Friday: 12:00pm • 1:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Kazoo

Another con, another chance to make new awkward acquaintances! But why stop there? That seemingly insane fan you got mauled by? Given the proper circumstances this person could become your brand new best friend! So overcome the stranger danger and attend this panel, for old and new congers alike! Trust us, you don't need an adult here.

Gentleman Thief with Sonny Strait • Friday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Main Events • Sonny Strait

Listen to Sonny tell the story of being the famous Gentleman Thief, Lupin the III!

AMV's for Dummies • Friday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Erica

Don't you love all those great videos on youtube? Wanna make them yourselves but don't know a safe way to get clips/music or even how to run the software? We'll give you the run down here!

One Piece is On Epic • Friday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Nik Larson

Come discus Eiichiro Oda's master work One Piece! Talk about spoilers and predictions and play a trivial game!

Anime Improv • Friday: 1:00pm - 2:30pm • Panel Room 3 • Andy

With it's success last year, here it is again to delight all. Ever wanted to see Edward Elric host a dairy party or have Brock finally go on a date with Nurse Joy? Well, with the help of trained theater actor, Andy Freeman, this and more can happen at Anime Improv, where the motto is "Don't think, Just act."

Ask the Villain, Meet Wendy Powell • Friday: 2:00pm - 3:00pm • Main Events • Wendy Powell

Come ask the voice of the villain, Envy, of Full Metal Alchemist your questions!

The Bronypants Panel (AniMinneapolis 2012) ~ • Friday: 2:00pm - 3:30pm • Panel Room 1 • Matthew John Pond

Fans of "My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic" unite at AniMinneapolis~ Come one, come all to the first every Bronypants Panel, sponsored by Minnesota Bronies and run by the Bronypants Projects! We will have discussions and lots of time to speak about the show and the fandom; maybe even watch episodes or listen to music! PAAAAAAAAARTY ON, EVERYPONY~

Ouran High School Dare Panel • Friday: 2:30pm - 3:30pm • Panel Room 3 • Ash A.

Scores of women and men alike have tried to make the Ouran Host Club bend to their every whim and demand throughout the years... They've been able to slyly sneak away before, but not today. Today, let the wonderful audience come and dare the hosts purely for their own self-entertainment!

Opening Ceremonies • Friday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm • Main Events • Featured Event

Welcome to AniMinneapolis 2012! Come to the welcoming of all of you con-goers, be introduced to some of the convention's special guests of honor, learn the rules, and get prepared for an awesome weekend!

Avoiding Con Drama The Vash Way. • Friday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Rob "Vash" Lewis

Con drama is an often present and negative part of the convention experience. Join us as we fill you in on how to avoid it and not let it disturb your weekend.. the Vash way!

For The Love Of Alchemy with Vic Mignogna • Friday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Main Events • Vic Mignogna

Come meet the voice of your favorite Full Metal Alchemist, Edward Elric, Vic Mignogna! Discuss Fullmetal Alchemist and more with the star of the show.

The New 52 DC Reboot • Friday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Panel Room 1 • MadnessMark & Lewis "Linkara" Lovang

DC Comics rebooted with 52 new series in September 2011. Find out how those titles are doing now.

Anime Jeopardy • Friday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Khoriana Vaerconum

Interactive Jeopardy board testing the knowledge of our contestants. How much do you know about your anime? Come find out! Prizes included

Greg Ayres - Flying Panties and Beyond • Friday: 5:00pm - 6:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Greg Ayres

An hour long chat with Greg Ayres (Voice Actor, DJ, Con-Staffer) about any and everything. He'll be discussing some of his new shows (Heaven's Lost Property, Angel Beats, and Demon King Daimo) as well as give some hints about a few new projects he's working on. He'd also be glad to answer any other question you may have for him. So, come spend an hour with Greg, as he talks about everything from favorite characters to Flying Panties.

Ask a Nation! • Friday: 5:00pm - 6:30pm • Panel Room 1 • Toni Turner

Come one come all and ask all of your favorate nations the odd and fun questions you can possibly think of! Bring your friend, your dog, your mom, or even that creepy uncle who keeps a colections of old fake legs! ... ok maybe not him.

