

# CoTiCon Masquerade

Our masquerade provides cosplayers with an opportunity to show their work in a slightly bigger way than just wandering through the convention. As a mini con, our masquerade is a welcome haven to newcomers to the masquerade circuit, and will be to a smaller crowd than those of larger conventions.

Masquerade will start at 4pm.

Masquerade registration will open at 10:30am on Saturday at the Masquerade Table. You will have until 12:30pm to sign up!

Green room check-in time is 2-4pm. All other information will be on site. Actual stage is in the exhibitor room.

Winners will be announced during the Award Ceremony to be held at 6pm on Saturday.

## **TIME LIMITS**

You will have up to **2 minutes** to either perform a skit or do a walk-on. Groups of more than 3 may have up to **3 minutes**. This does not mean that you have to use the entire time limit, you can be on for however long you wish as long as you don't exceed the time limit. Entries that go beyond this time limit will be disqualified.

## **WORKMANSHIP**

Workmanship judging is being offered at CoTiCon. This will be a good chance for anyone who wishes to have the technical aspects and quality of their costume judged. If you wish to have workmanship judging, please indicate it on your entry form. If you have made parts of your costume, you will automatically be judged on workmanship, unless you enter the skit division.

## **INTRODUCTIONS, SOUND/MUSIC**

If you would like an introduction to be read for your skit, please **print clearly** on your entry form. Please let know the MC (Master of Ceremonies) if you need to involve them in any way. We don't want to have our MC caught off-guard. If you don't provide an introduction, the MC will simply read the entry number & title of your entry.

Our stage will be on the small side, so you may not need any pre-recorded dialogue. However if you wish to have such or music or sound effects, please provide a USB (MP3 format) or CD with only one track on it to be played. Also indicate on your form when the track is to start playing. Also we will not be providing any microphones for you.

## **MASQUERADE RULES**

1. Please no open flame or similar effects (fireworks, sparklers, laser pointers, etc.).
2. The MC and MD (Masquerade Director) reserve the right to anyone from the

audience who they feel is disruptive to the masquerade.

3. No messy substances on stage (like liquids, confetti, snow, glitter)

4. No nudity or inappropriate material or references. Keep your performance to a PG-13 level at maximum.

5. Absolutely no dangerous actions on stage. This includes but is not limited to rough fighting, running, the waving around of large or long props and other such things. Do not throw anything into the audience, this will disqualify you from competition and may result in expulsion from CoTiCon.

CoTiCon's masquerade will follow [ICG](#) guidelines. These are not rules, merely guidelines to help you determine what level you should compete at.

## **DIVISIONS:**

### **Novice**

This division is for those who are entering in a masquerade for the first time or have not won any awards in previous masquerades, either presentation awards or workmanship awards.

There is a possibility that some entries may be bumped up by the masquerade director and judges, because they feel they can compete in a higher category. Decisions made by the masquerade director and judges are final.

### **Journeyman**

Journeyman is for those who have won 1 award as a Novice or have won less than three awards in the Journeyman division.

### **Artisan**

Artisans are those who have won three awards in the Journeyman Division.

### **Master**

This division is for those who have won more than three times in the Artisan division, or have won a Master award or Best-In class in journeyman, artisan or master division an anime convention's masquerade. Professionals from costume-related businesses must compete as a master.

### **Skit Division**

Skit division is for people who don't want to be judged on workmanship, but want to participate in the masquerade. This category is eligible for presentations award.

Any decisions made by the masquerade director and the judges are final, and non-respect of these rules will result into a disqualification