

Super Manga Graphic Novels Comics Animation
DemiCon 32
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Des Moines Annual Science Fiction, Fantasy and Gaming Convention held virtually in
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Welcome

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." – Walt Disney

Yes, and welcome to DemiCon 32: Super Manga Graphic Novels Comics Animation!

Make sure you meet our artist guests of honor and dragon aficionados David Lee Pancake and Alison Johnstun. Our author guest of honor is the incredible Lettie Prell. Her work explores the edge where humans and their technology are increasingly merging.

Susan Leabhart and Mitch Thompson are our wonderful Toastmasters. Sue is often found regaling on many diverse and interesting topics (like time traveling). Mitch is the current president of the Brass Gears Adventurers Society, and enjoys all things Steampunk (including his beloved Cogsworth the parrot). Our fan guests of honor are Dana and Bruce Hinterleitner,

and Orlando Winters. Dana and Bruce are master costumers and Orlando is a veritable master mind when it comes to anime, comics and animation.

Be sure to visit our website at demicon.org/32/ to get the latest updates on programming and scheduling including links to online panels via Zoom. Visit our virtual Art show or online dealers room, where you can get links to purchase wares from all the awesome convention vendors!

Like and follow us on YouTube for on demand content and special premier video releases. Don't forget to join our discord channel for easy access to our board and video game tracks, as well as chat forums for all walks of Fandom.

The convention begins at 4 p.m. on Friday. At 7 p.m., Opening Ceremonies gets things kicked off with a welcome, the introduction of our Guests of Honor.

We hope you enjoy our convention of literature, games, movies, art, music, costumes, Animé, plays, contests, and so much more!

—Sallie, Joe, Judy, Jessica and Nate

- DemiCon 32 ConCom

DMSFFS

The Des Moines Science Fiction & Fantasy Society, Inc. (DMSFFS) is the local 501(c)(3) charity non-profit organization that sponsors DemiCon. This volunteer run organization stands by the organization's mission statement: to inspire individuals and communities to READ, IMAGINE AND THINK; creating a better world through education and support of literacy, science, and the arts. DemiCon is one of many events that DMSFFS hosts. The rest of the year is filled with fhannish fun, charity work, and educational opportunities!

DMSFFS meets twice a month. Each meeting has a different program relating to the science fiction/fantasy community. We also make plans for DemiCon or other events we host or participate in. DMSFFS publishes an electronic newsletter, The Paradox, news and information.

Perhaps you've seen us in local conventions and events, supporting literacy, science, and the arts. We also plan a number of weekend social events, including New Year's Eve weekend and Labor Day weekend called SACC. The Semi-Annual Constitutional Collectives are held at the Holiday Inn Northwest and are free to attend. These transcend the "party" label to become miniature conventions in and of themselves. DMSFFS also hosts our educational seminars called DemiCon Lite. These workshops/ events happen monthly and are open to the public. If you want to learn something new, these are fun places to be and are open to all ages.

We invite you to come and check us out. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of every month via zoom. Programs start at 7 p.m.

Our next meeting is Friday, May 10, 2019. Hope to see you there. For the latest information and a calendar of upcoming DMSFFS events, check our website at www.dmsffs.org. Join us on discord - discord.gg/b7PXQ8KThG.

Department Heads

ConCom: Joe Struss, Sallie Abba, Jessica Guile,
Judy Zajec, Nate farmer

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Virtual World of DemiCon

If you are here, you have made it on the DemiCon.org website where all the links and connections are located. But if you want a little more detail on the Virtual World of DemiCon and what apps will be used, find the information right here!

Zoom - Panels/Discussions/Workshops

DemiCon will have four Zoom Tracks through the weekend. This will be our main video area for panels. All links for the Zoom events will be on the web site. If there are changes they will be posted on the website as well as Discord.

Movie Parties -www.netflixparty.com or other streaming services.

To you participate in the watch parties, attendees will need to be able to access both discord and the streaming services that host the watch parties (usually Netflix). Watch parties allow groups of people in various locations to watch the same movie/show

simultaneously, with a built in chat feature. This is when you watch a movie/Show as a group and then chat along side the screen. The schedule has many opportunities to join in with the watch parties . The discussions will happen on Discord in the movie watchparty chat.

Board Game Arena - boardgamearena.com

Board Game Arena is a free to play website the allows you to play a wide range of board games virtually. This is one of the ways during DemiCon weekend that board games will be experienced. To learn more Tara will have a Zoom Panel explaining how to use on Zoom, Saturday Morning.

YouTube aka DemiCon Channel

www.youtube.com/channel/UCoxoGBTTfBChjXlzVlluI1Q

DemiCon will have on-demand programming on the DMSFFS YouTube channel. From author readings to food recipes, attendees can join others and watch while chatting with each other or with some authors as the videos premiere throughout the weekend on YouTube. Watchers can also talk, chat and use video on Discord to talk about items premiering on YouTube.

Twitch - www.twitch.tv/dmsffs

Twitch is a free to use self-streaming platform, that allows our gaming department to broadcast the group games played during the weekend. This is especially helpful for audience participation games such as Jackbox – where you can watch the game being played on our twitch channel (www.twitch.tv/dmsffs) and interact with the players using your cell phone.

Discord - discord.com

This App was developed by gamers, for gamers – but has grown into so much more! Discord is a free to use program that allows users to chat in various department text, voice, and video channels.

The App is both browser and mobile app friendly. Once you are logged into discord, use the add a server button and enter the following invite link: discord.gg/b7PXQ8KThG.

This is the DMSFFS personal server, and is used all year long for Demicon and DMSFFS activities and group discussions. This is a secure service and the Demicon content can only be accessed by using the above invite link.

Join us for chats and panels covering a broad range of topics including your favorite authors and books, to crafts and costumes, gaming, contents and so much more!
Registration and Badges

Even though DemiCon is a free event this year DMSFFS still asks that you register on the DemiCon.org site to help us know how many attended. It allows you receive a cool virtual ribbon as well as a physical one for next year. Don't miss out!

Hint: Use the Create your Anime Avatar from self programming and add it to your badge!

Discord Hints and Helper Notes

First time signing in you will be taken to the rules section. Please read so we can make sure everyone has a safe virtual DemiCon!

- **User Guide will help you with how to work Discord.** If you need help it has the way to contact ConCom.
- Changes to the schedule will be marked here as well as on the DemiCon website.
- **Hint:** Always check the pins on each channel of the for directions on rules or how to use the channel.
- Charity information and links are located here. Help out DMSFFS and Everybody Wins! Iowa.
- **Hint:** Share your art from workshops or text chat on what you enjoy from anime to asking people to game. Make the DMSFFS Discord work for you.
- Some of the connection point to our contest are located on Discord. Check them out! Check the pins for the special information.
- **Hint:** If the word is bold it means a new message has popped up!
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- Share your ribbons here so people can collect them.
- **Hint:** Some of the channels interact with Zoom and YouTube events on the schedule. Example of some of the events are dealer's room, room parties, and contests.
- Some of the channels are self run programming: you choose when to participate. There are some that do have an ending date and time. Pay attention to the rules.
- To talk during board and video gaming. Additional Discord voice chats will be created when needed.
- Ivy will be hosting the consuite at certain times but stop by anytime!
- Chat during or after movies and panels!

Convention Rules

Rule 1 - Drinking Policy:

The legal drinking age in Iowa is 21. Panels hosted at Demicon involving alcohol are intended for an audience of the legal drinking age. Refusing to confirm your age with a panel host or moderator, will result your removal from the scheduled panel. Anyone serving alcohol has a right and legal responsibility to refuse service to anyone who may be imbibing irresponsibly.

