

GOLDEN STATE



APRIL 8TH - 10TH, 2022
HILTON LAX, CA

Art by: TheCraftyWhiteFox

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Get Up & Boogie at Studio 50-Fur!

Our theme this year, is:
Studio 50-Fur!

It's based on the Broadway theater and nightclub. Known for its love of disco and groovy styles, we hope to see you out there on the dance floor this year!



Art by: Aesop

Con Hours

For the latest updates,
follow us on Twitter at:

@GSFurCon

Registration

Thursday: 5pm - 9pm
Friday: 9:30am - 6pm
Saturday: 9am - 6pm
Sunday: 10am - 2pm

Charity Table

Friday: 12pm - 8pm
Saturday: 10am - 8pm
Sunday: 10am - 4pm

Con Operations, Lost & Found

Room: Executive Boardroom
Thursday: 5pm - 9pm
Friday: 9:30am - 2am
Saturday: 9am - 2am
Sunday: 10am - 7pm

Sponsor's Social Hour

Room: Century AB
Saturday: 12pm - 2pm
Sunday: 12pm - 2pm

Patron Dinner

Room: Century AB
Saturday: 5pm - 6pm

Artist's Alley

Room: Plaza Ballroom B
Friday: 12pm - 8pm
Saturday: 10am - 8pm
Sunday: 10am - 4pm

GOH Cocktail Hour

Room: Century AB
Saturday: 10pm - 11pm

Dealer's Den

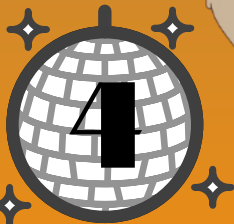
Room: Plaza Ballroom A
Friday: 12pm - 8pm
Saturday: 10am - 6pm
Sunday: 10am - 4pm

Gaming Room

Room: Carmel
Friday: 1pm - 10pm
Saturday: 11am - 3pm, 5pm - 10pm
Sunday: 3pm - 5:30pm

Photobooth

Room: La Jolla A
Friday: 3pm - 8pm
Saturday: 12pm - 5pm
Sunday: 11am - 3pm



Art by: Kosmo

Con Map

Ground Floor



Con Map

Lower Level



Con Map

Upper Level



Con Guidelines

Remember the
6-2-1 Rule!
At **LEAST**:



6
Hours
Of Sleep



2
Full Meals
(snacks don't count!)

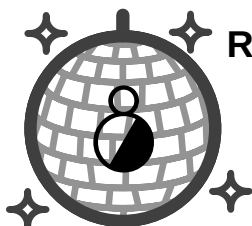


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Shower

For those in fursuits
Be aware of heat stroke!

HEAT EXHAUSTION OR HEAT STROKE

FAINT OR DIZZY
EXCESSIVE SWEATING
COOL, PALE, CLAMMY SKIN
NAUSEA OR VOMITING



RAPID, WEAK PULSE
MUSCLE CRAMPS



THROBBING HEADACHE
NO SWEATING
BODY TEMPERATURE ABOVE
103°F (RED, HOT, DRY SKIN)
NAUSEA OR VOMITING
RAPID, STRONG PULSE
MAY LOSE CONSCIOUSNESS

Costumes Are NOT Consent!

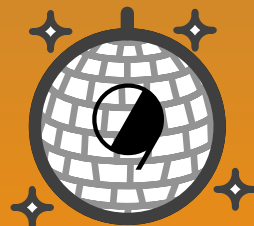
Always
treat your
fellow attendees
with respect!
Always ask before
touching anyone!

Golden State Fur Con
has **ZERO TOLERANCE**
for these matters.

All reports of harassment/
assault are taken **very seriously**. If
you witness or are the victim of
harassment or assault, report it to
Convention Operations immediately.
If you are in immediate danger, it can
be reported to hotel security as well.



Art by: Kosmo



Zeon Vibes

Guest of Honor VitoFox

Hey I'm VitoFox! I am that one TikTok WereFox that shows up on the 'foryou' page from time to time! I love creating content and sharing it with my friends and my fans. My entire life I've been creating and striving to create for this amazing fandom. I am also a self-taught artist / animator that's loves to make animated videos, whether it's for YouTube, TikTok or Instagram I enjoy every second. I can't wait to see you all at GSFC 2022, let's make it a great one!

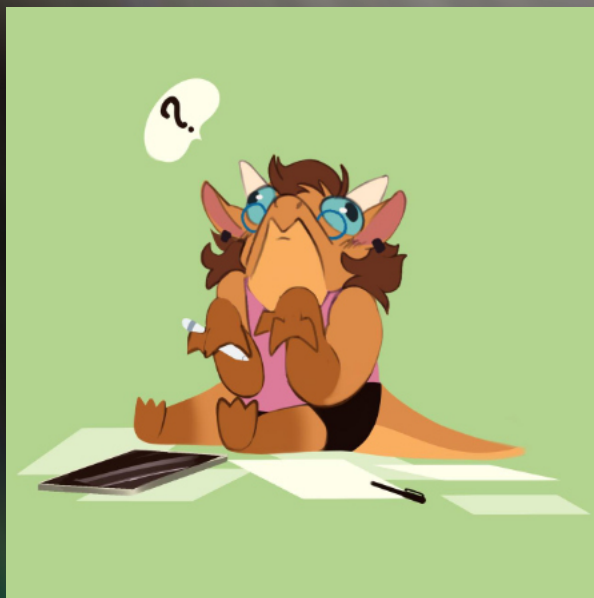


Art by: Vitofox and Zeon Vibes

Guest of Honor

MystikFoxArt

I'm an artist that spends most of his time drawing but have spent a long time in the furry community. I enjoy creating fantasy illustrations or just general furry art. I'm currently a part of the art team for The TTRPG Wild Space.



