



NEW JERSEY'S HOME FOR ANIME, TOKUSATSU, KAIJU, & J-CINEMA FANDOM!

CONVENTION SCHEDULE 2026

November 13-15, 2026 | Hilton Hasbrouck Heights | Hasbrouck Heights, NJ

FRIDAY	10AM		11AM		12PM		1PM		2PM		3PM		4PM		5PM		6PM		7PM		8PM		9PM		10PM		11PM	
MAIN EVENTS SKY BALLROOM													OPENING CEREMONIES				PANEL W/ CINDY YAMAUCHI				FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES W/ FLARECORE				EXCLUSIVE FILM PREMIERE: LADY BATTLECOP			
PANELS 1 EMC Room 1					TRAIN WITH KIRITO: SAO MARTIAL ARTS PERFORMANCE			LET'S TALK EMBROIDERING COSPLAY W/ HEIZL			UMAI-MUSUME: UMAMUSUMESHI FROM PANEL TO PLATE			THEWORKS OF NAOKI URASAWA			THEART AND HISTORY OF TOKUSATSU		LISTEN TO MY SONG! AN INTRODUCTION TO SYMPHOGEAR		COSPLAY FROM 1900S: BEFORE TIKTOK, WE HAD HOT GLUE & HOPEW//AKANESAOTOME COS			HENTAI SHOPPING IN JAPAN [18+]				
PANELS 2 EMC Room 2					EVANGELION, ESCAFLOWNE, COWBOY BEBOP, & MORE: A LOOK AT ANIME IN THE 90S			THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF JRPS			THE NEWLYWEEBS GAME			THE AMERICAN ANIME BUBBLE OF 2008: WHAT WE'VE LEARNED			THE ANATOMY OF ANIME			OMNISCIENT YOUR READER: KOREAN MANHWA & WEBNOVELS 101		TOTALLY SUBVERSIVE TOONS			THE 100 ANIME YOU MUST SEE BEFORE YOU DIE			
PANELS 3 EMC Room 5					ZELDA: MAJORA'S MASK & OVERCOMING TRAUMA		LET'S GO!! RIDER CRASH COURSE			IT CAME FROM THE NEW MILLENNIUM: FORGOTTEN ANIME OF THE 1990S		THE FORMULA FOR LORD OF MYSTERIES: 80L LOVECRAFTIAN HORROR, 20L VICTORIAN...		MEGATEN MANIA: PERSONA/SMT TRIVIA GAME SHOW		BY FANS... FOR FANS				MORE THAN JUST DANGANRONPA: ENTER THE KODAKAVERSE! [18+]			ANIME EXPERTS LIVE [18+]		LOOK! OUT AT SEA! IT'S A SHIP... IT'S A GIRL... IT'S MECHA MUSUME!			
PANELS 4 EMC Room 6					SHIGERU MIZUKI, THE TRUE GOD OF MANGA!			PERSONA 4 & THE LGBTQ+			PLUS ULTRA SIZED		GENSHIKEN 2	TWEENY WITCHES	GRENADIER	PHOENIX	PHANTOM QUEST CORPS	JUNGLE DE IKOU		THE AMV MIX GUESSING GAME				SEXUAL CONQUEST [18+]		EXPRESS TRAIN TO ECSTASY [18+]	RAUNCHY ROAD TO REDEMPTIONS & SEXY DAZE, NAUGHTY KNIGHTS [18+]	
VIDEO GAMING					GUILTY GEAR STRIVE TOURNAMENT				FATAL FURY CITY OF THE WOLVES TOURNAMENT				AVATAR: THE LAST AIRBENDER TOURNAMENT															
TABLETOP GAMING					HOLOLIVE (STANDARD TCG) TOURNAMENT				ONE PIECE (STANDARD TCG) TOURNAMENT				POKEMON (STANDARD TCG) TOURNAMENT															
COSPLAY HQ												MEETUP: MY HERO ACADEMIA	MEETUP: JUJUTSU KAISEN	MEETUP: RESEVIL/HORROR														

