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# 2023 Theme: FOLKLORE

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- Advocating or encouraging any of the above behavior
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Every tale, every event, every moment becomes part of our shared story. As we weave the tapestry of this year's gathering, your insights are the threads that enrich it. Was there a highlight? Something we could improve? Or perhaps a story you'd like to share?

We want to hear all of it. Help shape our next chapter. Your feedback guides our narrative.

Share your tales and feedback: **feedback@snafucon.com** 

# The theme for 2023 is FOLKLORE

Once upon a time, in a kingdom not so far away, a magical world of myths and legends will come alive! Ready to be spellbound? Join us at SNAFU Con 2023 to explore the enchanted realm of folklore.

> Wander through a forest of cosplayers and fanart, explore panels and events, and discover your story. As the clock strikes midnight, don't be surprised if a beast turns into a prince, a sleeping beauty pricks her finger, or a piper lures some spellbound kids.

> > The magic of storytelling will cast its spell over the con, transporting you to a world where fairy tales and legends come to life. Join us for the folklore fun and let your imagination run wild!

# Legends of Lore Beckon

Welcome to SNAFU Con 2023! Immerse yourself in a world steeped in ancient myths, where tales whispered by the fireside come to life. Embark on quests that transport you to fabled lands, and gather enchanted tickets to trade for storied treasures.

### How to Play!

- 1. Seek the Lorekeepers! Wander the convention floor in search of the lorekeepers. They can be identified by their large buttons, symbolizing their role as keepers of ancient tales. Approach them to embark on quests steeped in folklore.
- 2. Quests will vary from enigmatic riddles born of age-old tales to intricate challenges rich in folklore traditions. Completion rewards adventurers with red and yellow tickets based on quest difficulty and success.
- 3. A genuine way to amass more tickets is by volunteering, contributing to the magic of SNAFU Con 2023 and making it an event of legendary proportions!
- 4. Once you've accumulated enough tickets, venture to the mystical bazaar in the theme room. Here awaits an array of prized artifacts for exchange. Some treasures are limited in number, so be swift in making your claims!

# Rules!

- 1. Tasks may take you to all areas of the con! Please be respectful of our less adventurous con-goers.
- 2. Some tasks are repeatable, but some may be a one-time-only deal.
- 3. Take care of your tickets. SNAFU Con is not responsible for any lost tickets.
- 4. Prizes are first-come, first-served. But don't despair! The best prizes will change day-by-day to give everyone the best chance at earning something cool!
- 5. Remember that there is no running in the con areas or the hallways.

Are you a phoenix? Cause you're on FIRE

6. Revel in the magic, unravel the tales, and most importantly, enjoy your folklore journey, Adventurer!

**Titan Hunt!** 

Do your part in defending our Con from Titans!!! There are four Titans at the Con on Friday. If you find one, they will give you a small string to show you have defeated them! If you collect 4 different Titans' life strings and hand them to the Recruiting officer at Jess Floam's artist alley booth, you can join the ranks of the Survey Corps! (Limit 20 people to earn Wings of Freedom badge)



### The Great Basin Buccaneers

The Great Basin Buccaneers are a group of reenactors local to the Reno area who like to portray Pirates in all their glory. They embrace all phases of piracy: Historical, Fantasy, Steampunk, and so on. We specialize in tabletop period games, and shenanigans! We be tellers of tall tales, and have been known recruit from the general population to help spread the good word of the Black Flag! Kids, ask our Captain to tell you the tale of the Turtle Tears!

# Letters from



Hello, friends! It is with great joy that I welcome you to another wonderful year at SNAFU Con! This year we had the singular honor of theming our convention to Folklore, a topic that is near and dear to my heart. A culture's Folklore encompasses the collective aspirations,

values, and struggles of an entire people, and can often package truths of the human experience alongside our perpetual sense of wonder.

I delight in pursuing wonder, and endeavour to impart it into all of my works, be it at the D&D table or when cooking up panel ideas, so being able to steep this year's con experience in the whimsy of prior generations was nothing short of a dream come true. I hope you can suspend your disbelief for the weekend and delight in the mythos collected for your entertainment, and take something with you from each fairy tale you encounter. But if that's a bit much, just have a good time!

-Dragon Paragon SNAFU Con Chair



#### Gamers and Attendees,

Welcome back to another year at SNAFU Con! Our staff has been hard at work making sure you all have a memorable and fun experience this year. My hope is you all take a chance to thank a staff member or volunteer for their

hard work and dedication to this event.

Long ago, I stumbled upon SNAFU, when it was a much smaller con, and from there, fell in love with con life. As an attendee, I found this wonderful event that would lead me into a lifestyle, hobby, and career of con hosting. If this is your first convention, I hope you have a very similar experience and find yourself thirsting for more.