Art by: MystikFoxArt

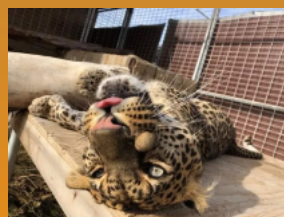
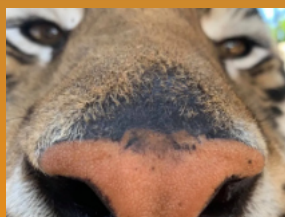
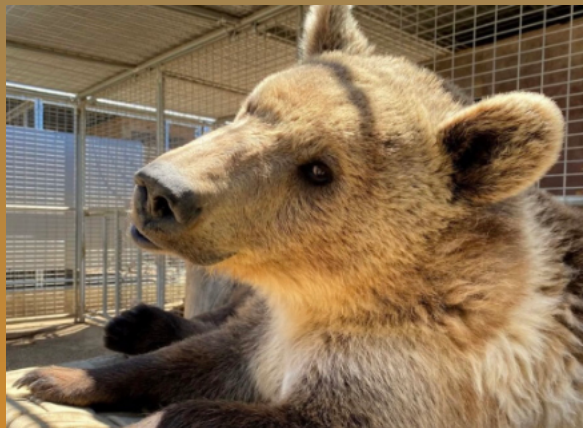


Charity



Our Mission:

Forever Wild Exotic Animal Sanctuary is dedicated to preserving the lives of abused, neglected and abandoned exotic animals through rescue, rehabilitation and education. By partnering with our community we can change animals lives and inspire future generations.



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AEIOU Team

Yes, that's really our name :3

Anthropomorphic Events Incorporated Organization United

Board Members

Amazon, Kiggy,
Nova, Maxwell,
Rory, Vonbon,
Wolfletech, Zeno

Directors

Foxene - Art
Ghost Crux - AV/IT
Pup Whisper - Con Ops
Nekobunny - Events
Beeny - Logistics
Luke Spots - Photography
Dibbs - Registration

Department Managers

Light - Artist Alley
Shadoo - AV/IT
Kricket - Charity
Chloe - Con Store
Robin - Dealers Den
Blazi - Game Room
Mags - Registration

Con Art

Aesop
CRTVHead
Foxene
Kosmo
Light

AV/IT

Aksel
Toby
Razeth

Charity

Mavil

Con Store

Beeny

Theme

Nutmeg

Dealer's Den

Aric

Events

Camarapup
Kovis
Neon
Pansy

Operations

Cybin
Khris
Lazlo
Losair
Skyite

Photo Department

Holiday

Registration

Alice/Asa
Aurelius/Blue
Julia
Jynx
Starlight

Website

Razeth



Art by: Foxene



Dealer's List

We are honored to present the following Dealers in the Den this year! Come check out all the amazing stuff they have. We hope to see you all there!

A Dragon with a Shop
Art by Ellen Ma
Because Fuzz
Closet Geek LLC
Creepy Cat Toy Co
Elven Hound Illustrations
F-CLASS
Fenris Publishing
Hyde Hermit Studios
Jelly Stitch
Jnii.jpg
Lava Alley
Lemon-Crème
Masked Merchant
Mystic Fox
Onion Cakes
Orca Owl

Papaya Badger
Phoneix of Starlight
Rabbitasaur Creatives
Sailor's Stuff
Softpauxs
Star Salts
Taurson's Café
TepidDreamer
TFOTR
The Forsaken Scribe
Uncommon Critter
Victoria Rene Creations
VitoFox
Waffle Wishes
Wintre Arts
Wulf Co
Xtrafurrestrial



FURRY LOGIC

AT-EVENT ESCAPE ROOMS

Furry Logic is happy to be bringing its escape room experience to Golden State Fur Con 2022!

This year, our teams will be taken on a trip to Camp Iwanasolvya, where they'll become scouts and earn their merit badges to complete our game!

Tickets are \$20 per player to play. Stop by our table at the con to purchase your tickets!



This years all weekend long pool toy party, is hosted by the amazing Phenod, so be sure to check it out!



<https://phenodtoy.com/>

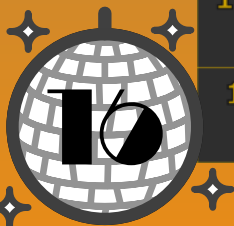
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Schedule

Friday

Friday	Main Events	Secondary	Panel 1	Meet & Greets	Game Room
11:00 AM					
	11:30 AM Opening Ceremonies				
12:00 PM					
1:00 PM					1:00 PM Smash Bros. Tournament Sign-ups
	1:30 PM Furries & Flowarts		1:30 PM Anthros in Video Games		
2:00 PM					2:00 PM
3:00 PM	3:00 PM Fursuit Maker 101 The Round Table	3:00 PM VRChat			Super Smash Brothers Ultimate Tournament
4:00 PM			4:00 PM Onesie Party: Hosted by Neon	4:00 PM Fur The Grey We Ain't Old Yet!	
5:00 PM	5:00 PM Running AV for a Furry Convention				
6:00 PM				6:00 PM Pin Trading	
7:00 PM	7:00 PM		6:30 PM 3D Printing For Beginners & Fursuit Making		
	[18+] Jackbox	7:30 PM Ghost Hunting 101		7:30 PM Macro/Micro Meet & Greet	
8:00 PM			8:00 PM [18+] NSFW Worms & Sasquatch		
9:00 PM				9:00 PM	
	9:30 PM	9:30 PM [18+] Smash or Pass, Fictional Character Edition	10:00 PM [18+] Corsets & Cosplay	Let's Build A Fur	
10:00 PM					
11:00 PM	Dances				
12:00 PM					
1:00 AM					