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PANELS 1 EMC Room 1	COSPLAY ON A BUDGET: DON'T BREAK THE BANK		RAQS NERD - FUSION BELLY DANCE W/ JESSIDOE\$TUFF		MENTAL HEALTH & BULLYING AT CONS		GOING TO A CONVENTION WITH A DISABILITY		HELLAVERSE TRIVIA GAME! [RECOMMENDED FOR 16+]					FROM FAN TO PROFESSIONAL W/ RY MCKEAN		OLDER THAN VHS: GEN-X RECOLLECTIONS ON THE EARLY DAYS OF AMERICAN ANIME FANDOM		WHISPER OF THE HEART - A TALE OF ART AND LOVE		DOMAN EXPANSION: MIXOLOGY					HENTAI: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY [18+]			
PANELS 2 EMC Room 2		THE HISTORY OF ANIME OPENING/CLOSING THEMES		THE BIRTH, DEATH, AND REBIRTH OF THE OVA		BEING A BLACK CREATOR IN THE COSPLAY COMMUNITY W/ RYOKOCOS	THE BRIGHT SIDE OF COSPLAY: JOY AS A MENTAL HEALTH TOOL W/ NANA AKAONASIS		TILTING WITH PURPOSE: A PINBALL PANEL			THE HISTORY OF JAPANESE ZOMBIE CINEMA	THE WORLD OF VOICE ACTING W/ EMMA BREEZY		BAD ANIME, BAD!!				WHO AM I? ANIME EDITION						THE ANATOMY OF ANIME: AFTER DARK [18+]			
PANELS 3 EMC Room 5	JOJO'S PERSONA ADVENTURE		FROM PIXELS TO PEOPLE: HOW DIGITAL PETS BRING US TOGETHER		ANIME TIER LIST BONANZA		THE MIRACLE OF TRAILS: A GENERATION OF BELOVED JRPGS		A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO STEINS; GATE & SCIADV		CON SURVIVAL: HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OUT OF CONS		ANIME IN 5 WORDS OR LESS		EGYPTIAN MYTHOLOGY: WHAT JOJO'S GOT RIGHT AND WRONG		THE PARADOX OF STEINS; GATE'S RISE TO POPULARITY						JUST DANCE REQUEST HOUR!!!					
PANELS 4 EMC Room 6		JUST SAY YES!!! POP CULTURE IMPROV 101		THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT RITA (REPULSA)		HUNDRED LINE: LAST DEFENSE SATURDAY GAME SHOW		THE WILD, WONKY WORLD OF TV COMMERCIALS		CLOAK, DAGGER, KIMONO, KATANA: SPYCRAFT & OTHER DIRTY DEEDS IN ANIMATION		WAIT, THAT'S TOUHOU?! THE BIGGEST FRANCHISE YOU ALREADY KNEW		THE PERENNIAL APPEAL OF THE LONGEST OVA IN ANIME HISTORY		INDIE ANIME								LATE-NIGHT AMV SHOWCASE [18+]				
VIDEO GAMING					SUPER SMASH BROS. ULTIMATE TOURNAMENT				STREET FIGHTER 6 TOURNAMENT				MARVEL TOKON FIGHTING SOULS TOURNAMENT															
TABLETOP GAMING			POKEMON (STANDARD TCG) TOURNAMENT				ONE PIECE & MTG (STANDARD TCG) TOURNAMENTS				HOLOLIVE (STANDARD TCG) TOURNAMENT																	
COSPLAY HQ		COSPLAY MASQUERADE PRE-JUDGING						MEETUP: DEVIL MAY CRY		MEETUP: ONE PIECE	MEETUP: NARUTO																	

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PANELS 1 EMC Room 1	2026 MANGA RECOMMENDATIONS		OVA: THE SECRET GEM OF ANIME		SHILLING NICHE ANIMANGA YOU FORGOT ABOUT		YOU JUST ENTERED A MASQ... NOW WHAT DO YOU DO? W/ NIANYANYAN COSPLAY						CLOSING CEREMONIES & FEEDBACK SESSION	
PANELS 2 EMC Room 2	ELEVATING YOUR COSPLAY ON A BUDGET				ANISONGS OF THE SHOWA ERA (1963- 1989)		VIDEO GAME STREAMING 101		GETTING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY INTO ANIME: THE DO'S AND DON'TS					
PANELS 3 EMC Room 5		ANIME JEOPARDY		HUNDRED LINE: LAST DEFENSE SUNDAY GAME SHOW		ANIME ARMAMENTS & TOON TACTICS		THE DAY THE KIDS SAT STILL: THE HISTORY AND ONGOING LEGACY OF SATURDAY MORNING CARTOONS						
PANELS 4 EMC Room 6	NANA: SEVEN OF SEVEN	CODE-E	GIRL'S HIGH	RAMEN FIGHTER MIKI	MAGICAL WITCH PUNI- CHAN		ANIMENJ++ SWAP MEET							
VIDEO GAMING					TEKKEN 8 TOURNAMENT									
TABLETOP GAMING			POKEMON, ONE PIECE, & HOLOLIVE (STANDARD TCG) TOURNAMENTS											
			MEETUP: GACHIAKUTA		MEETUP: FINAL FANTASY	MEETUP: BLEACH								
COSPLAY HQ		COSPLAY JUDGES MASQUERADE FEEDBACK SESSION												