SNAFU, in my humble opinion, is a great start to a community you may want to grow. Whether you bring your family and friends or make new ones here, I know the memories you make will be significant in your passion for nerdom/geekhood! Shopping for merchandise, hanging out in our gaming area, participating in our tournaments, attending a panel or several, dancing your heart out at the rave, meeting our lovely guests, testing your personal decks out or playing a tabletop game you enjoy, you will find lots to do.

I look forward to seeing all your smiles and the joy it brings you!

-DJ Angeal

SNAFU Con Chair/SNAFU Head of eGaming

# Banshee karaoke night was killer.



Why are dragons only active during the day? Because they're too scared at knight-time.

# the Chairs



#### Hello all!

Welcome to SNAFU Con 2023! We made it! Diving into the world of folklore to learn about this theme has taught me so much!

Folklore is everywhere around us and not only includes all the classic stories and cryptids, but even simple

superstitions and good luck charms!

We've done our best to incorporate Japanese folklore, plus other interesting tales from around the world into the convention for your enjoyment. I hope you find it as interesting as I did!

I always like to talk a little bit about the challenges that faced us getting con together. I think, instead, I just want to say this: I'm genuinely happy that you're here with us!

Thank you so much to the staff who worked so hard to get us here this year.

And finally, if you can find me during the convention, I'll give you a gold star!

#### Have fun!!!

~beta SNAFU Con Vice Chair



Urashima Tarō: A tale of a fisherman who saves a turtle and is rewarded with a visit to the Dragon Palace (Ryūgū-jō) under the sea, only to return to land and find many years have passed.

# Day Zero

Stop by Thursday after 6:00 PM for some special pre-con activities! Registration will be open so you can pick up your (pre-paid) badge.

We've got a swap meet, tabletop gaming, and entertainment. We'll be open as late as 11pm and we've got free popcorn and plenty of seating. Come hang out!

We'll be **GOBLIN** up the free popcorn on Day Zero!



# Achievements

Do you have any special symbols on your badge? We give out achievements for doing things at previous years' cons! See the full list of achievements on our website: https://snafucon.com/achievements



# Guests of Honor

# **Bonnie Gordon**

No stranger to the world of geek pop culture, Bonnie is an actress, singer, and voiceover actor who prides herself on being a "professional nerd." Her VO credits include cartoons, video games and anime

such as: Ship Computer in Star Trek Prodigy on Nickelodeon/ Paramount+; Rainbow Mika in Street Fighter V; Silque in Fire Emblem Echoes/Three Houses; Cartoon Network's Mighty Magiswords; Bico in Muhyo and Roji's **Bureau** of Supernatural Investigation; Battlestar *Galactica Deadlock*; MegaMan 11; Soujin in Ikki Tousen; Eva in Code Vein; and many more! She might also be recognized as an original paladin from the ABC fantasy show The Quest!

Bonnie can be found taking the helm as Ensign Lark Sage on the Geek & Sundry Star Trek TTRPG show Shield of Tomorrow! as well as rolling dice and starring/guesting on many other TTRPG shows on Twitch channels such as HyperRPG, Queutimes, and DnDBeyond (Callisto 6; Clear Skies, Barony of Olives, Disco Does DnD, etc.)

> She has traveled all over the world singing and guesting at comic cons with her nerdy parody band The Library Bards – taking top 40 hits and transforming them into nerdy, geektastic tunes about sci-fi and fantasy fandoms!

She has put together a solo musical act to promote her new solo album, Con Artist!

# Lady Staba

Lady Staba is a Reno, NV based cosplayer of over 10 years and has made over 100 costumes for herself and others. She has won numerous awards, including several Best in Show and Best Craftsmanship at conventions across the West Coast.

She has participated in Online Cosplay Contests; in the Ultimate Online Cosplay Championship 2021 she was a needlework finalist. Lady Staba has had the honor of representing several companies in cosplay at conventions including PlayStation, Viz Media and HULU. Her favorite was for Guerrilla Games at PAX West as the protagonist Aloy from their video game *Horizon Zero Dawn*.

Lady Staba has also had the great honor to serve as Craftsmanship Judge and a Guest at several conventions. Even when not guesting, Lady Staba loves to host panels at conventions to teach newer cosplayers how to make cosplays. Outside of cosplaying, she plays video games and watches Anime and Movies with her husband and two kids.



# **Brandon Boykins**

Brandon Boykins is an actor and national cosplayer born and raised in the Northern Nevada area. Brandon has been cosplaying since 2019. He challenges himself by staying in character and bringing his cosplays to life. He is also the president and cofounder of Cosplay For Kindness.





Local non-profit organization Cosplay For Kindness visits people in hospitals, birthdays, fundraisers and every other type of local events in the Northern Nevada area dressed as your favorite Superheroes and Princesses, bringing smiles and enjoyment to the children and families in the community.