Dante's Fabulous Date Auction (13+) • Friday: 5:45pm - 7:15pm • Main Events • Erica • 13 and up only.

Want the world's greatest matchmaker to sell you to the highest bidder? Well that's what you'll find here! This is a fun interactive event and your guaranteed to walk away with a date to the dance! Buying or Selling this is THE event to attend!

Meet Director Nabeshin! (And His Afro!) • Friday: 6:00pm - 7:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Nabeshin

Come meet popular Japanese director Nabeshin! He will answer all your questions about him and the gods hiding in his afro.

Anime Pictionary • Friday: 7:00pm - 8:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Khoriana Vaerconum

Like to draw? Like to play games? Come play anime themed pictionary!

The Truth behind Raccoon City • Friday: 7:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Chris Woodbury

Resident Evil has been a trademark series of survival horror, but frankly most people know it away from the source material, the movies, but in this panel we discuss what really goes on and the truth that started in Raccoon City.

Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Neo-Tokyo • Friday: 7:30pm - 8:30pm • Panel Room 2 • Rob "Vash" Lewis

Do you find it hard to talk to that con-crush of yours? Well it doesn't have to be, we will give you the lowdown on meeting and connecting with your fellow con-goers. Learning to break the ice and how to relax while talking, as well as getting contact info are all just a few things to be covered.

Formal Dance Lessons • Friday: 7:45pm - 9:00pm • Main Events • Featured Event

Don't know how to dance? It's really not hard, and our professional instructor will make sure you've got everything you need to know for the Fantasy Ball. The waltz is just four steps - how hard can it be?

An Evening With The Cast of Resident Evil' • Friday: 8:00pm - 9:30pm • Panel Room 1 • Chris Redfield

Ever wonder what questions you had for the Resident Evil Heroes and Villains? Well come on down to ask those questions to Leon, Chris, Barry and the others! Bring on your questions!

649 pokemon!? When did this happen!? • Friday: 8:00pm - 9:30pm • Panel Room 3 • Alison Saxton

5 main regions, many spin-off games and series, a 1000+ episode anime, when did this all start to tally up? If you find yourself asking this question, then you are not alone. We're here for you, because we don't understand either.

Match Making Service-Gay/Lesbian • Friday: 8:30pm - 10:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Kaitlin Santoro

Come and meet other singles and potentially meet someone special!

The Fantasy Ball • Friday: 9:00pm - 11:00pm • Main Events • Featured Event

The Fantasy Ball is your chance to experience a delightful formal dance in a social setting. Dress nicely and come to meet people, dance, and socialize.

The Toonami Panel • Friday: 10:00pm - 11:00pm • Panel Room 1 • MadnessMark

Toonami was one of the best blocks for action cartoons ever. Come on in and reminisce with some awesome clips.

Ask Derryb the Based God Questions • Friday: 10:00pm - 11:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Derrick James Briggs

A question where you ask a man named Derrick Briggs questions it can be about anything ever in life and he'll try to answer it as best as possible.

All Your Brains Are Belong To Us! • Friday: 10:00pm - 12:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Rob "Vash" Lewis

Think you can survive the zombie apocalypse? We think not! Let us show you the way. "Gentlemen, we can rebuild him. Make him faster, stronger, we have the technology!"

Bondage with Nabeshin (18+) • Friday: 11:00pm - 12:00am • Panel Room 3 • Nabeshin

Talk about bondage, with our guest Japanese director Nabeshin, who will be bringing several ropes.

Rave Dance • Friday: 11:00pm - 2:00am and Saturday: 30 minutes after end of concert to 2:00am • Main Events • Featured Event Come to our awesome rave dance, featuring DJs such as Greg Ayres, YT Cracker, DJ Oso, DJ Ruca, and more!

### **Saturday Events**

Furrydom 101 • Saturday: 9:30am - 11:00am • Panel Room 2 • Sike

Want to know more about furries? How about what they wear? Well come to our panel, and we'll fill you in on the basics of furrydom and help answer questions.

Super Awesome Special Funtime Games • Saturday: 10:00am - 11:00am • Panel Room 3 • Erica

PATTY-CAKE CHAMPIONSHIP, Rock-Paper-Scissors Tournament, an all new version of everyone's favorite pool game called "Polo! Marco!" and the best of the funnest games of your childhood. Manga and other prizes to the winners!