Convention attendees that partake of alcohol are recommended to drink responsibly and participate in our panels responsibly!

Rule 2 - Kids-in-Tow Policy:

All children aged 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult when participating in the convention. Parents/guardians are responsible for controlling the behavior of their wards.

Rule 3 - Concerns and Suggestions Policy:

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a DemiCon staff member. You can contact ConCom by sending an email to concom32@demicon.org, or by sending a

direct message via Discord check the #user-guide channel to send a direct message to a member of ConCom).

Rule 4 - Photo Disclaimer:

Virtual Demicon panels during the convention on April 30 through May 2, 2021 may be recorded for use by DMSFFS. Convention attendees hereby waive all rights associated with their publication and grant the Des Moines Science Fiction & Fantasy Society, Inc., all publication rights.

Photos are intended for use only as promotional materials to appear in print, television, DemiCon Channel, internet advertising, the Paradox publication, and publicity, including video.

Rule 5 - Harassment Policy:

Harassment Policy of the Des Moines Science Fiction & Fantasy Society, Inc. and DemiCon

Definition of Harassment — Harassment is any form of behavior that is unwelcome, unreciprocated and/or unsolicited which makes an unpleasant, humiliating, or intimidating environment for the person who is the target of that behavior.

To provide a safe and welcoming atmosphere for all convention attendees and club members allow for a wide diversity of beliefs, lifestyles, and morals, we will adopt and maintain the following behavior protocols.

If you mean NO - say NO.

If you hear NO - STOP!

If you witness someone having trouble saying or hearing NO — get involved using your best judgment.

Saying NO — Sometimes out of politeness, people may not be direct when trying to communicate “no.” We need to make it okay to say “no” and mean “no.” Do not joke away, ignore, or minimize unwanted attention. Speak up right away and make your feelings clear. There is nothing wrong nor is there any shame in saying “no.”

Hearing NO — When someone says “no,” then all relevant actions, verbal and/or physical, must stop immediately. There should be no questions, clarifications, cajoling, debate, coercion, or any continuation of any sort of the unwanted attentions. If someone tells you “no,” you will not wait for it to be repeated, and you will not retaliate in any way. It is understood that any continuation of the subject in question is incumbent upon the person saying “no” to initiate.

Witnessing an incomplete NO — There are times when we may be witness to someone struggling or unable to voice a “no,” or there may be someone who has not recognized that “no” was spoken. In either case, we have an obligation as convention attendees/club members to intercede in the situation to make sure all parties reach the correct understanding.

If you see harassment, contact Con Staff on Discord or IM. If circumstances warrant, intervene as good judgment dictates until a ConCom or Board Member arrives.

If there is a complaint issued against you, you will have no direct contact of any sort with the convention attendees/club members registering the complaint(s). This includes voice, written, electronic, and face-to-face contact. Inadvertent contact during the

course of club and convention events is sometimes unavoidable and must not be used as a method of initiating unwanted attention.

Consequences

Failure to adhere to DemiCon's policies will result in:

1. Mediation by the ConCom and convention's Rangers with all parties involved in an incident.
2. Verbal warning.
3. Removal of membership and ejection from DemiCon.
4. Contacting local law enforcement.

DemiCon/DMSFFS is prepared to deal with any violations of our policies as legally, rapidly, and efficiently as possible. We hope that all members will help to make DemiCon an enjoyable experience for all by respecting the rights of all attendees while in attendance.

DemiCon/DMSFFS reserves the right to revoke membership and eject any individual at any time from DemiCon. No refunds will be provided.

If you have questions about any of DemiCon's policies, please contact concom@demicon.org.

Basically...

- If you would not do it at a family friendly physical con, don't do it virtually.
- Standard social interactions rules apply.
- Wear appropriate clothes/costume for a family friendly con for visual displays.
- Use language that are appropriate for the particular event. Most events will be family friendly so please keep language and usernames for a PG-13 or better.

Guests of Honor

Lettie Prell

Lettie Prell is a science fiction writer whose subject matter often explores the edge where humans and their technology are increasingly merging. Her stories have appeared in *Wired*, *Tor.com*, *Clarkesworld*, *Analog*, and *Apex Magazine*, and reprinted in several anthologies including *The New Voices of Science Fiction* and *The Best American Science Fiction and Fantasy*.

Her new novella, "Uploading Angela", is coming out in the May/June 2021 issue of *Analog*. This will be her fourth story in that magazine.

She's lived in Des Moines most of her adult life, and we can honestly say we're thrilled to call her our local own.

David Lee Pancake

David Lee Pancake is a sculptor of fantasy art. David's creations represent a vast and unique repertoire of his personal interests. Not limiting himself to one genre, he pursues a variety of subject matter which includes a series of risqué angels, dragons, comic book heroes, nudes, abstracts, and horror figurines.

David is fascinated with the sensual beauty of the human form, which is quite evident in his risqué angel sculptures. He states: "I love detail

and texture and angels and dragons allows me to create whimsical creatures that display a wide variety of complex textures that feel sensual to the touch." David's work captures a flight of fancy, freezes the imagination's most soaring dream, and brings it to terra firma for our pleasure and admiration.

David Pancake's fantasy art creations are sought by international collectors and his beautiful sculptures are gracing homes all over the USA as well as Europe. David has been sculpting for 20 years, bringing to life dragons, angels and heroes.

Alison Johnstun

Alison Johnstun is an independent artist who has always loved animals, creatures, and monsters, and draws dragons every day. Her website hosts links to her online store as well as her patreon, and also houses a journal of her daily dragon sketches. Having exhibited work in the Demicon art show in years past, we are honoured to have her as a Guest of Honor for Demicon 32: Super-Manga-Graphic-Novels-Comics-Animation!

Dana & Bruce Hinterleitner

Dana and Bruce Hinterleitner are shocked and thrilled on being chosen as DemiCon's Fan Guests of Honor. Generally, Bruce is responsible for us being banned and not recognized. "Hey hon, if you're talking about the Cheez Whiz incident that was hardly my fault. Anyway, I'm much better now."

Regardless, they have been attending, teaching, partying, and costuming at a large variety of conventions for a very long time. I mean we're talking decades.

Both have received multiple costuming awards together and individually for their costuming art including awards for Best in Show for Workmanship and Presentation.

Finally, they were responsible for the ten foot tall Flamingo at DemiCon in 2018. "Hey did I mention I'm much better now?"

Orlando Winters

Hopefully many of you attending the convention this year will remember me from my time working at the Fantasy Game Shop for one of our local Icons of gaming, Ivor Rogers. Like many of us in our comfy, geeky community, I have been a longtime enthusiast of Japanese Anime and American Animation. In 2000 I transformed that enthusiasm into Odyssey Anime which sold DvD's and had a presence at conventions around the Midwest including Anime Iowa.

Old nerds never leave the game, they just re-roll. Happily I am now a part of Total Party Kill Games! www.totalpartykill.games/ Managing our ever expanding convention presence and contributing to the content of unique Dungeons and Dragons adventures, source materials, dice and accessories.

I am looking forward to hosting discussions of times gone by and adventures to come with you all!

Mitch Thompson

Mitch Thompson in his college days came across a "Science Fiction Convention" called ICON and attended ICON's fourth convention. It was there Mitch found acceptance amongst his SF brethren and also a strange liking for lime green Jell-O and clothing-optional swimming events where he always felt it was safest to keep his clothing on. Mitch met his future wife Mary and took her to ICON and discovered that she too held the same views on lime green Jell-O and SF party events that he did. It was a match made in the cosmos that eventually produced two prodigy: a daughter named Alex and a son, James.