ROOM HOURS	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
EXHIBITORS SALON A-D	12:00pm - 7:00pm	10:00am - 6:00pm	10:00am - 3:00pm
AUTOGRAPHS SALON E	12:00pm - 7:00pm	10:00am - 7:00pm	10:00am - 3:00pm
VIDEO GAMING TERRACE 1/2	12:00pm - 11:00pm	10:00am - 11:00pm	10:00am - 4:00pm
TABLETOP GAMING TERRACE 3	12:00pm - 11:00pm	10:00am - 11:00pm	10:00am - 4:00pm

18+ WRISTBAND PICKUP	COSPLAY PROP CHECK INFO
YOU MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER TO ATTEND ANY PROGRAMMING MARKED AS 18+. PLEASE PRESENT A PHOTO ID TO THE INFO DESK TO GET YOUR 18+ WRISTBAND PRIOR TO ATTENDING THESE EVENTS.	IF YOU HAVE A PROP, MAKE SURE TO STOP BY INFO DESK TO GET YOUR PROP CHECKED BY OUR STAFF. PLEASE REVIEW ALL COSPLAY & PROP POLICIES PRIOR TO BRINGING A PROP INTO THE CONVENTION SPACE.

MAIN EVENTS

ATTENDEE PANELS

GUEST PANELS

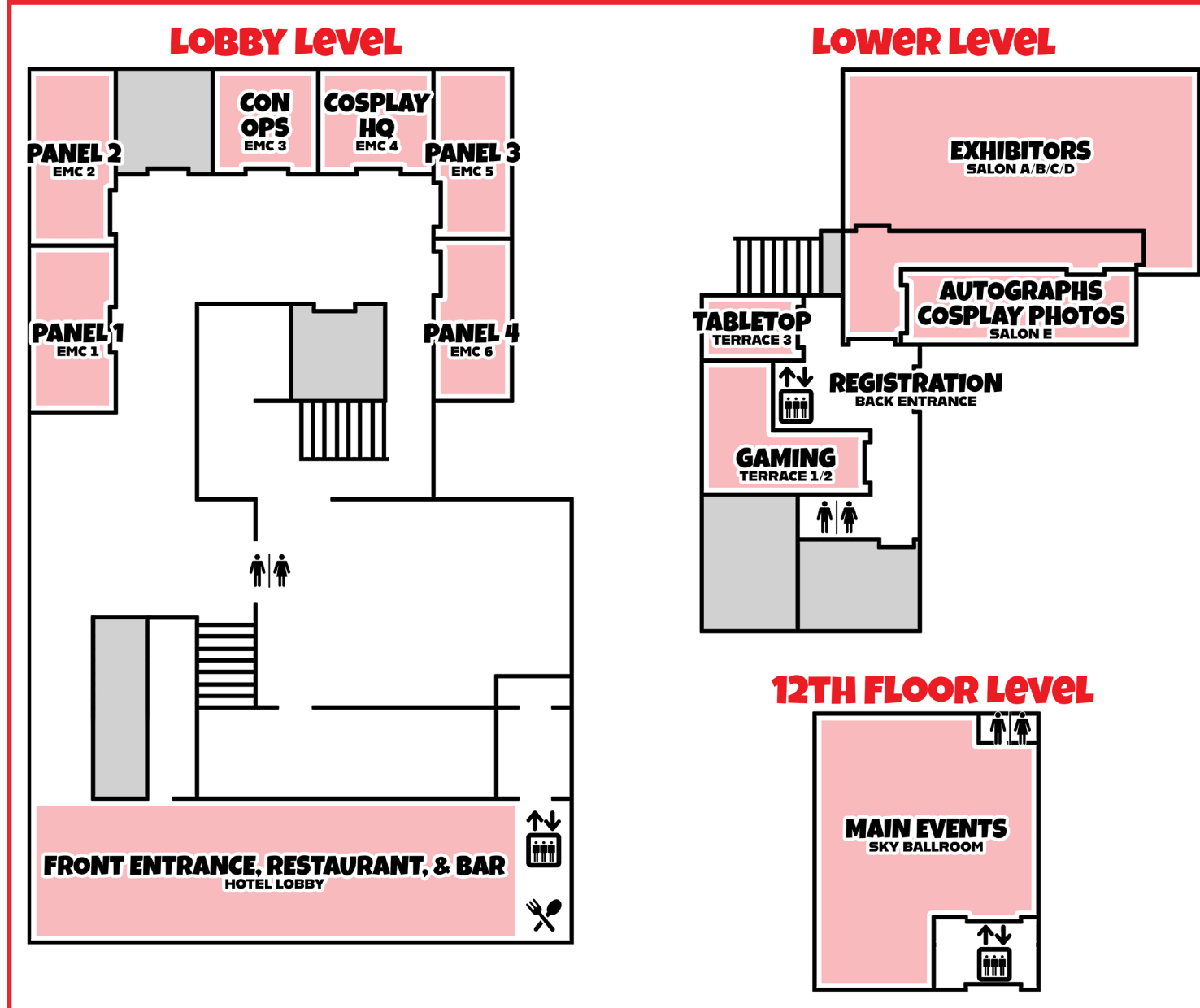
VIDEO SCREENINGS

ACTIVITIES



SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE - VISIT WWW.ANIMENJ.COM FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES

CONVENTION CENTER MAP



THINGS TO DO AT THE CON

NEED HELP PLANNING YOUR DAY? CHECK OUT ALL OF THESE EVENTS, ACTIVITIES, & AREAS!

