



CONVERGENCE 2016 INTEGRATED SCHEDULE

Cinema Rex, Connie's Quantum Sandbox, Gaming, Harmonic CONvergence, MainStage, Programming (Garden Court, Panels, Readings, Signings, and some Performances), and Theatre Nippon.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 29

Noon - 5:00pm	Art Show DoubleTree Plaza 6 Artist setup.
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THURSDAY JUNE 30

10:00am - 2:00pm	Art Show DoubleTree Plaza 6 Artist setup.
11:00am - 12:30pm	Road Kill Rally DoubleTree 2202 Table A Gentlemen, start your engines! Pedestrians, watch your @\$es! Race across the country in your weaponized roadster, lighting up your opponents and scoring points by killing pedestrians. It's all about the size of your gun and the speed of your ride! <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i>
11:00am - 7:00pm	PFS - Daughters of Fury: Hell's Quarry DoubleTree 2203 Table A When devils slay the knightly leader of Arwyll Stead and orcs from the Hell's Fury tribe attack the town, all hope seems lost for the brave people living on Lastwall's border. (5 players) <i>Jeffrey Reed (mod)</i>
11:00am - 9:30pm	PFS - Quests DoubleTree 2203 Table C Quests are a series of 1 hour adventures meant to take new players through their first experiences with the Pathfinder Society. Will run every hour throughout the day for anyone wishing to play, simply ask in 2203. (Up to 6 players per session)
11:00am - 12:30pm	Dominion DoubleTree 2205 Table B You are a monarch, like your parents before you, a ruler of a small pleasant kingdom of rivers and evergreens. Unlike your parents, however, you have hopes and dreams! You want a DOMINION! (Base game plus all expansions)
11:00am - 2:00am	Source Game Library DoubleTree 2205 Table C Each year, The Source brings a library of games to CONvergence for folks to play in their room on the Gaming floor - table 2205c has been reserved for this purpose throughout the convention. Games from this collection need to stay in 2205.
11:00am - 12:30pm	LAN - Open Gaming DoubleTree 2206 The early bird gets to play on the newest computer!! Come up to LAN gaming starting at 11:00 AM on Thursday morning to get the best seat in the house and kick your friends' tailfeathers in any of the games on our PCs.
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Photographing CVG and Beyond Crowne Plaza U Learn tips on shooting at CONvergence and elsewhere. Everything from manners to technical questions answered. <i>Jamie Bernstein (she), Josiah Mannion (he), Roger Pavelle (he)</i>

12:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>MTG - Casual Play DoubleTree 2201 Room open for casual Magic: the Gathering play - this is the time to playtest, fishbowl, trade, and generally prepare for the weekend's events. First event begins at 6 pm.</p>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	<p>Legendary DoubleTree 2202 Table D Deck Building Game set in the Marvel Comics Universe. Battle other players with heroes, villains, and if you're strong enough, take on the Mastermind! (4 players, ages 16+) <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	<p>Slash DoubleTree 2202 Table G Players make the best romantic pairings between cultural and pop icon the "matchmaker" selects and one from their hand. Depending on the group, we'll play rounds with or without scenario-based ("Meet the Parents") storytelling. (Up to 6 players) <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i></p>
12:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>PFS - The Stolen Heir DoubleTree 2203 Table B Upon hearing that the daughter of an eminent and wealthy of citizen of Sauerton has gone missing, the Pathfinders rush to her aid in the hope of earning her father's goodwill and support in upcoming endeavors. (Up to 5 players) <i>Hilary Moon Murphy (mod, she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
12:30pm - 3:30pm	<p>LAN - League of Legends Tournament DoubleTree 2206 One of the most popular games in the world. Team tournament matches will be held during the morning, with finals on Saturday afternoon. Also available for team play during open gaming/late night gaming. PERSONAL ACCOUNT REQUIRED**</p>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip and the weirdest news stories. (Up to 12 players, ages 13+)</p>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	<p>Kitsune: Foxes and Fools DoubleTree 2207 Table D In this a game of luck and tactics, those who gain all nine tails of the mythical spirit fox earn their place among the kitsune elders. (Up to 8 players, ages 13+) <i>Susan Price (mod, she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>The Reproducibility Problem: How Serious is it? DoubleTree Atrium 2 There's been a lot of discussion about the ability to reproduce experiments, especially in the social sciences. How serious is the problem? What can be done? <i>Laura Okagaki-Vraspir (she), PZ Myers (he), Peter Larsen (he), Topher Hunter (mod, he), Vernon McIntosh (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Plug-in Electric Vehicles DoubleTree Atrium 3 Considering a Plug-In Electric vehicle or curious to learn more? Panelists will share their experiences and enthusiasm for EV-related topics including 2nd gen. 200+ mile range vehicles, deployment of fast charging infrastructure in Minnesota, and more. <i>Birch Hansen, Colin Lee, Emily Herron, Mark Hanson, Ralph Jenson</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Harmony Through Superior Science Fiction DoubleTree Atrium 4 Sci-fi has given us stories filled with themes of acceptance. Worlds where mutants, aliens, and mud-bloods struggle to live among humankind while being different. Panelists discuss how sci-fi impacts our views of diversity and reflects our world. <i>Dave Romm (he), Derek "Duck" Washington (he), Kerry Peterson (she), Lathan Murrell (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Why Gargoyles is Still Relevant DoubleTree Atrium 6 How is it that Disney's Gargoyles still captures our imaginations over two decades since it first aired, and in what ways does it accomplish things that contemporary cartoons still struggle with? Gargoyles is still relevant. Let's explore why that is. <i>Alana Profit, Chandra Reyer, Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he), Patrick Fisher</i></p>

12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Geeky Destinations DoubleTree Atrium 7 And how do we get . . . where? What places around the world are must-see destinations for geeks? <i>Miriam Krause (she), Peter Lane (Mr.), Rebecca Barney (she), Sarah Humphries (mod, she), Windy Bowsby (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Ghostbusters 3 DoubleTree Bloomington The all-female Ghostbusters premieres this summer. Let's talk about our expectations and fears for the movie as well as the gamut of reactions, from the hilarious tantrums (no, it won't ruin your childhood--you don't have to see it) to the hopes for more. <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he), Crystal Huff (she), Dave Margosian (he), Matt Gamble (mod, he), Samantha Bitner (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Interstellar Travel DoubleTree Edina Come and discuss the physics and technology behind the possibilities of interstellar travel. <i>Bob Johnson (mod, he), Dan Berliner (he), Melanie Galloway (she), Steven Theiss (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 7:30pm	<p>ChessWerks DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest Play chess with oversized pieces in the Garden Court. <i>Chess Werks</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Old Enough To Vote DoubleTree Plaza 1 Coming of age stories are common in genre fiction. What does it mean to become an adult, both in fiction and reality? <i>Bradford Walker (he), Camille Griep (she), Joan Marie Verba (she), Lee Blauersouth (they), Renate Fiora (mod, she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Coloring for All Ages DoubleTree Plaza 2 It's fun. It's therapeutic. It's Zen. It does not matter your motive, coloring is fun! Come kick off the start of Convergence with some fun, geeky coloring sheets and oodles of coloring tools. We'll have sheets for all ages!</p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Panspermia! Meteorites as Transportation DoubleTree Plaza 3 Panspermia is the concept that the building blocks of life could have been delivered to Earth via comet or meteorite impact. Come for a panel discussing this hypothesis, and learn about the support for and against its validity. <i>John Shea (he), Michael Kingsley (Mister), Nicole Gugliucci (she)</i></p>
1:00pm - 1:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
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2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Gone Off the Rails: How to Moderate Crowne Plaza U Sometimes, you're on a panel that starts to go wrong: some guy starts talking over all the women in the room or the person who volunteered to moderate the panel turns out to be a blowhard. How do you fix this on the fly? And not be That Guy? <i>John Seavey (he), Mark Oshiro (he), Michael Carus (he), Sigrid Ellis (mod, she), Stephanie Zvan (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Cthulu's Vault DoubleTree 2202 Table D Storytelling game based on the H.P. Lovecraft Universe. Players play cards as they tell their story: if they can link multiple cards together, they receive a bonus of some sort vs. the Great Old Ones. (Up to 5 players, age 16+) <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Munchkin Twist DoubleTree 2202 Table F Each player will get to use 1 of the different themes of munchkin. Compete to be the first to level 10. Fight monsters, level up, equip gear, loot treasure, and mess with other players. <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Red Flags DoubleTree 2202 Table G Red Flags is a card game where players pick qualities that would make a perfect date for the "single" player. Then an opponent brings up the date's "red flag." The date might "love to cuddle" and is an "astronaut" but what if they "bring mom to the date?" <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i></p>

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2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Smash Up! DoubleTree 2205 Table B</p> <p>Take the twenty-card decks of two factions, shuffle them into a forty-card deck, then compete to smash more Bases than your opponents! Each faction brings a different mechanism to the table, and every combination brings a different play experience.</p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C</p> <p>Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories (12 players, ages 13 and up)</p>
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2:00pm - 4:00pm	<p>Initial D DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Geek Partnership Society and Our Community DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>The local nonprofit GPS exists to support our local fan community. Find out how they can connect you to your fandoms and grow partnerships. Learn about their events and activities. <i>Ann Roubik (she), Jody Wurl (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Breaking into YouTube DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>How do you start your own YouTube channel? We'll talk about everything from making your own videos and starting a YouTube channel to getting subscriptions and more. <i>Kyle Dekker (mod, he), Luxander Pond (they), Nicholas Boden (he), Tactical Pinup (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>What Does God Need With a Starship? DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>From the Christ-like figure of Superman to the metaphysical adventures of the Enterprise, fantasy and science fiction have long explored religious and philosophical questions. What is it about SFF that touches our spirituality? <i>Amanda Larsen (she), Cetius d'Raven (mod, he), Kristina Halseth (she), PZ Myers (he), Phillip Andrew Bennett Low (Mister)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Walking Dead Shows DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>First there was The Walking Dead, now Fear the Walking Dead. Discuss both shows, what works and doesn't in both timelines, and how they may have gone "off-script" from the comics and why. <i>Kris Coulter (mod, Ms.), Patrick Marsh (he), Rick Ellis (he), Stephan Stomberg (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Crashing Cars and Flying Motorcycles: The Work of Hal Needham DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>In addition to being one of the most prolific stuntmen in the world, Hal Needham directed films where cars crashed with wild abandon and Burt Reynolds winked a lot. Join us for a discussion of his life and movies, from Cannonball Run to Megaforce. <i>C. Robert Cargill (he), Derek Mahr (he), Melissa Kaercher (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Sm'tkRoyani and Bob: The Do's and Don'ts of Naming DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>It's one of the great unspoken rules of sci-fi and fantasy: don't let your characters' names make the reader wonder whether your cat walked over the keyboard. How can you create inventive, original, internally consistent names for your world? <i>Emma Bull (she), J.M. Lee (he), Kathryn Sullivan (she), Tyler Tork (mod, he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>The Flash DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Hurry to the panel and discuss the most recent season of the CW show. <i>Adam Lueck (he), Geoffrey Hofman-Frethem (he), Jim Kakalios (he), Lee Harris (mod, he), Mark Goldberg (he)</i></p>

2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Kids These Days... DoubleTree Plaza 1 Bridging the generations of fandom: from the foundations nearly a century old to the new generations and what they're bringing to the mix. Reflect, hear the in-jokes, learn the secret handshake, and share what fandom means to you and where it's going. <i>Bess Stuvencend (she), Catherine McFerrin (she), Elise Matthesen (she), Kiah Nelson (she), Trisha Lynn (mod, she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>What Am I Doing in This Handbasket? DoubleTree Plaza 2 Craft buffet, with basket weaving and application of bells to toes. <i>Sue Bloyer (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Radio Play Auditions - Th DoubleTree Plaza 3 Have you ever wanted to be in a radio play, performing beside a professional voice actor, playing one of your favorite characters? Now is your chance! We are holding auditions for a live performance at CONvergence! <i>Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 7:00pm	<p>Art Show DoubleTree Plaza 6</p>
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3:00pm - 6:30pm	<p>Masquerade Registration DoubleTree CONvergence Central</p>
3:00pm - 5:00pm	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 1 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!</p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Frankensteining Patterns Crowne Plaza U What happens when the pattern you need for a costume doesn't exist and/or come in your size? Join Snow and Brichibi Cosplays as they discuss up-sizing patterns, how to combine different pattern pieces, and how to make your costume work for your body type. <i>Briana Lawrence (she), Jessica Walsh (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Sentinels of the Multiverse DoubleTree 2202 Table A Megalopolis is in trouble! Tachyon, Bunker and The Mighty Ra must team up to defend the city against the evil Baron Blade! Sentinels is a cooperative card game where superheroes come together to save the day. (Up to 5 players, age 13+) <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 8:30pm	<p>Simplicity! DoubleTree 2202 Table B Have you ever wanted to play a magic wielding, two headed, zombie with an inferiority complex in a Steampunk world and was told by the GM "NO, you can't play that!!"? Then this is the game for you. 5 players, age 13+ <i>Kenneth Justiniano (mod, he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Sheriff of Nottingham DoubleTree 2202 Table D Players are merchants, who see Prince John's visit to Nottingham as an opportunity to make a quick profit by selling goods in the bustling city, but all goods must come through the city gate, under the watchful eye of the Sheriff! (4 players, ages 16+) <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Quick-Travel Games DoubleTree 2202 Table F Come play (or learn) some quick, affordable, travel-sized games (Sushi-Go, Fluxx, Love Letter). Games will be started as folks arrive; no need to stay for the whole block: drop in and out as you please. <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i></p>

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3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>LAN - Counter-Strike: Global Offensive DoubleTree 2206</p> <p>An updated version of Counter-Strike, this offering features revamped versions of classic maps, as well as several brand new maps, weapons, characters, and game modes, as well as cosmetic items like weapon skins added post-release.</p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C</p> <p>Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories! (Up to 12 players, ages 13+)</p>
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3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Supernatural Southeast Asia: Traveler's Edition DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>This year, we'll look at ghost stories, myths, and legends involving travel in Laos, Thailand, Cambodia, Burma, Vietnam, Malaysia, and the Philippines! <i>Bryan Thao Worra (he), Sarah Prentice (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Twin Connection: Myth, Science and Confirmation Bias DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Cultures worldwide have different myths and legends about twins. How much can science explain? Do twins share a special connection that transcends scientific understanding? This panel will explore myths and facts about twins. <i>Kathryn Sullivan (she), Kristin Ellis (mod, they), PZ Myers (he), Windy Bowlsby (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>All-New, All-Different Comics? DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>Recently Marvel & DC have been promising more diversity in characters, creators, genres, and story direction. What's truly new, different, and moving forward? What's more of the same? And what are other publishers offering that challenges the status quo? <i>Christopher Jones (he), Jonathan Palmer (he), Jordan West (mod, they), Meredith Gillies (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>X-Files, Season 10 DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>Mulder and Scully reunite in a series of new adventures. How do you think it compares to the first 9 seasons? What worked and what didn't? <i>Alex Musial (he), Allyson Cygan (she), Jennifer Lundstrom (she), Mark Oshiro (he), Stephan Stomberg (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Blake's 7 Down and Safe Podcast LIVE! DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>Join Down and Safe podcast regulars Amal El-Mohtar, Scott Lynch, and Michael Damian Thomas as they discuss the hit UK Science Fiction show of the 70s and 80s, Blake's 7! <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Michael Damian Thomas (he), Scott Lynch (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy: Thumbing Our Way Across Fandoms DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>HHGG is a radio series, a book series, a tv series, a record and a movie, all of which are different. The movie left out a lot, but added a few new wrinkles. We will discuss the similarities and our favorite versions and try not to hear any Vogon poets. <i>Beth Voigt (she), Cetius d'Raven (mod, he), Dave Romm (he), Lee Harris (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Physics of Time Travel DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Come and discuss the physics and technology behind the possibilities of time travel. <i>Dan Berliner (he), Greg Weisman (he), Jim Kakalios (he), Melanie Galloway (she), Renate Fiora (mod, she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Game Design: The Ultimate Fan Fiction? DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>Many games are developed around popular books, films and television series. How do designers immerse themselves in universes others have created, and how do they bring something new to the table? <i>Bob Johnson (he), Bradford Walker (he), Cam Banks (he), Mark Redacted (mod, he), Monica Valentinelli (she)</i></p>

3:30pm - 4:30pm	Starships DoubleTree Plaza 2 Build spaceships, rockets, jets, boats, trains or other vehicles using cardboard tubes of various sizes and other craft supplies. <i>John Garner (he)</i>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Horses Behave like Horses DoubleTree Plaza 3 Authors discuss writing animals and plants that behave the way animals and plants really behave. This panel includes discussion on some good and bad examples in media and literature as well as resources for writers to do the appropriate research. <i>Anthony Eichenlaub (Mr.), Camille Griep (she), Elizabeth Bear (she), Melissa Olson (she), Michael Carus (mod, he)</i>
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4:00pm - 2:00am	Lost City of Barakus DoubleTree 2205 Table A Searching for 2 gem keys to unlock the Vault of Larin Karr, the party is also en route to stop a diabolical telescope from being built which will summon a host of devils to raze the land... A long-running CONvergence D&D 3.5 adventure! Ages 12+ welcome. <i>Burl Zorn (mod, he)</i>
4:00pm - 5:30pm	Hunter X Hunter DoubleTree Atrium 1
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5:00pm - 6:00pm	Regulating the Frontiers of Science and Technology Crowne Plaza U Ryan will discuss how lessons from sci-fi and fantasy entertainment can help society respond to the novel issues created by accelerating breakthroughs in genetics, robotics, information technology, neuroscience, and nanotechnology. <i>Ryan Johnson</i>
5:00pm - 9:30pm	Terran Revenge Fleet DoubleTree 2202 Table C Earth needs YOU to hunt down and take revenge for what they did to our home world! Become a Marine, go to strange, exotic worlds aaaaaaand basically kill everything that moves. (Up to 10 players, ages 13+) <i>Robert "Ski" Cudinski (mod, he)</i>
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Castle Panic DoubleTree 2202 Table D The forest is filled with all kinds of monsters who waited patiently for you to build your castle and train your soldiers. Now they want a piece of you! Work with your friends to defend your castle against the roaring, angry hordes! (5 players, age 16+) <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i>
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Munchkin Twist DoubleTree 2202 Table F Munchkin, with a twist! Each player uses 1 of the different themes of munchkin, and players compete to be the first to level 10. Fight the monsters, level up, equip gear, loot treasure, and (of course) mess with other players in true Munchkin tradition. <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i>
5:00pm - 9:30pm	PFS - Day of the Demon DoubleTree 2203 Table B The Pathfinders' task is simple: clear the abandoned manor in Chelixa of any remaining threats from the Age of Lost Omens before the Blakroses move in. Unfortunately, the estate hasn't sat empty as long as folks think it has. 5 players, ages 13+ <i>Keith Apperson (mod)</i>
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5:00pm - 6:30pm	<p>LAN - Starcraft: Broodwar DoubleTree 2206 Blizzard's classic Starcraft is back and available to play - Bot Stomps and Versus Modes encouraged!</p>
5:00pm - 10:00pm	<p>Company of the Talon's Rise to Power DoubleTree 2207 Table A The Company of the Talon wishes to join Deadlystrike. To be accepted, each company must endure a trial for the honor of inclusion. So ready blade, firearm, spell, and war machine, and prepare for the very worst Immoren has to offer! (8 players, ages 13+) <i>Jeremy Thigpen (mod, he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 10:00pm	<p>Ascension of the Ebon Survivors DoubleTree 2207 Table B The Company of the Talon wishes to join Deadlystrike. To be accepted each company must endure a trial for the honor of inclusion. So ready blade, firearm, spell, and warmachine... and prepare for the very worst Immoren has to offer! (8 players, age 13+) <i>Jeb Worrall (mod, he)</i></p>
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5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Homestuck (Or: What just happened?) DoubleTree Atrium 2 Since 2009, Andrew Hussie's manic and groundbreaking webcomic has steamrolled into internet fame. Now that Homestuck is at its conclusion, it's time to look back: Why did it become so popular? What impact has it had? And really: what was it all about? <i>Brittany Nickel (she), Dirk Ykema (he), Graham Barr (he), Sasha -- (they)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Car Wars: Autodueling in RPG and Video Gaming DoubleTree Atrium 3 Vehicular combat has been featured in SF stories by such authors as Harlan Ellison and Alan Dean Foster, and has been a feature in RPG games (e.g., Car Wars) and video games. How and why did the popularity of autodueling games change with the times? <i>Bradford Walker (he), Jeremy Stomberg (he), Perrin Klumpp (mod, he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Crowdfunding Your Way to "There" DoubleTree Atrium 4 Is crowdfunding your best bet? Which crowdfunding option should you choose? And how do you get from unknown to funded? The promise and perils of the crowdfunding journey will be explored. <i>Anj Olsen (she), Chrysoula Tzavelas (she), Marie Porter (she), Stephanie Zvan (mod, she), Tania Richter (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>I Had to Stop Watching/Reading When... DoubleTree Atrium 6 Most of us take the bad with the good in our entertainment, but some issues are dealbreakers. What was the last straw for you in books, movies, or TV shows that you just couldn't get past? <i>Aimee Kuzenski (she), Camille Griep (mod, she), Mark McPherson (he), Melissa Olson (she), Ryan Placzkowski (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Meteorites! Coming to a Planet Near You! DoubleTree Atrium 7 Meteorite collecting is a lifelong exploration into both history and science. Come see a collection of hundreds of specimens and a comprehensive presentation on the topic. Stay after for a chance to hold a piece of The Moon and Mars! <i>John Shea (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Creative Process Across Disciplines DoubleTree Bloomington A discussion of the creative process across different industries, science, technology, and the arts. Brainstorming and problem solving. What tools are similar, what are different? Is there a particular mindset one needs to cultivate? Let's explore! <i>Carl Zachmann (he), Carrie Patel (mod, she), Kristin Ellis (they), Scott Keever (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>A-Listing B Movies DoubleTree Edina Is the Sy-Fy Channel the new drive-in? Deliberately cheesy B movies have been made for decades, but now they are receiving promotion as bad movies right from the start. Sharknado, anyone? Temporary trend or filling a void? <i>Axel Kohagen (he), Jack Reher (he), Joel Arnold (he), Matt Gamble (mod, he), Niles Schwartz (he)</i></p>