Mitch was a part of the inaugural DemiCon and perform with the Trans-Iowa Canal Company in the first five DemiCons before retiring from the acting troupe due to the long commute between Iowa City and Des Moines. In 2013 Mary and Mitch along with Joe Struss and Mandi Arthur Struss formed the BrassGears Adventurers Society (BAS). Mitch became President of this esteemed Society due in part to his a resemblance to Theodore Roosevelt.

So thirty DemiCons after the first, Mitch hopes to lead other SF newcomers in the hopes that one day, they will find their "lime green Jell-O," but have the good sense to leave their clothes on when they do.

Susan Leabhart

We welcome Susan Leabhart back as one of our Toastmasters.

This lovely lady hails from DAGOBAH, Davenport Area Gathering of Books and Humanoids. This Science Fiction and Fantasy book discussion group has been meeting at the Davenport Public Library for more than 25 years. Susan leads this group and is known as Empress of DAGOBAH.

Susan is no stranger to DemiCon. This will be her fourth time serving as a DemiCon Toastmaster. She became the first woman to be a DemiCon Toastmaster at DemiCon 25. She has attended all of the past DemiCons except the first one, when the need to look after very small children took priority (and those children grew up enjoying DemiCon). Susan is known for her costuming, steampunk, bellydancing, hand-made journals, as well as hosting, with all her DAGOBAH "minions," the famous "Win Lose or Draw" panel on Sunday at DemiCon. (That panel has been around since DemiCon 3. This year | they will be taking a break until we can be back in person.)

Professional Guests

Rachel Aukes

Rachel Aukes is the bestselling author of over twenty books, including 100 Days in Deadland, which made Suspense Magazine's Best of the Year list. She is also a Wattpad Star, her stories having over seven million reads. When not writing, Rachel can be found flying old airplanes with an incredibly spoiled dog over the Iowa countryside.

Katya de Becerra

Katya de Becerra is the author of *What The Woods Keep*, “a thoughtful and compelling horror fantasy” (The Bulletin) and *Oasis*, which has earned a starred review from Booklist. Katya’s short fiction and poetry was published in *Dark Edifice Literary Magazine*, *Dot Dot Dash*, and *Ygdrasil Journal of the Poetic Arts*, as well as anthologized in the forthcoming *Sherlock Holmes* collection, *The Only One in the World*. Born in Russia, Katya studied in California and now lives in Melbourne with her husband in a tiny apartment overflowing with books. After earning a PhD in Cultural Anthropology from the University of Melbourne, Katya spent the last ten years as a university lecturer and scholar researching inequalities in education.

She is also a writing mentor with the 1st5pages Workshop.

You can follow her on Twitter and Instagram

@KatyaDeBecerra and visit her website katyadebecerra.com

Adam Whitlatch

Adam J. Whitlatch is the author of the novels *The Weller*, *Fear of the Dark*, *War of the Worlds: Goliath*, *Birthright*, and *Vengeance for My Valentine*, as well as dozens of short stories and poems spanning the science fiction, fantasy, and horror genres.

A fantasy enthusiast from a young age, his interest in science fiction was first sparked at the age of ten when his father played the infamous 1938 Orson Welles *War of the Worlds* radio broadcast for him on an unusually snowy Halloween night. It's a tradition Adam carries on to this day.

From 2012 to 2015, Adam worked as an associate editor for Minnesota-based small press KHP Publishers, Inc., managing their science fiction imprint, *Retro Rocket Press*.

Adam resides in southeast Iowa with his wife and children.

www.adamjwhitlatch.com

Stephen Zimmer

Stephen Zimmer is an award-winning writer, filmmaker, and broadcaster based out of Lexington Kentucky. His published works include the *Rayden Valkyrie Tales* (*Sword and Sorcery*), *The Ragnar Stormbringer Tales* (*Sword and Sorcery*), the *Rising Dawn Saga* (*Cross Genre*), the *Fires in Eden Series* (*Epic Fantasy*), the *Hellscapes* short story collections (*Horror*), the *Chronicles of Ave* short story collections (*Fantasy*), the *Harvey and Solomon Tales* (*Steampunk*), and the *Faraway Saga* (*YA Dystopian/Cross-Genre*).

Stephen is a co-host of *The Star Chamber Show*, a weekly live podcast spotlighting creative individuals in all genres and mediums. He is also a principle member of *Seventh Star Press*, an award-winning small press based out of Lexington, Kentucky, and the founder of *The Imaginarium Convention*, an 8th year convention for creatives of all genres with both a virtual event and an in-person event in Louisville, Kentucky. Stephen’s visual work includes the feature film *Shadows Light*, shorts films such as *The Sirens* and *Swordbearer*, and the *Rayden Valkyrie: Saga of a Lionheart* TV Pilot.

A proud Kentucky Colonel, Stephen also enjoys the realms of music, martial arts, good bourbons, and spending time with family.

You can connect with Stephen online via the following platforms:

Website: www.stephenzimmer.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/stephenzimmer7

Twitter: @sgzimmer

In Memory Memorial Book

DemiCon has a Memorial Book where we keep cherished memories of DemiCon guests, attendees and Des Moines Science Fiction and Fantasy Society, Inc. members that are no longer with us. This year we wanted to continue our tradition by sharing a digital page for those we have lost since last DemiCon. It can be accessed at demicon.org.

Hall of Fame

Rusty "James" Hevelin - Inducted DemiCon 15

At DemiCon 15, Rusty Hevelin was our first inductee to DemiCon Hall of Fame. Rusty had started as our Fan Guest of Honor at DC 1, but somewhere before our first convention came around, he was named Toastmaster. From that day forth, he was our Toastmaster. When Rusty became a member of the DemiCon Hall of Fame, he was given the title of Toastmaster Emeritus, but he did not rest on his laurels and has been at every DemiCon until DC22 when health problems kept him away. Rusty passed away in 2011.

Gay and Joe Haldeman - Inducted DemiCon 20

Gay and Joe had an intricate part in growing the love of science fiction in those who created DemiCon when they were members of Science Fiction League of Iowa Students (which Joe created) and running ICON. Gay and Joe have been dubbed by those that were under their tutelage as the "Grandparents" of DemiCon.

Joe Haldeman is a multiple Hugo and Nebula award winning author. For his spectacular career in writing science fiction and fantasy, he was given the honor of SFWA Grand Master. Joe has been our Author GOH for DC 2 and DC 20 where the Haldemans were inducted into the DemiCon Hall of Fame.

Gay Haldeman was our Fan Guest of Honor at DC 2 and was a regular guest, besides Rusty Hevelin's travel buddy through the many years. Mary Gay Potter Haldeman (a name familiar to those who read *The Forever War*) has a Master's Degree in Spanish Literature and another in Linguistics. Joe and Gay are retired in Florida after many years of teaching at MIT. But, Joe is not the only one with an award or two. Gay shared a Skylark Award with Joe in 1996, and in 2011 was given the Big Heart Award at the World SF Convention in Reno, Nevada. Both Gay and Joe have thespian talents and have graced our stage as TICC performers, as well.

Glen Cook - Inducted DemiCon 25

Glen was made a member at DemiCon 25. Glen Cook Author guest of honor for DemiCon 5, known for his stellar *The Black Company* military fantasy series and so much more began writing with intent to commit publication late 1960s and have since produced over 59 published books, some short fiction, some articles and some essays. Very proud of his three sons, an Army officer, an architect, and a symphony musician, plus numerous grandchildren. Glen has been married to his amazing wife, Carol, for

almost 50 years. Glen has been at almost every DemiCon selling books to all who love the joy of reading. Signing his and making DemiCon even more special.