Saturday Morning Cartoon Fever • Saturday: 10:00am - 11:30pm • Panel Room 1 • MadnessMark

A panel for anyone who woke up early with their bowls of cereal on Saturday mornings. We'll take a look back at cartoons from the 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and even the 00's.

#### The Panel That Never Was with Quinton Flynn • Saturday: 11:00am - 12:00pm • Main Events • Quinton Flynn

Join us! Help us on our quest to complete Kingdom Hearts! Well, more like your knowledge of the Kingdom Hearts series. Know any bosses you find tough and need hints? Need to know the latest information on new Kingdom Hearts games that you haven't played yet and haven't found time to look online? How about new releases coming out? Come and join in on this panel exclusively about Kingdom Hearts! WARNING! THIS IS A HEAVILY SPOILER ORIENTED PANEL! YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED!

Name that Tune • Saturday: 11:00am - 12:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Khoriana Vaerconum

Name that Anime Tune! Here we will test our knowledge on the opening and ending theme songs to your favorite animes... or ones you have never heard of. Prizes included.

Everything you want to know about Vampire Knight • Saturday: 11:00am - 12:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Paige Pasterik

A panel dedicated to Vampire Knight and run by the night class (and Yuuki Cross). This will include, discussions, Q&A sessions, guizes, prizes and what-

The Power of Alchemy: An FMA Panel • Saturday: 12:00pm • Main Events • Vic Mignogna, Wendy Powell, and Sonny Strait Join our three special guests who appear in Fullmetal Alchemist for this questions and answer session related to one of the most popular anime shows ever.

Meet Vic Mignogna • Saturday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Main Events • Vic Mignogna Meet the voice of Tamaki, Edward Elric, Fai, Dark, Brolly, and many others!

The Shipping Panel (13+) • Saturday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Aleks Tepoorten / Justin Hartneck

Experience and share your favorite couples from whatever! You want to ship something new when you were never really into it before? Or you don't know how to ship something? Come on down to find out!

Crayon Box Coloring Club • Saturday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Kaitlin Santoro

Come and color with us! Crayons and coloring sheets will be provided, or you can bring your own!

Atop the Fourth Wall: Live! • Saturday: 2:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Lewis "Linkara" Lovang

Join Linkara for a live review of a manga! Will it be a terrible manga? Will it actually be good? Come find out in this hilarious event!

YouTube: A WTF Tribute • Saturday: 2:00pm - 4:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Rob "Vash" Lewis

Come and see the dark, deprayed, and downright weird side of YouTube...and get a good laugh while you're at it!

Who's Line is it Anime? • Saturday: 2:30pm - 4:30pm • Main Events • Erica

Don't you love that wacky show "Who's line?" well come meet our expert actors. They'll make you roll on the floor, holding your sides in this silly interactive

The State of the Anime Industry & You • Saturday: 3:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Greg Ayres

In the last few years we've seen the anime industry struggling to succeed against the treats of online downloading, and dwindling DVD sales. With the number of fans increasing rapidly each year, and companies that distribute anime doing everything that they can do deliver it faster, and cheaper, there just has to be a light at the end of the tunnel. Come take part in a discussion of the facts, and an examination of our role as fans.

TevaBerri • Saturday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Chanteva Warren

This is a performance for the YouTube and NicoNicoDouga anime/jpop dancer "TeyaBerri". She'll be performing different anime dances and songs. Kind of like a concert.

It Gets Better: AniMinneapolis • Saturday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Charles Lange

Discussing the "It Gets Better" Project, and how it affects us as a community as a whole, as well as individually.

SHINI PUNCHI • Saturday: 5:00pm • 6:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Ashley Novitsky

SHINIGAMI DEATH PUNCH- The Japanese webcomic about your favorite colored gods of death! Ask your favorite character a question, or to learn about

Risembool Rangers Q and A • Saturday: 5:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Amanda Inman

A panal for Rangers to come and meet other Rangers and people who want to find out more about the Rangers to come and do so.

