

Cosplay Contest

Registration: Saturday, August 17, 2024, 11AM-1PM

Judging: 1PM-3PM

Main stage cosplay display and award ceremony: 3PM

Judge's Role and Guidelines for Youth (Under 14 Years of Age) Competition

1. Judge's Role:

- Evaluate costumes based on creativity, craftsmanship, and adherence to the character.
- Provide constructive feedback to encourage improvement.
- Maintain fairness and impartiality throughout the judging process.
- Foster a supportive and positive environment for young cosplayers.

2. Guidelines for Participants (Under 14 Years of Age):

- Costumes must be age-appropriate and comply with venue regulations.
- Costumes can be handmade or store-bought but must reflect effort and creativity.
- Participants should be able to explain their character and costume to the judges.
- Props and accessories must be safe and suitable for the participant's age.
- Parents or guardians may accompany participants but must not interfere with the judging process.

3. Onsite Registration Only Process:

- Parents or guardians must complete the registration form on behalf of the participant.
- Provide accurate information about the participant's age, costume, and contact details.
- Submit any required documentation, such as reference images or character descriptions.
- Agree to abide by the competition rules and guidelines.
- Sign photo/video release.

Judge's Role and Guidelines for Over 15 Years of Age Competition

1. Judge's Role:

- Assess costumes based on craftsmanship, accuracy, presentation, and portrayal of the character.
- Offer detailed feedback to help participants refine their skills.
- Ensure fairness and impartiality throughout the judging process.

- Recognize exceptional creativity and skill among participants.

2. Guidelines for Participants (Over 15 Years of Age):

- Costumes should be predominantly handmade, showcasing the participant's craftsmanship and dedication.
- Emphasize accuracy to the character's design and portrayal.
- Participants should be prepared to discuss their costume's construction and design choices.
- Props and accessories must be well-made and enhance the overall presentation.
- Participants should be ready to answer questions about their costume-making process.
- Sign photo/video release.

3. On-Site Registration Only Process:

- Participants must complete the registration form with accurate information about themselves and their costumes.
- Submit detailed documentation, including progress photos, reference images, and a character description.
- Confirmation of registration will be provided upon successful submission of the registration form with an assigned number.

Additional Notes for Over 15 Years of Age Competition:

- Participants should be ready to explain their fabric choices and character selection.
- Inform participants to bring a printed lookbook for judging, as judges cannot handle phones. The lookbook should include:
 - Clear reference photos, especially for original characters.
 - Multiple shots of each section's creation process (clothing, accessories, wig styling, weapons, etc.).
 - General bullet points on the creation process to demonstrate their understanding and involvement.
- Participants without a comprehensive lookbook may be at a disadvantage, as judges rely on the provided information to make accurate assessments.

General Rule for All Participants:

- Must not have won at another convention in 2024.