Carol Eis and Karen Eis - Inducted DemiCon 30

Carol and Karen Eis are the unsung heroes of the Art Show. Lovingly known to all as the Eis Sisters, these two showed up on a DemiCon of many years past to volunteer and stayed. Coming in to help behind the scenes for both show and auction, they make sure all runs smoothly. The Eis Sisters have even helped train some of our art show department heads on the little tricks of the trade. DemiCon is fortunate to have Carol and Karen as volunteers throughout the years.

The Virtual World of DemiCon Donate

DemiCon is hosted by the Des Moines Science Fiction & Fantasy Society. The DemiCon 32 is free, the Board does ask that if you are having a fun time please donate to one of these areas below and help support DMSFFS as well as other great charities that supports our vision. DMSFFS strives to inspire individuals and communities to READ, IMAGINE AND THINK; creating a better world through education and support of literacy, science and the arts. .

Give financially - demicon.org/32/donate/

Each year we select a charity or cause to raise money for throughout DemiCon weekend. This year's featured charities will be DSMFFS and Everybody Wins! Iowa. Everybody Wins! Iowa is a local Iowa Charity that works with students to develop enthusiasm for reading and learning, as well as build confidence leading to increased success in school and life. You can donate to both through our Square account

Shop at our DMSFFS store for amazing souvenirs as well as on AmazonSmile! You can do all your normal Amazon shopping and then Amazon will make a donation to us at no cost to you. Go to SmileAmazon.com and chose Des Moines Science Fiction & Fantasy Society, INC.

DemiCon 2021 Charity Auction - Zoom

This year's charity auction will be done live over Zoom using Zoom chat for auction bidding. Amounts from any auction items sold will be evenly split between Everybody Wins! Iowa (the official DemiCon Charity for 2021) and Des Moines Science Fiction and Fantasy Society (DMSFFS) itself. DemiCon is normally the major fundraiser form DMSFFS as this year's membership to DemiCon is free (as the event is virtual)- DMSFFS is hoping to raise enough money with the charity auction along with any weekend donations to cover the costs of running this year's convention.

Please feel free to browse the items on the DemiCon auction page which can be found on the demicon.org web site. All items will have a minimum bid which will be used to start the auction process. The auction will officially begin via Zoom on Saturday, May 1st at 6:15pm. You must be registered for DemiCon with a contact e-mail address and/or phone number to bid on items, Due to it being a virtual DemiCon this year, there may be shipping fees that will be added to the final price of any item unless the item is a virtual item.

Items that are not virtual and need to be shipped have several shipping options.

One: If you live in Des Moines Metro area then a DMSFFS member can drop off the item in a socially distant kind of way free of charge. Two: Or if you want then you can have DMSFFS hang onto the item until you can set up a time to pick up the item yourself. So if you don't live in the area or you can stand to wait until you see your fellow DMSFFS members again to get your item then this is the option for you. (However, option two is only good until the next DemiCon in 2022 so if it is not picked up by that time then it will be sent on to the next charity auction.) Three: The third and final option is to have the item shipped to you and then you will be charged an additional fee of five dollars on top of the final auction for each of your items. Option three is limited to the continental United States unless you make arrangements in advance for having items mailed to you. There are no refunds or returns on charity auction items. After the charity auction, auction winners will receive a PayPal bill to be paid before the item is shipped, picked off or dropped off.

Check out all the great items that are available and have fun bidding!

Everybody Wins! Iowa

mission statement: To increase children's success in school and life through one-to-one reading and mentoring experiences with caring volunteers.

Their signature program is Power Read, where volunteer reading mentors are matched one-to-one with a student for about an hour each week and together they read and engage in conversation. Students are suggested for our program by teachers based on three areas: students are struggling with reading, are English language learners, or they might benefit from having a positive ongoing mentoring experience. These consistent, positive interactions aim to provide students with a dependable role model who works to strengthen their confidence with regard to reading.

Donate Blood at LifeServe Blood Center

At the 34th World Science Fiction Convention in 1976 author Robert Heinlein organized a blood drive that would become a tradition at many science fiction conventions. For many years DemiCon has participated in this tradition, inviting the LifeServe Blood Center to join us on Saturday of the convention so that our attendees can make blood donations. Please consider scheduling a donation appointment by visiting LifeServe Blood Center's website at lifeservebloodcenter.org. When you go say DemiCon sent you!

Venues

Animé - Zoom, Discord and Movie Parties

Konnichiwa! Hajimemashite! DemiCon is excited to bring you the DC32 animé room! Join us as we view a variety of shows and movies, from recent works to timeless classics with Netflix and Discord watch parties. We will host Anime Jeopardy and thought-provoking panels. There's a little something for everyone, so come join in the fun!

The ConSuite (aka Hospitality Suite) - YouTube, Zoom and Discord

The bar will be out of your own home and stocked how you want it but if you aren't sure what to make, our own brewmaster will have some videos on-demand at our DMSFFS YouTube Channel to give you yummy ideas.

Missing the discussions? Don't worry. We will have a ConSuite channel on Discord where you can pop in and talk. There might also be some fun surprises on bringing the atmosphere alive.

Don't forget the food. The hosts with the mosts will be popping in on-demand at our DMSFFS YouTube Channel as well to share their favorite recipes and celebrate the DemiCon theme. There might even be something for your doggy family members.

The ConSuite will also bring back the Ice Cream Social while celebrating the one and only Rusty Hevelin. Supply your ice cream treat of choice and join us on Zoom. Learn a little bit about Rusty with some special guests. Later on you can take a special on-demand You Tube premiere jaunt through some of the Hevelin Collection. Check the schedule for time.

Room Parties - Zoom and Discord

You can't have DemiCon without room parties!

If you are new to DemiCon, you might not know what a room party is. On Friday and Saturday nights of the con, some of our attendees will host their own fandom inspired parties. DemiCon will be virtual this year, so our room parties will be virtual as well.

Information for Party Hosts

Discord channels for parties will be provided on the Des Moines Science Fiction & Fantasy server. Join our Discord by using the following link: <https://discord.gg/n6y2MyK>. Parties can be video, audio, or text.

If you would like to host a room party via Zoom, you will need to have your own Zoom account. You can also set up your party via Facebook, or other social media. Please provide us with the link for your party meeting, and we'll add it to the schedule on the Demicon website.

If you would like to host a room party, please complete the room party sign-up form.

GUIDELINES FOR PARTY HOSTS:

The legal drinking age in Iowa is 21. This means that your birthday must be on or before April 30, 2000, in order for you to consume alcohol. Minors caught with alcohol or adults caught serving alcohol to minors need to be aware of the consequences of their actions. Please drink responsibly and act accordingly.

If you have any issues, questions or concerns during your party, please contact the Room Party department or ConCom right away.

Music Room - Zoom

This year, once again we have a wonderful slate of artists returning to the music "room" for DemiCon. Old favorites that have been with us for years as well as some new faces we first had join us last year. We have several acts joining us that couldn't normally join us due to travel, from locations from coast to coast, and in multiple (well, 2) countries. The music "room" may utilize Facebook "live", Twitch, Zoom or other streaming mechanisms to give you that live "in person" sound experience. Join in on the fun!

Performers are Bryan Baker, Faithful Sidekicks, Orckes & Trolles, Kraken Not Stirred, Random Fractions, Beth Kinderman & The Player Characters, CW Smith, Cheshire Moon, and Madison Metricula Roberts.

Shopping Venues

Dealers' Room

- Website, Zoom and Discord

Please check out our amazing dealers! You will find a delightful assortment of merchandise from a variety of vendors, including those listed below. Each dealer has their own section on our DemiCon 32 website. Watch their advertisements on the DemiCon Channel. Join us for our Meet the Dealers Panel via Zoom. Check out their Discord channels where you can post and talk to them in person.