This is the Best Panel in the Universe • Saturday: 5:30pm - 7:30pm • Panel Room 2 • MadnessMark
While everyone else is watching the cosplay, you can take part in the greatest panel ever! They'll be eating contests, prizes, stupid videos and the weirdest discussions you'll ever hear.

Masquerade • Saturday: 6:00pm - 7:00pm • Main Events • Featured Event

The Masquerade is our mainstage cosplay competition, featuring some of the most spectacular costumes. Complete rules and signup information are on another page. Anyone can watch (and everyone should!), but participants must sign up in advance. Have an amazing cosplay? Think it's worthy of a prize or medal? Come and show it off in the Masgurade! Best of luck to all that enter!

Dante's guide on how to pick up women. • Saturday: 6:00pm - 7:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Erica

Do you find yourself faltering with the ladies? Do you just not know how to whoo that special person? Our two trained experts will show you how it's done!

Cosplay Wig Styling 201 • Saturday: 7:00pm • 8:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Tawnya Graham

Ready to step up your wig knowledge? This panel is for those who are ready to learn about using wigs as a base and building upon it.

Match Making Service-Straight • Saturday: 7:00pm - 8:30pm • Panel Room 2 • Kaitlin Santoro

Meet other singles with the potential of finding someone your compatible with!

How to make a Live-Action Parody • Saturday: 7:00pm - 8:30pm • Panel Room 3 • Tyler Donnay

With using a Death Note parody as an example, we will be giving a general idea on how to make a live-action parody of an anime. Tips on costuming, prop set-up, lighting, editing tips, camera angles, acting, organization, budgets, writing, and more! There will be a Q & A session at the end.

Comics with Sonny Strait • Saturday: 8:00pm - 9:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Sonny Strait

Sonny Strait, creator of some very famous comics, talks about his comics, manga and more. There is a difference!

NerdConcert • Saturday: 8:15pm - 10:45pm • Main Events • Nerdcore Guests

Come see Soup or Villainz, StarF, Dr. Awkward, Mattari 2600, and YTCracker perform live in our epic Nerdcore Concert!

When the Cat's Away, The Mice Will Cosplay • Saturday: 8:30pm - 9:30pm • Main Events • Jackie Huff

From makeup to wigs to binding to posture and attitude, we cover it all! Crossplay and cosplay tips and technique are covered in this laid-back panel.

Werewolf Game • Saturday: 9:00pm - 11:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Davianne Jones

Come help keep Animeminneapolis safe from werewolves and villagers! Yup it's Vivi from AnimeDetour, depending on room usually first 50 people there will get to play.

PANELSTUCK • Saturday: 9:30pm - 11:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Ashley Novitsky

ALPHA SESSION. PANELSTUCK is here for year 2 at Animmineapolis. Join us for a HOMESTUCK panel. Q&A, Improv, Prizes and more.

Name That Cleavage! (18+) • Saturday: 10:00pm - 11:00am • Panel Room 1 • Rob "Vash" Lewis

Whose boobs? Guess you'll need to join us to find out!

Horrors of Anime • Saturday: 11:00pm - 12:00am • Panel Room 1 • MadnessMark

Tired of good anime? Want to see some bad anime? Boy, are you in for a treat!

Anime Court: The Animinneapolis Parody Edition • Saturday: 11:00pm - 12:00am • Panel Room 3 • Kazoo

We at Anime Court like to think we are pretty lazy cheapskates, which is why we are confused to announce we are doing more work by bringing our panel to all the way from Detour to Animinneapolis. As always, this is an interactive panel so come and bring your accusations and annoyances of your favorite character/series/plot lines/people and watch them be punished. We didn't corrupt you, we just made it obvious. Don't worry, we're all a bunch on whiners here. 16+

Cosplay Wig Styling 101 • Saturday: 11:30pm - 1:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Tawnya Graham

Styling wigs isn't difficult when you know the basics! come here to learn basic wig care and styling tips.

More Bondage with Nabeshin (18+) • Saturday: 12:00am • 1:00am • Panel Room 3 • Nabeshin

Talk about bondage, with our guest Japanese director Nabeshin, who will be bringing several ropes.