Schedule

Saturday

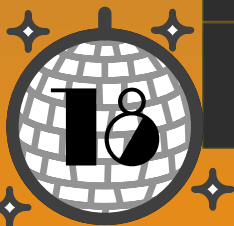
Saturday	Main Events	Secondary	Panel 1	Meet & Greet
9:00 AM	9:00 AM Dance Competition Pre-Lims			
10:00 AM				
11:00 AM		11:00 AM Autism: The Misunderstood		
12:00 PM	11:30 AM TikTok Furrries		11:30 AM 90's Cartoons: Radical, Rude, & Ridiculous	11:30 AM Mustelidae Meet Up
1:00 PM		1:00 PM Art and Process		1:00 PM The Rack Shack
2:00 PM			1:30 PM Insect Anatomy	
3:00 PM	3:00 PM Fursuit Photo and Parade			
4:00 PM				
5:00 PM			5:00 PM Making Enamel Pins!	
6:00 PM	6:00 PM Dance Competition			
7:00 PM				
8:00 PM		8:00 PM Introduction to Leather Crafting		8:00 PM Artist Meet & Greet
9:00 PM	8:30 PM [18+] Kink 101			
10:00 PM	10:00 PM Dances	9:30 PM [18+] Time Management as a Full Timer		
11:00 PM			10:30 PM Read it and Weep: Bad Fanfiction Reading	
12:00 PM				
1:00 AM				
2:00 AM				



Schedule

Sunday

Sunday	Main Events	Secondary	Panel 1	Meet & Greets
10:00 AM				
11:00 AM	11:00 AM Fursuit Games	11:00 AM [18+] Pet Play and Handler 101	11:00 AM Animation and Video Making	11:00 AM Rabbit Furs Meet & Greet
12:00 PM				
1:00 PM		1:00 PM Eight-Legged Love		12:30 PM Charity Poker Tournament
2:00 PM	1:30 PM Fursuit Acting		1:30 PM You Want to Volunteer and Help at a Con?	
3:00 PM		2:30 PM Trading Post		
4:00 PM	3:00 PM Charity Auction			
5:00 PM				
6:00 PM		6:00 PM Closing Ceremonies		
7:00 PM				
8:00 PM		7:30 PM Dead Dog Dances		



Guest Of Honor Panels Friday

Furries and Flowarts **MystikFox**

Do you like the Flow Arts like Poi, leviwands, or hula hoops? Come join our Guest of Honor: MystikFox at a flow arts meet and greet. Show off your skills and equipment, or come learn some basic skills and information from MystikFox and get yourself ready to show some of your moves at the dances later that night!

Main Events
1:30pm - 2:30pm
GOH, Entertainment

VRChat **Vitofox , Calculous**

Let's talk about the world of VRChat furries!

Secondary Events
3:00pm - 4:00pm
GOH, Entertainment

Art by: CRTVHead



Friday Events

3D Printing for Beginners and Fursuit Making Samantha Herrick

An intro into everything 3D printing, whether you're a beginner or a pro. We'll also go into how to take that knowledge and apply it to fursuit making.

Panel Room 1
6:30pm – 7:30pm
Education, Technology

Anthros in Video Games Khris

Anthro characters have been major figures in many forms of media, but don't seem to be recognized enough in video games. Let's fix that!! Come discuss anthros in video games, and learn some history behind it!

Panel Room 1
1:30pm - 3:00pm
Education

Corsets and Cosplay Lady Shadow

18+ ID CHECK AT DOOR

How to play and stay in your corset. Tips on playing and staying in your corset during the many hours of fun-filled Cosplay.

Panel Room 1
10:00pm - 11:00pm
Education, Fursuit Related

Fur The Grey - We Ain't Old Yet! Joe G Bear

All of you kids get off the lawn - this is for Greymuzzle Furrries who want to look at the latest research in "successful aging." Topics covered include: "train your brain" and social strategies to get the best out of the second half of your life.

Meet and Greet Room
4:00pm - 5:00pm
Education, Social

Fursuit Maker IOI - The Round Table Nekobunny

New makers? Amateur makers? Professional makers? Come one and all to discuss the process of fursuit making from tips and tricks, to builds. Bring your photos and your business cards!

Main Events
4:00pm - 5:30pm
Fursuit, Education

Ghost Hunting IOI Tundra

Ever wonder what goes bump in the night? See something in the corner of your eye you just can't explain?

Does no one believe you when you tell them you heard something out of the ordinary? Well let Tundra tell you how to maybe capture evidence and what sort of tools are used in professional ghost hunting!

Secondary Events
7:30pm - 9:00pm
Education

Jackbox 18+ Nekobunny and Maxwell

18+ ID CHECK AT DOOR

Come join us for another evening of bad puns, dirty jokes, and desperate attempts at being humorous! Finally in-person after doing this on Discord over quarantine we get to enjoy everyone laughing and having a good time together.

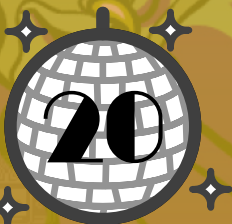
Hosted by a collection of silly fools from your con staff!

Main Events
7:00pm - 9:00pm
Entertainment, Social

Let's Build A Fur! TheCraftyWhiteFox's Imaginarium LLC

Design an adoptable character for the charity auction.

