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## **Saturday Schedule**

12:00 STAGE | PANEL F

**Flame Con Opening Ceremony** 

12:30 (GAYMER LOUNGE)

Join the Con Game!

Free Play: Board Games, Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros Ultimate, PS5

1:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

Let's Learn: Dungeons & Dragon Looking for Group Meetup

GAYMER 1

**Blood on the Clocktower for Beginners** 

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**Queers and Sports in Graphic Novels** 

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PANEL E

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Diversity in Comics: Beyond the Mainstream

PANELC

Homosexually, My Dear Watson: A History of Queer Readings of Sherlock Holmes

WORKSHOP

For Fandom, By Fandom: A How-To on Running Fandom Community Events

1:45 STAGE | PANEL F

**Queer Nerd Poetics** 

2:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

Let's Learn: Thirsty Sword Lesbians

2:15 PANEL B

Not Like When We Were Kids: Celebrating Queer Visibility In Youth Entertainment

PANEL D

Queer Eye on the Straight Geek Canon

PANEL E

Homo Superior Podcast Presents The X-Gaymes 3: The Last Stand

2:30 SIGNING TABLE

**ND Stevenson** 

2:45 PANEL A

Cosplay X Drag, Featuring Megami

PANEL C

The Secret (and Queer) History of Libraries

WORKSHOP

Con Artist: A Beginner's Guide to Crafting and Curating an Artist Alley Table

3:15 STAGE | PANEL F

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SIGNING TABLE

**Connor Goldsmith** 

3:30 GAYMER LOUNGE

Let's Learn: Haiclue

GAYMER 1

Let's Learn: Tournament Arc

GAYMER 3

Unlocking the Potential of Learning Through Gamification

PANEL B

The Art & Biz of Queer Voiceover

PANEL D

Danmei 101: An Introduction to Queer Men with Flying Swords

3:45 PANELE

For the Queens

## **Saturday Schedule**

4:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

Free Play: Nintendo Switch

Super Smash Bros Battlefield Duels

Tournament

PANEL A

Coffee Talk: A Conversation with ND and Kris

PANEL C

Nonbinary & Gender Variant Expression in Comics

WORKSHOP

Memory Mini Comic: Mining Our Memories & Exploring Our Senses in

Only 6 Panels!

SIGNING TABLE

Megami

4:30 GAYMER LOUNGE

Let's Learn: Dixit

4:45 PANEL B

Reclaiming Queer History Through Comics

PANEL D

Friends of Barbie

STAGE | PANEL F

**CEREBRO Podcast Live!** 

SIGNING TABLE

JP Karliak

5:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

Let's Learn: Exquisite Biome

GAYMER 1

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Modding More Visibility Into Your Game (18+)

5:15 PANEL A

ND Stevenson and Molly Knox Ostertag in Conversation

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5:30 SIGNING TABLE

Kris Anka

6:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

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Free Play: Super Smash Bros Ultimate

GAYMER

Let's Learn: Blacks and Whites: 50th

**Anniversary Edition** 

F\*\*\* Around and Find Out (18+)

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Talking Comics Podcast Live: Flame On at

Flame Con

PANEL D

Intro to Omegaverse: Why Six Genders

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6:30 GAYMER 3

And They Lived Happily Ever After - Now What? A Conversation on Exploring Queer

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STAGE | PANEL F

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Comic Creators Q&A

7:30 GAYMER LOUNGE

Con Game Raffle

8:00 INDUSTRY BAR

Fireball: The Official Flame Con After

Party (21+)

8:30 GAYMER LOUNGE

Camp Fire (18+)





The Official Flame Con Game Returns!

Head to the Gaymer Lounge to pick up a game board. Complete a gauntlet of exhibitor quests for a chance to win an amazing prize pack of geeky merch!



On Sunday, all attendees under the age of 21 may attend Flame Con

**FOR FREE!** 

## **Sunday Schedule**

12:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

Join the Con Game!

Free Play: Board Games, Nintendo Switch

Let's Learn: Duck Game

12:30 (GAYMER LOUNGE)

Let's Learn: Love Letter & Love Letter Premium

GAYMER 2

Blood on the Clocktower (Advanced)

1:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

Let's Learn: Ball of the Wild Looking for Group Meetup

Free Play: Duck Game

**PS5 Street Fighter 6 Tournament** 

GAYMER 3

Starting Soon: A Beginner's Guide to Streaming

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Middle Grade/YA Stories

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Mutant Fashion Review!