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# Da Rap Nerd

Da Rap Nerd (formerly known as Darealwordsound) is a SNAFU Con regular, but since COVID he's been away focusing more on his community, mental health, and music. Da Rap Nerd has been slowly making his way back to the stage while also finding ways to empower his community and other artists. Recently he dropped his latest album "Raw Cookie Dough" with his leading single "Snickerdoodle". This past summer he was on tour with The Philharmonik and toured across the west coast and hosted MagWest while performing with Living Tombstones, SSJ Live, KeiferGreen, Prowess the Testament, and Noa James. He has also started a movement in the Bay Area called "Bayokyo" where Anime meets Hip Hop and has been bringing more nerdcore hip hop and hip hop artists together to unite the fandom through Nerdcore Rap and Beat Cyphers. Da Rap Nerd is proud to be coming back to SNAFU Con and plans on spending as much time with con-goers as possible. Make sure you catch his performances and panels this year. He looks forward to seeing vou all there.

# Steve Nunez, a.k.a. Warky T. Chocobo

Steve "Warky" Nunez is an award winning jack-of-alltrades in the entertainment industry.

Hailing from New York, he started out narrating audio books for the blind and from there he branched out into all facets of media. He is widely known for his work on *The Yaoi Xmas Carols*, *Sonic The Hedgehog*, *Ishida and Asakura*, *Venom: Let There Be Carnage*, *The Titan's Bride*, *Ant-Man*, *Yandere Simulator*, *Aphmau*, *Henkei Shoujo*, *Gunvolt Chronicles: Luminous Avenger Ix-2*, *Camp Buddy*, *Fire in His Fingertips*, *Everything for Demon King Evelogia*, and *Anima: Gates of Memories*.

Warky looks forward to what the future has in store for him and hopes there will be singing and dancing along the way!

# Shane Tay

Shane Tay is a multi-award-winning actor from Utah, currently working in Quality Assurance at Ascendent Animation.

While he's been hooked on anime since he was a toddler, he had resigned himself to staying a lifelong fan and studied the non-acting side of theatre. Being picked up by Ascendent Animation was a dream come true – Shane never believed he would make it from fan to guest, but his underdog story is inspiring to all. His favorite shows and movies he has worked on have been Henkei Shoujo, Even in Dreams, and Ishida and Asakura.

When he's not working, Shane enjoys building plastic models, laughing, and learning things he didn't know he didn't know.

Shane is excited to be guesting for the first time at SNAFU Con! Please be gentle!

# **Danny** Miller

Danny Miller is an awardwinning actor from Utah whose career has spanned many years in audio books, video games, movies, and anime. His first exposure to anime came in the 80's, from the english dub of GoLion, aka Voltron. College led him to like-minded souls, and helped to establish an anime club and convention in Utah. He currently works with Ascendent Animation on Incidental Vocals, Subtitling, QA and hardware planning. Some of his favorite shows he has worked on have been *Next Best Bartender, Game World Reincarnation*, and *The Titan's Bride*. Catch Danny at his panels all weekend!

# Jess Floam

Jess go with the Floam, the voice of the animeinspired audiobook *The Dorm Room Cat Girl*. Raised on the shores of Lake Tahoe, Jess Floam is an enthusiastic and passionate Ukrainian-American voice actor, musician, vocalist, music and gaming broadcaster, cosplayer, and adventurer. When she's not making noise, Jess loves to explore the outdoors with her sidekick Tikka the Cat. They hike mountains, camp in rainforests, kayak brackish waters, and float along in the ocean.







#### Anime enthusiasts, get ready for a thrilling journey into otaku paradise! Dive into a bustling marketplace filled with anime merchandise, snacks, and collectibles. From elegant figures to authentic Japanese treats, experience the boundless creativity of anime culture. Join fellow fans, explore diverse vendors, and immerse in the magic of anime fandom.

What is the Fresno Nightcrawlers' favorite song? "Walk This Way"

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# Artist Alley

Visit Artist Alley to find great fan art, gifts, crafts, and other handmade things. Drawings, postcards, buttons, and all kinds of artistic creations will be for sale. Meet friendly artists and commission a picture of yourself or a favorite anime character! Artists are creative and fun people. Buy unique and wonderful things from them here, in all price ranges.

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# Policies (in 5 words or less) General Policies

General Conduct - Consider others; all-ages con. Dress Code - Wear appropriate clothes. Harassment - Don't make others feel unwelcome. Hygiene - Bathe and wear deodorant, please. Heckling - Don't be a jerk. Children - Bring an adult. Fliers - Place on the designated table. Dogs & Pets - Sorry, service animals only. **Con Photography** - You let us photograph you. Photographing Others - Ask permission first. Weapons - Don't be stupid. Alcohol - Not on the con floor. Sleeping - Sleep. Casino - Don't upset venue security. Hotel - Be considerate of others. Elevators - Only press one button. **Doors** - Use only designated doors. Mock Fighting - Keep it safe. Policy Lawyering - Don't. Staff/Volunteer Complaints & Appeals -The feedback session is Sunday, or email feedback@snafucon.com. **Drones** - Limited air space with preapproval. Floor RC Vehicles - Limited floor space; peace bonded.