Meet and Greet Room
9:00pm - 12:00am
Art, Meet & Greet



Friday Events

Macro/Micro Meet & Greet **Skyite Ovexion**

Hang out with those into unusual sizes both big and small, see why the fandom can't measure up without us and have some fun!

Meet and Greet Room
7:30pm - 8:30pm
Meet & Greet, Social

Meet the Board Social Hour **AEIOU Board**

Come hang out with our convention board members and get to know the team.

Sponsor's Social
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Meet & Greet, Social

NSFW Worms and Sasquatch **Angrydirt**

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A fun educational look into the history of how the legend of the Sasquatch came to be alongside the life cycle of our friendly neighborhood earthworm.

Tin foil hats and worms on strings will be provided!

Panel Room 1
8:00pm - 9:00pm
Entertainment

Onesie Party! **Neon**

A Onesie, Kigurumi, Pajama Party hosted by Neon. Come for music, card games, and stories!

Panel Room 1
4:00pm - 5:00pm
Social

Opening Ceremonies **AEIOU Team**

11:30am - 12:30pm
Main Events

Pin Trading **Tundra**

Come trade pins with other community members!

Meet and Greet Room
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Meet & Greet

Running AV for a Furry **Convention** **The AV Crew**

Interested in what goes into running AV for a con? Want to find out how all the blinky lights go blinky blink?

Come find out!

Main Events
5:00pm - 6:00pm

Super Smash Brothers Ultimate **Tournament**

Challenge your fellow furrries in Smash Brothers Ultimate! Sign ups in the game room Friday 1:00pm - 2:00pm.

Game Room
2:00pm - 6:00pm

Smash or Pass, Fictional Character Edition **Kricket, Mavil, Khris, Nutmeg,** **Neon**

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We will be compiling a list of various characters from all sorts of pop culture to play smash or pass with.

Guest interactions will be tallied up to tell us who the most popular smashable characters of all time are!

Secondary Events
9:30pm - 10:30pm
Entertainment

Art by: Recurrent



Guest of Honor Panels Saturday

Art and Process MystikFoxDraws

Join our Guest of Honor MystikFoxDraws in his Art and Process panel. MysticFoxDraws will be sharing the art process that they use to create art from start to finish.

Secondary Events 1:00pm - 2:00pm Art, Education

TikTok Furrries Vitofox, Calculous

Are you a TikTok furry
or perhaps a future TikTok furry?
This is the panel for you!

Main Events 11:30am - 12:30pm



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Saturday Events

90's Cartoons: Radical, Rude and Ridiculous Diego

The 90's were a fun time; on Saturday morning you'd plunk down and watch some rad cartoons. People still remember the main ones from that era, but what about those which slipped through the cracks?

This panel will focus on those obscure 90s cartoons, the ones mostly forgotten, yet fondly remembered by a few.

Come get some recommendations, rediscover a few gems, and realize that, yes, it was real, not a fever dream.

Panel Room 1
11:30am - 1:00pm
Education, Entertainment

Artist Meet and Greet **TheCraftyWhiteFox** **Imaginarium LLC**

A great way to meet artists, both experienced and those wishing to learn more! A great way to share tips, tricks and learn more about all the wonderful things we can do!

Meet and Greet
8:00pm - 9:30pm
Art, Educational, Meet & Greet

Introduction to Leather Crafting **Mike Byrnes, Kaity Byrnes, & Justin Kirstein**

As a leather crafter I had a hard time learning the craft and knowing the cost of tools, leather, and time. This will be an educational panel that will go over basic tools and leather that someone can purchase to start on this hobby or potential business.

Secondary Events
8:00pm - 9:00pm
Education, Art

Insect Anatomy **Khris, Cricket, & Mavil**

Ever wanted to make an insect style 'sona but was scared to because they are so different then mammals? Well then come learn about insect anatomy from an actual entomologist! This panel will teach you about the basics for every insect, and specifics for some of the popular insects out there from: antennae types, body styles, wing design, specific behaviors, and more!

Panel Room 1
1:30pm - 3:00pm
Education



Saturday Events cont.

Autism: The Misunderstood Adam Applebaum & The Forsaken Scribe

Autism affects many in and out of the furry fandom. The goal of this panel is to help others understand what it is to be on the condition, how to handle it, and what unprecedented opportunities exist for these amazing individuals. If you take nothing else from it perhaps the info presented can help clear up any misunderstandings one has had with other furs who may or may not be on the Autistic Spectrum.

Secondary Events
11:00am - 12:30pm
Education, Social

Dance Competition Prelims

Would you like to join the Dance Competition?? Bring your music with you! Must be in .mp3 format with no swear words and rated PG.

Check-in Starts at 8:40am
Main Events
9:00am - 11:00am
Entertainment, Fursuit

Dance Comp
The big showdown!

Main Events
6:00pm - 8:00pm

Kink IOI Amazon, Nova, & Rory 18+ ID CHECK AT DOOR

Kink 101 is an educational panel about learning the history of kink, and the color codes associated with it. Join Amazon, Nova, and Rory to get a basic intro to kink culture and what made us who we are allowed to be today!

Main Events
8:30pm - 9:30pm
Education

Making Enamel Pins! Onioncakes

Have you ever wanted to make your own pins? Do you have a million questions that you'd love to get answered? How to get a manufacturer? How to take and ship orders? What program? Metals? Hard or soft enamel? Ask them all here with Onioncakes! An artist who has been working with enamel pins as a medium for over 8 years!