5:00pm - 6:00pm	Cosplay 101 DoubleTree Plaza 1 Found the character you'd like to cosplay but don't know where to start? Making your first costume can be fun and easy. Sewing, prop making, scouring thrift stores, armor making and more! <i>Bess Stuvencend (she), Gregory Laffrenzen (he), Jess Dunow (she), Laura Oliver (she), Melissa Sowers (she)</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Balloon Hovercraft DoubleTree Plaza 2 Design and build your own mini hovercraft while learning how floating on a bed of air is a frictionless (if impractical) way of getting around. Race your friends and experiment with modifications to improve speed and control. <i>Erich Bacher (he)</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Masquerade, Costume Wars and Art of the Dress 101 DoubleTree Plaza 3 Come talk about what happens during the Masquerade, the fabulous Costume Wars and Art of the Dress Fashion Show and with the department staff. Ask questions. Plan your entry. Find out the details of how the whole process works. <i>Gregory de Danann (he)</i>
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Cinema Rex Movie 2 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing! (this showing is captioned)
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5:30pm - 7:30pm	Saiyuki DoubleTree Atrium 1
6:00pm - 6:55pm	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
6:00pm - 10:00pm	MTG - Booster Draft: Shadows Over Innistrad DoubleTree 2206 Table A Kick your CONvergence off with a little Magic! \$15 entry (tickets at Dreamer's Vault Games dealers' booth), 3 rounds of play. Prizes will be 1 pack per round won; anyone who goes 3-0 will get an add'l booster pack. Plan ahead - event starts at 6 PM.
6:00pm - 6:50pm	Big Fun Radio Funtime DoubleTree Main Stage <i>Angela Fox, Charles Hubbell, Christopher Jones (he), Dawn Krosnowski (she), Salsa Sterling (he), Tim Wick (he), Windy Bowsby (she)</i>
6:30pm - 7:25pm	Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
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7:00pm - 9:30pm	Munchkin Tournament - Round 1 DoubleTree 2201 Tournament-flavor Munchkin - come get your card game on with CONvergence's annual Munchkin Tourney. Tournament rules may be available at the front desk on 22, but no guarantees. First round may run long due to number of participants. <i>Andy Mullin (mod, he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:30pm	High Noon Saloon DoubleTree 2202 Table A Reach for the sky, varmint! What better way to celebrate America's birthday than a good old-fashioned Wild-west gunfight? High Noon Saloon is the fast-paced card game of quick draws and hot lead. Ages 13+, all materials provided. <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i>

7:00pm - 8:30pm	Trivia! DoubleTree 2202 Table F Science-Fiction / Fantasy themed Trivia event - candy and prizes for participants! <i>Alicia Beck (mod, she)</i>
7:00pm - Midnight	PFS - Glass River Rescue DoubleTree 2203 Table A A Pathfinder leading a diplomatic envoy from Five Kings Mountains has gone missing, and the balance of power hangs on her successful rescue. The party must enter Razmiran, locate the missing group, and escape with their lives. 5 players, ages 13+ <i>Jeffrey Reed (mod)</i>
7:00pm - 7:55pm	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
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7:00pm - 8:30pm	LAN - Heroes / Hearthstone DoubleTree 2208 Heroes: Characters from Blizzard games all fighting together in one MOBA. Hearthstone: Blizzard's free to play CCG. Matches throughout the day, with possible tournament style brackets available on request. PERSONAL ACCOUNT REQUIRED for both games!
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Friends of Bill W DoubleTree Atrium 2
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Trains DoubleTree Atrium 3 Is the Snowpiercer train plausible? How about a train between planets? Let's talk about all the trains that appear in our favorite books, movies, and TV shows. <i>Katie Dahl (she), Michael Kingsley (Mister), Patrick Marsh (he), Rebecca Barney (she)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Physics of the TARDIS DoubleTree Atrium 4 What laws of physics would need to be bent, broken, or worked around to make it possible to travel through time TARDIS-style? Where is the line between science and fiction in how the TARDIS uses space, including within? <i>Dan Berliner (he), Lathan Murrell (he), Renate Fiora (she), Ryan Consell (he), Steve Manfred (mod, he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Ethical Implications of Genetic Testing & Editing -- SciFi Becoming Real! DoubleTree Atrium 6 With the popularity of genetic testing (23&Me) and the discovery of direct gene editing tools like CRISPR-Cas9, potential dystopian futures written as sci-fi may yet come to fruition. What are the potential ethical implications of using these tools? <i>Bryan Jones (he), Destiny Ziebol (she), Kris Coulter (Ms.), Stephanie Zvan (mod, she), Vernon McIntosh (he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Health-Quantified Self DoubleTree Atrium 7 Forget 1984; we've moved into a world where we constantly monitor and report on ourselves, often with wearable electronics. Is it making a difference in health? Do physicians have any idea what to do with this data? <i>Jamie Bernstein (she), Maggie Schultz (she), Sara McAtee (she)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	That Would Make a Great Movie DoubleTree Bloomington Where's my Squirrel Girl movie? What books and comics haven't been made into films but would be awesome on the big screen? <i>Kelly Jo Ernst (she), Kevin Eldridge (he), Matt Gamble (he), Michael R. Underwood (mod, he), Taylor Cisco (he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Sci-Fi TV Year in Review DoubleTree Edina We'll discuss the best, the worst, and the meh in television science fiction, from The Man in the High Castle and the new Minority Report, to Dark Matter. <i>Dave Margosian (he), Elliott Wilcoxon (he), Lee Harris (mod, he), Rick Ellis (he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Opening Ceremony DoubleTree Main Stage <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Amy Shira Teitel (she), Cam Banks (he), Christopher Jones (he), Daren Dochterman (he), Dawn Krosnowski (she), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Mark Oshiro (he), Ytasha Womack (she)</i>

7:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>I Can't Watch That - I Might Like It DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>We have so many choices beyond network TV that we can't possibly watch it all. How do you choose which shows to watch next and which to pass on . . . for now? <i>Catherine McFerrin (she), David Rust (mod, he), Jen Manna (she), Ryan Placzkowski (he)</i></p>
7:00pm - 9:00pm	<p>Dragon Flyer DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>The best way to fly is by dragon. Create your own dragon "marienette" flier, a Sculpture project. <i>Nikita Woltersen (she)</i></p>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>Writerly Career Cycles: Abandon Hope All Ye Who Enter Here? DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Most professional careers have their ups and downs. The average writer experiences lots of highs and lows. This panel will focus on how to survive and thrive on the roller coaster. <i>Carrie Patel (she), Catherine Lundoff (she), Chrysoula Tzavelas (she), Eli Effinger-Weintraub (she), Jay Gallentine (mod, he)</i></p>
7:30pm - 8:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
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7:30pm - 8:30pm	<p>Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest</p>
8:00pm - 8:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
8:00pm - Midnight	<p>MTG - Standard Constructed DoubleTree 2206 Table B</p> <p>Grab your event ticket from the Dreamer's Vault Games booth, bring your Standard-Legal deck, c'mon up and throw down! \$8 entry for 4 rounds of play, and prizes are at least two booster packs for everyone! Plan ahead - event starts at 8 pm!</p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Sunspot Acoustic Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O</p> <p>Paranormal/Sci Fi Acoustic Rock Duo <i>Mike Huberty, Wendy Lynn Staats</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
8:30pm - 10:00pm	<p>Kitsune: Foxes and Fools DoubleTree 2207 Table D</p> <p>In this a game of luck and tactics, those who gain all nine tails of the mythical spirit fox earn their place among the kitsune elders. 8 players, ages 13+ <i>Susan Price (mod, she)</i></p>
8:30pm - 10:00pm	<p>LAN - Left 4 Dead 2 DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>The award winning zombie co-op action horror FPS takes you and your friends through the cities, swamps and cemeteries of the Deep South, from Savannah to New Orleans across five expansive campaigns.</p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Space Aces DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>Spaceship crews supposedly need to be sexually compatible; if you have normal human beings cooped up together, there's going to be sexual attraction. But asexual people, aces, don't feel sexual attraction. What role might aces play in space exploration? <i>Graham Barr (he), Jamie Riedesel (mod, she), Laura Thurston (she), Riley Davis (they), Rory Ni Coileain (she)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>ASL 101 DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Come learn about ASL. Bring your questions. <i>Becca Justiniano (she)</i></p>

8:30pm - 9:30pm	Grimm DoubleTree Atrium 4 Juliet is now Eve, Renard is running for mayor backed by a Vesen terrorist group, and Wu's "hulking" out. Come talk about the developments in Season 5. <i>Ann Laabs (she), Cetius d'Raven (mod, he), Emma Bull (she), Kristina Winn (she)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Steven Universe and Normalizing Queerness DoubleTree Atrium 6 With many of its romantic and implied sexual relationships, Steven Universe is arguably the queerest all-ages cartoon we've ever seen. But the best part is they are treated as absolutely normal. Let's talk about why that's a great step forward. <i>Bri Lopez Donovan (mod, they), Dani Pennella (they), Dirk Ykema (he), K Tempest Bradford (she), Kiah Nelson (she)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Etiquette and Ethics for the 21st Century DoubleTree Atrium 7 Why handshakes, bathing, and thank-you notes still matter, as do ethics in the digital world. Let's discuss how we act--and interact--in a space that is both very private and very broad. In a global community, the smallest actions matter. <i>Camille Griep (she), Cassandra Phoenix (she), Hal Bichel (mod, she), Renate Fiora (she)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Let There Be...What? DoubleTree Bloomington Creating a fictional universe, whether it's for film or for a novel, can be a daunting task. What's it look like? Who lives in it? What kind of society do they live in? Join us and share your tips on world-building, and maybe learn a bit, too! <i>Carrie Patel (mod, she), J.M. Lee (he), Kelly McCullough (he), Ty Blauersouth</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Game of Thrones DoubleTree Edina Season 6 takes us beyond where the books left off (at least until Martin finishes the next book in the series). How does this season compare to seasons before? Which characters and storylines have met or exceeded expectations and which have fallen short? <i>Alex Musial (he), Axel Kohagen (mod, he), Kris Coulter (Ms.), Luxander Pond (they), Mark Goldberg (he)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Fancy Bastard Pie Competition DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest Join GPS & Greg Weisman (aka "Fancy Bastard") for his second ever Fancy Bastard Pie Competition. Bring your best pie from home and Fancy Bastard will choose his favorite. Winner will be granted 1 spoiler request. Come ready to eat some pie. <i>Greg Weisman (he)</i>
8:30pm - 10:00pm	Smackdown 2016: Transportation Annihilation DoubleTree Main Stage <i>Barb Abney, Christopher Jones (he), Daren Dochterman (he), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Kelvin Hatle (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Sharon Stiteler (she), Tim Uren (he), Tim Wick (mod, he)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Horror in Video Games DoubleTree Plaza 1 What makes a good horror game? What can a game do to scare you that a film can't? This panel looks at the techniques and traits of the industry's spookiest video games. <i>Anna Besmann (she), Ansley Grams (she), Jessica Walsh (she), Stephan Stomberg (he)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Outlander Season 2 DoubleTree Plaza 3 At the end of season 1, Claire and Jamie were headed to France to try to stop the Jacobite uprising. Come talk about their continuing adventures. <i>Amy Fischer (she), Anne Fry (she), Lis Morton (she), Lynne M Thomas (she), Michelle Farley (mod, she)</i>
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9:30pm - 11:30pm	Kill La Kill DoubleTree Atrium 1

10:00pm - 11:00pm	Lyritys Presents: Geek Nation Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Local Nerd-Core Hip-Hop
10:00pm - 2:00am	Cards Against Humanity (21+) DoubleTree 2202 In memory of a wonderful lady and longtime CONvergence volunteer (Anna Catherine Hagen-Heine) who left us far too soon. Come celebrate her life, sense of humor, and truly twisted mind with family and friends you may (or may not) have met. ID required.
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10:00pm - 2:00am	MTG - Chaos Draft DoubleTree 2206 Table A A fun, casual format that uses cards from any MTG set released in 15-card packs. Get your \$15 event ticket at Dreamer's Vault Games dealer booth - 3 rounds of play, 1 prize pack per round won; 3-0 gets 1 bonus booster pack.
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10:00pm - 11:30pm	LAN - Five Nights at Freddy's DoubleTree 2208 Survive 5 nights as security guard in Freddy Fazbear's Pizza, eluding animatronic band members who'll helpfully put you into a suit ... ignoring that the suit is currently filled with mechanics!! Not for the faint of heart! Ribbons awarded for surviving!
10:00pm - 11:00pm	The Ins and Outs of Kindle Porn DoubleTree Atrium 2 Science fiction and fantasy are huge sections of this growing self-pub market, and many of its works have roots in fandom. How do you find the good stuff, and how can you join the fun? <i>Jaime O'Brien (she), Lee Blauersouth (they), Ty Blauersouth (mod)</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	You Will Behave Yourself at My Table DoubleTree Atrium 3 How GMs can deal with problematic behaviors of players, why they should, and what techniques they can use. As a GM, you have the power. Use it for good. <i>Beth Kinderman (she), Eric Zawadzki (he), Jess Banks (she), Jim Tigwell (he), Mark Redacted (mod, he)</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Science of Sexual Fluidity DoubleTree Atrium 4 A key aspect of sexuality, gender identity, and attraction factors such as kinks is that they can be fluid and don't necessarily reveal themselves early in life. This panel will challenge assumptions that identities must be claimed early and held for life <i>Ben Blanchard (he), Benny Vimes (mod, he), Cassandra Phoenix (she)</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	2016 Foreign Sci-Fi Short Film Festival DoubleTree Atrium 6 New for 2016, the Foreign Sci-Fi Short Film Festival brings you the best in genre short films produced by filmmakers from around the globe. VOTE for your favorite films in the Audience Choice Awards! <i>Troy LaFaye</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Outrageous Fashion DoubleTree Atrium 7 From Barbarella to Gem, Labyrinth to Hunger Games, we'll talk about over-the-top clothes and costumes in films and TV. <i>Amanda Hofman-Frethem (she), Maggie Schultz (mod, she), Melissa Sowers (she), Michelle Farley (she), Sarah Prentice (she)</i>

10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Always a Critic DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>How do these panelists handle critics as they live their lives online? As critics themselves, how do they manage that filter as they try to consume things for fun? <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Laura Zats (mod, she), Mark McPherson (he), Mark Oshiro (he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Gratuitous Rape in TV DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Gratuitous rape and other violence against women is used as entertainment, filler, to make a bad guy look villainous or a good guy turn heroic. We'll discuss why this is problematic, as well as how rape and violence can be done well in fiction. <i>Elizabeth Reynolds (she), Kristina Halseth (she), Melissa Olson (she), Michael Carus (mod, he), Olivia James (she)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Scotch and Cigars DoubleTree Outdoors</p> <p>Scotch and cigar discussion with smoking and drinking at Smokers' Paradise. Bring your favorites to share, discuss, and further encourage those interested in learning about the lifestyle. <i>Brianne Bilyeu (she), Cetius d'Raven (he), John Shea (he), Kristin Ellis (they), Todd Kyseth (he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Unusual Transportation DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>Riding dragons, being carried by an angel, flying on handlebars - getting from point A to point B doesn't always involve traditional vehicles. We'll discuss the unusual, the ridiculous, and the unique in transportation in books, TV, and film. <i>Eli Effinger-Weintraub (she), Kathryn Sullivan (mod, she), Katy Kelley (she), Rebecca Barney (she), Ruth Berman (she)</i></p>
10:00pm - Midnight	<p>Cardboard City DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>Join forces to create and build towers and vehicles to turn the Sandbox into a mini cardboard city. We will use this city for kids and members to cosplay, and maybe unleash their inner Godzilla, Friday morning. <i>Molly Glover (she), Nick Glover (he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Giant Lizard Theater 2016 DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Giant Lizard Theater is a flash fiction and poetry reading inspired by myths, legends, and SFF involving dragons, dinosaurs, and kaiju. Bryan Thao Worra and other poets will perform, and you're invited to perform, too! <i>Bryan Thao Worra (he)</i></p>
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11:30pm - 1:00am	<p>LAN - Late Night Gaming DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>Late-night adults-only hours for LAN - take a break from your party rotation for a game of Counter-Strike or Left 4 Dead 2 against your 18+ friends! Room is open as late as the LAN crew can put up with you, or 2:00 AM, whichever comes first!</p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Nescaflowne DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>

11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Anime Made Me Gay DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>Continuing our "made me gay" panels, we look at Anime, discussing the gender-bending heroes of Utena and Ranma 1/2, the lesbian Sailor Senshi, old school yaoi and yuri fandom, and the heroes (and villains) that made our childhood selves blush.</p> <p><i>Brittany Nickel (she), Donald Kaiser (mod, he), Jason Tucker (he), Riley Davis (they)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Ash vs. The Evil Dead DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Ash and his Boomstick are back decades after his original encounters with the Deadites, this time in a TV series. Let's talk about how well the character and story have held up and transitioned to television and what we hope for from the next season.</p> <p><i>Neil Anderson (he), Niles Schwartz (he), Rick Ellis (mod, he)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Representation in Headcanons DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>Many of us don't see ourselves in even our favorite media. How have you brought your gender identity, sexual orientation, faith, race, disability or mental health into your interpretations of your favorite works?</p> <p><i>Dee Bitner (she), Graham Barr (he), Kiah Nelson (she), Lee Blauersouth (mod, they), Nick Stoner (he)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Spoilers - A Love/Hate Relationship DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>Some people love them, some hate them, some find them useful, some run screaming from the room. Let's discuss the pros and cons and the various levels of spoiling that can happen. SPOILER WARNING!</p> <p><i>Benny Vimes (he), Christopher Martinez (he), Jen Manna (she), Laura Thurston (she), Michael Shappe (mod, he)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>American Horror Story: Hotel DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>This season inhabited The Cortez, based on real horror hotels, and visited some past haunts of the series. Explore characters and themes new and familiar, and perhaps speculate on who or what is next. Most of all, give thanks our CON isn't in the Cortez.</p> <p><i>Amanda Hofman-Frethem (she), Ann Laabs (mod, she), Geoffrey Hofman-Frethem (he), Kristina Halseth (she)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Le Vin avec Verne, or: Around the World in 80 Proof DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>In our continuing "[drinks] with [author]" series, we will discuss and celebrate the life and works of Jules Verne while our bartender serves the panel with Verne-inspired cocktails. Can gears be used as a drink garnish? Let's find out!</p> <p><i>Dawn Krosnowski (she), Jerry Belich (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Pat Harrigan (mod, he), Tim Uren (he)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Achieving Sci-Fi Utopia DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>How do we bridge the gap between the great future we are so good at imagining and the seemingly intractable current political climate?</p> <p><i>Amanda Marcotte (she), Celia Yost (she), Jamie Bernstein (mod, she), Jim Tigwell (he), Rebecca Watson (she)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Late Night Music Circle DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>A late night gathering of musicians where you can sing, play or just listen.</p> <p><i>Dave Stagner</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Tales from the IT Trenches DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Panelists share their stories of IT implementations gone wrong - and right.</p> <p><i>Amy Fischer (she), Ben Blanchard (he), Daren Johnson (mod, he), Erich Bacher (he), Ross Conklin (he)</i></p>