### Dress Code Policies

More... - Policies subject to change.

Badges - Keep badges visible.
Masks - Strongly encouraged; sometimes required.
Smoking Cosplays - Bad idea. Forbidden.
Shoes - Wear shoes.
Minimum Coverage - Wear clothes.
Flesh-Colored Underwear - No illusion of nudity.
See-Through Clothing - Wear things underneath.
Underwear as Cosplay - Keep your bits covered.
Short Dresses/Skirts - Wear under-things.
Large Costumes - Be aware of your surroundings.
Signs - Okay, but content is limited.

Make sure you check out our full policies at https://snafucon.com/policies





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# **Music and Performers Glow Party Rave Ballroom Dance**

Welcome to the Ballroom. Bring your dancing shoes to the Second Stage on Friday evening for a social East Coast Swing dance! No experience or partner required. Bring your friends as we Swing, Jive, and Boogie the night away.

We'll be running beginner lessons in ChaCha, Foxtrot, Waltz, and East Coast Swing all afternoon.

## K-pop

Luminescent ~ Inspire Dance Team has been bringing the joy of dance to Reno/Sparks since 2017! Our core belief is that anyone can dance! We bring the dance instruction, you bring the passion, and you might even surprise yourself with what you can do! Luminescent members have varying levels of dance experience, from one day to 15+ years of experience. We teach many different styles of dance, including K-pop, J-pop, hip-hop, and more! We would love to connect with you! Come by our panel on Saturday afternoon, or find us on social media!

#### G Luminescent12 OLuminescent.Official

The Pied Piper: A tale where a pied piper rids a town of rats by leading them away with music. When the town refuses to pay, he leads away their children, too.

DJ Yeti throws the coolest raves!

Time to celebrate SNAFU Con with an awesome rave! Why? Because it's AWESOME! Do you really need a good reason to go dance to some cool tunes, feel the vibes and end the night on a groove-tastic note? What are you, Vulcan? Get out there, grab your glowsticks, and DANCE!



Loud, local, and proud, DJ Monster shakes the building. Spinning a mix of Mainstage House and Hard Dance. Proudly serving SNAFU Con it's yearly dosage of bass for 12 years consecutivly!

# **Guest Performers**

#### Anime Concert

Jess Floam

Enjoy an hour of anime tunes sung by Jess Floam live on main stage! Featuring songs from classic anime such as Evangelion, Cowboy Bebop, FullMetal Alchemist, Spirited Away, Death Note, Avatar: The Last Airbender, Pokémon, and more!! Sing along always encouraged.

#### Disney & Animated Classics Concert

Jess Floam

Let's get down to business to sing some songs. Take a Journey to the Past and sing along to The Bare Necessities of life. You've Got a Friend In Me, Jess Floam, as we jam to animated classics. What can I say, except, You're Welcome. Sing-a-long always encouraged~

#### Nerdy Rock Concert

**Bonnie Gordon** 

Join Bonnie Gordon, (VO actor & professional singer coming all the way from Los Angeles!), as she takes you on a musical journey of top 40 hits from the 80s, 90s, and today - and turns them into the nerdy versions they should have been in the first place!

#### **Raw Cookie Dough Album** Performance

Da Rap Nerd

Da Rap Nerd will be performing all the hits from his album Raw Cookie Dough!

#### Video Game Concert

#### less Floam

Enjoy an hour of video game tunes sung by Jess Floam live on main stage! Featuring songs from classic video games such as Metal Gear Solid, Skyrim, Portal, Super Smash Bros Ultimate, Detroit: Become Human, and more!! Sing along always encouraged.

# Panels and Events

#### \*Guest Involvement is in italics! Anime Trivia Battle!

Think you know everything about anime? Compete against everyone in the room for first place! Let everyone know YOU are the biggest anime nerd in town.

#### Art and Trauma

Are you an artist who has anxiety about releasing your art? Do you suffer from imposter syndrome? Da Rap Nerd understands all this and has been continually working on himself to learn how to deal with these emotions. Come and learn how Art & Trauma can be healing.

#### Ascendant Animation Industry Panel

Ever wondered what it's like to dub an anime? Come join some of the staff at Ascendant Animation for a panel with behind the scenes perspectives in the dubbing industry.