Most importantly, buy their stuff! Our dealers are some of the shining lights of DemiCon but it's been a rough year for artists and patrons alike. If you see something you love, go ahead and give in to the voice of temptation on your shoulder. Let your purchases bring you joy. You deserve it and so do our dealers.

- Lettie Prell
- David Lee Pancake
- Alison Johnstun
- Adam J. Whitlatch
- It's Raining Color
- Ravenwing Wearable Art
- Horizon Music
- Cindy Keopp
- Rising Phoenix Arts
- Erin Casey
- The Tarot Garden
- Kings Carvings
- Bucket Hat Creations

Virtual Art Show - Website

As one of the best art shows in the Midwest, we take pride in the quality of work displayed with us and the enthusiasm of our buyers. We are proud to have Alison Johnstun and David Pancake as our Artist Guests of Honor. Their work will be on sale and display along with submissions from other professional and amateur artists. The DemiCon Art Show is open to all interested artists and allows artists to share their work with our attendees while simultaneously promoting fantasy and science fiction art by helping artists to display and sell their work.

Buying Art: Buying of art from a specific artist will be done through a link, provided by the artist, that will take you to either their website or selling outlet of their choice. All artwork will be sold and shipped directly from the artist or their selling outlet of choice. Each artist's link will be on the Art Show section on our DemiCon 32 website.

- Alison Johnstun
- David Lee Pancake
- B Stark Art

- Rising Phoenix Arts
- Rainbow Lizard Design
- Fantasy Art by Elaine C. Oldham
- Ralph J Ryan
- Demicon Lite

DMSFFS Table - Square and Redbubble

It's common knowledge that we sell memberships for next year's convention at the DMSFFS table. But wait! There's more: t-shirts commemorating DemiCon from years past, badge holders with space for your room key (ideal for costume wear where there are neither pockets nor wallets), cups for your favorite libations, canvas tote bags, and lanyards for your badges. For our anniversary year, get your DemiCon 30 button as well as the new DemiCon Cookbook. We are changing things up just a bit this year and will have some merchandise available through our very own Square store and also some special attire through our Redbubble account. Check it all out, there is much to see and new items to drool over. Even though we may be apart, you can still have your very own piece of DemiCon!

Redbubble - www.redbubble.com/people/DMSFFS-DemiCon/shop/?query-demicon
 Square Store - dmsffs.square.site/

Programming

Fan Table - Zoom, Discord and YouTube

Check out our virtual fan tables. These are fan clubs, science and literacy organizations, and related groups from Metro Des Moines and surrounding communities. Follow the link to each group on the DemiCon 32 Fan Table page. Each Fan Table group also has their own dedicated Discord channel. Drop in, say hello, and learn about the other great opportunities to enjoy outside of this convention.

- BrassGears Adventurers Society: Steampunk From Iowa For the Universe. We are an international brotherhood (and sisterhood, and siblinghood) of retro-futurists, artists, dreamers, and makers with a specific interest in the aesthetic of science fiction set in the past, particularly the 19th century or "Age of Steam." As an organization we sponsor both educational and entertainment centered both in promoting his aesthetic and in furthering real historical knowledge and skills, as well as building camaraderie. www.brassgearsadventurerssociety.org
- Chicon 8: The 80th World Science Fiction Convention iThe Worldcon will be returned to Chicago for a record 8th time September 1-5, 2022. www.chicon.org
- DAGOB AH: Welcome to DAGOB AH! We are the Davenport Area Gathering of Books and Humanoids. We are a book discussion group that meets the second Monday of the month at 6 pm at the Davenport Main Library. We are hoping to resume live meetings in June! Here is our Facebook link. www.facebook.com/groups/105769599569/
- Glasgow in 2024 Glasgow in 2024 is a Worldcon bid. Glasgow is a vibrant city filled with science fiction, fantasy and inventiveness. Our team aims to bring our love of these to our Bid to host the 82nd Worldcon. glasgow2024.org

- Iowa Atheists and Freethinkers, Inc. (IAF) is a non-profit social and educational group dedicated to supporting local atheists, freethinkers, secular humanists, agnostics, and other non-religious people. IAF is a warm and welcoming community of humanists, atheists, agnostics, freethinkers, and non-theists of all types. The group aims to enrich the lives of any who join us through explorations in science, philosophy, history, and the arts. www.iowaatheists.org

Filk - Zoom

Filk is usually associated with music parodies (à la Weird Al). Most of what we call "filk" consists of parodies, SCA songs, folk or Celtic songs, silly songs, or whatever songs people want to share. Really narrows it down, doesn't it? This year we will have a few virtual interactive, fun panels with filk!

Self-Run Programming - Zoom, Discord, Website

You choose how much time you wish to take and what you do. Just follow the activity's directions, and away you go. Check on the DemiCon website during the convention to find descriptions and links to this year's activities.

DemiCon 32 will have:

- Coloring for All Ages
- DemiCon 32 Origami Bookmarks
- Create your Anime Avatar
- DemiCon 32 Step Challenge
- DemiCon Neighborhood Walk
- Scavenger Hunt

Contests

Children's Programming - YouTube and Discord

Children are very welcome to attend DemiCon 32. The DemiCon Channel will have specific programming just for kids as well those that are young at heart. Make sure to check out the self programming area of the web site for coloring as well as other activities that parents and children can enjoy together.

Also we have a contest just for kids. Mr. and Mrs. Fogg are back at it again with their adventures into Creative Mayhem on the DemiCon Channel. This year the Fogg's will have two fun-filled episodes that will come with a little bit of a contest. All the books shown in the accompanying visual image need to find wonderful homes to be read, loved and admired. There will be book-related questions during each of the two Creative Mayhem programs on the DemiCon Channel during DemiCon within the show itself. The Fogg's invite you and/or your parents to go to the DMSFFS Discord server (Creative Mayhem Channel) and write in your answers. All the books shown are available to win. All correct answers will be put into a random drawing for a book.

Winners will be contacted via discord messenger for contact information so that the book can be shipped to its new home.

Winners are limited to the continental United States and must respond via Discord Messenger within one week of the end of the contest. Remaining books which are not claimed will be confiscated by Mr. Fogg and given to a local Free Little Library of his

choosing.

Last time to answer any questions for the random drawing will be Noon on Sunday May 2, 2021 Central Time. Mr. or Mrs. Fogg or their counterparts will contact the winners via discord messenger that afternoon for contact information.

Lip Sync Competition - Discord

In this fun and zany competition, you will supply all the voices for a short animated cartoon. The actual voices have been mostly removed and replaced with blank audio and a subtitle. Read the subtitle back in the rhythm and in a specific vocal style for each character. The cartoon is a shorted form of the classic cartoon "Cheese Burglar" and you will be supplying the voices of the three main characters: Herman- the mouse (a savvy 40's style street mouse), along with a House Cat and a House Dog. The Cat and the Dog are friends and are trying to keep the mouse away from the cheese in the icebox. Be forewarned, this clip is PG13 and includes the social norms of the United States in the 40's so there is some violence, drinking along with a bit of dark humor so Parental Guidance is suggested.

To enter the competition, download the cartoon from the Lip Sync folder on the DMSFFS Discord Server. Play the cartoon back starting from the beginning of the clip on your computer and record yourself supplying the cartoon voices possibly with your phone. Make sure and create three voices that are distinct from each other and also see if you can match the lip movement of the character to what you are saying. It is actually a little tricky- especially with the vocalizations. The subtitles will appear about 1/2 to 1/4 second before the start of the character's next dialogue. Be as whimsical with the character voices as you want as it is a cartoon after all. You may want to practice a little before recording.