FRIDAY JULY 1

Midnight - 6:00am	<p>Music for Planes, Trains, Automobiles, or TARDISes DoubleTree Main Stage</p>
Midnight - 2:00am	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 5 DoubleTree Plaza 4</p> <p>See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!</p>
12:30am - 2:30am	<p>Flowers of Evil DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>

2:00am - 4:15am	Cinema Rex Movie 6 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!
7:00am - 8:30am	Blue Submarine No. 6 DoubleTree Atrium 1
8:30am - 10:20am	Night on the Galactic Railroad DoubleTree Atrium 1
9:00am - Midnight	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Northwest
9:00am - Midnight	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southeast
9:00am - 11:00am	Cinema Rex Movie 7 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing! (this showing is captioned)
9:30am - 10:30am	Reading - Patrick S. Tomlinson and Michael R Underwood DoubleTree 2201 <i>Michael R. Underwood (he), Patrick Tomlinson (Shazam)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	GPS Writing Contest Winners DoubleTree Atrium 2 Past winners of the annual GPS Writing Contests read from their winning work. This year's winners are announced. <i>Jody Wurl (she)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Tales from the Motor Pool DoubleTree Atrium 3 Hear the stories of real life mech warriors who operated and maintained U.S. military land vehicles including Humvees, Strykers, Tracks and more. Will the depictions of army drivers & vehicles in your favorite fiction stack up to the real thing? <i>Jerry Keohen (he), Kyle Dekker (mod, he), Michael Spaulding (he), Paula Merns (she), Perrin Klumpp (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	When I Was Your Age... DoubleTree Atrium 4 The issues and experiences of teens today aren't exactly the same as the adolescent experiences of authors publishing YA now. How can authors cross that generation gap, and what's still missing? Teens welcome to come provide input. <i>Lana Wood Johnson (she), Melinda Layden (mod, she), Susan Chang (she)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Casual Gaming DoubleTree Atrium 6 What games do people play when they do not have a lot of time to game? We'll talk about the best options from mobile to PC to console. <i>Amanda Larsen (she), Caitlin Knight (she), Ross Conklin (mod, he), Ryan Placzkowski (he), Sean Sullivan (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Space Elevators: How Realistic Are They? DoubleTree Atrium 7 We've talked about them for a long time, but can we actually build them? What are the challenges? <i>Dan Berliner (he), Elle Kennedy Cadieux (she), Katie Dahl (she), Ryan Consell (he), Tom Kastan (mod, he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Get Paid! Contracts and Copyright for the Creative Professional DoubleTree Bloomington Being a genius is the easy part. Getting paid for your work? That's the challenge. We'll share insight on getting paid, keeping your rights, and other cool stuff. <i>Boone Dryden (he), David Walbridge (he), Jorge Salgado-Reyes (Mr.), Rory Ni Coileain (she), Scott Lynch (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Dinotopia! DoubleTree Edina Dinosaurs are everywhere in film in TV, from the Flintstones to Jurassic World and the Good Dinosaur. Come discuss the variations in portrayal. Which films and shows get the most right? Which are not even close? Do the changing depictions reflect society? <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he), Erich Bacher (he), Matt Kuchta (he), Melissa Olson (she)</i>

9:30am - 1:30pm	ChessWerks DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest Play chess with oversized pieces in the Garden Court. <i>Chess Werks</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Oddities of Animal Transport DoubleTree Plaza 1 The animal kingdom is nothing if not creative. Explore the weird world of locomotion, from walking cacti to jet powered living fossils, with a panel of scientists and experts. <i>Brianne Bilyeu (she), Jim Tigwell (he), Siouxsie Wiles (she)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Monster Smash DoubleTree Plaza 2 Get your kids, get your costumes on, and come cosplay in our miniature cardboard city. We will have areas to strike a pose, and other areas to Hulk smash your enemies and save the day! <i>Molly Glover (she), Nick Glover (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Cyborgs and Super Soldiers: The Psychology of Altered Bodies DoubleTree Plaza 3 Superhero stories are full of characters who've had some form of major change to their body and their relationship to it. Come find out what psychology knows about how people adapt to these kinds of changes, with MCU case studies and real-life corollaries <i>Lee Blauersouth (they)</i>
10:00am - Noon	Masquerade Registration DoubleTree CONvergence Central
10:00am - 7:00pm	Art Show DoubleTree Plaza 6 Quick sale available.
10:20am - Noon	Eureka Seven <i>Anime, TV</i> DoubleTree Atrium 1
11:00am - Noon	Big Data or Big Brother Crowne Plaza U Can Facebook predict who will become a criminal? Can we use Twitter to foretell the next election results? Does Target know you're pregnant before you do? What does Big Data truly know and what are the implications of that knowledge? <i>Desiree Schell (mod, she), Jamie Bernstein (she), Jason Thibeault (he), Siouxsie Wiles (she), Vernon McIntosh (he)</i>
11:00am - Noon	Reading - Mark Oshiro DoubleTree 2201 A reading by Guest of Honor Mark Oshiro <i>Mark Oshiro (he)</i>
11:00am - 12:30pm	Red Dragon Inn DoubleTree 2202 Table A Hey you, let's fight! Them's drinkin' words! Return to Red Dragon Inn where adventurers gather to drink, gamble and brawl when they get back from killing the monsters. Last one sober(ish) with money to spend wins! Up to 8 players, ages 13+. <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i>
11:00am - 4:00pm	PFS - Daughters of Fury: Border Standings DoubleTree 2203 Table A The coincidental arrival of the mysterious half-orc Vegazi raises unsettling questions, and it's up to the heroes to make sense of these events and end the Hell's Fury tribe's threat to Arwyll Stead once and for all. Up to 5 players, ages 13+. <i>Jeffrey Reed (mod)</i>
11:00am - 11:00pm	PFS - Quests DoubleTree 2203 Table C Quests are a series of 1 hour adventures meant to take new players through their first experiences with the Pathfinder Society. Quests will be run throughout the day whenever players are available. Up to 6 players, ages 13+. <i>Jason Rosauer (mod), Keith Apperson (mod)</i>
11:00am - 11:55am	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.

11:00am - 12:30pm	<p>Legendary DoubleTree 2205 Table B Deck Building Game set in the Marvel Comics Universe. Battle other players with heroes, villains, and if you're strong enough, take on the Mastermind! Up to 6 players, ages 13+</p>
11:00am - 2:00am	<p>Reserved for Game Library DoubleTree 2205 Table C Every year, The Source brings a library of games to CONvergence - this table has been reserved for folks who would like to play games from that library. Please keep all games borrowed from The Source's library in 2205.</p>
11:00am - 3:00pm	<p>MTG - Booster Draft: Shadows Over Innistrad DoubleTree 2206 Table A Still need an Arlinn Kord for your deck? Maybe you'll open one! Purchase your \$15 event ticket at the Dreamers' Vault Games dealer booth, and be in 2206 at 11 AM. 3 rounds of play; prizes 1 pack per round won, with 3-0 getting an additional bonus pack.</p>
11:00am - 12:30pm	<p>LAN - Open Gaming DoubleTree 2208 Missed yesterday morning's Open LAN time? Start your Friday right with any of the games on our PCs - CS:GO, TF2, Left 4 Dead 2 and others! Be warned: they who get there first sit at one of the newest computers!</p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Trains, Planes, and Tuk-Tuks: Getting Around in Southeast Asia DoubleTree Atrium 2 A look at historical transport and emerging transportation trends in Southeast Asia, including portrayals in film, television, and literature. <i>Bryan Thao Worra (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Dragon Age: To Tevinter and Beyond! DoubleTree Atrium 3 With the release of the Trespasser DLC, there's a lot to discuss about the future of the Dragon Age franchise and where the story might go next - and a lot of great moments to reminisce about, too. Spoilers will abound! <i>Aaron Coker (he), Alee Ellingsberg (she), Beth Kinderman (mod, she), Brittany Nickel (she), Jaime O'Brien (she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Back from the Dead: D&D 5E DoubleTree Atrium 4 Of all the D&D incarnations over the years, have they finally gotten it right with Fifth Edition? Veterans of the D&D universe and newcomers alike are welcome to weigh in! <i>Cam Banks (he), Chris Severin (he), Jim Tigwell (he), Kyle Dekker (mod, he), Ty Blauersouth</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Star Wars: The Force Awakens DoubleTree Atrium 6 What did you think of The Force Awakens? How does it compare to what's come before? Come discuss the latest Star Wars movie and the future of the Star Wars universe. <i>Allyson Cygan (she), Jeremy Stomberg (he), Michael Carus (mod, he), Niles Schwartz (he), Zach Nyhus (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Best of YouTube DoubleTree Atrium 7 The best YouTube channels that you're not watching. <i>Anna Waltz (she), Dave Margosian (he), Jen Manna (mod, she), Luxander Pond (they)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Signing - Christopher Jones DoubleTree Autograph Table A <i>Christopher Jones (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Signing - Greg Weisman DoubleTree Autograph Table B <i>Greg Weisman (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Signing - Khary Payton DoubleTree Autograph Table C <i>Khary Payton (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Our Favorite Board Games DoubleTree Bloomington What games are worth your time and money? We'll share recommendations and provide an introduction to board games for those just getting (back) into them. <i>Brianne Bilyeu (she), Hertzey Hertz (she), Peter Lane (mod, Mr.), Ryan Placzkowski (he), Satish Jayaraj (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>JPL's Role in Making The Martian a Reality DoubleTree Edina When fictional astronaut Mark Watney becomes stranded alone on the Red Planet in the novel and film "The Martian," people and technology from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory play important roles in his castaway adventure. <i>Amy Shira Teitel (she), Renate Fiora (she)</i></p>

11:00am - Noon	Honey Month Project DoubleTree Plaza 1 Amal was given twenty-eight kinds of honey. She tasted each one and wrote The Honey Month. Elise was inspired to make a piece of art for each piece of writing. Watch Amal see the art pieces for the first time, and hear her discuss her writing. <i>Amal El-Mohatar (she), Elise Matthesen (she)</i>
11:00am - Noon	Science Smorgasbord 1.0 DoubleTree Plaza 2 Come join invited guests and expand your knowledge with an assortment of science-themed stations including bugs, Tiny Drawings with the Science Museum of Minnesota, creating straw rockets and planes, and more. <i>Monica Valentinelli (she)</i>
11:00am - Noon	Best of YouTube: For Kids by Kids DoubleTree Plaza 3 Which YouTube channels are you and your friends watching all the time? Come share with other kids your favorite channels and learn some new ones to subscribe to. All ages welcome, but focus and priority on kids. <i>Amanda Larsen (she), Gawain Bitner (he)</i>
11:00am - 1:00pm	Cinema Rex Movie 8 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!
11:30am - 12:25pm	Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
Noon - 12:55pm	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
Noon - 1:30pm	Irresponsible Captain Tylor DoubleTree Atrium 1
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Candles Enough Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Female filk and parody duo <i>Kelly Reich, Sarah Ravelly (she)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Reading - Jay Gallentine DoubleTree 2201 Jay Gallentine reads from his works. <i>Jay Gallentine (he)</i>
12:30pm - 4:30pm	My Little Pony: Lost in Dragon Snot Falls DoubleTree 2202 Table B Queen Bee is fearful that her long-time friend may have gone missing near Dragon Snot Falls and requests adventurers such as yourself to help! Up to 7 players, ages 8 and up. <i>Jeremy Thigpen (mod, he)</i>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	Kitsune: Foxes and Fools DoubleTree 2202 Table C Kitsune (pronounced kit-soo-nay) are Japanese fox-spirits, known for tricking unwary mortals. In this a game of luck and tactics, those who gain all nine tails of the mythical spirit fox earn their place among the kitsune elders. 8 players, ages 13+. <i>Susan Price (mod, she)</i>
12:30pm - 7:00pm	Stargate: Cthulu DoubleTree 2202 Table D A small, Allied team of experts has been tasked with either stealing or destroying a certain artifact before the Nazis can attract the attention of something far older and less caring about the fate of humanity... 6 players, age 13+. <i>David Rust (mod, he)</i>
12:30pm - 3:30pm	Munchkin Tournament - Round 2 DoubleTree 2202 Table E Tournament-flavor Munchkin - come get your card game on with CONvergence's annual Munchkin Tourney. Tournament rules may be available at the front desk on 22, and will also be explained at each session. <i>Andy Mullin (mod, he)</i>

12:30pm - 3:30pm	<p>Zombicide: Black Plague DoubleTree 2202 Table F Zombie apocalypse, medieval times! Necromancers have unleashed a zombie invasion in the age of swords and sorcery, and it's up to your group of stragglng survivors to survive and take back the realm and punish those responsible! 5 players, age 16+. <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>PFS - Confirmation DoubleTree 2203 Table B Confirmation is typically an individual affair; the society discovered a site on the Isle of Kortos that would be perfect for initiates but is too dangerous to handle alone. Successfully complete your Confirmation as a Pathfinder. 5 players, age 13+</p>
12:30pm - 1:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
12:30pm - 6:00pm	<p>Steam Century Mystery DoubleTree 2207 NEW Steam Century mystery: Play detective in an interactive crime-solving game set in a steampunk world. Follow clues around the convention and interact with costumed characters. Must start by 3:00, answers due 5:00, finale at 5:30. All are welcome!</p>
12:30pm - 3:30pm	<p>LAN - League of Legends Tournament DoubleTree 2208 One of the most popular games in the world. Team tournament matches will be held during the morning, with finals_on Saturday_afternoon. Also available for team play during open gaming/late night gaming. **PERSONAL ACCOUNT REQUIRED**</p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>What's with the Airships? DoubleTree Atrium 2 Why is steampunk so enamored with travel by airship, dirigible, or other heavier-than-air travel? A brief discussion of the history of airship travel and the prevalence of airships in steampunk, dieselpunk, and other retrofuture genres. <i>Boone Dryden (he), Christopher Baye (mod, he), Michael Carus (he), Tyler Tork (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Beyond Chess Club: Starting a Student Interest Group DoubleTree Atrium 3 There's more to forming a student club than just getting a faculty adviser. How do you find other students who share your interest? How do you decide on activities, service projects, events? How often should you meet? What makes a great club? <i>Lis Morton (she), Renate Fiora (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Risk of Going Nowhere DoubleTree Atrium 4 As a safety and headline driven nation, how will we explore dangerous, distant places that are inherently unsafe without losing the public will or disrespecting the lives of those who go? <i>Abra Staffin-Wiebe (she), Desiree Schell (mod, she), Jim Tigwell (he), Rebecca Watson (she), Sarah Prentice (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Extraordinary Physics of an Ordinary Day DoubleTree Atrium 6 Join Dr. Jim as he previews his next book, describing the physics underlying the technology surrounding us in our daily life, as you drive to the doctor, go through TSA security at the airport, give a business presentation and relax in your hotel room. <i>Jim Kakalios (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Consider the Source DoubleTree Atrium 7 What changes did the movie make to your favorite book or comic that irritated you the most? Which changes were an improvement on the source? <i>Ann Laabs (she), Jack Reher (he), Jon Durmin (he), Niles Schwartz (he), Tim Lieder (mod, he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Signing - Mark Oshiro DoubleTree Autograph Table A <i>Mark Oshiro (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Signing - Elizabeth Bear DoubleTree Autograph Table B <i>Elizabeth Bear (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Signing - William Leisner DoubleTree Autograph Table C <i>William Leisner (he)</i></p>

12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Star Wars Databank Brawl DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>A live recording of Joseph Scrimshaw's hit show from the podcast feed, FORCE CENTER! Weird Star Wars characters are picked from the official databank files of Star Wars dot com and made to fight for our amusement! <i>Jeremy Stomberg (he), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Molly Glover (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Resetting the Default DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Diversity (or lack thereof) can be painful and messy. In movies, games, TV, etc., what are some successful examples of getting away from the default white male character? <i>Briana Lawrence (she), Jonathan Palmer (he), Michi Trota (she), Tanya DePass (mod, she), Trisha Lynn (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Learning From a Master DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>How do you pass on your mastery of a subject to the next generation? What are some ways for someone new to an art form learn it? These experts are already mentoring the next generation. Find out how. <i>Daren Dochterman (he), Kelly McCullough (he), Lynne M Thomas (she), Michael Shappe (mod, he), Roy C. Booth (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Science Smorgasbord 2.0 DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>Come join invited guests and expand your knowledge with an assortment of science-themed stations including bugs, Tiny Drawings with the Science Museum of Minnesota, creating straw rockets and planes, and more. <i>Monica Valentinelli (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Radio Play Auditions - Fr DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Have you ever wanted to be in a radio play, performing beside a professional voice actor, playing one of your favorite characters? Now is your chance! We are holding auditions for a live performance at CONvergence! <i>Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he), Khary Payton (he)</i></p>
1:00pm - 1:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
1:00pm - 5:00pm	<p>MTG - Standard Constructed DoubleTree 2206 Table B</p> <p>Bring your Standard deck, get your event ticket at the Dreamer's Vault Games booth, and see if your Bant Aggro can beat your buddy's Orzhov Control! 4 rounds of play, and at least two boosters for everyone - 4-0 gets 8 packs, 3-1 gets 4. Come get some!</p>
1:00pm - 2:00pm	<p>Best of 2015 Midwest Sci-Fi Short Film Festival DoubleTree Plaza 4</p> <p>Filmmakers from around Minnesota and the upper Midwest submitted short films of various geeky genres and styles. Come see some of Rex's favorites.</p>
1:30pm - 2:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
1:30pm - 3:30pm	<p>Umi Monogatari DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Beth Kinderman & the Player Characters Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O</p> <p>Filky geeky progressive rock band <i>Beth Kinderman (she), Dave Stagner, Elizabeth Greenberg, Justin Hartley</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Reading - Amy Shira Teitel DoubleTree 2201</p> <p>A reading by Guest of Honor Amy Shira Teitel. <i>Amy Shira Teitel (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Kitsune: Foxes and Fools DoubleTree 2202 Table C</p> <p>Kitsune (pronounced kit-soo-nay) are Japanese fox-spirits, known for tricking unwary mortals. In this a game of luck and tactics, those who gain all nine tails of the mythical spirit fox earn their place among the kitsune elders. 8 players, ages 13+. <i>Susan Price (mod, she)</i></p>

2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2202 Table G</p> <p>Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip and the weirdest news stories. Up to 8 players, age 13+.</p>
2:00pm - 2:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Time's Up! DoubleTree 2205 Table B</p> <p>Charades-based party game of famous historical or fictional characters for teams of two or more players. 8 players (4 teams of two each), ages 12+.</p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Journalism and Fandom DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Sometimes reporting on the real world leads you into fandom, or vice versa. How does fandom and journalism intertwine for these panelists? How does reporting on fandoms support the community as well as their own interests? <i>Dave Romm (mod, he), Jordan West (they), Michael Damian Thomas (he), Patrick Tomlinson (Shazam), Scott Smith (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Our Place in Space DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>What are the dreams and practicalities of colonizing space? How might humanity reach beyond our planet? We'll discuss the science of human spaceflight in reality and fiction. <i>Emily Finke (she), Kristin Ellis (they), Nicole Gugliucci (mod, she), PZ Myers (he), Ryan Consell (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Captain America: Civil War DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>The latest Marvel movie pits Avengers against Avengers. Let's talk about the politics and personalities behind the split, how well the film pulled it off, and how Civil War furthers Capt. America's storyline and fits in with the Marvel Universe as a whole <i>Aaron Coker (mod, he), Christopher Jones (he), Michael Shappe (he), Neil Anderson (he), Satish Jayaraj (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>What Else Do You Read? DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>What books outside the usual genres are you interested in reading? Does it affect the type of sci-fi and fantasy that you are drawn to? <i>Camille Griep (she), Jody Wurl (mod, she), Naomi Kritzer (she), Paul Weimer (he), Tim Lieder (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Signing - Jay Gallentine DoubleTree Autograph Table A</p> <p>Author Jay Gallentine signs his works. <i>Jay Gallentine (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Signing - Roy C. Booth DoubleTree Autograph Table B</p> <p>Roy Booth will be available to sign his work. <i>Roy C. Booth (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Signing - Cynthia Booth DoubleTree Autograph Table C</p> <p><i>Cynthia Booth (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Writing by Ear DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>Audio drama is a uniquely challenging and rewarding medium for the writer. Learn from experience at this panel of writers from Our Fair City and other audio dramas. <i>Aimee Kuzenski (she), Emma Bull (she), Greg Weisman (he), Jim McDoniel (he), Patrick Marsh (mod, he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Oh, The Humanity DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Science fiction allows you to explore the human condition under sometimes extraordinary circumstances. How do these tropes bring out both the best and worst in people? What are some powerful examples of how this works? <i>Anna Waltz (she), Caroline Symcox (mod, she), Erich Bacher (he), Kelly Jo Ernst (she), Riley Davis (they)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Guerrilla Costume Wars DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest</p> <p>Come watch two-person teams compete in a head-to head one-hour themed guerrilla challenge. The teams are each given the theme and a surprise grab bag and will have one hour to make the costume then show it off to win the title Guerrilla Costume Warrior. <i>Gregory de Danann (he)</i></p>