#### Ash Can't Catchem (16+)

Ash Ketchum has been a Pokémon trainer for longer than most of you have been alive, but for some reason he has the same game sense as I did when I didn't understand what the save button does. Together we'll try to figure out how many battles he won only due to OSHA required indoor sprinkler systems and try to quantify exactly how much money Jessie and James have spent trying to capture something that has a 25% encounter rate at the Power Plant.

# Auditioning for a Gig - Do's and Don'ts

Thinking about auditioning for a role? Come get hands-on feedback from the people casting roles, and learn what works and what doesn't.

#### Auditioning for Adult Gigs - Do's and Don'ts (18+)

Thinking about auditioning for an adult or 18+ role? Come get hands-on feedback from the people casting roles, and learn what works and what doesn't.

#### Awkward Adult Social (18+)

Making friends as adults is hard and awkward. What if there was an event where you fill out a sheet with topics you want to talk about, hand it to someone and have them give you their sheet to see if you both have similar interests? That's exactly what we're doing at an Awkward Adult Social! Hand each other your conversation menus and then use your response cards to say "✓ Yes, Let's chat!" or "X No thanks!" An Awkward Adult Social is the perfect place to make new friends.

#### Bad Hentai (18+)

Spend some time watching clips of some Bad Hentai.

There are worse things to do with your time, but not many.

#### Behind the Curtain of Anime Conventions

Ever wonder what goes on behind the curtain at your favorite Anime Con? Thinking of maybe starting your own one day? The directors from Kraken Con and Hydra Comic Con are here to share with you the lowdown on what it really takes to run a convention. You'll learn to appreciate all the hard work that goes into unseen parts of conventions and the realities that all con runners deal with every event. Learn about budgets, programming, security, venue contracts, advertising, and more.

#### Brandon Boykins Q&A

Come meet Brandon Boykins of Boykins\_cosplay. Find out how he got into cosplay, what he loves about cosplay and any other questions you might have!

# e Chainsaw Man: Recruiting New

**Devil Hunters (16+)** We at Public Safety Devil Hunters are looking for the most brave, daring (and foolish) individuals to join the Tokyo Special Division 4 in order to achieve our goal of eliminating the Gun Devil.

We here at Division 4 believe in providing the safest world for humanity possible. Positions here tend to open up often...for no real reason in particular. Come to this Recruiting Event to see if you're a fit in our Division, we'd love to see you there. (Not liable for bodily injury or death if employed)

#### **Charity Auction**

Come and attend our charity auction! This year, proceeds will be going to the Special Needs Community of Northern Nevada.

#### **Closing Ceremonies**

Con is almost over. Come join us for one last hurrah!

#### Collecting Vintage Photos 101 (16+)

Collecting vintage photos is a rare hobby that seems to be lost forever, but I want to keep this hobby alive and well. We'll dive into the hobby and how to collect through history.

#### **Content Creation 101**

Learn about the wide variety of bonus programs you can use to bring your live streams to the next level.

#### Cosplay for Kindness Q&A

Get to know the members of Cosplay For Kindness, a local non-profit organization that uses Cosplay to spread good in the world. Learn their story as well as how to be a part of this great cause!

Why does a sphinx make a terrible therapist? Because you have to solve its problems!

#### **Cosplay Masquerade**

SNAFU Con's annual Cosplay Masquerade! Enjoy the show as talented cosplayers compete for prizes, show off their hard work, and perform skits for your amusement! A must-see event!

#### **Cosplay Masquerade Skit Creation**

Whether you're a seasoned contestant or just starting your masquerade journey, this panel is your gateway to discovering the secrets behind crafting extraordinary performances. Join Maybe Magic Cosplay as we go over types of masquerade performances, delve into the art of skit creation including writing a script and recording audio, provide tips on staging, and much more. After this panel, you'll be sure to walk away with a great skit idea for your next masquerade!

#### **Cosplay Patterning**

At this Panel you'll learn how to read and understand commercial sewing patterns, from Simplicity to Vogue. Tips and tricks from which brand of pattern to purchase to altering commercial patterns. If you have ever been lost looking at sewing patterns, this is the panel for you!

#### Da Rap Nerd's Bizarre Adventure

Come see what Da Rap Nerd has been up to! Da Rap Nerd will talk about what he has been doing since Lockdown! You don't want to miss it!

#### **Demon Slayer Jeopardy (16+)**

Do you love cliché game shows? Do you enjoy Demon Slayer a little too much? Join a team with your favorite Hashira (or possibly demon) in a fun-filled game of Demon Slayer Jeopardy! Recall some of the best moments in Demon Slayer history with your teammates! Take a chance, and you may even win the grand prize!

#### DMing 101

Ever wanted to learn how to DM? Then this is the panel for you! SNAFU's local games guru Dragon Paragon brings you the best tips on running your own game! We'll cover the basics of organizing and delivering an enjoyable tabletop experience, then host a short question and answer segment.