All I Need To Know I Learned From Hentai (18+) • Saturday: 12:00am • 1:00am • Panel Room 1 • Rob "Vash" Lewis

Hentai...we've all seen it, we've all cringed. Well we are here to bring you what you've always known but refused to admit: Hentai is educational!! So come along and be "Educated"!

### **Sunday Events**

The Vocaloid Panel • Sunday: 9:00am - 10:00am • Panel Room 3 • Jordan Fuller

Do you want to know about the wonderful virtual world of Vocaloid. Here we'll talk about the songs, characters, and videos. But mostly the videos.

Captain Scarlet's Ship O'Love: Anime Marriage Panel • Sunday: 9:30am • 10:30am • Panel Room 3 • Jesse S.

Do you and your lover want to tie the fake knot? Our 'friendly' resident pirate, Captain Scarlet, would be able to help with that! Come and join with friends, grooms, and maids of honor of your choice. Make it the happiest moment of your con weekend.

Star Trek Trivia with Vic Migogna • Sunday: 10:00am - 11:00am • Main Events • Vic Mignogna

Vic Mignogna loves Star Trek, and so do you! Come to this panel and find out just how much Vic knows about Star Trek (hint: Everything!).

Meet the Q-man! • Sunday: 10:00am - 11:00am • Panel Room 3 • Quinton Flynn

No, not Quailman, come meet Quinton Flynn, listen to stories, and ask him questions about some of his awesome voice work.

It's K-pop time! with Eunhyuk and Yoseob • Sunday: 10:00am • 11:00am • Panel Room 2 • Hannah Henderson

Love K-pop? Just curious to know what it is? Come join Eunhyuk and Yoseob for a showcase of your favorite music videos! We will also host trivia, give out prizes, and answer any questions you might have about K-pop, idols, or anything related.

AniMinni Improv • Sunday: 10:30am - 12:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Marissa Weiss

A short event for cosplayers and others to get together and act out scenes from their favorite anime or just goof off with 'what ifs' I.e. what if Sebastian Michaelis met Kyo Sohma? What if Naruto and Inuyasha were in a ramen eating contest?

#### Voice Acting: The Process • Sunday: 11:00am - 12:00pm • Main Events • Wendy Powell

Join Wendy Powell for a real-life, completely interactive class on the process of voice acting. She will bring actual sides from FUNimation shows, and you'll get to practice a mock audition for the character, with live lessons, instruction, and help from the voice of Envy. Learn about making vocal adjustments, and find things in the text that really bring out the character. Basically an acting class, for all practical purposes.

### How to Create Animation • Sunday: 11:00am - 12:00pm • Panel Room 3 • MadnessMark

Stop saying you're going to make an anime one of these days and find out how to do it today!

#### What Is Anime? For You and Nabeshin? • Sunday: 12:00pm • 1:00pm • Main Events • Nabeshin

Come have a discussion on what you believe anime should be or what anime is about, and what anime means to you. We'll bring the passion of creators like Nabeshin with the passion of the fans like you. Why do you watch animes? Without anime what would you do? How should anime be in the future?

### Nerd Life Music, Nerdcore 4 Life • Sunday: 12:00pm • 1:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Nerdcore Guests

Talk with our Nerd Rap stars about what Nerdcore music means to them.

#### Pokemon Trival Pursuit • Sunday: 12:00pm - 1:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Khoriana Vaerconum

In the pursuit of Pokemon? Test your knowledge here with trivial facts and fun. Catch those fun and elusive prizes.

#### Magical Girl Alliance • Sunday: 12:30pm • Panel Room 2 • Jordan Fuller

Magical Girls Unite! We'll talk about all sorts of series and the Nanoha Takamachi guide to friendship.

#### Boxers or Briefs with All Guests • Sunday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Main Events • All Guests

Come see all the most amazing people that have ever been gathered in one place!

#### Crossplay goes both ways. • Sunday: 1:00pm - 2:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Erica

Have that favorite character that your dying to cosplay but there's the one issue of gender? Well we'll show you how its done. Binding your thing? Well show you how. Rather not? We got that too.

