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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FROM PR#1

REGISTER NOW – tell your friends to reg; space is limited!

In-person and online registration is still open, so be a part of Escapade however you can. Register immediately—the price goes up at midnight Pacific time, February 2.

PRE-CON STREAMING; Start Your Convention Today

Have you ever had homework like watching, *Beyond Evil*, *Wednesday*, *Interview with the Vampire*, *KinnPorsche*, *Sandman*, *Smallville*, *and Stargate Atlantis* with friends? That's homework Escapade-style. **All the streams are on Kosmi; you don't need to download applications or open an account.** To join a stream, click the Kosmi link on the time/date of the event. Use this link for the viewing schedule.

SONGVID SHOW

Speaking of media, we love vids! Friday's curated dance show is followed by the Saturday night new- or nearly new show. See our <u>call for submissions and volunteers</u>. Questions? Email <u>vids@escapadecon.net</u>.

PRELIMINARY PANEL CUT POSTED

The first draft of the ESCAPADE 33 panels is up. Some still need mods; you *must* adopt mod-less panels if you want them to be included in the schedule. Did your panel miss the cut, or did you have a great idea, game, or topic after the polls closed? When the final schedule is posted, you can sign up for DIY panels.

<u>VOLUNTEER!</u> Make Friends. Help create Escapade.

See the above link for a great homage to Escapade volunteering. Volunteer options are available from Thursday afternoon to Sunday's Dead Dog party.

Online-only attendee volunteers are also needed: tech moderators and help desk support is imperative to make a real "Escapade online" event.

Or go here to read more about volunteering, or email volunteer@escapadecon.net to sign up.

SCHOLARSHIPS available and you can still donate to the fund

Escapade's scholarship program subsidizes fans who need a little help to attend Escapade. Your generous contributions and the con committee make scholarships happen. This year, we're offering some level of support to *nine* fans who would not otherwise be able to attend. The scholarships acknowledge the backbone of our creed: diversity (trans/non-binary scholarship), vidding and fanworks, and enthusiasm.

DONATE to the fund as you can, so we'll help as many people as we can.

NOMINATE yourself or a friend, tell us a little about yourself or them, and let us know what kind of financial help they need (free reg, discounted hotel room, etc.).

THE SWAG – dealers, fan faire, art auction, raffle, and swap meet

DEALERS' ROOM – sold out, check it out!

Zines, art, photos, collectibles, and good company behind the tables. Visit early and often. See who's coming here: https://escapadecon.net/dealer-room/

FAN FAIRE

On Friday morning, bring your crocheted items, handcrafts, jewelry or anything else you'd like to sell in a brief, 2-hour window. (The dealers' room is sold out, so this is your chance to be a dealer for a couple of hours.)

ART SHOW AND AUCTION

Every year, the Escapade art show shares beautiful works that celebrate *so* many fandoms and talents. Submit your fannish art, hand-crafted jewelry, knitted Start Trek socks or other crafty items for the Escapade art show. Check the "charity" box and any proceeds will support the convention and its charities.

The raffle and auction are, we're told, lots of fun. Join us Sunday morning after breakfast to win and laugh and bid and share in an event that brings almost all of us together into one room. https://escapadecon.net/art-show/

RAFFLE – many prizes to win

On site, we raffle off an amazing array of gifts, from stuffed penguins to specialty industry swag to tech to personalized totes. Get your raffle tickets throughout the weekend, but especially at breakfast on Sunday morning and before the art auction. If you'd like to donate something or help us sell tickets, let us know!

THE SLASH SWAP MEET – exchange your great stuff for other great stuff

Thinning out your collection? Bring it to the slash swap meet. It's simply tables where attendees drop items they once loved so other attendees can love them next. If you take something from the table, drop whatever amount of cash you deem appropriate in the donation jar. Everybody wins.

COVID POLICIES UPDATE: BIVALENT BOOSTER REQUIRED

Escapade has had the great fortune of never having been a CoVid vector, and we want to keep it that way. To attend in person, a bivalent booster is required. See our <u>CoVid Policies page</u> for further details.

THE ESCAPADE FANZINE LIBRARY'S LAST TOUR

Right around the turn of the century, the Escapade Zine Library began. For two decades, hundreds of zines have been available to see, read, and learn. Because of its size, bulk, and storage needs, this is its last tour. See what fandom looked like before the internet. Check a zine out and read it, then return it before noon on Sunday. Give the library the love and it deserves as we send it on its way.

EVERYTHING ELSE – for more information, check these sites

The EscapadeCon web site is chock full of details and easy to search. Discord help desk staff are awesome. You can review our dreamwidth, tumblr, and twitter (for now) accounts. You can also email questions directly to welcome@escapadecon.net.

Topics covered in PR#1, in case you missed something you need:

DATES and REGISTRATION LOCATION

HOTEL INFO and ROOM RES IN-PERSON ESCAPADE PANELS DEALERS' ROOM

LIVE VID SHOWS DANCE PARTY

ONLINE EVENTS SCHOLARSHIPS: Help a Friend Attend Escapade

WELCOMMITTEE Info

IN-PERSON ESCAPADE HAS

- Panels to discuss specific fandoms
- People (all of you and your friends, the con com team, dealers and artists and scholars)
- Dealer's room...
- Art show and auction...
- Free, full breakfast every morning
- Manager's reception (with free drinks and snacks) Thursday and Friday
- Parties on Friday night, after the Saturday vid show, and Sunday afternoon
- Live vid show with many premiering vids on Saturday night
- More panels to discuss fandom-as-a-subject (meta) and themed topics
- Dance party to show off your moves, great clothes, and/or costumes
- Curated dance party vid show
- Fan Faire to show off (and sell!) your arts and crafts
- Still more panels because there's also tech, vid, writing, alt, games....
- Scholarships to help fans attend
- A Welcommittee (pre- and during the con)
- Online events
- ... and a ROBOT



Meet Winnie, the Escapade hotel's robot