Panel Room 1
5:00pm - 6:00pm
Education, Art

Mustelidae Meet-Up Vinson Mink, Syls Sable

Weasels! Otters! Wolverines! Badgers! Martens! And yes -- skunks too! Whether it's your fursona, or just your favorite characters, come on in and meet some fans of the weasel-kin family.

Meet and Greet
11:30am - 12:30pm
Art, Meet & Greet



Guest of Honor Panels Sunday

Animation and Video Making

Vitofox, Calculous

Come join our wonderful guest of honor: Vitofox and their friend Calculous about what goes into animation and video making.

Panel Room 1

11:00am - 12:00pm

Education

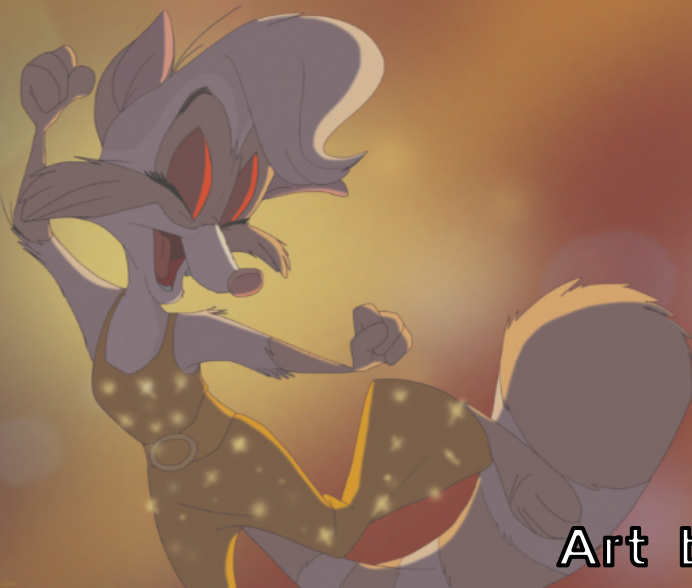
Fursuit Acting Panel

Vitofox, Lazarus

Want to know how to perform in a suit? Now you can!

Main Events

1:30pm - 2:30pm



Art by: Kosmo



Sunday Events

Charity Auction

Come support our wonderful charity and go home with some amazing stuff!

Main Events

3:00pm - 6:00pm

Charity Poker Tournament

Any good at Texas Hold 'Em? Come show off those bluffing skills and support our charity at the same time! A \$20 donation will buy you in, so come have fun!

Meet and Greet

12:30pm - 3:00pm

Closing Ceremonies

Bring the convention to a wonderful close, get a sneak peek at the theme for next year, and bid each other a fond farewell.

Main Events

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Eight-Legged Love Khris, Cricket, Mavil

We all see the memes about burning spiders, but has anyone ever thought beyond them being creepy? Well why don't you come by and learn about these eight-legged lovelies, and learn why you shouldn't fear them as much!

Secondary Events

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Fursuit Games

Main Events

11:00am - 12:30pm

Pet Play and Handler IOI KieranHound

18+ ID CHECK AT THE DOOR

Pet players and furs unite! KieranHound, leather title-holder of LA Pup 2022, welcomes all who are curious about the inclusive joy of pet play. Come enjoy a Pet Play and Handler IOI panel perspective and history talk with local leaders: Ruby the Poodle, Erin Piglet (Lyric), Pup Chewi, Cloe, Pup Garnet, Sir Wombat, and Pug. Stay for some chill coloring time and fun pet play mosh games with plenty of squeaky toys and even a prize at the end! Make new friends and find ways to explore your inner critter or handler within your own comfort.

Secondary Events

11:00am - 12:30pm

Rabbit Furs meet and greet Orvan Rabbit

Do you like to munch on vegetables, be cute and fluffy and just enjoy hopping around? Meet other rabbits, bunnies, and even hares here!

Meet and Greet

11:00am - 12:00pm

Trading Post Jensen Price

An all ages friendly panel set up for pin, art, and furry item trading!

Secondary Events

2:30pm - 3:30pm

You want to Volunteer and help at con?

AEIOU Board

Conventions could never happen without the amazing support of volunteers. Swing on by to get a sneak peek at just how MUCH screaming happens behind the scenes!

Panel 1

1:30pm - 2:30pm



COVID-19 Policy

Greetings! Based on the current city of Los Angeles guidelines, Golden State Fur Con will officially be hosted April 8th-10th, 2022.

Per federal guidelines, the state of California, and the city of Los Angeles, it was deemed that large public gatherings will be safe to host in 2022, given the projected guidelines. California has their own COVID-19 restrictions and preventions, but AEIOU will have their own safety measures in place as well. We are contractually obligated based on the above to host our event; however, this is subject to change as guidelines change.

In regards to Golden State Fur Con registration:

- All paid GSFC registrations for postponed events will automatically carry over to the new dates, at the same reg level.
- Those who do not wish to attend GSFC 2022, we are happy to offer the ability to transfer your registration to 2023 for those who have purchased a badge prior to this announcement. We understand with the rapidly changing environment that some may not feel comfortable attending in-person events at this time. If you feel uncomfortable attending the event, we encourage you to contact: info@gsfurcon.com to move your registration to 2023. At this time, unfortunately we cannot allow for refunds of previously registered attendees.
- Should this event be postponed again, any new registrations purchased after this announcement can be refunded or transferred to the 2023 GSFC event.
- We appreciate your patience and understanding as we move forward into hosting events in 2022. We would like to thank everyone who has been sticking with us through this difficult time. We are looking forward to hopefully seeing everyone in the coming months. In the meantime, we encourage everyone to continue to stay safe, wear masks, and visit your local state health department websites on where you can get vaccinated.