Once you are through recording, upload your entry to the DMSFFS Discord Server in the Lip Sync folder with your name as the title of the file. One entry per person. Winners will be judged for characterization, cartoon style and ability to sync with the lips of the cartoon characters and will be announced near the end of DemiCon 32. There may even be prizes or at least certificates or ribbons that you might be able to pick up at the next DemiCon.

Thanks for entering the Lip Sync Competition and have fun trying out your zany cartoon voices.

The Masquerade Cosplay - YouTube

While we can't completely shake our bias that "masquerades are a dish best served live", that doesn't mean that virtual masquerades can't be a great showcase for costumers and their work. To that end, we're expanded our call for costume entries beyond the usual "show off your stuff" (which we still totally want you to do, BTW), and added in some options for sharing parts of your work that audiences rarely or never get to see. Experience a Masquerade/Cosplay like you have never done before with four different ways:

1. **Classic Mainstage-Style Showcase.** The Masquerade Cosplay our usual just virtual.
2. **Works in progress.** Works on a project that isn't finished yet... but still super-excited to start showing it off.

3. **Concept Sketches.** If you're familiar with the famous Future Fashion Folio event at CostumeCon, then you'll know exactly what we're shooting for here.

4. **Documentation Packets.** Documentation packets can take as much work as the costumes themselves, and yet are rarely seen by anyone other than workmanship judges. An art form in-and-of themselves, now we are offering the audience a peak into this behind the scene aspect of costuming.

Multiple submissions under the same heading by the same participant(s) are acceptable, and an entry can be presented in more than one of the above categories – for example, a work-in-progress, a completed costume showcase video, and a documentation packet for the same costume are allowed. Awards, if any, will be given based on the types and amount of submissions received.

Questions? Comments? Just want to chat about costumes? Write to masquerade@demicon.org, or visit our FaceBook page at www.facebook.com/demiconmasqueradeandcosplay

Creative Manga/Comic Writing contest

DemiCon 32 is trying something different with the writing contest this year. In keeping with our theme of celebrating the visual arts- entries this year will include visual elements to convey your story as well.

This is not an art contest.

Entries will be judged on how well the visual elements are integrated and used to convey the concept. Participants can tell the story with pictures only or may also include text or any combination as long as there is a strong visual component.

Participants can submit visual elements made digitally or traditionally. Submissions may be created using any drawing tools or software. If contestants create submissions using traditional tools, please submit a digital scan of the artwork. (Paper submissions will not be accepted).

Entries will not be made public until the results of the judging are announced.

The winning entries may be used in promotional materials for DemiCon and The Des Moines Science Fiction & Fantasy Society, Inc.

Sweded Movie Trailer Contest

This video contest is about having fun, trying something new in an encouraging environment, and exploring creativity. In other words, no experience necessary! So get your cell phones charged up and start filming.

If you are not sure what a Sweded Movie Trailer is, "Be Kind Rewind" is a great movie to see for ideas. YouTube is also a good source for Sweded trailers. Good luck filmmakers!

DemiCon Channel

DemiCon Channel - YouTube

The DemiCon Channel for its second year in a row will migrate from the hotel's close circuit TV system onto the DMSFFS YouTube channel with Premiere events throughout the convention. The DemiCon channel is hoping to have more panels and readings from the DemiCon Guests of Honor along with some science fiction or fantasy authors who will be reading a chapter or two from their latest works. Also on the DemiCon Channel will be shorts from both the ConSuite staff along with Kris your virtual bartender, perhaps a cooking show using the DMSFFS cookbook, some Trans-Iowa Canal company show segments and maybe even a Virtual Con Host or two.

Make sure and subscribe to the DMSFFS YouTube channel and ring the bell icon to be notified when Premiere events are taking place on the Channel. There might even be another hidden contest this year, a cartoon show, a taped concert or two, reports from the field or even a guest appearance by Godzilla. Make sure and subscribe and check-in often during the weekend. The DemiCon Channel master will also try and post a list of items on the DemiCon web site but that doesn't always work out due to last minute schedule changes.

If you are a DMSFFS member or Science Fiction or Fantasy author and would like to create an item for the DemiCon channel please contact the demiconchannel@demicon.org to get further information. The channel master is always looking for thirty minute to an hour long items that can be presented just for the weekend on the DemiCon channel.

Before and after channel items, the DemiCon Channel on YouTube will also show advertising mainly for vendors in the Virtual DC Dealer's Room. Vendors can send the Channel Master (demiconchannel@demicon.org) up to two or three standard images or Powerpoint slides that can be used in advertising segments. Limited standard full video advertising spots are also available for a minimal fee- primarily intended for Con Vendors or DMSFFS-related businesses. Contact the Channel Master for additional advertising information.

Trans-Iowa Canal Company - YouTube

In 1980, The Trans-Iowa Canal Company was born of a desire to provide quality flannish entertainment at Midwestern SF conventions.

Like many great projects, this one took a little bit to get off the ground.

But once it got rolling, it couldn't be stopped. With over 100 performances from three companies, TICC was a juggernaut. As we entered 2020, preparing for our 40th anniversary, the spirit of TICC could be heard whispering, "I am inevitable!" But then the spirit of 2020 said, "I am COVID!"

For the first time since 1981, there would be no TICC performance, at any venue, in that year. Writers didn't know what to write. Actors wandered aimlessly (six feet apart). Choreographers were left arranging dance numbers for their stuffed animals. Adhering to strict pandemic guidelines, TICC did produce two short films for the 48 Hour Film Project. But where was the roar of the crowd? The sound of stampeding feet as the audience escaped for the pleasures of the ConSuite? It was a quiet year down in TICCVille, as all the little TICCsters were tucked into their beds.

So 2021 can't be as bad -- can it? Hopefully not the entire year, but DemiCon will again be virtual. But this year we'll be doing something a little different. TICC is putting together a movie (longer than the 48 Hour Film Project, shorter than Avengers:

Endgame). We are continuing the use of safety measures to ensure that in 2022, we can again be in front of a terrified, er, enthusiastic audience. This film will be streamed on Friday night, as part of the virtual DemiCon, 2021. Feel free to cheer, laugh, and wonder what were we thinking. If you're loud enough, we'll hear you in Des Moines.

Gaming

DemiCon 32 Board Gaming - Boardgame Area and Discord

DemiCon Board Gaming is virtual this year! Join your fellow DemiCon attendees on BoardGameArena, Steam, and Mobile to play games together! Please see the pinned post in the DMSFFS Discord channel #gamer-online-names to find your friends' gamer tags and add your own. Discord chat is used so you can talk to each other while playing. Visit Discord channel #gaming-boardgames to organize plays. Various #Gaming Rooms will be available throughout DemiCon. Please see the pinned chat room schedule in our channel #gaming-boardgames to determine which #Gaming Rooms are assigned at a given time, or to reserve one for your group.

Boardgame Arena is a free-to-play website that allows you to play a wide range of boardgames virtually. This will be one of the ways this weekend that boardgames will be experienced. Tara will have a panel on Saturday morning to show you how to sign up for free access. You do not need to have a premium membership to play, and it only takes one(1) premium member in a group to set up any of the premium games. www.boardgamearena.com

Video Games - Discord, Video Game, and Twitch

Video games are being hosted through DemiCon this year, both for those who enjoy playing and those who simply prefer spectating. Those interested in playing in a scheduled session should secure their own copy of the planned game through a virtual storefront, and then check in at our Discord on the #gaming-videogames channel. Specifics on participating will be posted in the channel shortly before the panels start time. Those interested in being an audience to the games can also view the action during play at www.twitch.tv/dmsffs.