#### Sherlock and Shenanigans • Sunday: 1:30pm - 3:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Amanda Mayberry

Are you a fan of BBC's Sherlock and always find yourself going through withdrawal while waiting for the newest episodes, news feeds, and previews? Never fear! Sherlock and Watson are here with other characters to bring you memories and laughs as we test your knowledge and spark discussion among fellow fans! Come at once if convenient. If inconvenient come anyway. -SH

#### Happy Fun Time: Duct Tape, Cons, and You • Sunday: 2:00pm • 3:00pm • Main Events • Rob "Vash" Lewis

We love duct tape....a lot! From costuming to conventions, duct tape can be a lot of fun and it also has a number of practical uses too! We promise we won't tape you to your chair! \*crosses fingers behind back\*

#### Learn the Hare Hare Yukai • Sunday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Erica

Teaches the dance "Hare Hare Yukai" from the Melancholy of Haruhi Suzimuya

#### Its Time for New Original Creation! • Sunday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm • Panel Room 1 • David X Vang

Greetings to all I am wanting to hear about people and their own new original creation of a manga and a quick story plot line.

#### Panel On My Wayward Son • Sunday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm • Main Events • Sarah Winterbottom

Saving people. Hunting things. Running panels. The family business. Join the Winchester brothers and a couple of (questionably) angelic guests in this Supernatural panel to talk about hunting demons, eating pie, and why, if the pizza man truly loves the baby sitter, why does he keep slapping her rear?

### Baka Daikon Wallflower Poemy - Meet Greg Ayres & Nabeshin • Sunday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Panel Room 1 • Greg Ayres and Na-

As you can see, Greg Ayres has done voices for numerous shows directed by Director Nabeshin. Here's your chance to ask questions of both of them!

#### Vampires DON'T Sparkle • Sunday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Main Events • Rob "Vash" Lewis

That's right...we said it! We want our meat eating, sunlight obliterating, butt-ugly vampires back! Bram Stoker would be doing cartwheels in his grave is he saw what vampires have become. We are taking it back, today!!!

#### Berri team performance~! • Sunday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Panel Room 3 • Chanteya Warren

"A small concert from the rising net-idols, TeyaBerri and MintBerri~!

Come check out Teya and her friends' panel and she'll cast a lovely moe magical spell on you~!

Doki doki BON~!"

#### Unloved nations • Sunday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm • Panel Room 2 • Lithuania

Sorry, no Germanys or Italys here! This panel is devoted to the unloved,unacknowledged, and invisable nations of Hetalia! Come and talk with us as we look at these nation and why we love them... or not.

#### Closing Ceremonies • Sunday: 5:00pm - 6:00pm • Main Events • Featured Event

AniMinneapolis has come to an end. Join us as we bid you all farewell and meet some of the staff that made this all possible for you!

# Autographs

# **Autograph Reminders**

- \* The number (or in some cases size) of items may be limited due to time constraints, and this limit may not be announced until the autograph session. Please limit yourself to a reasonable number of items to be signed.
- \* Guests will only be able to sign official, licensed merchandise not bootlegs. We hold dealers in our dealers room to the highest standards, and you won't have a problem with anything you buy in our vendors room, as you will not find bootleg merchandise in our dealers room.
- \* The time to line up may be limited to the first minutes of the autograph session, and we may not allow additional people to wait in line after that time (or after a certain maximum number of people in line). We do our utmost to try to ensure everyone has the chance to get their autograph, but plan to come as early as possible to the autograph session, or prepare to possibly show up for multiple sessions if there are multiple scheduled. If we run out of time and have a significant number of people waiting and there's only one session scheduled, we will do our utmost to schedule another autograph time later on if at all possible.
- \* Photographs and recordings with the guests are available only with the guest's permission. Please be kind to respect the awesome guests we have, and ask nicely. In extremely busy circumstances, photographs may not be allowed if there is not enough time, or we may ask that you wait until everyone else is finished.
- \* While we try to have enough sharpies, sometimes we run out or they go missing. If you have something that needs to be autographed in a specific color, we recommend bringing that color.