The following are all the COVID-19 restrictions and operations we will be putting in effect:

- Disclaimer: Restrictions and Regulations are subject to change at any time. These will be updated as we receive new COVID-19 and social distancing guidelines.
- Any staff and attendees will be required to be vaccinated and provide proof of vaccination. Negative tests will not be accepted. We are working with local, state and federal requirements on what will be necessary to prove vaccination has been completed.
- Any staff and attendees are required to wear a mask in any function space at all times. Masks must be worn correctly over the nose and mouth. Face shields are not an acceptable alternative. Masks that require a filter that do not have a filter are not allowed. Masks with ventilation holes or patterning that allows for complete airflow will not be allowed. (when eating or drinking the mask restriction is lifted, but must be done in designated areas). Mask checks will be performed in all function spaces. A mask will be provided if needed.
- Recommended social distancing of 6ft will be maintained in all spaces.
- Theater style seating will be spaced 6ft apart from non-friend/family groups.
- Tables allow for a 10 person capacity spaced 6ft apart.
- Food and Beverage: all items may be served by an attendant or may be pre-packaged. Areas will be designated for food and beverage consumption
- Signature on a participate at your own risk form alongside agreeing to COVID-19 regulations.
- There will be hand sanitizing stations available throughout the convention space.
- Hourly cleaning and sanitizing will be performed in all spaces and between events.
- Staff will be provided with masks, hand sanitizer bottles with a refill station, sanitizing equipment for sanitation between equipment use. Gloves will be provided if wanted. Staff rooms will be limited in capacity if requested. All staff food and drinks provided from AEIOU will be pre-packaged.

Moving forward, we will be rapidly updating our website with new information, deadlines, and applications regarding dealers, panels, dance competition, DJs, artist alley, ect. We will also be updating our registration and hotel room page, with adequate warning as to when both will be opening. Please be patient as we move forward as rapidly as we can.

We would like to also happily announce that AEIOU as a company will be moving towards becoming a non-profit organization, or a 501c3. We are working with a lawyer to make this transition. As of right now, we do not have a specific timeline on when this will come into effect, but we are working swiftly at making this happen as soon as we are able, and will post updates as soon as we have them.

- Golden State Fur Con



The Rules

The following is the full list of the rules and regulations of AEIOU Conventions.

The primary reason our conventions happen is for our attendees to have fun, and in order to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone, the following rules have been put in place. AEIOU welcomes all persons to our conventions, but do reserve the right to deny or revoke the membership of any individual at any time for any reason.

Any action, behavior, or dress that causes significant interference with the convention operations, significant discomfort to other attendees, or affects the conventions relationship with the the venue, attendees, or the public is strictly prohibited and may result in the removal of your person from the property and a ban from the current convention or future events that AEIOU hosts. This includes behavior pre-convention and not just on site.

Badges and Convention Identification

The convention badge provided to you at Registration is property of AEIOU and must be surrendered upon request. You may keep your badge after the end of the convention if requested.

Your badge visible at all times when you are in the convention space. This is your identification when entering events within the space.

By accepting your badge, you are agreeing to abide by all AEIOU policies as well as any other agreements that may be necessary or put in place at the time of the convention.

Anyone who accepts a badge agrees to indemnify and hold harmless AEIOU from any claim for personal injuries or any other damages or equity arising out of any individuals activities at AEIOU conventions, even if the injury or damage is caused by negligence by or the part of AEIOU.

Attendance by Minors

Children under the age of 18 are permitted to attend AEIOU conventions, with the exception of Golden State Fur Con.

Children under the age of 13 are permitted to attend with a parent or guardian present at all times with the minor.

A child under the age of 13 will not be permitted in the convention space at any time without a parent or guardian present, we are not babysitters.

A minor that is 14, 15, 16, or 17 is permitted to attend the convention without a parent or guardian present. Anything that the minor participates in at any AEIOU conventions are the sole responsibility of the minors parent or guardian regardless of if they are present or not.

Minors are not permitted to enter any areas that are labeled as 18+, adults only, 21+, ect even with a parent or guardian present.

Minors that are 5 and under are permitted a badge without having to pay the badge fee.

Convention "Rating"

AEIOU Conventions are considered "rated" at PG in all public areas. AEIOU becomes "PG-13" acceptable after 8pm. The exception being Golden State Fur Con where certain more adult themes may be visible in public areas during all convention hours.

Exceptions will be made in areas clearly marked as "Mature" rated in the schedule and event areas such as the 18+ areas in the Art Show/Dealers Den.

Any area with a rating above PG-13 will have controlled access and may require display of photo identification along with convention badges to verify age before admittance.

18+ areas will be off limits to Minors regardless of parental consent.

General Rules

No sleeping in any public areas of the hotel or convention spaces.

Attendees are required to follow any reasonable instructions when given by a staff member. If you believe an instruction is not reasonable, address your concerns to the Manager of that department. Disputes are escalated as necessary, but the decision of the Directors/ Chair is final.

Convention spaces are open ONLY to registered attendees or visitors being escorted by staff.

Badges are issued only to one person and may not be shared at any time. If a badge is found to be shared, the badge will be taken for the duration of the convention and the person originally issued the badge as well as the person wearing the shared badge will be removed from the convention.

Knowingly providing transportation or housing, or enabling an individual that is banned from AEIOU conventions to attend, will result in a permanent ban.

Smoking, and Vaping are **NOT PERMITTED** in the convention spaces and hotel rooms. There are designated areas for smoking/ vaping.

