

# Upcoming Events

## Calendar of Events

### **Monsterpalooza**

September 4-16, 2018  
Pasadena Convention Center  
Pasadena, California USA  
<http://www.monsterpalooza.com/>

The premier convention on the art of the monster. Includes numerous sessions on monster making and prosthetic makeup techniques for costumers.

### **DragonCon**

October 30 – September 34, 2018  
Atlanta, Georgia USA  
<http://www.dragoncon.org/>

Multi-media popular culture convention on sci-fi, fantasy, gaming, and comics. Features costuming track, and a plethora of costuming contests.

### **Archon 42**

October 12-14, 2018  
Gateway Convention Center / Double Tree Hotel  
Collinsville, Illinois USA  
<http://www.archonstl.org/>

This sci-fi and fantasy convention returns to Collinsville with a full costume masquerade and costume related panels.

### **Anime USA**

Oct 19-21 2018  
Washington Wardman Park Marriott  
Washington D.C. USA  
<http://www.animeusa.org/>

Started by fans in 2004, this convention promotes Japanese arts and popular culture. Includes a Masquerade/cosplay competition, hall cosplay, and a hall cosplay contest

### **FaerieCon 2018**

November 9-11, 2018  
Delta Baltimore Hunt Valley Inn  
Hunt Valley, Maryland USA  
<http://faeriecon.com/>

Celebrating the Magical Life, features the Good Faeries & Bad Faeries Masquerade Ball with a costume competition, hall costuming, and many faerie related costuming panels.

### **Windycon 45**

November 9-11, 2018  
Westin Yorktown  
Lombard, Illinois USA  
<http://www.windycon.org/>

Chicago's oldest sci-fi convention has a literary theme. Programming covers a wide range of topics from astrophysics, to costuming techniques, to pop culture. The conference includes hall costuming and a costume masquerade. With Costume Guest of Honor is Kevin Roche and Toastmaster Andy Trembley.

### **Philcon 2018**

November 16-18, 2018  
Crowne Plaza Hotel  
Cherry Hill, New Jersey USA  
<http://www.philcon.org/>

Hosted by the Philadelphia Science Fiction Society, features author Cory Dockorow and artist Boris Vallejo, sci-fi costume panels, and a costume masquerade.

### **Great Dickens Christmas Faire**

November 17 – December 23, 2018  
Cow Palace Exhibition Hall  
San Francisco, California USA  
<http://www.dickensfair.com/>

Living history re-creation of Christmas in Dickens'

1860's London. See web site for costuming opportunities. Runs 4 weekends.

### **Loscon 44**

November 24-26, 2017  
LAX Marriott Hotel  
Los Angeles, California USA  
<http://loscon.org/44/>

Los Angeles science-fiction.convention includes both adult and young adult programming, and a full masquerade for all skill levels that follows the ICG Guidelines run by Dorothy O'Hare.

### **RustyCon 33**

January 12-14 2019  
Seattle AirPort Marriott,  
Seattle, Washington USA  
<http://www.rustycon.com>

Science fiction and fantasy convention has multi-track programming, a dealer's room, an art show, and a hospitality room. Includes Costuming..

### **Further Confusion 2019**

January 17-21 2019  
San Jose Convention Center,  
San Jose Marriott, and San Jose Hilton  
San Jose, California USA  
<http://www.furtherconfusion.org/>

Further Confusion is one of the world's largest anthropomorphic (or "furry") conventions. It features eminent guests, educational panels, and world-class costuming, including a masquerade.

### **Arisia 2019**

January 17-20 2019  
Westin Waterfront Boston Hotel  
Boston, Massachusetts USA  
<http://www.arisia.org/>

New England's largest and most diverse sci-fi and fantasy convention. Many costuming events including a Masquerade.

### **Gallifrey One 2019**

February 15-17, 2019  
Marriott Los Angeles Airport  
Los Angeles, California USA  
<http://www.gallifreyone.com/>

All things Dr. Who are at this annual convention that hosts stars from the series, along with many costuming events including hall costuming and a costume masquerade.

### **Estrella War XXXV**

February 19-25, 2019  
Schnepf Farms  
Queen Creek, AZ USA  
<http://estrellawar.org>

Put on by the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), attendees dress in the clothing and armor of the Middle Ages and Renaissance, and have the opportunity to take part in activities that feature middle ages style tournaments, arts exhibits, classes, workshops, dancing, feasts, and more.

### **VancouFur 2015**

March 7-10, 2018  
Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel  
Richmond BC, Canada  
<http://www.vancoufur.ca>

VancouFur, Vancouver's first furry convention, is in its sixth year, striving to educate as well as entertain in the fields of arts, crafts, culture and other aspects of the furry fandom. Includes a costume parade.

### **Gaslight Gathering 7**

April 12-14, 2019  
Handley Hotel  
San Diego, California USA  
<http://www.gaslightgathering.org/>

Southern California's first dedicated Steampunk &

Victoriana Convention, features many costuming events, and a Steampunk Grand Tea.

## Ongoing Events

### **Bay Area English Regency Society (BAERS)**

Various San Francisco Bay Area locations  
Numerous dance parties – see their schedule  
<http://www.baers.org/>

Early 19<sup>th</sup> c. English Regency with dances from English Country tradition. Second-Friday dance parties, and fancy-dress balls throughout the year. Period dress admired but not required.

### **Gaskell Occasional Dance Society**

Scottish Rite Tempe  
Oakland, California USA  
<http://www.gaskellball.com/>

Victorian Ballroom dances with live music, and a fancy Victorian dress ball. Semi-formal clothing required. Period formal dress of the 19<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup> century admired but not required.

### **Greater Bay Area Costumers' Guild (GBACG)**

Various San Francisco Bay locations  
Many themed events – see their schedule  
<http://www.gbacg.org/>

For recreational costumers in the SF Bay Area. Activities include workshops, costume salons, a costuming academy and many costumed events.

### **National Civil War Association (NCWA)**

Various Northern California locations  
Many re-enactment and educational events – see their schedule <http://www.ncwa.org/>

The NCWA presents living history for the public in many forms, including military and civilian encampments, battles, and lectures.

### **Peninsula Wearable Arts Guild (PenWAG)**

Campbell Community Center  
Campbell, California USA  
Second Saturday of each month  
<http://www.penwag.org/>

Members embellish garments with machine and hand appliqué, patchwork, fabric painting and dyeing, stenciling and stamping, machine and hand embroidery, beading, and more.

### **Period Events and Entertainment Society (PEERS)**

Masonic Lodge of San Mateo,  
San Mateo, California USA  
Ongoing monthly period dance events

Sponsors events, classes, and living history performances. Activities include historic dance, drama, music, literature and costume. Period dress admired but not required

### **Tech Shop**

120 Independence Drive  
Menlo Park, CA, USA  
Ongoing classes monthly  
<http://www.techshop.ws/>

Classes on the shop's computerized embroidery, industrial, and conventional sewing machines, and serger. Also molding, vacuforming, cutting, and machining classes.

## Editors Note

Send calendar or ongoing costume-related events to [vc@siwcostumers.org](mailto:vc@siwcostumers.org). Include event name, location, dates, URL, and brief description highlighting costume-related activities.