## DMing 201: Dungeon Design (16+)

We've learned the basics, now let's take it a step further. This panel covers all the important topics when it comes to building and executing a dungeon, from pacing to difficulty to theme. Run by our resident tabletop guru, Dragon Paragon, this panel is sure to give you what you need to blow your players away with your next dungeon delve!

#### Exploring Safe and Consensual Dynamics (18+)

Join us for an open Q&A session, hosted by two seasoned practitioners with extensive experience in the lifestyle. Whether you're curious about or actively involved in BDSM, join us for an informative and respectful discussion on understanding consent, trust, boundaries and effective communication.

#### Fifth Gen Isn't Pokémon (16+)

A critique of the creatures introduced in the fifth generation of "Pokémon". We will go over the mechanics, aesthetics, and lure to prove once and for all that the fifth generation of "Pokémon" does not deserve to stand beside the greats of Pokémon past like Mr. Mime, Voltorb, and Muk.

#### Hentai Redub Live! (18+)

Join the bravest of our voice actor guests as they live-dub a hentai they've never seen before!

#### How To Walk Your Cat

and other cool tricks to teach your feline friend! Jess Floam, human of Tikka the Cat, will share tips on how you can include your own furry companion on adventures outside. Jess has worked for veterinary hospitals for 5+ years and gone on adventures with Tikka for the past 6 years climbing meowntains, frolicking mewdows, and kayaking seas.

#### Improv 101

Fully Unscripted presents everything you need to know to get started in improvisational acting. These skills work for long-form, short-form, scripted acting, and even regular life. Think you're not funny? No problem! Ask questions, play games, and have fun.

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#### **Improv 101 - Workshop**

Fully Unscripted wants to get you improvising. If you've ever wanted to try out improv or if you just want to have some fun, join our experienced improv actors in a full run down of basic warm ups to full on stage games.

#### **Improv 201 - Workshop**

Want to try out Improv on the stage? Now's your chance. Play some games, get some coaching, and have some fun.

#### **Introduction to Sumo**

Come learn about Sumo, Japan's unique grappling sport. The basics of the sports, how to watch and other details will be shared.

#### **It Gets Better**

LGBTQ-centric affirmations, coping, and topical conversations.

#### K-pop Q&A

Come get to know the Luminescent Dance Team, and learn about K-pop! The Luminescent Dance Team will be there to talk about the history of K-pop and the background of their dance team. Come hang out and talk about K-pop!

#### **Kinda Sketchy Artists**

Have you ever seen an artist draw using makeup? How about with a sword? Join Nuriko and Uni (With some challenges that the audience can join in on!) as they undertake random art challenges for your viewing pleasure!

#### Level Up Your Cosplay!

Zippers, hems, and closures! Learn a variety of professional methods to give your cosplay that extra special finished look. For Beginners to Advanced, Lady Staba will help you make your future cosplay stand out!

#### Lip Sync Contest

Show off your stage performance skill in this not so serious Lip Sync Contest. Only 1st place gets a price and the judges are the audience.

#### Make a Kumihimo (Japanese Braided Cord)

Want to try your hand at making a traditional Japanese braided cord? Come to this workshop! All materials will be provided. Make a gift for a family member, friend, or yourself. As seen on the Netflix series My Happy Marriage!

#### Make Anime Great Again (16+)

Anime has been floundering recently. With a proliferation of fandom culture, a decline in dubbing, and the fact that the last good anime released nearly a decade and a half ago. Join us as we take you for a walk down memory lane, when anime was truly great.

#### Making Beats with Da Rap Nerd

Learn how Da Rap Nerd makes his own music and participate in making some songs together.

#### **Opening Ceremonies**

Start off your SNAFU Con 2021 adventure right with your convention chair, MC, and guests.

#### PanelQuest (16+)

Join a one-of-a-kind comedy adventure where the audience decides the hero's every action! Kick mice, hoard teeth and steal hammers on your way to slaying the Dragon...all the while either taking the path laid before you or going wildly off the rails!

#### **Podcasting & Actual-Plays**

Learn about the basics of Podcasting, how to start one, equipment needed, the intricacies of actual-play podcasts, and more!

### Pokemon LIVE: Death of the Musical (16+)

In 2000 CE someone thought that it would be a good idea to make a Pokemon stage musical and raised millions of dollars off of the idea. It happened. We're still not sure why, but we will be here to make fun of it.

#### Polyamory & Ethical Nonmonogamy 101 (16+)

Curious about polyamory and ethical nonmonogamy? Join us for a relaxed and open discussion hosted by our polycule. We'll share our personal experiences, insights, and some handy handouts to help guide the conversation. Whether you're new to the idea or just want to chat, come and learn with us in this welcoming environment. All questions and curiosities are welcome!