2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>What Can SF/F Learn from Hamilton? DoubleTree Main Stage Hamilton turns the five minutes you fell asleep during history class into everyone's favorite new musical. Is there anything that SF&F could take from it? Yeah, it's really just an excuse to have a panel about that Broadway musical. #Fans4Ham <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Lee Blauersouth (they), Mark Oshiro (he), Ty Blauersouth, Windy Bowsby (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Moving Pictures, Moving Minds DoubleTree Plaza 1 How do indie filmmakers develop their artistic visions? What if you have something to say beyond telling a good story? <i>Alex Musial (he), Jack Reher (he), Kyle Dekker (mod, he), Matt Gamble (he), Ytasha Womack (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Pipecleaner Dragons DoubleTree Plaza 2 Amazing Soft Sculpture Artist Julie Bowman will be teaching all ages how to make wonderful creatures from the Flexible Master of Craft Materials...the Pipecleaner. Mosifications are also shown and it can get crazy from there. <i>Julie Bowman (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Playing Historical Fiction: History in Tabletop RPGs DoubleTree Plaza 3 A band of brothers off to take out Hitler; a fantasy realm like 15th century France; zombie apocalypse in the trenches of the World War I. Real history presents unique challenges to players and GMs alike. Where is your balance of reality and fiction? <i>Bradford Walker (he), Cam Banks (he), Jess Banks (mod, she), Sarah Ravelly (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 4:00pm	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 9 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!</p>
2:30pm - 3:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
3:00pm - 4:30pm	<p>Grave Robbers from Outer Space DoubleTree 2202 Table A A fast-paced, humorous look at B-rated science-fiction movies. Players create bad horror / sci-fi films using cards that represent characters, props, locations, creatures and special effects. The strongest characters in play when the credits roll win!! <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i></p>
3:00pm - 3:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
3:00pm - 7:00pm	<p>MTG - Chaos Draft DoubleTree 2206 Table A Chaos reigns - draft using cards from *any* Magic set released in 15-card packs! Get your event ticket at Dreamers' Vault Games dealer booth - 3 rounds of play, 1 prize pack per round won; 3-0 gets 1 bonus booster pack.</p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Tanya Brody Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Traditional and original folk music on harp and guitar <i>Tanya Brody</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Reading - Roy C. Booth DoubleTree 2201 <i>Roy C. Booth (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Colossal Arena (a/k/a Titan Arena) DoubleTree 2202 Table F You play as spectators, cheering and betting on the melee ongoing in a fantasy arena / Colosseum in which fantasy creatures are pitted against each other in battle - the player who finishes with the most money wins! 4 players, ages 16+. <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2202 Table G Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories. Up to 8 players, age 13+.</p>

3:30pm - 4:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>LAN - Counter-Strike: Global Offensive DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>The fourth game in the Counter-Strike franchise, this offering features revamped versions of classic maps, as well as several brand new maps, weapons, characters, and game modes, as well as cosmetic items like weapon skins (added post-release).</p>
3:30pm - 5:30pm	<p>Michiko & Hatchin DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Poetry in Fandom DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>What inspires these panelists to write poetry? What kind of market does it have? How does the Rhysling Award work? <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Elise Matthesen (she), Patrick Marsh (mod, he), Renate Fiora (she), Ruth Berman (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Westerns in Sci-Fi and Fantasy DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>These days, the Western is the genre equivalent of peanut butter: not often served on its own, and yet it seems to go with just about everything. Why is the Western so appealing and adaptable, and what are the best examples of great Western fusion? <i>Abra Staffin-Wiebe (she), Bradford Walker (he), Camille Griep (mod, she), Eric Heideman (he), William Leisner (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Kids Cartoons vs Imperialism DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>Home, Steven Universe, Avatar the Last Airbender- the last years have seen kids shows taking in imperialism in ways we rarely see in adult media. Why? What's going well, and what's missing? <i>Gabriela Santiago (she), Lee Blauersouth (they), Max Gladstone (he), Melinda Layden (mod, she), Peter Larsen (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Wonder Woman: The Golden Age DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>On Wonder Woman's 75th anniversary, award-winning playwright phillip low has created an adaptation of her earliest appearances! Come listen to a full-cast reading of William Moulton Marston's eccentric alchemy of war, myth, feminism, comedy, and kink. <i>Dawn Krosnowski (she), Jen Scott (she), Jena Young, Joshua Scrimshaw (he), Kelvin Hatle (he), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Orphan Black DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>Come discuss the latest season of this exciting show! <i>Jody Wurl (mod, she), Josiah Mannion (he), Kiah Nelson (she), Rick Ellis (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Signing - Amy Shira Teitel DoubleTree Autograph Table A</p> <p>Amy Shira Teitel will available to sign her works. <i>Amy Shira Teitel (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Signing - Tactical Pinup DoubleTree Autograph Table B</p> <p><i>Tactical Pinup (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Don't Call them Sidekicks: The Enduring Power of Teenage Superheroes DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>They may have started out as sidekicks in the early days of comics, but now teenage superheroes are a genre onto themselves. From Young Justice to Teen Titans to the students of Xavier's school, let's look at why their stories are so compelling. <i>Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he), Jessa Markert, Khary Payton (he), Sylus Rademacher</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Spaceships and Vehicles of the Star Wars Galaxy DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Ever since the opening shot of Episode IV, vehicles have been a major part of the Star Wars Universe. Discuss what you love about the vehicles in a galaxy far, far away. <i>Amy Fischer (she), Daren Dochterman (he), Kyle Dekker (mod, he), Samantha Bitner (she), Zach Nyhus (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Soundtracks in Movies and TV DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>What are the best movie and TV soundtracks, from classic to current? What makes a soundtrack good? How well it fits the story? How objectively good the music is? A combination? <i>Ansley Grams (she), Bryon Stump (he), Derek "Duck" Washington (he), Michi Trota (she), Scott Keverer (mod, he)</i></p>

3:30pm - 4:30pm	Iron Pen DoubleTree Plaza 2 Stretch your creative muscles by writing a 100-word story based on a surprise prompt item. Entries will be judged during the weekend and the winners announced at the end of the convention. <i>Ann Roubik (she)</i>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Costuming on a Budget DoubleTree Plaza 3 Costuming has the potential of becoming an expensive hobby, but it doesn't have break your budget. We will discuss where to get low-/no-cost materials, DIY, and tips and tricks for taking advantage of the network to barter and trade. <i>Amanda Jade (she), Caitlin Knight (she), Dorianne Jarchow (she), Erin Schneider (mod, she), Leah Groess (she)</i>
4:00pm - 7:00pm	DoomBox - Pathfinder Pony DoubleTree 2202 Table C Most ponykind live in isolated communities, far from civilization, but growing numbers have migrated to multiracial cities, where they trade, craft, and make their livings. Come join our party in Everglow, adventuring with these foremost of the Fey! <i>Dan McNitt (mod, he)</i>
4:00pm - 4:55pm	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
4:00pm - 2:00am	Lost City of Barakus DoubleTree 2205 Table A Searching for 2 gem keys to unlock the Vault of Larin Karr, the party is also en route to stop a diabolical telescope from being built which will summon a host of devils to raze the land... A long-running CONvergence D&D 3.5 adventure! Ages 12+ welcome. <i>Burl Zorn (mod, he)</i>
4:00pm - 6:00pm	Assassin's Guild Weapon Practice and Qualifier DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest Join the AGMAA for weapons training & Opening Qualifier for Saturday's Tournament. Ages 14+ with parental consent. To Register Visit: http://www.assassins.celticmagicinc.com/2016-tournament/ <i>David Bianchi</i>
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Art of the Dress Orientation DoubleTree MainStage Green Room If you have registered for the Art of the Dress Show, come line up and get last-minute tips for the show. Mandatory for Art of the Dress participants. <i>Gregory de Danann (he)</i>
4:00pm - 6:30pm	Cinema Rex Movie 10 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!
4:30pm - 5:25pm	Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Nemesissy Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Rock & roll/post punk for sci fi geeks
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Imposter Syndrome Workshop Crowne Plaza U Impostor Syndrome has been described as the feeling that you aren't really qualified for the work you are doing and will be discovered as a fraud. This workshop is aimed at helping attendees overcome Impostor Syndrome. <i>Crystal Huff (she)</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Reading - Amal El-Mohtar DoubleTree 2201 A reading by Guest of Honor Amal El-Mohtar <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she)</i>

5:00pm - 8:00pm	DoomBox - The Super Hero Job DoubleTree 2202 Table B Hunters and huntresses replying to a posting for the opening of a new children's hospital have been asked to dress as super heroes... It seems like a pretty simple job ... until something starts moving by the mountain outside town... 6 players, ages 13+. <i>Katie Dahl (mod, she)</i>
5:00pm - 8:30pm	Terran Revenge Fleet DoubleTree 2202 Table E Earth needs YOU to hunt down and take revenge for what they did to our homeworld! Become a Marine, go to strange, exotic worlds aaaaaaand basically kill everything that moves. 10 players, age 13+. <i>Robert "Ski" Cudinski (mod, he)</i>
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Legendary DoubleTree 2202 Table F Deck Building Game set in the Marvel Comics Universe. Battle other players with heroes, villains, and if you're strong enough, take on the Mastermind! 4 players, ages 18+ <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i>
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Slash DoubleTree 2202 Table G Slash - a card game where players make the best romantic pairings between cultural icon the "matchmaker" selects and one from their hand. 8 players, ages 13+ <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i>
5:00pm - 9:30pm	PFS - The Overflow Archives DoubleTree 2203 Table A Soon after a pair of initiates sneaks into the archive and steals a few items on a dare, the Overflow Archives inexplicably spring a leak. Investigate this phenomenon, and stop it, before priceless artifacts are ruined forever. 5 players, ages 13+ <i>Jeffrey Reed (mod)</i>
5:00pm - 9:30pm	PFS - Sun Orchid Scheme DoubleTree 2203 Table B After his shipments of sun orchid elixir vanished without a trace two years in a row, the ruler of Pashow is desperate to ensure that his next delivery goes off without a hitch. Pashow has hired your team to test a convoy's defenses. 5 players, ages 13+ <i>Brett Indrelee (mod, he)</i>
5:00pm - 5:55pm	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
5:00pm - 9:00pm	MTG - Modern Constructed DoubleTree 2206 Table B Blow the dust off your Modern deck, get an \$8 event ticket at Dreamer's Vault Games dealer booth, and venture up to 22 for a little Modern fun! This gets you 4 rounds of play with prizes for all - 8 packs for 4-0, 4 for 3-1, 2 for all others.
5:00pm - 8:30pm	LAN - Team Fortress 2 (TF2) Tournament DoubleTree 2208 Tournament time!! Bring your best 9-player team - All their base will belong to YOU! Game modes include CTF, Payload, Control Point, King of the Hill, and Man vs. Machine. Winners go home with prize ribbons!
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Libertarianism in Science Fiction DoubleTree Atrium 2 Heinlein, Orwell, Rand, or Smith, the pattern seems to be clear: how bright our future looks is inversely proportionate to how much government our species requires. <i>Bob Johnson (he), Jamie Riedesel (she), Jorge Salgado-Reyes (Mr.), Naomi Kritzer (mod, she), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Zombies, Run! DoubleTree Atrium 3 What better way to travel than on your own two feet (or wheels)? Run, walk, shamble, or roll your way through a zombie apocalypse in Six to Start's groundbreaking fitness app! <i>Catherine McFerrin (she), Elizabeth Bear (she), Molly Glover (she), Peregrin Winkle (they)</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	One on One with Amy Shira Teitel DoubleTree Atrium 4 <i>Amy Shira Teitel (she), Jason Thibeault (he)</i>

5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Nature of Science DoubleTree Atrium 6 Hollywood and other media are still giving us the same tropes of the lone, crazy scientist pursuing science to the destruction of all else. Why won't this trope die? How is science really done? <i>Jim Kakalios (he), Laura Okagaki-Vraspir (mod, she), Nicole Gugliucci (she), Siouxsie Wiles (she), Vernon McIntosh (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Cutting the Cable Cord DoubleTree Atrium 7 Thousands are moving away from subscribing to cable every year. Subscription streaming services such as Netflix, Amazon and Hulu help bridge the gap, plus antennas are making a comeback. Will cable soon be obsolete? <i>Adam Lueck (he), Elizabeth Reynolds (mod, she), Lana Rosario (she), Mark McPherson (he), William Leisner (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Signing - Kelly McCullough DoubleTree Autograph Table A <i>Kelly McCullough (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Signing - Ruth Thompson DoubleTree Autograph Table B <i>Ruth Thompson (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Signing - Joan Marie Verba DoubleTree Autograph Table C <i>Joan Marie Verba (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Marvel's Agent Carter DoubleTree Bloomington Agent Carter knows her worth and so do we! Let's talk about second season. <i>Allyson Cygan (she), Caroline Symcox (she), Cetius d'Raven (mod, he), Grace Ulak (she), Jordan West (they)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Why Are We Still Whitewashing? DoubleTree Edina There are still too few roles written for people of color, despite plenty of great actors of various backgrounds. Even those written as POC are sometimes portrayed by white actors. Are the writers still mostly white? Is this changing? Why so slowly? <i>Derek "Duck" Washington (he), Elliott Wilcoxon (mod, he), Rob Callahan (he), Trisha Lynn (she), Ytasha Womack (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:30pm	<p>Art of the Dress Costume and Couture Show / Cirque du Voyag_ DoubleTree Main Stage</p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Vermin Update DoubleTree Plaza 1 After last year's successful Kickstarter, Vermin has been produced and you can get your first look at the finished product! Show creators and puppeteers will be on hand to talk about the process and some of the next steps. <i>Gordon Smuder (he), Jennifer Menken (she), Tim Wick (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Paper Rocket Races DoubleTree Plaza 2 Build your own paper rocket while learning about aerodynamics, then race to find the flaws in your design. Edit, update, and race again! <i>Beth Voigt (she), Topher Hunter (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>CONvergence Events Open Meeting DoubleTree Plaza 3 Get an update on the latest with the organization that runs CONvergence with members of the Convergence Events Board of Directors. <i>Ishmael Williams (he), Jonathan Palmer (he), Margaret Eastman (she), Nadim Khalidi (he), Thomas Keeley (he)</i></p>
5:30pm - 6:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
5:30pm - 7:20pm	<p>Expelled From Paradise DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
6:00pm - 6:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>

6:00pm - 7:00pm	Masquerade Orientation I DoubleTree MainStage Green Room If you have registered for the Masquerade, come and get last-minute information about the tech rehearsals, judging, and the show. Masquerade participants must attend one of the orientation sessions. <i>Gregory de Danann (he)</i>
6:30pm - 7:30pm	worldoffood Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Bass-heavy progressive electronic rock <i>Evan Travis</i>
6:30pm - 7:25pm	Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Cinema Rex Movie 11 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!
7:00pm - 10:00pm	Munchkin Tournament - Round 3 DoubleTree 2201 Tournament-flavor Munchkin - come get your card game on with CONvergence's annual Munchkin Tourney, run by our Steve Jackson Games rep. Tournament rules may be available at the front desk on 22, and will also be explained at each session. <i>Andy Mullin (mod, he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:30pm	Road Kill Rally DoubleTree 2202 Table A Gentlemen, start your engines! Pedestrians, watch your @\$es! Race across the country in your weaponized roadster, lighting up your opponents and scoring points by killing pedestrians. It's all about the size of your gun and the speed of your ride! <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:30pm	Red Flags DoubleTree 2202 Table G A card game where players pick qualities that would make a perfect date for the "single" player. Then an opponent brings up the "red flag." She "loves to cuddle" and is an "astronaut" but what if they "bring dad to the date?" 8 players, ages 13+ <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i>
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7:00pm - 11:00pm	MTG - Booster Draft: Shadows Over Innistrad DoubleTree 2206 Table A Has Westvale Abbey eluded you? Come see if you can open one! Get your event ticket at the Dreamer's Vault Games dealer booth - \$15 gets you 3 rounds of play with prizes of 1 pack per round won. Anyone going 3-0 gets an additional prize pack.
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Friends of Bill W DoubleTree Atrium 2
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Positive Disability DoubleTree Atrium 3 Let's talk about good examples of disability and disability culture in SF&F, such as the character with a hearing impairment in Dr. Who. Does not talking about it make it mainstream? Not a big deal anymore? <i>Josie Browning (she), Lee Blauersouth (they), Lynne M Thomas (she), Michael Damian Thomas (he), Vetrnita Anderson (mod, she)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Supergirl DoubleTree Atrium 4 How well does this show riff off of the DC Universe? What do you think about the characters? How often does it pass the Bechdel test? <i>Anne Fry (she), Caroline Symcox (mod, she), Dana Baird (she), Kavin Senapathy (she), Kevin Eldridge (he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Judging a Book by Its Cover DoubleTree Atrium 6 Two competing teams of "experts" tell you the plot of a book, based only upon the cover art they see on the screen. <i>Dawn Krosnowski (she), Jerry Belich (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Molly Glover (she), Nick Glover (he), Tim Wick (mod, he)</i>

7:00pm - 8:00pm	Mercury 13 DoubleTree Atrium 7 Thirteen American women, narrowed down from 25, passed the same physical & psychological tests that determined the original Mercury 7 astronauts. However, astronaut training did not follow. Hear the story of these Fellow Lady Astronaut Trainees (FLATs). <i>Amy Shira Teitel (she), Nicole Gugliucci (she)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Campaign Convergence: Presidential Debate DoubleTree Bloomington Come watch, listen, and heckle this year's evil presidential candidates as they attempt to bully, bribe, and bluster their way to the presidency. Afterwards, cast your vote in the Campaign Convergence party room. Vote early, vote often. <i>Brian LaBounty (he), Genevieve Woodward (she)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	How I Got Here DoubleTree Edina We ask our Guests of Honor what got them interested in what they do and the stories of their first love in genre. <i>Cam Banks (he), Daren Dochterman (he), Khary Payton (he), Mark Oshiro (he), Ytasha Womack (she)</i>
7:00pm - Midnight	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Joseph Scrimshaw Versus Reality DoubleTree Main Stage <i>Joseph Scrimshaw (he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Rise of Dark Fantasy DoubleTree Plaza 1 Fans of dark fantasy have more choices than ever on TV: Supernatural, Vampire Diaries, Grimm, Sleepy Hollow, and the list goes on. Why the trend, and will it continue? <i>Catherine Lundoff (she), Cetius d'Raven (he), Jessica Walsh (she), Jody Wurl (she), Patrick Marsh (mod, he)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Drawing with the Masters DoubleTree Plaza 2 Join our Master of Illustration, Christopher Jones, and learn tips and tricks for drawing characters and other illustration features. Whether you like pencils, pens, markers or more, build on your skills with this fun hour. Guest Moderator, Greg Weisman. <i>Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he), Ruth Thompson (she)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Exploring Neurodiversity: The New Frontier DoubleTree Plaza 3 Fact: human brains vary widely. Theory: this fact is totally okay. Join us in exploring the variations in the human mind and how "disorders" may just be differences. <i>Emilie Peck (she), Jess Banks (mod, she), Olivia James (she), Richard Wielgosz (he), Sarah Ravelly (she)</i>
7:20pm - 9:20pm	Free! Eternal Summer DoubleTree Atrium 1
7:30pm - 8:25pm	Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
8:00pm - 9:00pm	The Not-So-Silent Planet: A Speculative Open-Mic Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Have you ever imagined a world whose laws of physics differ from our own? Welcome to the Twin Cities' first open-mic dedicated to speculative fiction! Sign up for 5-7 minutes and tell us about a place of which we've never dreamt. <i>phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i>
8:00pm - 8:55pm	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
8:00pm - 10:00pm	Cinema Rex Movie 12 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!