DemiCon 32 LARP: Cartoon Chaos Conundrum! - Zoom

A bear is about to steal a pic-a-nic basket, a blue-and-yellow van pulls up to a haunted house, the big game starts at monster High School and then Crikey— we're all next to Skull Castle? And is that Mifune Motors behind those kids with the monkey? Why is that truck asking about Energon?

A LARP is a live-action roleplay where you get to pretend to be someone else for a while- it can actually be quite fun and relaxing. Sort of like dressing up for Halloween but without the costume. This LARP will be done via zoom so a location, area or map will be described or shown to you and your group will get to interact with the environment or other players to solve a puzzle or to compete in an event.

In this particular LARP you'll solve the mystery of what or how or maybe even why these cartoon characters were all brought together to the same place at the same point in time. Find your way back to your own cartoon, or make friends and find a better cartoon in which to inhabit. But first you'll have to survive - what is waiting for you out

there? Rocket Team's cat? A hunter with a lisp? An attack by Vulture Squadron?

This is a wacky cartoon oriented LARP where characters will have to work to solve puzzles and to survive on to the next challenge. So register in advance for the Cartoon Chaos and join toons for a fun, mixed world adventure where you will never be sure what is going to happen next.

Programming Schedule

Friday

2:45pm-3:45pm: Mad Lyrics Filk - What happens when you mix the Mad Libs game with a bunch of singers? Find out in this uproarious and interactive activity. Robert Uy, Moderator: Sallie Abba, Zoom 1

4pm-5pm: Sweded Movie Trailers - Come see what movie trailers our creative filmmakers came up with for this year. This competition was judged before the convention by a panel of local experts, but come view all the fun and amazing entries and vote for your Fan Favorite. Robert Uy, Moderator: Craig Leabhart, Zoom 1

5pm-6pm: How To DemiCon - Brief walk through of discord and to maximize your Demicon with it's virtual features! Nate Farmer, Zoom 2

5pm-6pm: What is Anime? - Panel about how Anime differs from other animation & general themes. Samantha Hackett, Zoom 3

7pm-8pm: Opening Ceremonies, Zoom 1

9pm-10pm: History of the Smooth - You have seen TICC do "the Smooth," during performances, but we wanted to give a little history about this tradition that was started by Wilson "Bob" Tucker. Please join us in our discussion of this fine fannish tradition. Sheril Bogenreif, Moderator: Mandi Arthur-Struss, Zoom 1

9pm-10pm: Literary Beer with Author GOH Lettie Prell - Fans, writers, lend me your beers! Actually, BYOB or your fave beverage and join author GoH Lettie Prell for informal conversation about her, writing in general, or whatever other topics come up. Lettie Prell, Moderator: Amanda Alexander, Zoom 2

9pm-10pm: Bryan Baker (Music), Zoom 4

9pm-1am: Claymore -TVMA, fantasy, mature audience, violent, 2007, Watch Party/ Discord/Hulu

9pm-12am: Left 4 Dead 2 - The classic team zombie survival shooter; In this session, we'll matching off into teams of human survivors to compete against teams of specialized infected. Let the double-tapping commence. Video Gaming/Discord/Twitch

10pm-11pm: Faithful Sidekicks (Music), Zoom 4

9am-10am: DemiCon in the Morning - It's DemiCon's own morning show! Tune in and start your day right! Amanda Alexander, Zoom 1

10am-12pm: Meet the Dealers - Meet our dealers! DemiCon can't exist without them. Buy cool stuff and bring joy to everybody. Robert Cook, Moderator: Amanda Alexander Zoom 2

Saturday 10am-1pm: LARP: Cartoon Chaos Connundrum - A bear is about to steal a pic-a-nic basket, a blue-and-yellow van pulls up to a haunted house, the big game starts at monster High School and then Crikey— we're all next to Skull Castle? And is that Mifune Motors behind those kids with the monkey? Why is that truck asking about Energon?

(A LARP is a live-action roleplay where you get to pretend to be someone else for a while- it can actually be quite fun and relaxing. This is a wacky cartoon oriented LARP where characters will have to work to solve puzzles and to survive on to the next challenge.) Joe Struss, Zoom 3

10am-11am: Powerpuff Girls - Animation adventure, 1996, Watch Party/Discord/Hulu

10am-1pm Starcraft 2 - One of the most prominent top-down, real-time strategy games, Starcraft is the ongoing battle between the armies of space. In this session, participants will be loosely matched off into games of varying sizes based on experience, for those from the totally inexperienced to the highly competitive. Will your armies reign supreme? Video Game/Discord/Twitch

Saturday 10am-12pm Evil Apples--A filthy and hilarious mobile game from the creators of Evil Minds and Dirty Birdy inspired by the popular party game Cards Against Humanity. Please download the app prior to gaming. Rated 18+. Board Gaming/Discord

12pm-12:45pm: Iowa Atheists and Freethinkers Fan Table - Robert Cook, Moderator: Michael Palmer, Zoom 1

12pm-2pm: Anime Jeopardy - Samatha Hackett, Moderator: Craig Leabhart, Zoom 2

12pm-1pm: Kraken Not Stirred (Music), Zoom 4

1pm-2pm: Pierre Pettinger Reading - Pierre Pettinger, Moderator: Amanda Alexander, Zoom 1

1pm-2pm: Random Fractions (Music), Zoom 4

1:15pm-1:45pm: Board Game Arena - Panel on how to create a BoardGame Arena account, with help from Tara. Tara Newton, Moderator: Judy Zajec, Zoom 3

2pm-2:45pm: Draw Cartoon Characters - Draw some of your favorite cartoon characters with this workshop. Have your paper and pencil or marker ready for this step by step drawing class. Kids can join but parents need to participate as well. Mandi Arthur-Struss, Zoom 3

2pm-3pm: Beth Kinderman & the Player Characters (Music), Zoom 4

2pm-5pm Jackbox Party Pack--The games under the jackbox umbrella are a series of party games centered around player generated ideas. This spans from trivia, to drawing, to who can come up with the weirdest definitions for words. Players should tune into our twitch channel www.twitch.tv/dmsffs to view the game screen during play. Any watcher can then join in the fun by going to www.jackbox.tv in another browser to submit responses and vote on various results. A wacky time shall be had by all. Twitch,

2:30pm-3:30pm Getting Published for Dummies--A discussion of strategies with some sage advice thrown in for getting your manuscript published. Reed Alexander, Adam Whitlatch, Moderator: Judy Zajec, Zoom 1

3pm-4pm CW Smith (Music) Zoom 4

3pm-5pm Violet Evergarden - tv 14/ slice of life Watch Teleparty/Netflix

3pm-4pm: Ice Cream Social Celebrating Rusty Hevelin - Bring your ice cream of choice and learn a little bit about our DemCon Hall of Fame member Rusty Hevelin. Join his best buds Joe and Gay Haldeman with Amanda Arthur-Struss as they regale stories and history about his connection to DemiCon. Learn more about the amazing Hevelin Collection as well. Joe Haldeman, Gay Haldeman, Mandi Arthur-Struss Zoom 3

3:45pm-4:45pm: Lettie Prell Reading (Author GOH) - Lettie Prell, Moderator: Craig Leabhart, Zoom 1

3:45pm-5:45pm: Reed Alexander Reading - Reed Alexander reads from his first published novella, *In the Shadow of the Mountain*. Reed Alexander, Moderator: Sallie Abba, Zoom 2

4pm-5pm: Cheshire Moon (Music), Zoom 4

4:15pm-5:15pm: Basics in Watercolor - Enjoy a relaxing time as we explore watercolor. Learn some basics as well as talk and paint along. Supplies you will need: watercolor paper, watercolor paint (kid's version will work), a round paintbrush, 2 small cups of water and a paper towel. If you have the capabilities masking tape and a board (like you find on clip boards) to tape watercolor paper on. Mandi Arthur-Struss, Zoom 3