#### **Power Tools in Cosplay Crafting**

Power tools don't have to be scary! They can be powerful instruments to save you time in ways you never imagined when crafting your cosplay. Maybe Magic Cosplay is here to show you how to add power to your crafting by sharing tips on what tools might help you in your cosplay, how to use those tools, how to save money buying them, and—most importantly—how to operate them safely.

#### Read 'em and Weep - Tarotorial and Spread Craft

Tarot reading for beginner to intermediate readers, as well as an introduction to customer card spread crafting and reading on the fly! Bring your deck for some hands on learning, or just bring yourself and any questions you may have!

#### Saving Money with Low Budget Cosplays

From the Dollar Tree to McDonalds, props and pieces can be found in unlikely places.



How come Jormungandr never gets anything done? Because it's always chasing its tail.

#### Setting up a small Cosplay Workspace

Not everyone is lucky enough to have a garage or other large space to use for crafting. Don't let a lack of dedicated space hold you back from making that cosplay prop of your dreams! Maybe Magic Cosplay is here to share with you tips and tricks on how to get to crafting with whatever space you have available to you. Whether you're a newly aspiring cosplayer or a seasoned maker looking to optimize your small workspace, this panel is packed with creative solutions.

#### **SNAFU Con Feedback Session**

Tell us what you liked, didn't like, and what we should do next year.

### SNAFU Talks: Ancient Mythology in Animation

A round table discussion moderated by Stephen Daugherty. Come and share your ideas with your peers on ancient mythology in animation. We'll discuss its use in world building, storytelling, character inspiration, and more!

### SNAFU Talks: Folklore in Animation

A round table discussion moderated by Stephen Daugherty. Come and share your ideas with your peers on folklore in animation. We'll discuss its use in world building, character designs, and more!

### SNAFU Talks: Pantheons in Animation

A round table discussion moderated by Stephen Daugherty. Come and share your ideas with your peers on pantheons in animation. We'll discuss them as sources for character inspiration, storytelling, world building, and more!

#### So, you have ADHD. Now, what?

An ADHD diagnosis is not easy. Come hang out with other neurodivergents as we discuss the frustrating, confusing, and even funny parts of having ADHD.

### Sonic: An Unfortunate History (16+)

Sonic the Hedgehog is a staple holding together the childhood of any proper 90s kid, but just like Soap shoes he's tragically out of fashion. We'll be going over the history of Sonic The Hedgehog games, Sega Consoles, and, reluctantly, the fandom around them both as we figure out what happened to a once promising video game mascot.

#### **Talent Show**

Are you a singer, dancer, musician or magician? Enter our costumed Talent Show and show off your best talent to win great prizes!

#### **Talent Show Rehearsal**

Rehearse for the Talent Show. Last chance to get your music in. All Talent Show Participants must check in or be disqualified.

#### The Economics of C - Control

A discussion about the schools of thought in the 2011 show C - The Money of Soul and Possibility Control and how an author's opinion can infect their work.

#### VIP Meet & Greet

Are you a SNAFU Con VIP? Come enjoy an exclusive chance to visit and relax with this year's amazing guests. Complimentary snacks will be provided.

#### Voiceover 101

Join voice acting experts Bonnie Gordon, Warky T. Chocobo, Danny Miller, and Shane Tay as they give you a behind-the scenes look at what happens IN THE BOOTH when bringing your favorite animated & video game characters to life! Learn tips of the trade and have fun with these amazing professionals! Q&A to follow!



#### Vtubing 101

Learn the difference between different types of vtuber models alongside the programs they use. Find the best fit for you to start your vtubing adventure!

#### Vtubing 102

Come learn about the influence Japanese idol culture has had on the western vtubing sphere!

#### Wark After Dark! (18+)

Come see Warky Unplucked in this meet and greet, question and answer panel where anything and everything goes! ^^

Momotarō (Peach Boy): An elderly woman discovers a giant peach by the river and, upon slicing it open at home, is surprised to find a boy named Momotarō inside. Growing up strong and brave, Momotarō learns of distant ogres terrorizing the land and, with the help of animal companions he befriends on his journey, defeats them, ensuring the safety of his village.



# E-Gaming

#### **Guity Gear Strive**

The newest addition to the Guilty Gear game series. Available for tournament play. Played on PS4 and PS5.

#### Mario Kart 8 Deluxe

The ultimate in Nintendo-based road rage. Who needs perfect racing lines and heel-and-toe braking when you've got blue shells? Available for free-play and tournament play. Played on Switch.

#### **Street Fighter 6**

The latest installment of the most iconic fighting game series of all time, with an ever-expanding roster of new and classic characters.



#### Super Smash Bros Ultimate

Join in the fun with Smash Bros Ultimate, introducing Sora from Kingdom Hearts. This game fills up its bracket quickly, so register ahead of time. Available for free-play and tournament play. Played on Switch.

