

Below, you will find all the info on CFCC's cosplay contests! If you have any questions, just let us know. Get ready to show off your most amazing handmade cosplay and prepare to ham it up for the crowd to see!

Let's get to the Who's, When's, Where's and How's of it all!

Who can enter? Anyone and everyone!

Who's running the contests? Our guest Mikal Mosley will be hosting along with some amazing cosplayer judges!

How much does it cost to enter? It is completely free to sign up for the CFCC Cosplay Contest!

How can I enter? Head to the Lake Parker room and sign up with Mikal Mosley! Prejudging will be from 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM on Saturday, Jan 20th and from 11:30 AM-1:45 PM on Sunday Jan 21st.

How many people can enter? The first 30 signups on each day!

When are the contests? The contests are Saturday at 4:00 PM and Sunday at 2:00 PM.

Where are the contests? The cosplay contests will be held in our main programming room, Lake Hollingsworth!

More rules & info:

Categories:

Mainstage: NOVICE, INTERMEDIATE, AND ADVANCE - Open to anyone 14 and older Youth - Anyone 13 and younger WILL HAVE A WALK ON DURING INTERMISSION Craftsman

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The JDF Award: To be presented to an exceptional cosplayer with an exceptional story, in honor of our friend, Jason David Frank.

The judges will be focusing on appearance, construction, and your attention to details. Many costumes incorporate work from multiple categories. All WILL be taken into account, but you should enter in the category that fits where the MAJORITY of time and work was focused. Final category placement will be at the discretion of the judges and contest organizers.

PLEASE NOTE: All cosplays and performers must comply with the convention's Anti Harassment policy. This means no profanity, hate speech, or otherwise inflammatory messages are allowed. All props must be checked and within the prop guidelines provided by the convention.

RULES:

Our Cosplay Contest requires handmade, original costumes. Sorry, but store bought costumes cannot be entered into the competition! The costume must be of original construction or show significant modification to the original materials. At least 60% of your costume must not have been purchased.

This means whether you made everything but the wig, shoes, minor accessories or transformed something pre-made completely.

Or parts of your cosplay were bought and not changed due to difficulty because of skill level. A good example would be: Body of cosplay such as bottoms, tops, dresses and props as 40-60%. Boot covers, accessories, props etc. 10%-40%.

You do not have to weave your own fabric, make a wig, or cobble shoes, However, that is really impressive.

If you didn't make your costume, but someone at the convention did, they need to be present for judging only.

If your cosplay has previously won a competition, it cannot be re-entered Only one costume can be accepted into the contest per person.

During pre-judging, you will be able to chat with the judges so you can describe the details of the cosplay 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 them.

Pre-judging is also the perfect time to show the judges your Work In Progress photos!

Please remember that a good quality image can absolutely help the judges greatly in deciding your score. Don't forget to bring a reference color photo of the character you are portraying if you wish for accuracy to be taken into account during your judging if the judges are not familiar with the character.