

Call for Entries for the



Cosplay Contest

Submit your cosplays to the 3rd [Geek/Art CONfluence](#) comic con, organized through Syracuse University!

This year we hope to have the CON be both in-person and online, and hope to have both in-person and online components to the cosplay contest as well. If Covid conditions change we will switch the in-person contest to a live Zoom event, only. **The CON is March 27, 2022.**

Submissions for the **online** cosplay content are due by **March 19 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern.**

We recommend that participants for the **in-person** cosplay contest sign up in advance, but we also welcome contestants to join the day of the CON.

The winners for both the online and in-person contests will be revealed during the CON on March 27.

DETAILS BELOW!

HOW TO ENTER

Please submit your entry through [this Google Form](#) if possible. You can use it for all the different contest categories (online and in-person). You will need a Google account to fill it out.

If you are unable to use the form, you can email your entry to Chris Wildrick at cwildric@syr.edu or message us through our Facebook page, [@GeekArtCONfluence](#).

ONLINE CONTEST DETAILS

We have two separate online categories: **Photos** and **Videos**. Submissions for both are due by **March 19**, using the Google Form listed above, or email/Facebook if you cannot use the form.

Online photos and videos will be posted on www.geekartconfluence.com for everyone to see! We will also play a slideshow of the online photos and videos during the CON's Zoom.

Photo Category:

Include:

- your name and/or cosplay name
- the name of your character
- the show/game/comic etc. that the character is from--also note if your costume is a particular version or costume for the character
- one photo that shows your full body/costume, from head to feet
 - You may send up to 4 additional photos to show details or show how parts of your costume move (for instance: picture with wings open and picture with wings closed)
 - Higher resolution photos are better
- a reference image of your character, unless your cosplay is an original character
- a brief textual description for each photo or image provided, including your reference image

Video Category:

Videos can be skits/dances/whatever, with a single person or multiple people.

Videos must be 1 minute or less and family friendly. Yes, that's short. Less is more, pack in the greatness!

Include:

- your name and/or cosplay name
- the name of your character
- the show/game/comic etc. that the character is from--also note if your costume is a particular version or costume for the character
- a reference image of your character, unless your cosplay is an original character
- a brief textual description of your reference image
- a brief textual description to accompany your video link, summarizing key features of video

- a link to your video
 - Don't email the actual video. Email Chris a **link** to your video on Youtube, Dropbox, Google Drive, TikTok, etc. Videos that include someone else's work (for instance TikToks where you react to someone else's original video) **MUST INCLUDE** the original person's name/username etc. so as to give them credit. Please be sure that your video has English subtitles, whenever possible.

IN-PERSON CONTEST DETAILS

The in-person contest will be held during the CON in the Shaffer Art Building on the Syracuse University campus on March 27. We will also broadcast it live on Zoom.

Anything that looks like a weapon must be kept under wraps except in the actual cosplay contest room. Standard "safe weapon" rules apply—nothing that can actually shoot, nothing that would hurt somebody if we whacked or poked them with it. We reserve the right to temporarily confiscate any accessories that we deem to be too dangerous, solely on our judgement, and will return them after the show.

Masks must be worn as a deterrent against Covid-19 while inside, according to [Syracuse University policy](#).

We recommend you send in the following (using the form above) before March 27, but you can also show up as a contestant the day of the CON and give us this information in person:

- your name and/or cosplay name
- the name of your character
- the show/game/comic etc. that the character is from—also note if your costume is a particular version or costume for the character
- a reference image of your character, unless your cosplay is an original character
- a brief textual description for any image(s) that you provide

GENERAL RULES AND TIPS

Costumes can be from any genre, including original characters and mash-ups.

You must have made/alterd at least 75% of your costume, unless it is a Closet Cosplay, in which case please label it as a Closet Cosplay.

You cannot submit the same costume in more than one category. You may, however, participate in more than one category if you enter different costumes in each category.

We recommend taking pictures/videos in GOOD LIGHTING and with GOOD FOCUS!

All images/videos that we receive will be publicly posted on www.geekartconfluence.com and other social media platforms. We will also photograph all participants at the in-person contest. By submitting your images/videos to us, or by allowing us to photograph you, you are granting us permission to post those images or videos publicly on these and other sites, and to use them as publicity and documentation for the CON this year and in future years.

We reserve the right to refuse cosplays that are offensive in nature, based on our judgment.

Once again, please include textual descriptions of your images, and subtitles on your videos, so they can be appreciated by an inclusive audience.

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories. All prizes will be announced online and in person during the CON on March 27.

Online Photos:

Grand Prize, \$100; Judges' Choice awards, \$50 each.

Online Videos:

Grand Prize, \$100; Judges' Choice awards: \$50 each.

In-Person Photos:

Grand Prize, \$100; Judges' Choice awards: \$50 each.

Audience's Choice:

In the week *before* the CON, anyone can vote on social media for their favorite Online Photo and Online Video.

In the week *after* the CON, we'll post images of all the in-person cosplays, and anyone can then vote on social media for their favorite In-Person cosplay.

We will award an Audience Choice prize of \$50 for the cosplays with the most votes in each of those three categories.

QUESTIONS?

Email **Chris Wildrick**, cwildric@sy.edu or message him on [Facebook](#) @geekartconfluence.

We're also on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) @geekartcon.