8:30pm - 9:30pm	Trivia DoubleTree 2202 Table D Hosting a sci-fi/fantasy travel themed trivia event. There will be candy and prizes! <i>Alicia Beck (mod, she)</i>
8:30pm - 9:25pm	Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
8:30pm - 11:30pm	Firefly Board Game DoubleTree 2207 Table A Start with a captain and a ship, hire and equip a crew, travel the 'Verse to complete jobs and get paid while avoiding Reavers, Alliance patrols and rival captains who may be pirates. 4 players, age 13+
8:30pm - 10:30pm	Feng Shui 2 DoubleTree 2207 Table B CONvergence Guest of Honor Cam Banks runs Feng Shui 2! <i>Cam Banks (mod, he)</i>
8:30pm - 10:00pm	Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories. Up to 12 players, ages 13+
8:30pm - 10:00pm	Kitsune: Foxes and Fools DoubleTree 2207 Table D Kitsune (pronounced kit-soo-nay) are Japanese fox-spirits, known for tricking unwary mortals. In this a game of luck and tactics, those who gain all nine tails of the mythical spirit fox earn their place among the kitsune elders. 8 players, ages 13+ <i>Susan Price (mod, she)</i>
8:30pm - 10:00pm	LAN - Left 4 Dead 2 DoubleTree 2208 Award winning zombie co-op action horror FPS takes you and your friends through the cities, swamps and cemeteries of the Deep South, from Savannah to New Orleans across five expansive campaigns. Complete with asymmetrical versus mode, fun for all!
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Cosplay Remix DoubleTree Atrium 2 Steampunk Superman. Jedi Disney Princesses. What happens when we move past trying to just imitate a character's look and start reimagining it? <i>Bess Stuvinoxend (she), Graham Barr (he), Maggie Schultz (mod, she), Melissa Sowers (she)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Tech in the Classroom DoubleTree Atrium 3 As we move further into the future, we and our children are becoming comfortable with more and more technology. How is this tech being folded into the classroom experience? Is it enhancing education? Is it forcing our society to lose vital skills? <i>Dan Berliner (he), Peter Larsen (mod, he), Renate Fiora (she), Sean Casey, Taylor Cisco (he)</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Yes, It's Impractical, But It Looks Cool DoubleTree Atrium 4 So many gadgets, set pieces, and art design decisions in film and TV seem to have no purpose beyond looking cool (windows in submarines?!). Let's discuss examples of form completely overriding function in fiction. When does it work and when does it fail? <i>Celia Yost (she), Christopher Jones (he), Daren Dochterman (he), Ryan Consell (he), Topher Hunter (mod, he)</i>
8:30pm - 11:00pm	2016 Midwest Sci-Fi Short Film Festival DoubleTree Atrium 6 Since 2008, the Midwest Sci-Fi Short Film Festival has been bringing you the best in genre short films produced by filmmakers around the midwestern USA and Canada. VOTE for your favorite films in the Audience Choice Awards! <i>Troy LaFaye</i>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Occupation Impossible: Stationmaster of an Interstellar Space Station DoubleTree Atrium 7 Lousy drivers in the docks, voracious vermin, and automated systems eating the cargo are just some of the fun events faced by stationmasters on interstellar space stations. What characteristics are needed for this job? Who would be crazy enough to want it <i>Chrysoula Tzavelas (she), Elizabeth Bear (she), Kathryn Sullivan (she), Katie Dahl (she), Michael Shappe (mod, he)</i>

8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Hell Hath No Fury: Ways to Motivate, Impede, and Change Female Characters DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>Women's sexuality has been used as backstory for far too long. We'll talk about other ways to flesh out female characters, realistic portrayals of trauma, and the variety of motivations for women, with examples from Furiosa, Jessica Jones, and more. <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Amanda Marcotte (she), Cassandra Phoenix (she), Rebecca Watson (she)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Why Diversity Needs to be Deeper than Marketing DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Lots of things (RPGs, books, movies, etc.) are being sold for their diversity of representation. But if the same old powers-that-be turn diversity into another marketing gimmick, then it will fail. Let's discuss why we need diverse creators and more. <i>Dirk Ykema (he), Greg Weisman (he), Jonathan Palmer (he), Kate Norlander (she), Trisha Lynn (mod, she)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>PowerPoint Karaoke DoubleTree Main Stage</p> <p>Four "experts" each give a PowerPoint presentation... but they have never seen the slides before, and the slides make no sense! <i>Barb Abney, Bill Stiteler (mod, he), C. Robert Cargill (he), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Molly Glover (she), Paul Cornell (he), Sharon Stiteler (she), Tim Uren (he), Tim Wick (he)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Media for the Road DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>What are the best books, audio dramas, and podcasts for road trips or plane rides? Come share your favorites and stock up on ideas for your next big trip. <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he), Ben San Del (he), Jerry Stearns (he), Lee Harris (mod, he), Skazka 9000 (she)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Science and Art of Bioluminescence DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>Draw your masterpiece in glowing bacteria! Participants will have the opportunity to create an artwork using glowing bacteria on a petridish. We will then take a photograph of the resulting artwork for participants to download from Flickr. <i>Siouxie Wiles (she)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Debunking Gaming Myths DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Do games make you more violent? Is gaming inherently damaging or a waste of time? We'll discuss the truth (or lack thereof) behind common myths about gaming and gamers, including what studies have shown and what they have not. <i>Anna Besmann (she), David Rust (he), Luxander Pond (they), Ross Conklin (he), Tactical Pinup (mod, she)</i></p>
9:00pm - 9:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
9:00pm - 1:00am	<p>MTG - Standard Constructed DoubleTree 2206 Table B</p> <p>Bring your Standard-legal deck and an event ticket from Dreamer's Vault Games dealer booth up to 22 to get in on the fun! \$8 gets you 4 rounds of play - prizes for all! 8 packs for 4-0; 4 packs for 3-1, and 2 packs for everyone else!</p>
9:20pm - 11:30pm	<p>Space Dandy DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
9:30pm - 10:30pm	<p>Bad September Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O</p> <p>The Midwest's greatest steampunk rock band! <i>Charles Borchert, Elizabeth Borchert (she), John Heimbuch (he), Keith Prusak, Marc Gutman (he), Michael Borchert (he)</i></p>
9:30pm - 10:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
10:00pm - 2:00am	<p>21+ Magic: the Gathering DoubleTree 2201</p> <p>WTFs (women/trans/femmes) playing Magic the Gathering casually, by the rules mostly, while responsibly enjoying adult beverages; opportunities for non-standard deck builds/scenarios, and supportive/fun place for newbs. No dude-bros, please!</p>

10:00pm - 2:00am	<p>Cards Against Humanity DoubleTree 2202</p> <p>This is the foul-mouthed, inappropriate, slightly-crazed, biker-gang brother of that classic party favorite, Apples to Apples. Bring your ID, your *wrong*, and your sense of humor? You'll need all of them! ID and Adult CONvergence badge required. <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 2:00am	<p>Fiasco! DoubleTree 2203 Table A</p> <p>Do you like movies with convoluted plots, betrayal, redemption, insanity and jealousy all rolled into a ball of misanthropy and murder? Welcome to Fiasco, the storytelling game about people with strong desires and weak self control. 18+, ID Req'd <i>Lauren Sindt (mod)</i></p>
10:00pm - 10:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
10:00pm - 11:30pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C</p> <p>Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories. 12 players, ages 13+</p>
10:00pm - 11:30pm	<p>Kitsune: Foxes and Fools DoubleTree 2207 Table D</p> <p>Kitsune (pronounced kit-soo-nay) are Japanese fox-spirits, known for tricking unwary mortals. In this a game of luck and tactics, those who gain all nine tails of the mythical spirit fox earn their place among the kitsune elders. 8 players, age 13+ <i>Susan Price (mod, she)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:30pm	<p>LAN - Five Nights at Freddy's DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>All three installments of this cult indie-horror game hit - can you survive five nights as a security guard in Freddy Fazbear's Pizza? Elude the animatronics, keep your wits, and you might leave alive. NOT for kids! Ribbons awarded for surviving!</p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Heinlein's Predictions and Inventions DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>He wrote books, TV, and even movies, and along the way, he had to invent lots of solutions and modern technology. In more than a few cases, he predicted the future. His ideas included a waterbed design, camelbak canteens, and much of modern politics. <i>Michael Carus (he), Ross Conklin (he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>What Does It Sound Like Inside a Computer? DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>What does it sound like where no person has ever been? What does warp speed sound like? How about hyperspace? Come explore the mysteries of sound. <i>Dave Erwin (he), Jerry Stearns (he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Healthy Relationships in the Geek Community DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>We believe geek relationships are the best ones, but they will fail without some important philosophies. Discuss friendships to romance, the spectrum of possibilities therein, and the importance of concepts like honesty, openness, and acceptance. <i>Doranne Jarchow (she), George Miller (mod, she), Kerry Peterson (she)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Urban Fantasy Year in Review DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>What's new in urban fantasy? Which books or series are your favorites and why do you find them so appealing? Which ones are not worth the time? <i>Lana Rosario (she), Melissa Olson (she)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Consent Culture in Steven Universe DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>A discussion of the concept of consent culture, the idea that interpersonal relations of an intimate nature (ahem, "fusion") should always be approached with the express ongoing consent of all parties, within "Steven Universe". Mature subject matter. <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Benny Vimes (he), Jason Thibeault (he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Xanadu Cinema Pleasure Dome Live Podcast DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>The ladies of the XCPD podcast will be recording live with a special guest, lavishing our adoration on the movies we love so much. (Sobriety optional.) <i>Greg Weisman (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Windy Bowlsby (she)</i></p>

10:00pm - 11:00pm	Vilification Tennis DoubleTree Main Stage <i>Tim Wick (he)</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Race and Star Trek, Then and Now DoubleTree Plaza 1 The promise of an Earth without racism has always been an important part of Star Trek. Let's discuss how the civil rights struggles of the past affected this show, and how the civil rights struggles of the present should affect the new series in 2017. <i>Gabriela Santiago (she), Gregory Parks (he), Hal Bichel (she), K Tempest Bradford (mod, she)</i>
10:00pm - Midnight	Sandbox After Dark: Sexperiments DoubleTree Plaza 2 Science is messy, sex is dirty, but we are doing this for posterity. Come use the experimental method to explore sex with 3 hands-on activities designed to test knowledge, engage sexual selection, and draw out laughs along the way. 18+ Bring ID. <i>Jezebel Starfox</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Who's Driving This Thing Anyway? DoubleTree Plaza 3 Whether it's an AI, a sentient ship, or Seaman Jones at the helm, someone who isn't the main character is behind the wheel. Discussion centering around the types and problems of autopilots, AI, and crew that handle the ship while the main characters act. <i>Christopher Baye (mod, he), Simon Bitdiddle (he), Tyler Tork (he)</i>
10:00pm - Midnight	Cinema Rex Movie 13 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing! (this showing is captioned)
10:30pm - 11:25pm	Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
11:00pm - Midnight	Nerdlesque! Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Nerdlesque - pop culture, nerd inspired burlesque <i>Anjela, Apollo Hawthorne, Holliedazzle, Ivory Clover, Luna Rouge, Mona Montague (she), Opiumm Hayze, Tre da Marc</i>
11:00pm - 11:55pm	Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.
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11:30pm - 1:00am	LAN - Late Night Gaming DoubleTree 2208 Late-night adults-only hours for LAN - bring your friends up to 22 for a game against your 18+ friends! Room is open as late as the LAN crew can put up with your shenanigans, or 2:00 AM, whichever comes first!
11:30pm - 12:30am	Fanboy Bebop DoubleTree Atrium 1
11:30pm - 12:30am	Ingress Strategy DoubleTree Atrium 2 Successful players share their tips and tricks for this popular mobile game. <i>Benny Vimes (he), Erich Bacher (he), Renate Fiora (mod, she)</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Homoeroticism or Misogyny? DoubleTree Atrium 3 You've seen the show, there's two guys, their female love interests have needs and storylines that get pushed aside, because they care about each other that much, that's what the show is about! Is it exploring masculine love? Or just excluding women? <i>Cassandra Phoenix (she), Elise Matthesen (she), Jordan West (mod, they)</i>

11:30pm - 12:30am	Archer DoubleTree Atrium 4 The latest seasons of Archer have taken us through many changes, from the demise of ISIS to the creation of The Figgis Agency in Hollywood. Say goodbye to safe spaces and join us in the Danger Zone to talk about all things Archer. Spoosh! <i>Hertzey Hertz (she), Michael Zecca (mod, he), Stephen Nemer (he)</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Killer B's Improv Movie Show DoubleTree Atrium 6 The Killer B's show is film, improv comedy, and live music rolled together into a burrito of joy. As clips of strange movies play onscreen, a team of voice actors and musicians create a whole new soundtrack...without ever seeing the movies before! <i>Jerry Belich (he), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Kelvin Hatle (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Molly Glover (she), Scott Keever (he), Tim Uren (he)</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Pun-El DoubleTree Bloomington Once again, the English language (and a few others) gets pun-ched, pun-ked, and pun-ji'd without fear of flying fruit! The Pun-El returns. Speech class was never like this! <i>Brian LaBounty (he), Edward Eastman (he), Katie Dahl (she), Kyle Dekker (he), Margaret Eastman (she)</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Slash Panel DoubleTree Edina Do you enjoy talking about same-sex shipping? You're in luck! It's the annual panel brought to you by the "Now Kiss!" meme. Let's discuss the State of the Slash Union 2016. (This panel is 18+; we're gonna talk about the fan fiction with the porn.) <i>Bess Stuvencend (she), Brittany Nickel (she), Jo Thrace (she), Kes -- (she), Skazka 9000 (she)</i>
11:30pm - 5:30am	Nux vs. Interceptor DoubleTree Main Stage
11:30pm - 12:30am	Late Night Music Circle DoubleTree Plaza 1 A late night gathering of musicians where you can sing, play or just listen. <i>Dave Stagner</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	iZombie Fan Panel DoubleTree Plaza 3 How often do we get a story where the zombie is the hero? Let's talk about the first two seasons and what we hope for and expect from the third season, especially with Vaughn dead and the introduction of Vivian Stoll as a new nemesis for Liv and friends. <i>Damarra Atkins (mod, she), Grace Ulak (she), Jen Manna (she), Kevin Eldridge (he), Kiah Nelson (she)</i>

SATURDAY JULY 2

Midnight - 2:00am	Cinema Rex Movie 14 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!
12:30am - 2:30am	Blassreiter DoubleTree Atrium 1
2:00am - 4:00am	Cinema Rex Movie 15 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!
7:00am - 9:00am	Super Dimension Century Orguss DoubleTree Atrium 1
9:00am - 10:30am	Unico in the Island of Magic DoubleTree Atrium 1
9:00am - Midnight	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Northwest

9:00am - 4:00pm	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southeast
9:00am - 11:00am	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest
9:00am - 10:00am	Masquerade Performer Orientation DoubleTree Main Stage
9:00am - 10:00am	Masquerade Orientation II DoubleTree MainStage Green Room If you have registered for the Masquerade, come and get last-minute information about the tech rehearsals, judging, and the show. Masquerade participants must attend one of the orientation sessions. <i>Gregory de Danann (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Reading - Briana Lawrence and Jessica Walsh DoubleTree 2201 <i>Briana Lawrence (she), Jessica Walsh (she)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Road Tripping the Light Fantastic (Fandom Travel in the Internet Age) DoubleTree Atrium 2 Remember when we all would get in the car, drive for hours to get to a con? Neither do many others. Is this dying out as cons get more common and community-forming goes more online? Or is there still room for the long drive to mingle with your tribe? <i>Brianne Bilyeu (she), Michael Shappe (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	History of American Anime Fandom DoubleTree Atrium 3 Today anime is hotter than ever, but what did fans do years ago before the Internet made it so accessible? Learn about fansubs, the hentai wars, and the "original senpais" of the early age. <i>Anna Waltz (she), Peter Lane (Mr.), Ty Blauersouth (mod)</i>
9:30am - Noon	U of M Raptor Center DoubleTree Atrium 4 See live raptors such as owls, hawks, and falcons, and learn about them through a variety of hands-on props and activities. <i>Alison Falldin, Kelsey Griffin</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Why YA? DoubleTree Atrium 6 What's makes a novel YA? Catcher in the Rye, A Clockwork Orange, and Stephen King's Carrie all feature teen protagonists and are no more violent than Hunger Games, Twilight or Harry Potter, yet only the latter are considered YA. Why? <i>Laura Zats (she), Meredith Gillies (she), Olivia James (she), Sean Casey</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Are Any Myths Sacred? DoubleTree Atrium 7 Disney is known for rewriting classic literature in their trademark vanilla style, turning age-old stories into products they can sue over. Now they are even rewriting their own stories. How far can Disney-style recycling go? Are any myths out of reach? <i>Alex Bledsoe (Mr.), Jim McDoniel (he), Josiah Mannion (he), Michael Damian Thomas (mod, he), William Leisner (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Signing - Adam J Whitlatch DoubleTree Autograph Table A <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Signing - Jack Reher DoubleTree Autograph Table B <i>Jack Reher (he)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Signing - Camille Griep DoubleTree Autograph Table C <i>Camille Griep (she)</i>
9:30am - 10:30am	Where's My Jetpack? DoubleTree Bloomington Flying Cars? Hoverboards? We'll look at the predictions for transportation in the past and how they have played out in the present. Plus we'll look to the exciting near future of getting around. <i>Desiree Schell (mod, she), Ryan Consell (he), Tom Kastan (he), Topher Hunter (he)</i>

9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Buying Cover Art DoubleTree Edina Where do you look? How do you find an artist if you're self-publishing? What do the big houses do? What do you need to know? <i>Aimee Kuzenski (she), Brea Behn (Mrs.), Chrysoula Tzavelas (she), Joan Marie Verba (she), Patrick Marsh (mod, he)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Building Worlds for Fiction DoubleTree Plaza 1 Building a comprehensive world, whether it is for a novel, comic, or serial can be a huge challenge. Join the panelists as they discuss tools, strategies, and both successes and failures in world-building. <i>Greg Weisman (he), J.M. Lee (he), Lynne M Thomas (she), Melissa Olson (she), Michael Carus (mod, he)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Play With Rockets (Safely) DoubleTree Plaza 2 Explore rockets using safe physical and chemical reactions! Make little rockets with just water and Alka-seltzer, and see the famous "Coke and Mentos" demonstration. Learn more about how rockets get us where we want to go. Safe and fun for all ages. <i>Nicole Gugliucci (she)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Time Travel in Literature DoubleTree Plaza 3 Many books include time travel, some more successfully than others. How does time travel affect plot lines and history in different ways in different books? What are some of the more creative uses of time travel and ways around the paradoxes? <i>Jim Tigwell (he), Paul Weimer (he), Scott Jamison (mod, he), Tyler Tork (he), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i></p>
9:30am - 11:30am	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 16 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!</p>
10:00am - 4:00pm	<p>Blood Drive DoubleTree Outdoors Free Red Cross lunch coolers and badge ribbons for donors while supplies last. Sign up in rooms 107 and 108 (USS Nokomis/WDF) Thurs. or Fri. evening or at www.redcrossblood.org. Donors will be greeted in the main lobby, then sent out to the bloodmobile.</p>
10:00am - 6:00pm	<p>Art Show DoubleTree Plaza 6 Quick sale available.</p>
10:30am - 12:30pm	<p>Getbackers DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Comedy Writing: How to Be Funnier Crowne Plaza U Want to write the funny? Come and learn the techniques and tools for writing jokes, scripts, and books. We might even have a few laughs. It's as simple as one, two, badger. <i>David Walbridge (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Reading - Tim Wick and phillip andrew bennett low DoubleTree 2201 <i>Tim Wick (he), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i></p>
11:00am - 12:30pm	<p>Red Dragon Inn DoubleTree 2202 Table A Hey you, let's fight! Them's drinkin' words! Return to Red Dragon Inn where adventurers gather to drink, gamble and brawl when they get back from killing the monsters. Last one sober(ish) with money to spend wins! 5 players, ages 13+ <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i></p>
11:00am - 2:00pm	<p>DoomBox - Friendship is Madness DoubleTree 2202 Table B This is the one we were *hoping* someone would pull this year - the twisted example of WRONG that sparked the Doom Box: My Little Pony + Call of Cthulu... come find out what happens when Friendship is Madness! 6 players, ages 13+</p>
11:00am - 3:30pm	<p>PFS - Daughters of Fury: Sacrifice DoubleTree 2203 Table A What does Vegazi have to do with the raiders' diabolical plot? Who will rally Arwyll Stead now that the town's icon has been cut down? And who is the mastermind orchestrating the orc tribe's alliance with devils from beyond? 5 players, ages 13+ <i>Jeffrey Reed (mod)</i></p>