Any act of vandalism or deliberate damage to the hotel or hotel property will result in immediate and permanent removal from AEIOU conventions. This also includes any interference with hotel staff in the performance of their duties.

Merchandise sales may only be performed in the Dealers Den, Artist Alley, or any area similarly designated by convention staff and only by parties who have prior arrangements with the convention or hotel to conduct business.

Hotel and Rooms/Parties

The person named in the room reservation is responsible for anyone staying in the room, visiting the room, or passing through, and any damages that occur.

Signs may not be posted to hotel walls, hallways, or elevators of the Hotel unless otherwise stated by the individual convention. If allowed, this must be done with paper or 'painters' tape to prevent residue being left on the walls. If flyers are placed with improper hanging materials, the person named in the room reservation will be responsible for damages and payment to the hotel.

Room Parties are allowed, but noise must be kept to a level to not disturb other attendees during night hours. Doors to hotel rooms must be kept shut.

Noise complaints will receive a single warning from the hotel staff.

The member hosting the party is responsible for cleanup. Excessive trash, soiling, or damage to hotel property in the room may result in removal from the hotel and the convention.

Housekeeping will ONLY clean up bagged trash. In most cases, hotel staff are required by corporate policy to inspect hotel block rooms once per day, even if the room is not to be serviced. Housekeepers will often bypass rooms with "do not disturb" signs on, but will return at the end of their rounds, and knock on doors. Attendees must allow housekeeping to access the room if asked.

Room parties hosted on the designated party floor are subject to different rules. Please see operations for any questions regarding party floor parties. This will change per convention.



The Rules

Lost and Found

Lost and Found will be maintained in the Convention Operations Office. If you lose an item, check here first. A report can be filled out describing the item and contact information must be left. Items will only be held for 30 days past the convention before they are either thrown away or donated.

Dress Code

Collars and leashes may be worn, but persons cannot be lead around by them in public areas.

Public exposure of bare breasts, buttocks, or genitals is not permitted.

Full-body fursuits are an exception (fur covers all!), but may not reveal genitals, buttocks or breasts. Breasts that are built into fursuits are acceptable if they do not have nipples showing.

Fursuits are not permitted in the pool or hot tub.

Hateful, provocative, and clothing articles that imply harassment are NOT allowed. This is included, but not limited to arm/head/tail bands, shirts, pants, fursuits, costumes, flags, props or any other item at staff discretion.

Some items AEIOU does not allow at anytime:

- Police Cosplay
- German or Nazi items
- Any racist cosplay
- Realistic prop weapons

Clothing must keep within the PG-13 rating of the convention, but certain clothing may be worn into 18+ panels or by vendors of 18+ booths provided it is covered up while in public areas.

Harassment/Assault

Harassment includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Physical assault, battery, stalking, or unwelcome physical attention.

(b) Conduct, dress, or speech that targets, threatens, intimidates, or is otherwise intended to cause distress to other attendees, or members of protected classes (such as those based on race, age, religion, national origin, disability, gender, or sexual identity).

AEIOU will never tolerate any conduct, dress, or speech that targets, threatens, intimidates or is otherwise intended to cause distress to other attendees or members of protected classes. What someone identifies as is to be respected always. If someone corrects you, every effort to respect and identify the person correctly must be made. If you are found to be purposely misgendering or misidentifying someone to cause distress or upset, you will be immediately banned from all AEIOU conventions.

All reports of harassment/assault are taken **very seriously**. If you witness or are the victim of harassment or assault, report it to Convention Operations or CRT immediately. If you are in immediate danger, it can be reported to hotel security as well.

It is not the job of AEIOU to solve your interpersonal problems. AEIOU is not able to prevent attendance of person(s) unless they pose a specific, credible threat or have a criminal history of conviction of crimes which may pose a threat to the convention or its attendees. If you would like to make a report about an individual, have a legal name and police report ready for convention staff.

If a protection order or restraining order is in place against someone who is on the premises, report to CRT to have law enforcement involved.

Notification of such orders can be given to convention staff prior to the convention as a courtesy. Responsibility for settling personal disputes lies solely with the parties involved and any relevant authorities.

Threats, harassment, and stalking will never be tolerated. There are grounds for immediate revocation of your convention badge and expulsion from the property. Report any issues to convention operations if you have asked the party to stop and they continue.

If people tell you "no" or ask you to leave them alone, you must follow their request, no "ifs, ands, or buts".

If you continue to make efforts to contact said person(s), even over digital platforms, you may have your badge revoked.

No matter the costume someone is wearing, this does not equal consent. Never touch anyone without permission, ever.

Payments to AEIOU

AEIOU accepts most major credit cards and debit cards, as well as cash. Chargebacks that are made for the sole purpose of avoiding payment, that are made without sufficient cause, or are made without first attempting to resolve the dispute will result in a permanent ban from AEIOU conventions.

Convention Specific Policies

Each convention may have their own specific rules or regulations that will supersede the statements in our general TOS. Please see the convention specific website for any changes or rules that apply only to that convention.

Weapons

Real weapons of any kind are not permitted in convention spaces regardless of any local or state laws for concealed/open carry of such items. This also applies even if you possess a government permit that allows you to carry concealed or open in the state the convention is being held. **An exception can be made for law enforcement officers or federal law enforcement officers, which must be approved prior to the convention.**

This is including, but not limited to firearms, tasers, stun guns, OC (Pepper) spray, knives with 4" or longer blades and swords (any live steel). Magnetometer wands and other checks may be performed randomly by the CRT to ensure compliance with this policy. Any violation will result in law enforcement being contacted and badges revoked for the duration of the convention.

Reasonable facsimiles of firearms are also prohibited in convention spaces.