STAGE | PANEL F

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1:30 PANEL A

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WORKSHOP

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2:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

**Demo: Butterfly Space Rescue** 

**GAYMER 1** 

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PANELE

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STAGE | PANEL F

**Boba Gays Comedy Variety Show!** 

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2:30 SIGNING TABLE

Connor Goldsmith

Kris Anka

2:45 PANEL A

Spotlight on JP Karliak

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Outsiders Panel

WORKSHOP

Cosplay is My Superpower: How to Get Started in the World of Cosplay

3:00 GAYMER LOUNGE

**Super Smash Bros Anything Goes** 

Tournament

GAYMER 1

Masks: A New Generation

3:30 GAYMER LOUNGE

Let's Learn: Dungeons and Dragons

Free Play: PS5

GAYMER 2

Yu-Gi-Oh! Meetup

PANELB

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**Doctor Who and Star Trek** 

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## **Sunday Schedule**



For more information on events, plus updates or schedule changes, scan this code, or visit **flamecon.org/2024-convention-guide** 

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## Camp Fire

Not feeling quite ready to go home when we close the show floor, but partying isn't your scene? We got you fam! Join us for a couple hours of crafting, book swapping, video games, and a "quiet night in" with your other geeky queer introverts.

## Join us in the GAYMER LOUNGE 8:30 PM Aug.17th

Stopping by?

Help stock our Little Queer
Library and discover a new
favorite book! Bring a
book to swap with fellow
attendees while celebrating
queer storytelling and
chatting about your recent
reads and take home
something new!

## Map

## Information

Here is where you can get your questions answered about Flame Con and Geeks OUT.

## **Quiet Lounge**

A quiet space for attendees who might need to take a break for a moment to relax and collect themselves

## **Programming Check In**

Here is where all panelists and performers are required to check in after they receive their Flame Con badge.

## **Press**

A space reserved for members of the press to meet with guests and conduct interviews.

## **Coat Check**

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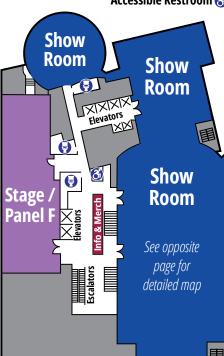
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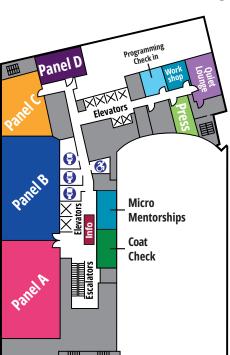
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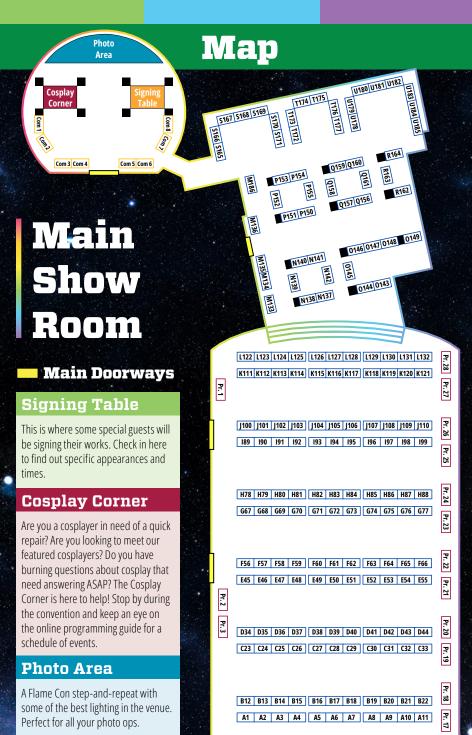


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## Flame Con Entrance

You can enter and exit the venue here. There is an accessible entrance on the Lobby level.

## **Gaymer Lounge**

The Gaymer Lounge is a gaming oasis at Flame Con. NYC Gaymers is providing video games, tabletop games, card games and board games for attendees to use. You can also take part in tournaments, meetups, and demonstrations of new games. The rooms marked **Gaymer 1,2, and 3** are breakout spaces for additional programming.

## Bag Check

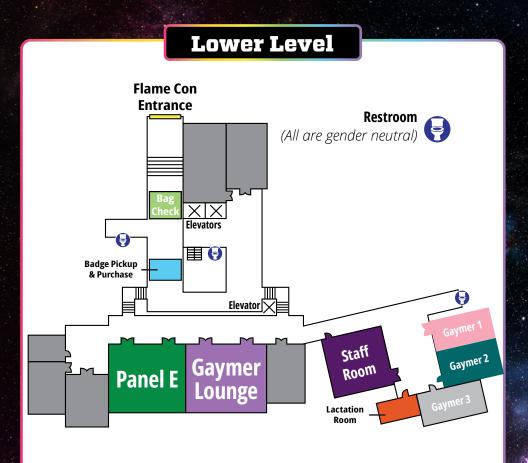
Prepare to have bags and packs inspected each time you enter the venue.

## Badge Pickup & Purchase

Claim your previously purchased Flame Con badge or buy one here. Accessible badge pickup & purchase located in the main lobby.

## **Lactation Room**

If you require this room, please inform a Flame Con volunteer. This room will be locked by default to ensure privacy when in use.



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## **2024 General Policies**

## **ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION**

Each year Flame Con strives to make itself as accessible as possible. **Allies**, there are many ways you can help make Flame Con a more welcoming and enjoyable experience for disabled people. Please familiarize yourself with the information below.