#### Tekken 7

The King of Iron Fist Tournament continues, with new fighters joining the battle. Available for tournament play. Played on PS4 and PS5.

### Don't Miss a Single Minute!

Many of our tournaments will be streamed on Twitch at twitch.tv/snafucon

### Arcade provided by



# **Cosplay Meetups**

Naruto Jojo's Bizzare Adventure One Piece Inuyasha RWBY My Hero Academia

Fairy rings... They're out of this world!



#### Starfinder Adventure: Operation: Seaside Park

When a derelict ship infested with dangerous, hostile aliens comes crashing into an amusement park in the heart of the Pact Worlds, it's up to the heroes to protect their planet from the worst the Swarm has to offer! Play as one of five unique heroes battling against a dire threat to the galaxy in an unlikely place. You'll be up against the Swarm, a species of adaptable, buglike aliens that devour everything in their path. Happy bug hunting, heroes!

#### **Starfinder Quests**

Play in a variety of 1 hour long quests learning the starfinder system as you go along. bring your own character or use one of the pregenerated ones.

#### **Starfinder Skitter Shot**

Don't worry, the skittermanders are here to help!

When a routine salvage operation deep in the Vast goes awry, the skittermanders Dakoyo, Gazigaz, Nako, and Quonx must board a luxurious cruise liner controlled by a rogue artificial intelligence to save their vesk boss and a group of hapless passengers. All manner of obstacles block their path to success, from malfunctioning massage tables to cybernetic undead to vermin from another plane, but if the skittermanders can work together (something skittermanders do best), they are sure to be hailed as tiny, furry heroes! That is, of course, if the passing pirate starship doesn't blast them all out of space first ...

# **Tabletop Gaming**

#### **CardLords Presents**

CardLords Presents allows you to play games like BattleGoats, Animalchemists, and Take the Gold with their creator, Tucker Smedes! Stop by to enjoy good games or speak with an expert on game design. Take a look at their newest offerings, Floating Floors and Dice Cards!

#### **Caverns of Ixalan Draft**

Come draft The Lost Caverns of Ixalan on release weekend for the set!

#### **Caverns of Ixalan Release**

Come throw dinosaurs at people with the newest MTG set The Caverns of Ixalan, the closest you'll get to playing one of the DnD sets that isn't just playing one of the DnD sets.

#### Cthulhu with the Author

Join author Jade Griffin as she runs from a selection of Call of Cthulhu scenarios.

#### Dungeons and Dragons Adventure League

Come join us for some adventure league fun.

#### **EDH Bingo**

Come throw hands at EDH, with added achievements to earn by making various plays or decisions for mysterious prizes and the eternal glory of getting to flex on your opponents.

#### **MTG Commander League**

Have some down time between panels and want to get in a Commander game or two? Join us all weekend, and earn prizes just for playing.

#### **MTG draft**

Join us for an organized draft. packs to be determined.

#### **Paint and Take**

Come down to our famous Paint and Take! Pick up any miniature you like; its price includes unlimited time at our painting table with our supplies. Local experts will be around to share tips, give advice, and display their own projects, so make sure to take a look!

#### **Regular old Universus Tournament**

An ordinary Universus tournament, laced with trace amounts of double prizing.

#### **Shadows of Brimstone Demo**

Come Demo shadows of brimstone, see if you have what it takes to make it through the mine and eliminate the terrors that are trying to emerge, and who knows, maybe find another world.

#### **Speed Painting Contest**

Ready, Set...PAINT! Join our annual speed painting contest - it's free to join with the purchase of any miniature. After that, you have 1 hour to paint it using the tools provided. Fabulous prizes are awarded to the top three!





The basilisk held a band audition, but all the applicants froze up on stage.

Iventurers Wanted

Join SNAFU Con's Discord for a D&D West Marches campaign snafucon.com/chat New adventures start January 1, 2024

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Whether this is your first year or your twelfth year, we hope you've enjoyed our con. It takes hard work and dedication from staff and volunteers to make this event great. We continue to strive to make this convention better each year, but **we can't do it without your help**. Email hr@snafucon.com and tell us you want to be staff! Not only will you contribute to SNAFU Con's awesomeness, you'll also get a free badge!

Now I know what you're saying, "Staff? That sounds like a lot of hard work!" Well, it is, but ask any staff member and they'll tell you it's worth the effort. If your time is limited but you still want to help out, consider volunteering! Sign up as a volunteer by emailing volunteers@snafucon.com and letting us know! Volunteers only help out during con. You can earn your registration fee back with just four hours a day. You still get to see the panels, watch the anime, and participate in the tournaments.

With your help, we'll continue grow into a bigger and better con. Join us!

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A racoon went to Hawaii. It came back playing a tan-uki'lele.