360 PHOTO BOOTH
PRESENTED BY BBANKS360
OUTSIDE OF GAMING

PROFESSIONAL COSPLAY PHOTOS
PRESENTED BY THE VARIANT
IN AUTOGRAPHS/COSPLAY PHOTOS

ITASHA CAR SHOW
OUTSIDE OF HOTEL BACK ENTRANCE

SWAP MEET
SUNDAY IN PANELS 4

COSPLAY JUDGE MEET & GREET
IN AUTOGRAPHS/COSPLAY PHOTOS

TABLETOP GAMING
PRESENTED BY GOTCHA GACHA
IN TABLETOP

**GUEST AUTOGRAPHS
WITH OUR SPECIAL GUESTS**
IN AUTOGRAPHS/COSPLAY PHOTOS

INFO DESK
OUTSIDE PANEL ROOMS

COSPLAY MEETUPS
AT COSPLAY HQ

CONTENT CREATION SPACE
USE THE PATIO OUTSIDE HOTEL BACK ENTRANCE

VIDEO GAMING
PRESENTED BY ORIGIN OF PLAY
IN GAMING

IMPORT ARCADE GAMING
PRESENTED BY AEGIS GAMING
IN GAMING

MODEL KIT SHOWCASE
OUTSIDE OF EXHIBITORS

BREAKFAST & DINNER
AT LOBBY RESTAURANT

GRAB & GO SNACKS
AT LOBBY CONVENIENCE STORE

FOOD IN THE AREA GUIDE

DESTINATION	TYPE OF FOOD	DRIVE TIME	PRICES
FLUFFIES HOT CHICKEN	HOT CHICKEN	3 MINUTES	\$
BONCHON	KOREAN	4 MINUTES	\$
DUMPLING DOJO	ASIAN FUSION	4 MINUTES	\$
CORLEONE'S PIZZERIA	PIZZA	4 MINUTES	\$
HANK'S FRANKS	HOT DOGS	5 MINUTES	\$
BELLA PIZZA	PIZZA	6 MINUTES	\$
FISHER'S CAFE	BREAKFAST	6 MINUTES	\$
OISHI SUSHI	SUSHI	6 MINUTES	\$
WONDER KITCHEN	MISCELLANEOUS	6 MINUTES	\$
BUN BUDDIES	BURGERS	8 MINUTES	\$
OMGYRO HALAL	HALAL	10 MINUTES	\$
BENSI	ITALIAN	3 MINUTES	\$
CHIT CHAT DINER	DINER	4 MINUTES	\$
IVY INN RESTAURANT	AMERICAN	4 MINUTES	\$
BJ'S RESTAURANT & BREWHOUSE	AMERICAN	5 MINUTES	\$
HIMALAYA ON HEIGHTS	NEPALESE	5 MINUTES	\$
SOFIA'S MEDITERRANEAN	MEDITERRANEAN	6 MINUTES	\$
ZAFFRON BLOOM	PERSIAN	6 MINUTES	\$
THE HEIGHTS BAR & GRILL	AMERICAN	7 MINUTES	\$
SUMMER & AUTUMN CAFE	BREAKFAST	8 MINUTES	\$
LLAMA SAM	PERUVIAN	6 MINUTES	\$
KPOT KOREAN BBQ	KOREAN	7 MINUTES	\$
NOCHES DE COLOMBIA	COLUMBIAN	9 MINUTES	\$

WE ADVISE ALL ATTENDEES TO NOT WALK TO ANY OF THESE LOCATIONS - PLEASE ORDER ONLINE OR DRIVE
IF YOU NEED SOMETHING WALKABLE - THE 7-ELEVEN NEXT DOOR IS A GREAT SPOT TO GO FOR QUICK BITES, SNACKS, AND DRINKS

JOIN US FOR NEXT YEAR!

ALREADY PLANNING YOUR COSPLAYS FOR 2027?

WELL YOU WON'T HAVE TO WAIT LONG - ANIMENJ++ RETURNS SOONER THIS TIME AROUND!

JOIN US JUNE 2027 TO THE HILTON IN HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY
STAY TUNED TO OUR SOCIAL MEDIA AS WE GEAR UP FOR OUR 5TH YEAR