5pm-6pm: Doctor Who: The Everchanging Story - Discussion of the last two series of the show. Kathryn Sullivan, Cory Hug, Moderator: Amanda Alexander, Zoom 1

5pm-6pm: Madison Meticula Roberts (Music), Zoom 4

6pm-7pm: Horror Tropes: Grab the Plot Kicking and Screaming - A discussion of awful horror tropes and clichés to avoid. Reed Alexander, Rachel Aukes, Moderator: Craig Leabhart, Zoom 2

6pm-7pm: How to Read Like a Writer: Reading to Get Inspired to Write - In this workshop participants will learn about how to approach reading books like a writer, how to be inspired by other books and how to generate and develop their own unique ideas. Katya de Becerra, Moderator: Amanda Alexander Zoom 3

6pm-9pm: Team Fortress 2 - Inspiring many a class-based shooter since its debut, this game still holds a special place in the hearts of some of us here. In this session, we'll be running closed matches for our attendees. For those unfamiliar but interested in diving in, TF2 is available for free on the Steam storefront. Video Gaming/Discord/Twitch

6pm-9pm: Tokaido - Join Tara on BoardGame Arena and travel the ancient Tokaido road in Japan. Pass through the magnificent countryside, taste delicious culinary specialties, purchase souvenirs, benefit from the virtues of hot springs, and have unforgettable encounters. Tara describes Tokaido as the most cut-throat zen game you will ever play! Room for five (5) players total. Board Gaming/Board Game Arena/Discord

6:15pm-7:45pm: Charity Auction. Mandi Arthur-Struss, Judy Zajec, Jane Zajec, Zoom 1

7pm-11pm: Cowboy Bebop - TV 14/Space bounty hunters, violence, mature themes, 1998, Watch Party/Teleparty/Netflix

7:15pm-8:15pm Tabletop Gaming: The COVID Years and Beyond - A discussion about the most effective ways to run a tabletop game such as DnD virtually, and what tools are available to do so. Edwin Dane, Tom Thomas, Moderator: Michael Palmer, Zoom 2

7:15pm-8:15pm Artist GOH Alison Johnstun -Live Sketch Pannel with Artist Guest of Honor Alison Johnstun! Join us to learn a bit about Alison and her art, and watch as she walks us through sketching dragons! Alison Johnstun, Moderator: Sallie Abba, Zoom 4

8:15pm-9:15pm: Libraries and Archives in Science Fiction and Fantasy - A panel about the presentation of libraries and archives in SFF and horror. What are some of your favorites? Kathryn Sullivan, Moderator: Sheril Bogenreif, Zoom 1

8:30pm-9:30pm: Rachel Aukes Reading - Rachel Aukes, Moderator: Judy Zajec, Zoom 3

9pm-10pm: Talk Books with DAGOBAN - Round robin chatting about books. Susan Leabhart, Moderator: Craig Leabhart. Zoom 2

9:30pm-12am: Among Us - Werewolf, in, spaaace. Among US is a deception based game that is hot for a reason right now. In this session, we'll be running various matches as player count dictates. Grab some friends and try convince them you are trying to stab them in the back. Video Gaming/Discord/Twitch

10pm-12am: Horror Panel - Join the Fright Club as they discuss classic and current horror movies as well as TV programs in the horror genre. Robert Uy, Edwin Dane, Marcie Brightwell, Josh Bertocki, Moderator: Michael Palmer, Zoom 1

Sunday

10am-11am: Basics of Collecting Animation Cels - Joe Struss, Zoom 3

10am-12pm: Chat and Craft - Join us in chatting and crafting. Judy Zajec, Zoom 2

10am-12pm: Steven Universe - family comedy, 2014, Watch Party/Discord/Hulu

11:15am-12:15pm: DMSFFS Meeting - Mandi Arthur-Struss, Zoom 3

12pm-1pm: Appeal of Portal Fantasies - Stories where people are transported to other worlds, parallel dimensions or into virtual games are becoming popular again. What are the appeal of those genre versus secondary world fantasies? Kathryn Sullivan, Moderator: Sheril Bogenreif, Zoom 1

1am-1pm: Takenoko - Join Tara on BoardGame Arena and play Takenoko ('bamboo shoots'), where you will have fun growing bamboo and feeding the giant panda. Can you complete the most quests and earn the Emperor's favor? Room for four(4) players total. Board Gaming/Board Game Arena/Discord

1pm-2pm: Art Styles of Anime - About the different artistic styles seen in the Anime genre and what draws people in to the world. Samantha Hackett, Zoom 2

1pm-2pm: Book Talk - What are you reading? Come share and hear what books our panel of authors have been enjoying of late. Rachel Aukes, Lettie Prell, Adam Whitlatch, Moderator: Amanda Alexander, Zoom 3

Sunday

1:45pm-2:45pm: Win Lose or Draw - The White Board will be out on Zoom to bring back the virtual version of this annual tradition from DemiCon. Mandi Arthur-Struss, Zoom 1

2pm-4pm: League of Legends - An incredibly popular (if highly specific) genre of game, League of Legends is one the most popular MOBAs currently played. Take the role of one of several champion characters in this top-down, point and click action game. Use your character's strengths to help push the various fronts of AI soldiers in their tug-of-war efforts to advance on the enemy's base. In this session, players will be splitting up into teams of up to five to compete either against each other or against others online (determined by participants). As with some other games at Demicon this year, this one can be obtained for free on the Riot Games storefront. Video Gaming/ Discord/Twitch

3pm-4pm: Closing Ceremonies - Zoom 1

DemiCon Channel Schedule

The current schedule will be posted on the website. Reminder to treat the DemiCon Channel like a convention. Many videos will be disappearing Sunday evening. Plan accordingly.

Here is a taste of some of the on-demand programming you will find on the DemiCON Channel.

- DMSFFS President DC32 Welcome
- DemiCon Channel Introduction
- DC32 Dealer Advertising
- KickStarter Games with Sallie from Zoom Panel from Winter SACC
- How to Draw a Monster with Mandi
- Name that Animated Character with Mandi
- One Point Perspective with Mandi
- Aukes Author Reading
- Origami Bookmarks with Sallie
- ConSuite Cooking - Ramen
- Trans-Iowa Canal Company Presents Secret Project 32
- Cocktails with Toastmaster Susan
- ConSuite History - Martini Wars hosted by Mandi
- Author Katya De Becerra reads from "What the Woods Keep"
- BrassGears presents Uranus Strikes Back!
- Orckes & Trolles Recorded Live
- Dispatches from the Field with Toastmaster Susan
- ConSuite History - Soup hosted by Mandi
- Dwellings of Elderdale Panel form Winter SACC with Sallie

- Creative Mayhem 3 - Animation with Mandi and Joe
- Doodles including Star Trek Doodles with Mandi
- Fan Table DAGOBAH with Susan
- ConSuite Cooking - Scooby Snacks with Mandi
- Creative Mayhem 2 - Codes with Mandi and Joe
- ConSuite History - Rusty with Mandi
- Web Comics Panel with Jessica from Summer SACC
- Creating a Phantom Bustle Workshop with Ivy from Summer SACC
- Finger Painting a Quasar with Mandi
- Patterns Out of Print Panel with Ivy from Summer SACC
- Masquerade/CosPlay with Jeannette
- Tarot - Hierophant Temperance Presentation with Jeannette
- DemiCon Channel Closing Premieres

Additional programming will be available. For time of premieres check the schedule at demicon.org.

Changes to the Schedule

Changes that are made to the website during the weekend will have a note of being updated and on the Changes-To-Online Schedule Discord channel.

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