11:00am - 3:30pm	<p>PFS - Hall of the Flesh Eaters DoubleTree 2203 Table B</p> <p>A recent discovery by the Pathfinder Society has revealed a brief opportunity to navigate the Gloomspires safely and search for the lost treasure of Sevenfingers. Unfortunately, the Pathfinders are not the only visitors... 5 players, age 13+ <i>Keith Apperson (mod)</i></p>
11:00am - 9:00pm	<p>PFS - Quests DoubleTree 2203 Table C</p> <p>Quests are a series of 1 hour adventures meant to take new players through their first experiences with the Pathfinder Society. Quests will be run throughout the day whenever players are available. 5 players, age 13+</p>
11:00am - 11:55am	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
11:00am - 2:00am	<p>Reserved for Game Library DoubleTree 2205 Table C</p> <p>Every year, The Source brings some of their library of games to CONvergence - this table is reserved for playing games borrowed from that library in The Source's room. Please keep all borrowed games in the room while playing.</p>
11:00am - 11:00pm	<p>MTG - Casual Play DoubleTree 2206</p> <p>2206 is open for casual play all day Saturday while the two tournaments are taking place in the Sheraton Garden Court.</p>
11:00am - 12:30pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C</p> <p>Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories. 12 players, ages 13+</p>
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11:00am - 3:30pm	<p>LAN - League of Legends Tournament DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>One of the most popular games in the world. Team tournament matches will be held during the morning, with finals on Saturday afternoon. Also available for team play during open gaming/late night gaming. **PERSONAL ACCOUNT REQUIRED**</p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Remembering the Phantom Tollbooth DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>Norton Juster's "The Phantom Tollbooth" is full of word play you may not have caught when you read it as a child. Let's discuss the book through an adult's eyes. <i>David Schwartz (he), Joel Arnold (he), Lis Morton (she), Lyda Morehouse (mod, she), Paul Weimer (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>It Takes a Village Moving at 80% the Speed of Light DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>How will parenting change aboard your generational colony ship? The values you impart will determine the success or failure of the ship and how society develops once you arrive. What parts of Earth's culture will you jettison? <i>Cassandra Phoenix (she), Erich Bacher (he), Kavin Senapathy (she), Topher Hunter (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Token for Your Thoughts DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>There's a fine line between diverse representation and tokenism, but where is that line? The panel discusses how to make inclusion of non-white/non-male characters substantive, and whether highlighting diversity bolsters or undermines the effort. <i>Jonathan Palmer (he), Mark Oshiro (he), Rob Callahan (mod, he), Tanya DePass (she), Ytasha Womack (she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Vehicle Design DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>Do you think a TIE fighter is an effective spaceship? Discuss both practical and impractical designs you have seen in science fiction. <i>Daren Dochterman (he), Katie Dahl (she), Rebecca Barney (she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Signing - Jorge Salgado-Reyes DoubleTree Autograph Table A</p> <p><i>Jorge Salgado-Reyes (Mr.)</i></p>

11:00am - Noon	Signing - Briana Lawrence DoubleTree Autograph Table B <i>Briana Lawrence (she)</i>
11:00am - Noon	Signing - Jessica Walsh DoubleTree Autograph Table C <i>Jessica Walsh (she)</i>
11:00am - Noon	D&D's Many Flaws DoubleTree Bloomington Possibly the most widely played RPG, D&D has some mighty flaws built into its design and play. It's complicated, based in an odd mixture of myths, and AC makes no sense whatsoever. Can the flaws be overcome by good players? <i>Bob Johnson (he), Cam Banks (he), Cetius d'Raven (mod, he), Scott Lynch (he)</i>
11:00am - Noon	Why We Need Representation in Superheroes DoubleTree Edina Heroes come in every size, every shape, and every color. From Jubilee, Black Widow, and Ms. Marvel to Cyborg, Oracle, and Hawkeye, we'll discuss the importance of diversity in the superhero biz. <i>Bri Lopez Donovan (they), Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he), Khary Payton (he), Lynne M Thomas (she)</i>
11:00am - 1:30pm	Assassins Guild Grand Tournament DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest Join us a Tournament of Champions! The greatest warriors will face off in a contest of might. Registration is limited & restrictions apply. To Register Visit: http://www.assassins.celticmagicinc.com/2016-tournament/ <i>David Bianchi</i>
11:00am - 4:00pm	Masquerade Technical Rehearsal DoubleTree Main Stage Performers will be assigned a 15 minutes slot during this time.
11:00am - 4:00pm	Masquerade Workmanship Judging DoubleTree MainStage Green Room Performer judging times will be assigned.
11:00am - Noon	Moving at the Speed of Plot DoubleTree Plaza 1 When you're world building, how do the choices you make, such as setting, affect the decisions you make later about plot? Has your world inspired your plot more than your plot has inspired your world? <i>Dana Baird (she), Jack Reher (he), Jean-Marie Sobeck, Kelly McCullough (he), Michael May (mod, he)</i>
11:00am - Noon	MLP Pony Tails DoubleTree Plaza 2 Put a little swish in your step with a My Little Pony yarn tail to go on your belt! Tails can vary from one color to a full rainbow. Once the main tail is put together, we'll spend the rest of the time embellishing to make them our own! Great for all ages <i>Jem Jensen</i>
11:00am - Noon	Humans vs. Robots: Who Will Travel the Solar System? DoubleTree Plaza 3 Human spaceflight captures the imagination like nothing else, but robotic probes have explored the Solar System with relative ease. We'll weigh the costs and benefits of sending humans to other planets versus sending our robotic proxies. <i>Amy Shira Teitel (she), Desiree Schell (mod, she), Jason Thibeault (he), Jim Tigwell (he), Nicole Gugliucci (she)</i>
11:00am - 4:00pm	MTG - Value Box Sealed Deck Sheraton Garden Court Each player gets a Value Box of 30 rares & 400 commons / uncommons - open the box, make a deck - everything else is usable as sideboard to change up your deck between matches! \$15 event ticket from Dreamer's Vault Games dealer booth, 64 player max!
11:30am - 12:30pm	The Cousins Gee Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O The most benevolent yet at the same most deadly super power ever known to mankind--both in the real world as well as in the world of Convergence!! <i>John Knowles</i>
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12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Know-It-All Cast Crowne Plaza U</p> <p>The Know-it-all-Cast is a live podcast where the hosts don't know what they are going to talk about until the audience tells them! Watch the debut recording of this new improvisational show featuring special guest experts! <i>Andrea Wilkins (she), Tim Wick (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Reading - Kelly McCullough and Alex Bledsoe DoubleTree 2201</p> <p><i>Alex Bledsoe (Mr.), Kelly McCullough (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	<p>Inn Fighting DoubleTree 2202 Table D</p> <p>With a roll of the dice, you determine whether to hurl a tankard of ale at the out-of-tune bard or smash a chair over the drunken barbarian's head. Treachery and chaos abound, as every game promises a new and hilarious tavern brawl! 5 players, age 13+ <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	<p>Red Flags DoubleTree 2202 Table G</p> <p>Red Flags is a card game where players pick qualities that would make a perfect date for the "single" player. Then comes the date's "red flag." They "love to cuddle" and they're an "astronaut" but ... they "bring mom to the date?" 8 players, age 13+ <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i></p>
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12:30pm - 2:30pm	<p>Samurai 7 DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Trade Routes DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>Most people think of trade routes as means to exchange goods and money. They are also the roads of culture and influence. Let's talk about the power trade routes have exerted on history and in genre. <i>Bradford Walker (he), Emma Bull (she), Katie Dahl (she), Michael Carus (he), Sigrid Ellis (mod, she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Once More, With Feeling DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Find out from voice actors how they craft their performances and make 3 different kinds of sounds mean 3 different things. <i>Dave Margosian (he), Dirk Ykema (he)</i></p>

12:30pm - 1:30pm	Gaming with Kids DoubleTree Atrium 4 Introducing children to Euro-style, deck building, and role playing games can start really early. Learn the do's and don'ts of explaining and introducing people (of all ages) to new styles of games. <i>Erich Bacher (he), Kerry Peterson (she), Michael May (he), Naomi Kritzer (she), Peter Larsen (he)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	First Wheels on Alien Soil DoubleTree Atrium 7 Two Soviet "Lunokhods" roamed the moon in the early 70s, run by 5-man teams from a secret facility in the middle of nowhere. Hear stories of choosing these people, their bizarre training, and life behind three guarded gates. <i>Jay Gallentine (he)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Signing - phillip andrew bennett low DoubleTree Autograph Table A <i>phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Signing - Sharon Stiteler DoubleTree Autograph Table B <i>Sharon Stiteler (she)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	A Brief History of Time Machines DoubleTree Bloomington There are other time machines in sci-fi besides the TARDIS. We'll talk about time travel, from H.G. Wells to the Time Tunnel to Quantum Leap. <i>Lathan Murrell (he), Niles Schwartz (he), Sarah Prentice (she), Tyler Tork (mod, he), William Leisner (he)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Joker Syndrome DoubleTree Edina From the recent portrayals of the Kingpin to the Joker, villainy has gotten complicated. When did people stop being bad and start being diagnosed? <i>Axel Kohagen (mod, he), Damarra Atkins (she), Dana Baird (she), Jen Manna (she), Tim Lieder (he)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Cricket DoubleTree Outdoors Paul Cornell teaches cricket to Americans. This year he'll be teaching it outside - with real bats, balls and wickets! Fore! Or whatever you say in cricket... Location: Meet by Atrium 8 before we head outside.
12:30pm - 1:30pm	One on One with Amal El-Mohtar DoubleTree Plaza 1 <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Max Gladstone (he)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Dragon Puppet DoubleTree Plaza 2 One favorite types of transport: the dragon! Build a dragon puppet out of fleece and your imagination, simple hand sewing skills a plus. Kimberly from Joy Filled Puppets will guide you as you create a Night Fury, Ukrainian Underbelly, or Fire Drake. <i>Kimberly Baerg (she)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Decolonizing Colonization DoubleTree Plaza 3 Humanity may one day spread its influence beyond our planet. But colonization on Earth has been incredibly problematic, causing oppression and destruction in its wake. Can we colonize space without all the baggage? <i>Cassandra Phoenix (she), Celia Yost (she), Desiree Schell (mod, she), Emily Finke (she)</i>
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Temperance Turbines Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O American acoustic blues pick-up band <i>Justin Hartley, Kent Hansen</i>
1:00pm - 4:00pm	Pillar of Fire DoubleTree 2202 Table E CONvergence Guest of Honor Cam Banks runs a GenCon preview of Pillar of Fire, a new epic Science Fiction RPG from Atlas Games! <i>Cam Banks (mod, he)</i>
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2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>From Rockets to Road Warriors: A Speculative Poetry Workshop Crowne Plaza U</p> <p>A crash course in writing science fiction poetry with a special look at transport issues presented in science fiction and fantasy poetry. <i>Bryan Thao Worra (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Reading - Max Gladstone DoubleTree 2201</p> <p><i>Max Gladstone (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 7:00pm	<p>Downfall DoubleTree 2202 Table B</p> <p>Downfall is a tabletop RPG that explores the collapse of a society, a cataclysm brought about by a fatal Flaw at work within it. You tell the story of a hero who tries to save their world... But in Downfall, the hero fails. 3 players, age 16+</p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>The Resistance <i>board, gaming</i> DoubleTree 2202 Table D</p> <p>The Empire must fall. Our mission must succeed. By destroying their key bases, we will shatter Imperial strength and liberate our people. In 5 nights we reshape destiny or die trying - we are the Resistance! 7 players, age 16+. <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Slash DoubleTree 2202 Table G</p> <p>Slash is a card game where players make the best romantic pairings between the pop icon the "matchmaker" selects and one from their hand. Depending on the group, we'll play rounds with or without "Meet the parents" storytelling. 8 players, age 13+ <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i></p>
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2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Quarriors! DoubleTree 2205 Table B</p> <p>Quarriors - mighty mystical warriors who have the power to capture dangerous quarry from the untamed Wilds! They must conjure mysterious powers of Quiddity, cast powerful spells, and summon creatures to battle to overcome rivals! 4 players, ages 14+.</p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Munchkin Twist DoubleTree 2207 Table A</p> <p>Munchkin, twisted! Players use 1 of the different themes of munchkin, and compete to be the first to level 10. Fight monsters, level up, equip gear, loot treasure, and mess with other players in true Munchkin tradition. 6 players, age 13+ <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i></p>
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2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Non-Network Original Content DoubleTree Atrium 2 Netflix, Hulu, and Amazon are all releasing original content, some of it taking us in interesting directions in sci-fi and fantasy. Will online original content soon make networks obsolete? <i>Alex Musial (he), Grace Ulak (she), Lyda Morehouse (she), Matt Gamble (he), Rick Ellis (mod, he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Books by Non-American Authors DoubleTree Atrium 3 Who are your favorite non-American authors? Which international sci-fi/fantasy books should we all add to our reading list? We'll talk current and classic, well-known to obscure gems. <i>Anthony Eichenlaub (Mr.), Crystal Huff (she), David Schwartz (he), Lee Harris (mod, he), Sarah Humphries (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>One on One with Mark Oshiro DoubleTree Atrium 4 <i>Jody Wurl (she), Mark Oshiro (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Radio Play DoubleTree Atrium 6 Fans and professionals perform in a live original radio play written by animation and comic book writer Greg Weisman to totally pander to his geeky fans! <i>Greg Weisman (he), Jim Kakalios (he), Khary Payton (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Why Afrofuturism? DoubleTree Atrium 7 What is Afrofuturism? What can be learned from it? How can you support it? <i>Gregory Parks (he), Rob Callahan (mod, he), Ytasha Womack (she)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Would I Lie To You? DoubleTree Bloomington A comedy game show where contestants have to guess which of them is lying, and which of them is telling the truth, in which we learn a lot of weird facts about their lives... or not. Hosted by Paul Cornell. <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Amy Shira Teitel (she), C. Robert Cargill (he), Caroline Symcox (she), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Paul Cornell (mod, he), Scott Lynch (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>It's a CONspiracy: Cult Edition - All Hail Monlok, Monlok is peace! DoubleTree Edina In previous improvised comedy CONspiracy panels we've brought you the "truth" about contrails, lizard people, and the dinosaurs being farmed in the hollow center of the moon. This year, we present a new truth: Monlock is peace, Monlock is truth. <i>Jeremy Stomberg (he), Molly Glover (she), Nick Glover (he), Tim Wick (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Group Signing DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest This signing is for Invited and other Participants to sign their work. <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he), Aimee Kuzenski (she), Alex Bledsoe (Mr.), Brea Behn (Mrs.), Briana Lawrence (she), Camille Griep (she), Chrysoula Tzavelas (she), J.M. Lee (he), Jack Reher (he), Jay Gallentine (he), Jessica Walsh (she), Joan Marie Verba (she), Kathryn Sullivan (she), Michael R. Underwood (he), Patrick Tomlinson (Shazam), Roy C. Booth (he), Ruth Berman (she), Ruth Thompson (she), Sharon Stiteler (she), Tactical Pinup (she), Taylor Cisco (he), William Leisner (he), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Gasoline Is So Last Century DoubleTree Plaza 1 What will the future run on? Will it be solar power, fuel cells, children's laughter, or unicorn farts? Scientists, engineers and enthusiasts speculate and debate what the future of fuel might look like. <i>Benny Vimes (he), Desiree Schell (mod, she), Nicole Gugliucci (she), Ryan Consell (he), Steven Theiss (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Cuddly Sock Robot DoubleTree Plaza 2 However we get there, it'll be more enjoyable with a friend. Build your own cuddly Baymax-ian robot out of a simple sock. Recommended for ages 5 and up, with adult helper for hot glue safety. <i>Kathleen Lamb</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Military Vehicles: Fact, Fiction, and Things you Shouldn't Try at Home DoubleTree Plaza 3 What keeps X-wings in the air? How do scorpion tanks keep rolling? Military vehicle/aircraft maintainers share their stories & expertise on the reality of military-grade vehicle upkeep. Gain insight on how fantasy military vehicles might work...and break! <i>Chris Thompson (he), David Rossing, Kyle Dekker (mod, he), Leah Bloodgood (she), Sean Berry</i></p>
2:30pm - 3:30pm	<p>The Leprechaun Pirates Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Acoustic punk traditional folk band <i>Beth Hansen-Buth (she), Justin Hartley, Kent Hansen</i></p>

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2:30pm - 4:30pm	Silver Spoon DoubleTree Atrium 1
3:00pm - 4:30pm	Sentinels of the Multiverse DoubleTree 2202 Table A Megalopolis is in trouble! Tachyon, Bunker and The Mighty Ra must team up to defend the city against the evil Baron Blade! The game is your opponent and your fellow players your trusted allies in justice. 5 players, ages 13+. <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i>
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3:30pm - 4:30pm	Copyright Basics Crowne Plaza U A presentation on the basic tenets of copyright law for artists, including what is protected, what is fair use, and how to license work. <i>Boone Dryden (he), Rory Ni Coileain (she)</i>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Reading - Paul Cornell DoubleTree 2201 <i>Paul Cornell (he)</i>
3:30pm - 8:30pm	Simplicity! DoubleTree 2202 Table C Have you ever wanted to play a magic wielding, two headed, zombie with an inferiority complex in a Steampunk world and was told by the GM "NO, you can't play that!!"? Then this is the game for you. <i>Kenneth Justiniano (mod, he)</i>
3:30pm - 6:30pm	Zombicide Black Plague DoubleTree 2202 Table D Zombie apocalypse, Medieval setting! The Necromancers have unleashed the zombie apocalypse, and it's up to your party to take back the realm and punish those responsible! 5 players, age 16+ <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i>
3:30pm - 8:30pm	PFS - The Segang Expedition DoubleTree 2203 Table A Rumors of a lost shrine in the Segang Jungle draw the Pathfinder Society's attention, but the prohibitive cost of sending a team into the wilds of Jalmeray threatens to shut down the expedition before it even begins. 5 players, age 13+. <i>Keith Apperson (mod)</i>
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3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>LAN - Open Gaming DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>Saturday afternoon playtime! Come chill out with some CS:GO, TF2, Left 4 Dead 2 and others!</p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Archery: The Geek Sport? DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>Archery is everywhere these days. A bow and arrows are preferred by Robin Hood to Oliver Queen. What is the appeal of this sport? Find out the history of archery and its life in pop culture. What does it take to be an archer yourself? <i>Cetius d'Raven (he), Edward Eastman (he), Kristina Halseth (she), Nicole LaBat (she), Renate Fiora (mod, she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>How AT-ATs Turn and Other Improbable Transports DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Why is the AT-AT designed to be so difficult to navigate? Would the car from League of Extraordinary Gentlemen even work? What about time machines? We'll discuss our favorite examples of improbable transportation. Which vehicles do you want to ride in? <i>Craig A. Finseth (he), Katie Dahl (she), Kyle Dekker (mod, he), Mitchell Faas (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Are Comics No Longer for Teens? DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>DC/Marvel comics are not being made for or read by teenagers. Is this a temporary trend? Generational? Is manga filling that spot in teen interests? <i>Cassandra Phoenix (she), Meredith Gillies (she), Michael May (mod, he), Roy T Cook (he), Sean Casey</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Diversity in Writing DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>"If you want more diversity, you should go out and create it." That's just part of what needs to be done to get more representation in fiction. We will discuss the importance of creation, good representation, and support. <i>Abra Staffin-Wiebe (mod, she), Briana Lawrence (she), Jessica Walsh (she), Mark Oshiro (he), Michi Trota (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Your Online Persona DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>Does your online persona affect your book or art sales? What are some basic principles for creators to craft a persona that is both genuine and audience friendly? <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he), Kavin Senapathy (she), Melissa Olson (she), Tactical Pinup (mod, she), Tanya DePass (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Signing - Ytasha Womack DoubleTree Autograph Table A</p> <p>Ytasha Womack will available to sign her works. <i>Ytasha Womack (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Signing - Rob Callahan DoubleTree Autograph Table B</p> <p><i>Rob Callahan (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Signing - Alex Bledsoe DoubleTree Autograph Table C</p> <p><i>Alex Bledsoe (Mr.)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Creating Connie: Branding in Fandom DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>How do you go from concept to final design? How do protect your intellectual property? Once your have your mascot, how do you make the most of her? <i>Christopher Jones (he), Dawn Krosnowski (she), Gordon Smuder (he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>One on One with Joseph Scrimshaw DoubleTree Edina</p> <p><i>Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Molly Glover (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Colonialism in Children's Media DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>Shows like Steven Universe and Avatar: The Last Airbender have given young folks a course in colonialism, that it is horrifying and not just done by The Baddies. Being on the good side means correcting things done for your benefit by the folks in charge. <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Gabriela Santiago (she), Kiah Nelson (she), Max Gladstone (he)</i></p>