Prop weapons are allowed, but must have no sort of "firing mechanism". The prop weapons must be obviously fake to be approved, cannot represent a real firearm in any way, and must be approved and marked by CRT staff before it is permitted in con space. If you have something you wish to submit to CRT for consideration, please bring it to CRT staff before wandering convention.

Pets

Pets are not permitted in the convention space. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), recognized Service Animals are permitted.

Attempting to falsely claim an animal as a Service Animal may result in revocation of membership and local law enforcement involvement. If a service animal is seen to cause disruption of any kind, report it to CRT immediately. Any validity of a service animal will be handled through the venue and through local law enforcement if a service animal is causing a disruption.

Emotional support animals and therapy animals are not considered service dogs by the ADA, and are not permitted in convention space.

Substance Abuse

Sale, distribution, use or possession of controlled substances will not be tolerated at any AEIOU convention. Anyone violating applicable laws will be immediately ejected from the convention, membership revoked, and law enforcement contacted.

In the states where marijuana is legal, it is convention policy that marijuana products are not permitted inside the convention space or on hotel property. This includes the sale, distribution, or serving of alcoholic beverages to someone under 21.

Media Relations, Photography, and Videography

All journalists, media photographers and other members of the press are required to display an official badge provided by the convention. Members of the press may not conduct interviews, take photos, record audio, or take video without a staff member present and with permission given.

Photos and video may be taken in the convention space by attendees for personal use only. Any commercial use of the images or video must be approved by AEIOU.

Sales, Flyers and Solicitation

Do not place flyers, signs or business cards in any public spaces such as tables, bars, and hallways. Any such items must be distributed in convention space. No adult materials or implied adult activities or items may be placed in convention space.

Nobody, unless approved by the convention, may sell raffle tickets or host a drawing of any kind. We can not allow hand held signs advertising anything in exchange for anything else, signs offering free items are permitted.

Music

Portable speakers must be turned off in convention space that is enclosed or where people cannot walk away from your speakers. This includes but is not limited to, any elevators, lines, dealers den, stages or panel rooms. Music played otherwise must be quiet enough that you can talk over it without raising your voice.

The same rules apply to live musicians and they may not obstruct any walkways or disrupt a scheduled event. Musicians may not play with an open case to ask for money or imply that they are asking for tips.

Accessibility

AEIOU is committed to providing access and reasonable accommodation in its services, programs and activities. Accommodation requests related to a disability should be made no later than one month prior to the convention start date.

Accommodations may also be made by the venue or hotel, so prior notification is important. Every effort to make your accommodation requests possible will be made. Please see the convention specific website for more information and to contact us with any questions.



Special Thanks

To anyone and everyone reading this letter,

It's tough to put into words just how thankful I am for everyone who has put their heart, soul, time, and money into making this convention happen. Despite a few set-backs *cough cough, covid* (the coughing wasn't due to covid, I promise!!), we still managed to pull this whole thing off, and it's due to some incredibly talented and selfless people who I would like to take a moment to specifically call out.

Firstly, my fellow convention staffers. It takes serious dedication (and perhaps a hint of insanity) to decide to help out putting on a convention for NOTHING in return. That voluntary effort to serve the community truly is a selfless act and is worthy of so much praise. From the many late nights trying to plan things out, to running around like a tiger with their tail on fire (you know who you are!) making sure everything's running as smoothly as possible during the convention itself. Your selfless acts - quite literally - cannot be fully stated, as without you and your efforts, the con would not exist, and I wouldn't be able to write this very letter! So for that, thank you again, and I hope to work with each and everyone of you again soon.

Next, our Guests of Honor, thank you for bringing your talent and knowledge to the community in a more personal way. Keep on being you, and doing the awesome things you do!

Speaking of bringing awesome knowledge to the community, thank you to all of our panelists. Who not only draw people with similar interests together, also let us broaden our horizons. It's always a pleasure to see the consistently unique topics brought to these conventions.



Which leads me to the next group to thank: our dealers! (My goodness, it really does take so many groups in our community to come together for something amazing). It's always such an awe inspiring experience to walk through the halls of the den, and simply be subsumed with the raw talent, and creativity on display. I cannot overstate how much of a creativity boost I get seeing all that you bring, and can't wait to browse for more keepsakes from cons in the future.

Thank you to our charity Forever Wild, who are certainly familiar with putting forwards volunteer efforts towards something more. May our donations and support help enable you to keep making the world a better place, especially for some amazingly exotic animals!

I also need to point out the amazing staff and support from the hotel as well. Thank you all for dealing with all of us crazy animals (some cases literally!). You provide the space and support which enable us to be ourselves without judgment and ridicule which puts you above the rest. Thank you for being the setting upon which this incredible weekend was built.

And finally, I need to take a moment to thank you - the attendee. All of the previous people I've thanked up until this moment help put on the show (and what a show it is!), but it's all for nothing if there's no one to actually enjoy it! You being here, reading this letter, participating in our panels, dancing until your feet ache...you are the reason this is all worth it.

I know that it's tough traveling from both near and far, flights aren't free, and oh my goodness, have you seen gas prices lately? For you to decide: the cost of travel is worth it, for this weekend is something special, and for that I thank you. I thank you for spending your free time here, to party with us all as we celebrate what makes us and our community special.

I think at this point I sound like a broken record, and the words 'thank you' have probably started to lose all meaning, so I'll wrap it up with the parting thought: be excellent to one another. I hope that this convention was the best we could make it for you, and I look forward to seeing each and every one of you in the future, no matter where life takes us.

Until next time,

Maxwell



