

Fun?! Passion?! Prizes?!

Whatever drives you, we've got the contest for you. The Family Fun Comic Con's cosplay contests is the perfect opportunity to showcase skills, craftsmanship and character portrayals. It is a spirited competition that is inclusive of all mediums and skill levels, so everyone can have a chance to have their work appreciated by judges and audience members.

For this con, we have TWO cosplay contests.

A.) Kids/Family Contest – this contest is for families and children under the age of 18. There is a best in show prize for each category listed below. Please note that teens may enter the adult competition but not both competitions.

- i.) Best Family Cosplay
- ii.) Kids Aged 4-10
- iii.) Kids Aged 11-14
- iv.) Kids Aged 15-18

B.) Adult Cosplay Contest – this contest is for anyone aged 15 and above. There is a best in show prize for each category listed below. Those competing in the family competition may enter the adult competition with a different cosplay.

- i.) Best in Show – best costume overall.
- ii.) Best Armour
- iii.) Best Homemade
- iv.) Best Makeup

Please be sure to read our cosplay contest rules before entering. Thank you and good luck!!!

#### COSPLAY CONTEST RULES:

- 1.) Entrants will provide a description during their appearance on stage. This may describe the details of the costume or provide a story about the character being portrayed. You may offer details about the construction process, materials, number of work hours, or anything that might impress the judges and fans. Please bring a visual reference or have one available on your phone to show the judges.
- 2.) All contestants must check-in for craftsmanship judging on the contest day. Failure to appear at check-in will result in disqualification. You must appear in costume at the time of check in.
  - a. Kids/family cosplay contest participants will need to line up/be ready starting at 10:30-10:45 am. The contest will take place at 11:00 am.
  - b. Adults cosplay contest participants will need to lineup at 2:30 pm, the contest begins at 3:00 pm
- 3.) No profanity or political statements are allowed on stage including messages on signs or clothes. Anyone who violates this may be disqualified from the competition.
- 4.) Costumes cannot promote alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco, firearms/weapons (or the use of any of the foregoing), any activities that may appear unsafe or dangerous or any particular political agenda or message.

- 5.) Costumes cannot be obscene or offensive, endorse any form of hate or hate group.
- 6.) No nudity. All costumes should provide enough coverage that's appropriate for a family-friendly show. Body paint is not clothing. Body paint alone may not be worn as a costume. Gore, graphic violence or other objectionable elements may be grounds for disqualification as determined by the judges or FFCC Staff. FFCC reserves the right to decide what is considered appropriate for the Show's audience.
- 7.) Contestants are responsible for their own belongings. We are unable to provide a secure area for personal items. We recommend bringing an assistant to help with belongings.
- 8.) Any participant may be disqualified from the contest by FFCC for failure to observe any of these rules. All decisions made by the judges are final.
- 9.) By attending the Family Fun Comic Con event, you are entering an area where photography, audio, and video recording may occur. By agreeing to these terms, you consent to photography, audio recording, video recording and its release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction to be used for promotional purposes, advertising, inclusion on websites, social media, or any other purpose by Lighthouse Fellowship/FFCC and its representatives. You release Lighthouse Fellowship/FFCC, its employees, and each and all persons involved from any liability connected with the taking, recording, digitizing, or publication and use of interviews, photographs, computer images, video and/or or audio recordings, and you waive all rights to any claims for payment or royalties in connection with any use of these materials. You also waive any right to inspect or approve any photo, video, or audio recording taken by Lighthouse Fellowship/FFCC or the person or entity designated to do so by Lighthouse Fellowship/FFCC.
- 10.) Limitations of Liability: FFCC is not responsible for: (1) any incorrect or inaccurate information, whether caused by entrants, typographical errors, printing errors or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Contest; (2) technical failures of any kind, including, but not limited to malfunctions, interruptions, or disconnections in phone lines or network hardware or software; (3) unauthorized human intervention in any part of the entry process or the Contest; (4) technical or human error which may occur in the administration of the Contest or the processing of entries; or (5) any injury or damage to persons or property which may be caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from entrant's participation in the Contest or receipt or use or misuse of any prize.

## Convention Policies

- 1.) Announced events and guests are subject to change and/or cancellation without notice. Every effort will be made to announce any changes via the Internet and pre-convention publications but sometimes last-minute changes will occur.
- 2.) No alcohol is allowed on the property at any time.
- 3.) Tobacco, E-Cigarettes and Vaping is not allowed inside of the building at any time.
- 4.) We reserve the right to ask you to leave the convention due to bad behavior, violation of policies or for anything else deemed inappropriate. FFCC holds right to determine what is appropriate/inappropriate.
- 5.) Harassment of any kind, including physically or verbally threatening, annoying, unwelcoming attentions, stalking, pushing, shoving or use of physical force; which in any way creates a disturbance that is disruptive or dangerous, as well as any boisterous, lewd or generally offensive behavior or language, using sexually explicit or offensive language or conduct, or profanity, obscene gestures or racial, religious or ethnic slurs will be considered harassment. Please see our anti-harassment policy for more detailed information.
- 6.) Firearms are not allowed. FFCC security and local law enforcement officials will treat anything that looks like a real weapon as a weapon. Attendees who choose to ignore this policy may be asked to leave the convention.
- 7.) We do not allow airsoft weapons, bb guns, cap guns or bladed weapons.
- 8.) Any bow-type weapons must be unstrung or strung with a low-tensile thread. All prop arrows must have soft, non-metal, blunted tips. Crossbows are not allowed.
- 9.) Costume armor cannot pose a threat to others by way of sharpened metal edges, spikes or bladed surfaces.
- 10.) You may not use smoke effects, fire, explosives, or any other environmental hazard in any capacity.
- 11.) Costumes and clothing cannot promote alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco, firearms/weapons (or the use of any of the foregoing), any activities that may appear unsafe or dangerous or any particular political agenda or messages.
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## Anti Harassment Policy:

Family Fun Comic Con has a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY for harassment of any kind, including but not limited to: stalking; intimidation, offensive verbal comments, physical assault and/or battery, sustained disruption of panels, signings, and other events, bathroom policing, inappropriate physical contact, unwelcome physical attention.

If a person engages in harassing behavior, Family Fun Comic Con (FFCC) staff will take prompt action in any form they deem appropriate, including expulsion from FFCC or contacting local law enforcement. Our policy applies to EVERYONE at the convention. Exhibitors, attendees, speakers, guests, professionals, press, staff, volunteers and security are all subject to our Anti-Harassment Policy. Anyone can report harassment. If someone's behavior has made you uncomfortable, or if you witness the same happening to someone else, you should immediately contact FFCC staff. You may also come to an info booth. If necessary, we will contact local law enforcement, provide escort, offer a safe place or otherwise assist those experiencing harassment to make sure they feel safe for the rest of FFCC.

Keep your hands to yourself. If you would like to take a picture with or of another FFCC attendee, always ask first and respect that person's right to say no. In short, be respectful.

The mission of FFCC is to create a fun, safe, nerdy event where fans of all kinds can come together and celebrate. We want you to have an amazing day and to experience it in an environment where you are safe and accepted. As nerds ourselves, we understand the importance of creating a safe space for everyone who attends FFCC.