### NAVIGATION

### Flevators

There are two separate banks of elevators, including a set that goes directly to the upper floors where hotel rooms are located. There's an elevator in the Lower Level to bypass the stairs to the Gaymer Lounge.

### Information Table

Info Tables are available on Floors 2 and 3 of the convention space. Additionally, if you should need assistance or have concerns, visit the info table and we'll help in any way we can.

### Clear Paths (Allies)

The hall space between areas can easily become full of people, please help maintain a clear traveling area and do not sit or stand in designated traffic paths.

## **BATHROOMS**

### **Gender Neutral**

All restrooms at Flame Con are gender neutral.

### Sanitary & Sharps Disposal

All stalls are equipped with sanitary disposal and all bathrooms have a sharps disposal receptacle.

### Wheelchair Accessible

Each floor has single occupancy, wheelchair accessible bathrooms. These are located near the elevators.

**Allies**, please avoid using wheelchair accessible bathrooms when possible.

### Menstrual Health Products

If you require menstrual health products, you may get them at the Flame Con info tables.

## **QUIET SPACE: QUIET LOUNGE**

This space is for anyone needing a quiet place to sit and be away from the crowds, no matter the reason. And please be respectful of those needing this space by refraining from eating, playing music, or having conversations in the space.

## SERVICE ANIMALS

Flame Con follows all current regulations as defined by the ADA. All service animal handlers must be in control of their service animals at all times. Service animals will be expected to be reasonably quiet and well-groomed, and will be entirely the responsibility of their respective handlers. Any service animal found to be out of their handlers control, aggressive, or un-housebroken will be asked to leave. In this case, the service animal's handler may be allowed to return without the animal and offered reasonable accommodations.

**Allies**, please refrain from interacting and distracting service animals. This includes not petting, distracting, or taking photos of service animals.

## AIR QUALITY

### Smoke Free

Flame Con is a smoke / vape free environment. There are designated smoking facilities outside.

### Low Scent

Flame Con is not a fragrance free space, but we do encourage everyone to limit the use of strong scents.

## PANELS POLICY

### ATTENDING PANELS

- Panel seating is limited to a first come basis.
- · Lines outside of rooms are not permitted.
- · Panel doors will be closed when each panel starts.
- You may arrive to a panel late, please enter quietly and be respectful of speakers.
- · Water is available in each panel room.

### **ACCESSIBLE SEATING**

- Accessible seating is available and reserved in the front and back of each room.
- · Accessible seats are marked on the top of each seat.
- You may also request assistance from a Flame Con volunteer if needed for anywhere else in the room.
- Space for wheelchairs, mobility devices and service animals is available in accessible seating rows.
- Leave space for those that need accessible seating, please move if asked.

## **WEAPONS POLICY**

Flame Con will not allow the following items:

- Any weapon of any kind—bladed or projectile—that looks or feels real.
- · Any kind of gun or simulacrum of a firearm.
- Any prop that is heavy, hard, or sharp enough to injure a person.

## HARASSMENT POLICY

Flame 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
- harassing
- · non-consensual photography or recording
- sustained disruption of panels, signings, and other events
- · bathroom policing
- inappropriate physical contact
- unwelcome physical attention in relation to, but not limited to: race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, gender presentation, sexual orientation, age, body size, disability, appearance, religion, citizenship, and/or pregnancy

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 one of the Flame Con organizers or volunteers.

Report harassment to Flame Con staff. If a person engages in harassing behavior, Flame Con staff will take prompt action in any form they deem appropriate, including expulsion from Flame Con with no refund. Our policy applies to EVERYONE at the convention. Remember: Cosplay is not consent. Keep your hands to yourself. If you would like to take a picture with or of another fan, always ask first and respect that person's right to say no. Be respectful, be nice, be cool, and be kind to each other.

## 2024 COVID-19 Policy

## FACE COVERINGS

In order to limit the spread of contagious illnesses, all attendees are required to wear face masks while indoors in the convention space.

Face coverings should be close-fitting and cover your nose and mouth, and must be worn in addition to costume masks.

Face coverings can be momentarily lowered if eating or drinking. Panelists may remove their masks while on stage, but should not physically engage with attendees while unmaksed.

### SOCIAL DISTANCING

This year's event is being physically designed with more space to promote social distancing. Wherever you can, please leave distance between yourself and others, and avoid physical contact like hugs or handshakes.

## SANITIZATION

This includes precautions like enhanced cleaning procedures and additional sanitation stations throughout the building.

We ask that all attendees sanitize and/or wash their hands as often as possible.

The Sheraton Hotel's HVAC system has also been updated with MERV-13 filters, which meet CDC recommendations for air filtration.

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In addition to running Flame Con, Geeks OUT tables at conventions around the country, creates geeky queer-centered programming and events, and highlights the work of queer creators through our podcast, blog and more.

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