3:30pm - 4:30pm	Art-Go-Round DoubleTree Plaza 2 Artists of skill level from novice to professional collaborate to make art master pieces using various media. Open to all ages. You might even get to go home with an amazing picture! <i>John Garner (he)</i>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Fans For Accessible Conventions DoubleTree Plaza 3 Fan-run conventions can have a lot of barriers for disabled people/people with disabilities. Let's have a discussion about how we can reduce those barriers and how doing so benefits our convention communities. <i>Alisha Srock, Bri Lopez Donovan (they), Hal Bichel (mod, she), Jess Banks (she), Mandy Tempel</i>
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Ionosphere Casting Shadows Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Ambient space guitar for relaxation <i>Todd Madson (he)</i>
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4:00pm - 4:30pm	Harisen Daiko Preview DoubleTree Garden Court - Southeast A quick preview of the thundering taiko drums that await in Harisen Daiko's Sunday performance on Mainstage (home of the Taiko Sci Fi medley!). Stop by the garden court to get a taste of Harisen BRINGING THE BOOM! <i>Steve Sylvestre</i>
4:00pm - 6:00pm	Guest Event Movie with Khary Payton DoubleTree Plaza 4 Guest of honor Khary Payton will discuss a film he is in before you watch the film. See at-con publications for what movie. <i>Khary Payton (he)</i>
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4:30pm - 6:30pm	Children Who Chase Lost Voices DoubleTree Atrium 1
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Small Businesses in the Geek Community Crowne Plaza U Strategies for starting and running a geeky small business. The discussion will include: funding strategies, selling online, involvement with local conventions & festivals, developing unique creations, testing the market, & working with fellow artisans. <i>Anj Olsen (she), Catherine Lundoff (she), Dorianne Jarchow (she), Tania Richter (she), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Reading - Elizabeth Bear and Scott Lynch DoubleTree 2201 <i>Elizabeth Bear (she), Scott Lynch (he)</i>
5:00pm - 9:30pm	PFS - Citadel of Flame DoubleTree 2203 Table B Once home of a self-immolation cult, the Citadel of Flame in Qadira's Meraz Desert was thought wiped out decades ago, but its rediscovery prompts the Pathfinder Society to send your team to close the book on Qadira's mysterious cult. 5 players, age 18+ <i>Jeffrey Reed (mod)</i>
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5:00pm - 7:00pm	<p>Munchkin Twist DoubleTree 2207 Table A Munchkin, twisted! Each player uses a different theme of munchkin, and players compete to be the first to level 10. Fight the monsters, level up, equip gear, loot treasure, and (of course) mess with other players in true Munchkin tradition. <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i></p>
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5:00pm - 7:00pm	<p>LAN - Starcraft: Broodwar DoubleTree 2208 Blizzard's classic Starcraft is back - Bot Stomps and Versus modes encouraged!</p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>PTSD and Geekdom DoubleTree Atrium 2 7.8% of America has PTSD. Cons can be heavy with triggers. Share your coping techniques. Longtime CON fixture Bob Wagner will be present to share his insight and sign his book "What's Your Superpower? Living and Coping With PTSD". Non-sufferers welcome. <i>Amy Fischer (she), Bob Wagner (he), Brea Behn (Mrs.), Haddayr Copley-Woods (she), Stephanie Zvan (mod, she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>What a Concept! DoubleTree Atrium 3 From Rush's "2112" to the Decemberist's "The Hazards of Love," let's talk about storytelling in album form. With artists like Prince, Pedro the Lion, and Dio, what works and what is just noise? <i>Alex Bledsoe (Mr.), Barb Abney, Beth Kinderman (mod, she), Joel Arnold (he), Stephan Stomberg (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Building Collaborative Works DoubleTree Atrium 4 Our invited professionals and guests talk about their experiences. What are the benefits and pitfalls? How do you divide and conquer the work? <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he), Cam Banks (he), J.M. Lee (he), Michael May (he), Monica Valentinelli (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Geeks Without God - LIVE DoubleTree Atrium 6 It's Geeks Without God's fourth birthday! We recorded our 1st episode at CONvergence in 2012 and have been delivering a new episode every week since. This panel will be a LIVE recording of the Geeks Without God atheist comedy podcast. <i>Amanda Marcotte (she), Kelly McCullough (he), Molly Glover (she), Nick Glover (he), Tim Wick (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Twin Cities Geek, the Geek Culture Magazine DoubleTree Atrium 7 TwinCitiesGeek.com is made by Minnesota geeks, for Minnesota geeks. Learn how it came about, and the effect that boosting the diverse gambit of voices in the community has on the community. <i>Bri Lopez Donovan (they), Hal Bichel (she), Jonathan Palmer (he), Madeleine Vasaly, Rob Callahan (mod, he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Signing - Christopher Jones DoubleTree Autograph Table A <i>Christopher Jones (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Signing - Max Gladstone DoubleTree Autograph Table B <i>Max Gladstone (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Signing - Amal El-Mohtar DoubleTree Autograph Table C Amal El-Mohtar will available to sign her works. <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>The Tim Hunt Honorable "Women In Science" Presentations DoubleTree Bloomington In "celebration" of the Nobel Prize winner who said women are always falling in love and crying in labs comes this comedic panel about the achievements and complexities of women in science. Women! What are they! Does anyone know! <i>Bill Stiteler (he), Emily Finke (she), Maria Walters (she), Nicole Gugliucci (she)</i></p>

5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Superficially Strong Female Characters DoubleTree Edina We're seeing more strong female characters in media, but many are still written into supportive roles, such as Hermione in the Harry Potter series and Wildstyle in the LEGO movie. Let's discuss these examples and more. <i>Chrysoula Tzavelas (she), Crystal Huff (mod, she), Greg Weisman (he), Joan Marie Verba (she), Kathryn Sullivan (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - Midnight	<p>Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southeast</p>
5:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>ChessWerks DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest Play chess with oversized pieces in the Garden Court. <i>Chess Werks</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Teleportation: Science and Social Effects DoubleTree Plaza 1 Teleportation is not as easy as it looks. We'll discuss the science that would be involved in various theories of teleportation and how it would affect our lives. How would it work? How would it make life easier? More complicated? <i>Dan Berliner (he), Katie Dahl (she), Kristin Ellis (mod, they), Lathan Murrell (he), Ryan Consell (he)</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Origami Lotus Flower DoubleTree Plaza 2 This class focuses on folding an Origami Lotus flower, with other simple but stylish models to learn for those who complete it and want to learn something more, as well as a simple technique for cutting a square out of an ordinary sheet of paper. <i>Degon Pickel</i></p>
5:00pm - 6:45pm	<p>Matrix Tag DoubleTree Plaza 3 Players choose the roles of Agent Smith, Neo, Morpheus, Trinity, or play an Agent or Zionist. Any number of people can play, joining in and leaving at any time. <i>Shannon Green (she)</i></p>
5:00pm - 9:30pm	<p>MTG - Eternal Masters Booster Draft Sheraton Garden Court Eternal Masters! \$35 event ticket (packs cost more) from Dreamer's Vault Games dealers' booth gets you a 3-round booster draft using cards from the Eternal Masters release. 64 player max, Sheraton Garden Court. Prizes are in Eternal Masters packs!</p>
5:30pm - 6:30pm	<p>The Faithful Sidekicks Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Acoustic geek comedy rock <i>Eric Distad, Jen Distad</i></p>
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6:00pm - 7:00pm	<p>Masquerade Show Call DoubleTree MainStage Green Room</p>
6:00pm - 8:30pm	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 20 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing! (this showing is captioned)</p>
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6:30pm - 8:00pm	<p>Moribito: Guardian of the Spirit DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>

6:30pm - 7:00pm	Masquerade House Opens DoubleTree Main Stage House opens.
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Peter the Great Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O Stand Up Cosplay <i>Peter Haugen</i>
7:00pm - 8:30pm	Munchkin Tournament - Finals DoubleTree 2201 Who will be the Biggest Munchkin of them All? Final round of the tournament restricted to Invitation-only, but spectators welcome: after all, what's Muchkin without a little trash talk? <i>Andy Mullin (mod, he)</i>
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7:00pm - 11:30pm	Firefly Board Game DoubleTree 2207 Table A Start with a captain and a ship, hire and equip a crew, travel theVerse to complete jobs and get paid while avoiding Reavers, Alliance patrols and rival captains who may be pirates. 4 players, ages 13+
7:00pm - 11:30pm	Misspent Youth DoubleTree 2207 Table B Misspent Youth is a tabletop pen-and-paper roleplaying game about friendship, rebellion, and kicking @\$\$\$. In the game, you play 12- to 17-year-old kids in a future world screwed-up beyond recognition by The Authority. Up to 4 players, ages 13+
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7:00pm - 8:30pm	LAN - Heroes / Hearthstone DoubleTree 2208 Heroes: Characters from Blizzard all fighting in one MOBA. Hearthstone: Blizzard's free to play CCG. Come play matches throughout the day, with possible tournament style brackets available on request/demand. *PERSONAL ACCOUNT REQUIRED* for both games.
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Friends of Bill W DoubleTree Atrium 2
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Original Movie Scores DoubleTree Atrium 3 What is the composer's role in original scores? How do they influence the tone of the film? Does the return of synth music, for example, signal a change in mood across films? <i>Adam Lueck (he), Dave Margosian (he), Matt Gamble (he), Scott Keever (mod, he)</i>
7:00pm - 9:00pm	tech - Art Auction DoubleTree Atrium 4
7:00pm - 9:30pm	Mega Panel DoubleTree Atrium 6 The panel where we talk about anything and everything *except* the CONvergence Masquerade. If you are interested in everything *except* the masquerade, this is the panel for you! <i>Derek Mahr (he), Jeremy Stomberg (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Molly Glover (she)</i>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Supernatural DoubleTree Atrium 7 Eleven seasons in, and the world has not ended yet. Should it? Why do you think the show keeps on going? <i>Adam J. Whitlatch (he), Alexandra Howes (they), Cassandra Phoenix (she), Jennifer Lundstrom (she), Nicole LaBat (mod, she)</i>

7:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>Obsessed Podcast: Harry Potter DoubleTree Bloomington A live recording of Joseph's comedy podcast about liking things a lot. Joseph will be joined by husband-and-wife, Bill and Virginia Corbett, to dive deep into the weird wizarding world of Harry Potter! <i>Joseph Scrimshaw (he)</i></p>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>One on One with Christopher Jones DoubleTree Edina <i>Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he)</i></p>
7:00pm - 10:00pm	<p>Masquerade DoubleTree Main Stage</p>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>Face Value: The Truth Is Trickier Than You Thought DoubleTree Plaza 1 That thing you posted? It's not real. Why do humans keep believing false things over and over, even though it's easier than ever to check the facts? We'll discuss the history and psychology of false beliefs and how they apply to the modern digital era. <i>Abra Staffin-Wiebe (she), Brianna Bilyeu (mod, she), Kavin Senapathy (she), Siouxsie Wiles (she), Stephanie Zvan (she)</i></p>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>Make a Comet! DoubleTree Plaza 2 Ever wonder what makes a comet? Make your own! Explore how a comet is formed, learn how it moves through the Solar System, and see pictures of real comets in space. We'll use dry ice, so adult supervision is requested for young participants. <i>Nicole Gugliucci (she)</i></p>
7:00pm - 8:00pm	<p>Storytime with CONvergence Authors DoubleTree Plaza 3 Join our esteemed authors for children's storytime! Each author will read a favorite picture book to all children and adults attending. Help promote literacy development and enjoy some wonderful books. This event is open to kids of ALL ages. <i>Alex Bledsoe (Mr.), Amal El-Mohtar (she), Lee Harris (he), Melissa Olson (she), Paul Cornell (he)</i></p>
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8:00pm - 9:30pm	<p>One Punch Man DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
8:00pm - Midnight	<p>Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest</p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Feng Shui Ninjas Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O We don't do genre. <i>Dave Stagner, John Kentner, Justin Hartley, Tami Murck</i></p>
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8:30pm - 10:00pm	<p>Red Dragon Inn - Saturday Night Party Edition! DoubleTree 2205 Table B BYOB!! Return to Red Dragon Inn where adventurers gather to drink, gamble and brawl when they get back from killing the monsters. Last one sober(ish) with money to spend wins! 6 players.</p>
8:30pm - 10:00pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories. 12 players, ages 13+</p>

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8:30pm - 10:00pm	<p>LAN - Left 4 Dead 2 DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>Award winning zombie co-op action horror FPS takes you and your friends through the cities, swamps and cemeteries of the Deep South, from Savannah to New Orleans, across five expansive campaigns. Complete with asymmetrical versus mode, fun for all!</p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Genre Theater! DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>It's been a while since we talked about the state of genre works on-stage. What's new (and old and new again) in the realms of offerings for the geeky theater-lover? <i>Eli Effinger-Weintraub (she), John Heimbuch (he), Lana Rosario (she), Lee Harris (mod, he)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Getting There Is Half the Fun (Overland Travel in RPGs) DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>It's not just "filler": travel between point A and point B in tabletop RPGs is crucial storytelling time. But how do you make it work so that traveling the road is more than random encounters? How do you do it in settings where travel is instantaneous? <i>Beth Kinderman (she), David Rust (he), Eric Zawadzki (he), Jamie Riedesel (she), Ross Conklin (mod, he)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Lucifer DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>So we got a continuation of the Sandman's Lucifer, retired from Hell, living in L.A. as a TV show. Does the concept work as a show? <i>Alexandra Howes (they), Rick Ellis (mod, he), Ty Blauersouth</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Jessica Jones DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>The Netflix original series presents arguably the most complex, nuanced Marvel character to date in the antihero Jessica Jones. Join us to discuss season 1 of Jessica Jones and what we expect and hope for from season 2. <i>David Schwartz (he), Grace Ulak (she), Keane Amdahl (mod, he), Lyda Morehouse (she), Olivia James (she)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Everything New is Old Again DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>From comics to TV to movies, reboots of old and even modern properties are eclipsing new content. What drives the desire of creators to strip mine ideas of the past to create "new" properties? Can a "reboot" ever supersede the original? <i>Aaron Coker (mod, he), Damarra Atkins (she), Jon Durmin (he), Michael May (he), Satish Jayaraj (he)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Fantastic Vehicles of Irwin Allen DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>The Jupiter III! The Spindrift! The Seaview! The television shows of Irwin Allen produced a number of iconic vehicles that have carried so many fans into worlds of imagination! Join us in a fond remembrance of these classic ships of the 60s! <i>Bryon Stump (he), Christopher Jones (he), Craig A. Finseth (mod, he), Jim Kakalios (he)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>Choose Your Own Adventure DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>Join Guest of Honor Cam Banks for an opportunity to choose your own adventure and design a game. Use cardboard, paper, and various craft materials. Members can strike it solo or collaborate with each other to create a board game or card game. <i>Cam Banks (he)</i></p>
8:30pm - 9:30pm	<p>I Bought It; Do I Own It? Ownership in the Digital Age DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Ownership is complicated - just because you own something, doesn't mean you have the rights to it. A rather fun look at ownership - especially art, ideas and digital forms by a non-lawyer. Yes we will cover various forms copyright, trademark & others. <i>Boone Dryden (mod, he), Sarah Heller (she), Tactical Pinup (she), Vernon McIntosh (he)</i></p>
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9:30pm - 11:30pm	Redline DoubleTree Atrium 1
10:00pm - 11:00pm	The Style Biters Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O High-energy electronic hip-hop performance band <i>Alex Johnson</i>
10:00pm - 2:00am	Cards Against Humanity DoubleTree 2201 The foul-mouthed, inappropriate, twisted, slightly-crazed, biker-gang brother of that classic party favorite, Apples to Apples. Bring your ID, your *wrong*, and your sense of humor - you'll need all of them! <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i>
10:00pm - 1:00am	Super Fight! DoubleTree 2202 Table A Jetpacking Rambo, pulling any weapon out of his arse? 100-story-tall, bee-belching, Sherlock Holmes? Create a random character and do what nerds do best; argue ridiculous points about made up people! Broken... wrong... SUPERFIGHT! 7 players, age 18+ <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i>
10:00pm - 1:00am	Fiasco! DoubleTree 2202 Table B Do you like movies with convoluted plots, betrayal and redemption, insanity and jealousy all rolled into a ball of misanthropy and murder? Fiasco - a game about people with strong desires and weak self-control. 6 players, age 18+ (with ID) <i>Robert "Ski" Cudinski (mod, he)</i>
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10:00pm - 11:30pm	LAN - Five Nights at Freddy's DoubleTree 2208 It's your last chance to try to survive 5 nights as the new guard at Freddy Fazbear's Pizza - beware the animatronics, and keep your wits about you! Survivors go home with ribbons, and this one is DEFINITELY not for kids!
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Lovecraft in Other Media DoubleTree Atrium 2 The works of H.P. Lovecraft and the Cthulhu mythos have been represented in films, in audio dramas, in comic books, on stage, in video games, in board games, and in role playing games. How well do these other media capture Lovecraft's work? <i>Kevin Horner (he), Skazka 9000 (she), Tim Uren (mod, he)</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Painful Prejudice DoubleTree Atrium 3 How does oppression intersect with the experience of chronic pain? How are different groups perceived when they express the need for healthcare or reasonable accommodation for their pain or other invisible illness? <i>George Miller (she), Jamie Riedesel (mod, she), Katy Kelley (she), Kris Coulter (Ms.), Sarah Prentice (she)</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Drinking with Geeks DoubleTree Atrium 6 The tradition continues as an intrepid team of masochistic geeks test questionable booze for your entertainment. <i>Barb Abney, Bill Stiteler (he), C. Robert Cargill (he), Jerry Belich (he), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Laurie Richardson (she), Melissa Kaercher (she), Virginia Corbett (she)</i>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	Venture Brothers, Season 6 DoubleTree Atrium 7 What kind of trouble have Hank and Dean gotten into this season? How super is the science? What are the odds of survival for the Venture family? <i>Ben Blanchard (he), Lis Morton (she), Molly Glover (she), Nick Glover (mod, he), Nick Stoner (he)</i>

10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Sexual Quandaries DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>It's become more and more evident that there's massive crossover in the geek and kink communities, even in the works we love. This is a chance to learn, and ask questions, about sexuality, gender, fetishes - and find out just what the heck THAT means! <i>Bri Lopez Donovan (they), Damarra Atkins (mod, she), Lathan Murrell (he), Luxander Pond (they), Samantha Bitner (she)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Toxic Masculinity as Villain DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Masculine tropes are common for heroes, but toxic masculinity is being increasingly explored in villains and antagonists today - Jessica Jones, for example. What is toxic masculinity and how does it lend itself to evil or misguided characters? <i>Amanda Marcotte (she), Cassandra Phoenix (she), Olivia James (she), Rebecca Watson (she)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Ask a Submariner: Foul-Mouthed Sailor Edition DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>Learn about day-to-day life on a submarine from those who have lived it. And boy do they have stories to tell. All questions will be answered with varying degrees of dignity. This panel will likely contain mature content inappropriate for children. <i>Andrew McKay (he), Christopher Baye (he), Dan Stiglich (he), Doug Kirks (he), Kyle Dekker (mod, he)</i></p>
10:00pm - Midnight	<p>Sandbox After Dark: Art is Skin Deep DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>Sandbox After Dark presents: Body Painting! You paint, we paint, it's fun for everybody! This year we'd also like to do an additional large project on one volunteer as a collaboration of multiple artists working together. 18+ Bring ID. <i>John Garner (he)</i></p>
10:00pm - 11:00pm	<p>Uphill Both Ways DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>No engines, no wings. Walking may be slow, but requires no extra equipment. Let's discuss the classic perambulatory journeys in books and film. <i>Aaron Coker (he), Elizabeth Bear (she), Linda White (she), Scott Jamison (he)</i></p>
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10:30pm - 6:30am	<p>88 mph DoubleTree Main Stage</p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>The Duluth Dolls Crowne Plaza A-E-I-O</p> <p>Adult sci-fi burlesque show <i>Aurora Borealis, Jade Fury, Khaleesi Khaos, Lilly LaRouge, Miss Creant, Roxxie Nyx, Veronica Vixen, Victor Vonne</i></p>
11:30pm - 1:00am	<p>LAN - Late Night Gaming DoubleTree 2208</p> <p>It's the last night for late-night adults-only hours for LAN! Room is open as late as the LAN crew can put up with you, or 2:00 AM, whichever comes first!</p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Evangelion Redeath DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Gaylaxians Book Discussion Update DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>North Country Gaylaxians read 10 to 12 books with positive portrayals of LGBTQAI situations and characters or from LGBTQAI authors in a year. This panel will give an update on the books we've read, which we thought were good, which we disliked and why. <i>Claudia Slovacek (she), David Lenander (he), Donald Kaiser (mod, he), Kendra Akin</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Time Travel Is for Lovers DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Use a time machine for historical or geological research? Ha! According to time travel romance novels, you use it for hooking up. Is it better to have loved, lost, and moved on, or keep screwing up until you latch onto that special someone in the past? <i>Renate Fiora (she), Tyler Tork (mod, he), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i></p>
11:30pm - 12:30am	<p>Animation Blue DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>The air might turn blue as you listen to these miscreants talk smut about some of our favorite animated characters. <i>Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he), Jenna Powers (she), Khary Payton (he), Lyda Morehouse (she)</i></p>

11:30pm - 12:30am	Honest Trailers DoubleTree Atrium 7 Satirical trailers are some of the best humor around. We'll share our favorite examples of honest trailers. <i>Damarra Atkins (she), Dave Margosian (he), Niles Schwartz (he)</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Sci-Fi Erotica Read-Aloud: The Drinking Game! DoubleTree Bloomington Back by popular demand! Join our expert panel of readers as they explore the "best" in SFF erotic fiction. Dramatic readings assisted by a healthy dose of humor and alcohol, along with completely scientific diagrams. <i>Katherine Affeldt, Katie MacInnes, Kristina Winn (she), Molly Hair, Scott Raleigh (he), Windy Bowsby (she)</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Space Plague and Goblin Pox DoubleTree Edina Have you ever noticed how the world needs saving every five minutes, but nobody ever seems to get sick? Let's change that! Join us as we machinate magical maladies, discuss dragon dysentery, and hypothesize a hobbit hantavirus! <i>Brianne Bilyeu (mod, she), Emily Finke (she), Jon Durmin (he), Siouxsie Wiles (she), Topher Hunter (he)</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Late Night Music Circle DoubleTree Plaza 1 A late night gathering of musicians where you can sing, play or just listen. <i>Dave Stagner</i>
11:30pm - 12:30am	Boss Bitches of Broad City DoubleTree Plaza 3 On its surface Broad City seems like merely a buddy comedy with women, but look closer and you'll find a groundbreaking feminist comedy that shows a side of women's lives that other shows are afraid to touch. Yas Kween! <i>Amy Roth (she), Jamie Bernstein (mod, she), Rebecca Watson (she)</i>