# Autograph Schedule

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2:00pm - 3:00pm	Quinton Flynn (Panel 2)
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Sonny Strait (Panel 2)
5:30pm - 6:30pm	Vic Mignogna (Panel 2)
6:30pm - 7:30pm	Wendy Powell (Panel 2)

#### Saturday

	12:15pm - 1:00pm	Quinton Flynn (Panel 2)
	12:00pm - 1:00pm	Greg Ayres (Panel 3)
١	1:15pm - 2:00pm	Wendy Powell (Panel 2)
	2:30pm - 4:00pm	Vic Mignogna (Panel 2)
	4:00pm - 5:00pm	Nabeshin (Panel 3)
	9:00pm - 10:00pm	Sonny Strait (Panel 1)

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# Music Guests

### **YTCracker**

YTCracker is a rapper, former cracker, and Internet entrepreneur. YTCracker began producing rap music in 1998 in the genre that has since become known as nerdcore hip hop. YTCracker is a self-proclaimed "jack of all trades", also making a name for himself as a professional disc jockey, computer programmer, graphics designer and webmaster.



#### Dr. Awkward

Dr. Awkward is a Nerdcore rapper with several hit songs and performances at Nerdapalooza and after parties at Comic Con, Florida's Nerd Invasion, and Texas' Comicpalooza. In 2009, Dr. Awkward released his first solo project "Next Gen," in which Doc proclaims that he is the future of Nerdcore Hip Hop. The EP was hailed as an instant classic, with hits like "Geekquilibrium" and "Imposter." Dr. Awkward release his latest album, "Unlimited" in April 2010, which features an amazing fusion of Nerdcore, Hip Hop, and R&B.



#### StarF

Submerged in the Minneapolis, Minnesota music scene (yes, it exists!), StarF is as much of an artist as he is a fan of Hip Hop. After writing lyrics for years and realizing he needed to find a way to transmute his words into song, he began his journey into rapping around April of 2006. After years of hard work and improvement, he finally found his way to Scrub Club, which was not just another record label, but a collection of people who he could relate to and call his family. Raised by internet culture and obsessed with music, StarF blends a mixture of poetics and edgy humor into everything he produces. Every new project is approached as the beginning of something that will better himself rather than a means to an end, and as so, StarF is consistently progressing and leveling up within the Nerdcore community. While socially awkward to a noticeable degree, StarF still loves everyone in the community he meets. Despite any awkwardness, he will never hesitate to grab a mic and rock it for a crowd.



### Mattari 2600

Mattari is a nerdcore hip-hop artist who makes music for the love of music. Mattari is proud to stand by making free music that will always be free. Mattari started making music after listening to a bunch of old-school and nerdcore hip-hop for years, and realizing a natural talent for decent writing and hip-hop flow. Mattari will perform anywhere or collaborate with anyone for the love of making music.



### **Soup or Villainz**

Formed in 2009, the Soup Or Villainz base their operations out of South Bend, IN. This group of high class villains consists of Remi-son and Viet Vu with a slew of henchmen and henchwomen. These Soup Or Villainz are out for world domination...not for power but because its just something to do. Along with their hypnotizing beats and lyrical mysticism, they use their strong intellects to turn the youth into mindless zombies one song at a time.



### **Fuzzy Machete**

With cerebral (often snarky) lyrics and a very straightforward "garage rock" aesthetic, Fuzzy Machete is a staple of the nascent "nerdpunk" scene in the Twin Cities. Formed in 2009, Fuzzy Machete consists of Krissandra on Vocals and Bass, Tara on Guitar, and Jonny on drums. Believing that great music and nerd culture pair like Langres and a fine champagne, these three brew an auditory frisson of AC/DC, The Cure, Bowie, and Rush with Dr. Who, Star Trek, Firefly, and MS3TK. Merciless and gritty like the writings of George R.R. Martin and sweet as Nana, this trio powerhouse has performed at Twin Cities Pride Festival, The Zombie Pub Crawl, Warped Tour Send off with Sick of Sarah, Girls Rock and Roll Retreat, and The Sister's of Camelot Asylum Benefit.





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And a very special thanks to all the staff and volunteers who helped make this year yet another awesome success. +50 exp to each of them!

### **Mission Control & Ops**

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Bette Dawn Morrow
Tengu Kuroi-Tsubasa
Karas
Matt Davis
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Mariya Bravo
Sara Ross
Audrey Deines
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