SUNDAY JULY 3

Midnight - 2:00am	Rifftrax Movie Event with Joseph Scrimshaw DoubleTree Plaza 4 Guest of honor and local favorite Joseph Scrimshaw worked on the writing crew for a recently released Rifftrax. He'll discuss the process and the film, and then you get to see it. See at-con publications for what movie. <i>Joseph Scrimshaw (he)</i>
12:30am - 2:30am	Tokyo Ghoul DoubleTree Atrium 1
2:00am - 4:00am	Cinema Rex Movie 24 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing! (this showing is captioned)
7:00am - 8:45am	Venus Wars DoubleTree Atrium 1
8:45am - 10:15am	Robot Carnival DoubleTree Atrium 1
9:00am - 5:00pm	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Northwest
9:00am - 5:00pm	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southeast
9:00am - 12:30pm	Open Use DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest
9:30am - 10:30am	Writing Your NaNoWriMo DoubleTree Atrium 2 Come talk about all the ins and outs of writing your first book for national novel writing month in November! <i>David Rust (he), Eli Effinger-Weintraub (she), Nicole LaBat (she), Patrick Tomlinson (mod, Shazam), Rory Ni Coileain (she)</i>

9:30am - 10:30am	<p>You Need a Pilot! DoubleTree Atrium 3 Want to become a pilot for the Resistance? Or maybe enlist as a First Order Storm Trooper. Join our panelists from the Minnesota Force, Rebel Legion, and 501st for tips on crafting your very own Resistance flight suit and more Star Wars costumes! <i>Amanda Fineran, Jeff Scalise, Jon Durmin (mod, he), Philip Glover (he)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>"Is This Thing On??" The Basics of Podcasting DoubleTree Atrium 4 If you've ever wondered how to start your own podcast, this panel is for you! We're here to answer any and all of your questions on podcasting, whether it be how to get started, specifics on sound equipment, or even what a podcast is. <i>Amanda Jade (mod, she), Christopher Martinez (he), Jerry Stearns (he), Michael Grimm (he)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Young Justice DoubleTree Atrium 6 Some of the creative forces behind the Young Justice TV show and comics come together to talk shop and the future. <i>Christopher Jones (he), Greg Weisman (he), Khary Payton (he)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Sense8 DoubleTree Atrium 7 This Netflix sci fi series explores politics, identity, sexuality, gender and religion through eight strangers with a mysterious connection. How did it do? <i>Brianne Bilyeu (mod, she), David Schwartz (he), Grace Ulak (she), Jonathan Palmer (he), Laura Okagaki-Vraspir (she)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Kingkiller Chronicle DoubleTree Bloomington Patrick Rothfuss's Kingkiller Chronicle is about to be made into a movie, TV series, and video game. Let's talk about our fears and expectations for each incarnation. <i>Beth Kinderman (she), Eric Zawadzki (he), George Miller (mod, she), Kerry Peterson (she)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Band of Artists DoubleTree Edina Those few, those happy few, that band of artists...are art collectives becoming more prevalent in the digital age? How do you create one and keep it healthy? <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Lee Blauersouth (they), Max Gladstone (he), Sarah Heller (mod, she), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Explorations of a Godless Community or What is Sunday Assembly? DoubleTree Plaza 1 Two comedians in London started something kinda like church, but way more fun, totally secular, and inclusive of all. Community, without the God or the guilt. It's called Sunday Assembly, and there's a Minneapolis chapter. Sound cool? Come learn more. <i>Erin McCrorey (she), Erin O'Brien (she), Matt McCrorey (he)</i></p>
9:30am - 10:30am	<p>Crayon's Corner DoubleTree Plaza 2 KIDS!! Bring your parents to this Exciting Story and Activity Hour. Crayon (Caryn Lengeek) leads this wonderful CONvergence staple. <i>Caryn Lengeek</i></p>
9:30am - 11:30am	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 25 DoubleTree Plaza 4 See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!</p>
10:00am - 5:00pm	<p>Coffee Break of the Dead DoubleTree 2202 Table A Mondays suck and this one sucks more than most. Now it's just you, your co-workers and a building full of zombies. Fight your way to safety or join the menu in this encore of a CONvergence classic. 6 players, age 13+. <i>Bob Wagner (mod, he)</i></p>
10:00am - 2:00pm	<p>Art Show DoubleTree Plaza 6 Checkout and Sunday sales.</p>
10:15am - Noon	<p>Yowamushi Pedal DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Mega Space Structures Crowne Plaza U What will happen when we build out beyond our planet? This panel will explore space elevators, Dyson spheres, and other non-planetary destinations for life in space. <i>Elle Kennedy Cadieux (she), Nicole Gugliucci (she), Ryan Consell (mod, he), Topher Hunter (he), William Donohue (he)</i></p>

11:00am - Noon	<p>Reading - Kavin Senapathy DoubleTree 2201 Kavin Senapathy, Forbes contributor, co-Executive Director of March Against Myths, and co-author of the book the natural and organic food industry doesn't want you to read, will read selected passages from her book, The Fear Babe. <i>Kavin Senapathy (she)</i></p>
11:00am - 2:00pm	<p>Danger Racers! DoubleTree 2202 Table F Try your skills at making the best battle vehicle! Take your car through Rocks? Demons? Silly putty? Let's see if you have the designing skills that pay the bills! Bonus: you get to keep your picture of your awesome ride! 10 players, age 13+ <i>Katie Dahl (mod, she)</i></p>
11:00am - 3:30pm	<p>PFS - Traitor's Lodge DoubleTree 2203 Table A During the recent attack on Nerosyan, Pathfinders sought out a local venture-captain to aid in the city's defense. What they found instead suggested the leader had not only fled recently but had played a part in the demons' offensive... 5 players, age 13+ <i>Brett Indrelee (mod, he)</i></p>
11:00am - 5:00pm	<p>PFS - Quests DoubleTree 2203 Table C Quests are a series of 1 hour adventures meant to take new players through their first experiences with the Pathfinder Society. Quests will run throughout the day whenever there are folks who want to play. 5 players, age 13+ <i>Hilary Moon Murphy (mod, she)</i></p>
11:00am - 11:55am	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
11:00am - 12:30pm	<p>Concept DoubleTree 2205 Table B In Concept, your goal is to guess words through the association of icons. A team of two players / neighbors at the table / choose a word or phrase that the other players need to guess. 6 players, ages 12+</p>
11:00am - 5:00pm	<p>Reserved for Game Library DoubleTree 2205 Table C Every year, the Source brings games from their library to CONvergence for our attendees to play - this table is reserved for folks who'd like to do so, all we ask is that the games you borrow not leave the room.</p>
11:00am - 2:00pm	<p>MTG - Chaos Draft DoubleTree 2206 Table A Your last chance for Chaos at CONvergence! Uses cards from any Magic set released in 15-card packs. Get your \$15 event ticket at Dreamer's Vault Games dealer booth - 3 rounds of play, 1 prize pack per round won; 3-0 gets 1 bonus booster pack.</p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>MTG - Standard Constructed DoubleTree 2206 Table B Sunday Morning Standard for all the early birds! \$8 event ticket gets you rounds of Standard play plus prizes - 8 packs for 4-0, 4 packs for 3-1, and at least 2 packs to everyone who wasn't as lucky.</p>
11:00am - 12:30pm	<p>Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories. 12 players, age 13+</p>
11:00am - 12:30pm	<p>Kitsune: Foxes and Fools DoubleTree 2207 Table D Kitsune (pronounced kit-soo-nay) are Japanese fox-spirits, known for tricking unwary mortals. In this a game of luck and tactics, those who gain all nine tails of the mythical spirit fox earn their place among the kitsune elders. 8 players, age 13+ <i>Susan Price (mod, she)</i></p>
11:00am - 5:00pm	<p>LAN - Open Gaming DoubleTree 2208 Chill out on Sunday with a little Open Gaming to close it all out. Relax and kick some tail in LAN gaming while you recover from last night's parties, shows, or shenanigans!</p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Filled with Determination: The Undertale Panel DoubleTree Atrium 2 Want to squeal/sob about your favorite Undertale characters, plotlines, and secrets? Want to talk about how queerness and nonbinary gender is represented in the game? Have cool theories to share? Bring all your determination to this panel! <i>Allyson Cygan (she), Anna Besmann (she), Jason Thibeault (mod, he), Luxander Pond (they), Lyda Morehouse (she)</i></p>

11:00am - Noon	<p>Obama Era Space Program: Year Eight DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>This is our annual look at how space exploration, robotic and human, is faring under the cash-strapped Obama administration. <i>Ben Huset (he), Eric Heideman (he), Michael Kauper (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>GPS Live Auction DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>All silent auction items that went to voice auction will be sold at this charity auction benefiting the Geek Partnership Society. <i>Ann Roubik (she), Melissa Kaercher (she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Marvel TV: Year in Review DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>Jessica Jones, Iron Fist, Agent Carter, Daredevil, Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D., and more--Marvel's TV lineup appears to be going strong! Let's talk about this year's hits and misses. <i>Chris Severin (he), Jonathan Palmer (he), Karen Guest (mod, she), Keane Amdahl (he), Michelle Farley (she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Solarpunk: Steampunk's Aspirational, Sustainable Cousin DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>Come learn more about the nature-inspired aesthetic, sustainable living, and optimistic near-future idealism behind one of the newest and fastest-growing 'Punk' movements today! <i>Eli Effinger-Weintraub (she), Peregrin Winkle (they), Renate Fiora (she), Sarah Heller (mod, she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Signing - Christopher Jones DoubleTree Autograph Table A</p> <p><i>Christopher Jones (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Signing - Greg Weisman DoubleTree Autograph Table B</p> <p><i>Greg Weisman (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Signing - Khary Payton DoubleTree Autograph Table C</p> <p><i>Khary Payton (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Aging and Fandom DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>Some people think fandom is only for the young folks. Let's discuss why this idea is wrong, and where fandom gets better as it ages. <i>Bess Stuvencend (she), Cassandra Phoenix (she), David Rust (mod, he), Emilie Peck (she), Joan Marie Verba (she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>One on One with Daren Dochterman DoubleTree Edina</p> <p><i>Daren Dochterman (he), Gordon Smuder (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Lovecraft Was Wrong! DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>H.P. Lovecraft's legacy is large, but he was also a racist. His likeness for the World Fantasy Award was recently removed. How do you reconcile being a fan of someone's material when they have a problematic history? <i>Axel Kohagen (mod, he), Derek "Duck" Washington (he), Mark Goldberg (he), Mark Oshiro (he), Monica Valentinelli (she)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>Steampunk Craft Hour DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>The Red Ribbon Society hosts an hour of steampunk-themed crafts. Create a mechanical collage, color your own vintage paper dolls, assemble beads, or build a helium airship! <i>Kevin Borchers (he)</i></p>
11:00am - Noon	<p>More Than Just Stats: Creating Characters for RPGs DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Let's discuss how adding backstory (history, family, etc.) to a character can aid both the player and the game master in crafting a better game. From motivations to plot devices, a fleshed-out character often has more to offer than filling an archetype. <i>Cam Banks (he), Cetius d'Raven (he), Hertzey Hertz (she), Laura Thurston (she), Michael Carus (mod, he)</i></p>
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11:30am - 1:00pm	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 26 DoubleTree Plaza 4</p> <p>See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!</p>

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Noon - 2:00pm	Letter Bee DoubleTree Atrium 1
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Riverboats in Genre Crowne Plaza U Rivers frequently play a large role in transportation in many worlds. Let's talk about some of the memorable riverboats in genre fiction. <i>Boone Dryden (mod, he), Emma Bull (she), Ruth Berman (she)</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Reading - Taylor Cisco DoubleTree 2201 <i>Taylor Cisco (he)</i>
12:30pm - 5:00pm	Firefly Board Game DoubleTree 2202 Table B Start with a captain and a ship, hire and equip a crew, travel the 'Verse to complete jobs and get paid while avoiding Reavers, Alliance patrols and rival captains who may be pirates. 6 players, age 13+
12:30pm - 5:00pm	Durance DoubleTree 2202 Table E On a remote planet, the worst criminal scum from a dozen star systems have been dumped, charged with building new lives under the watchful eye of Authority. Only the shrewdest, the toughest and the luckiest will succeed. 4 players, age 16+
12:30pm - 2:00pm	Slash DoubleTree 2202 Table G Card game where players make the best romantic pairings between the pop icon the "matchmaker" selects and one from their hand. Depending on the group, we'll play rounds with or without "Meet the parents" storytelling. 8 players, age 13+ <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i>
12:30pm - 5:00pm	PFS - Consortium Compact DoubleTree 2203 Table B An operative fed up with the Aspis Consortium's practices has contacted the Pathfinder Society: assist her in leaving, and she will supply the Society with years of insider intelligence about their longstanding rival. 5 players, ages 13+ <i>Jason Rosauer (mod)</i>
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12:30pm - 5:00pm	Lost City of Barakus DoubleTree 2205 Table A Searching for 2 gem keys to unlock the Vault of Larin Karr, the party is also en route to stop a diabolical telescope from being built which will summon a host of devils to raze the land... A long-running CONvergence D&D 3.5 adventure! Ages 12+ welcome. <i>Burl Zorn (mod, he)</i>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	Quick-Travel Games DoubleTree 2207 Table A Come play (or learn) some quick, affordable, travel-sized games (Sushi-Go, Fluxx, Love Letter). Games will be started as folks arrive; no need to stay for the whole block: drop in and out as you please. <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	Bad Decisions DoubleTree 2207 Table C Have you made bad decisions today? Admit it to yourself: you love a bit of salacious gossip, most people do. In Bad Decisions, you and the other players team up to create the juiciest gossip, and the weirdest news stories. 12 players, age 13+
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12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Geeky Online Community Management DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>Spend an hour with the admins of the "Twin Cities Geeks" Facebook group and learn all about the goals, challenges, mistakes, and rewards unique to running a large, diverse internet community of Minnesota geeks. <i>Bri Lopez Donovan (mod, they), Cynnthia Michaels (mod, she), Hal Bichel (mod, she), John Garner (mod, he), Rachel Rand (mod), Vincent Hopwood (mod)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Panels Are Dead: Long Live Panels! DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>Cons use panels the way the dark side goes through death stars. The sit-and-talk format has many problems, yet it's the most common form of programming, everywhere. Let's discuss the problems of panels . . . on a panel. <i>Ben Blanchard (he), David Walbridge (mod, he), Jen Manna (she), Michi Trota (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Masquerade Results DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>Come for a recap of the results from Saturday's Masquerade. Talk with the winners. See the entries up close and learn a little more about the costumes. This is less a panel and more show and tell from the winning costumers. <i>Gregory de Danann (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 3:00pm	<p>Art: Impossible DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p>The artists return to the Thunderdome with new challenges to challenge their brain and their artistic integrity. Join us to find out how artists can achieve the IMPOSSIBLE! <i>Christopher Jones (he), Dawn Krosnowski (she), Jerry Belich (he), Melissa Kaercher (she), Ruth Thompson (she), Tim Wick (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Super Biology! 101 DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>Ever wondered how dragons could REALLY breathe fire? How the Hulk's body can handle...hulking out? Why Wookies have claws they don't use? The panelists from Cryptofauna 101 return to apply real biological principles to answer these questions and more! <i>Jessica Miller, Jon Durmin (he), Vernon McIntosh (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Signing - Ytasha Womack DoubleTree Autograph Table A</p> <p>Ytasha Womack will available to sign her works. <i>Ytasha Womack (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Signing - Aimee Kuzenski DoubleTree Autograph Table B</p> <p><i>Aimee Kuzenski (she)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Signing - Brea Behn DoubleTree Autograph Table C</p> <p><i>Brea Behn (Mrs.)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Could You Write That for Me? DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>The worst elements of any story - in books, movies, TV-seem to have one thing in common: lazy writing. Let's discuss examples of cliches, tropes, predictability, stereotypes, and more that all come down to copying and pasting rather than original writing. <i>Alex Musial (he), Ben San Del (mod, he), Jorge Salgado-Reyes (Mr.), Laura Zats (she), Mark Oshiro (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Rain of the Ghosts DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>Hear about the adventures of Rain Cacique, a girl who can see ghosts, as she explores a hidden new world at the edge of the Bermuda Triangle, her home. Ask Greg Weisman about the series of books as well as AudioPlays based on them. <i>Greg Weisman (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Prep for Tea Time DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest</p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>One on One with Khary Payton DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p><i>K Tempest Bradford (she), Khary Payton (he)</i></p>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Hot Air Balloons DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>How do we get there by air? In a fancy balloon! Use decorative paper to create the steampunk conveyance of your wildest dreams! <i>Nikita Woltersen (she)</i></p>

12:30pm - 1:30pm	<p>Art That Is Not Flat DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>When people say "artist", many people think only of painters and graphic designers. But art has more dimensions. Come discuss the artistic process with sculptors, musicians, and other non-residents of Flatland. <i>Carl Zachmann (he), Elise Matthesen (she), Michael Zecca (he), Tania Richter (she), Windy Bowlsby (mod, she)</i></p>
1:00pm - 2:00pm	<p>The Game DoubleTree 2202 Table D</p> <p>Players in The Game try to discard all 98 cards in the deck onto four discard piles in order to win, but they need to do so in the right ways. 4 players, ages 16+ <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
1:00pm - 1:55pm	<p>Artemis Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Artemis</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Artemis Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Artemis, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
1:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>MTG - Sunday Casual DoubleTree 2206</p> <p>Any seats not used by tournament play are open for casual players until the room closes when the last tournament ends or at 3 pm, whichever is later.</p>
1:00pm - 2:30pm	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 27 DoubleTree Plaza 4</p> <p>See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing! (with English subtitles)</p>
1:30pm - 2:25pm	<p>Valkyrie Bridge Simulator DoubleTree 2204 Valkyrie</p> <p>Come play in our two unique and customized bridges for the Valkyrie Bridge Simulator! Physical sign-up sheets will be available in the room daily. The online Sched system is for interest in playing Valkyrie, it does not reserve you for the time slot.</p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Star Blazers Crowne Plaza U</p> <p>Space Battleship Yamato/Argo is one of the iconic vehicles of science fiction anime. We will be looking at the classic series, the dub, the movies, and the remakes. We might even have a singalong of the American theme song! <i>Daren Johnson (he), Lyda Morehouse (she), Nick Stoner (he), Scott Jamison (mod, he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Reading - Greg Weisman DoubleTree 2201</p> <p>A reading by Guest of Honor Greg Weisman <i>Greg Weisman (he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Uno: Transport! DoubleTree 2202 Table C</p> <p>Card game of UNO for ages 7 + with celebrating the convention theme of transportation was using the Disney Cars and Thomas the Train and Friends decks for all ages to come together for an awesome time! 10 players, age 7+</p>
2:00pm - 5:00pm	<p>Star Trek Catan DoubleTree 2202 Table D</p> <p>Star Trek: Catan takes two well-known media properties and merges them into, well, into something that is 95% The Settlers of Catan glossed with Trek tropes and spiced with a Trek-themed version of a mini-expansion. 3 players, age 16+ <i>Eric R. Peterson (mod, he)</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:30pm	<p>Red Flags DoubleTree 2202 Table G</p> <p>Card game where players pick qualities that would make a perfect date for the "single" player. Then bring up the date's "red flag." The date might "love to cuddle" and is an "astronaut" but what if they "bring mom to the date" 8 players, age 13+ <i>Chas Swedberg (mod)</i></p>
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2:00pm - 3:30pm	Munchkin Twist DoubleTree 2207 Table A Munchkin, twisted! Each player uses a different theme of munchkin, and competes to be the first to level 10. Fight the monsters, level up, equip gear, loot treasure, and (of course) mess with other players in true Munchkin tradition. 6 players, age 13+ <i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i>
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2:00pm - 3:30pm	Lily C.A.T. DoubleTree Atrium 1
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Traveling Cosplay DoubleTree Atrium 2 Costumes are frequently large and elaborate affairs. How do you build costumes that can travel well? <i>Jordan West (they), Maggie Schultz (mod, she), Melissa Sowers (she), Nicole LaBat (she), Todd Murray (he)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Submarines: They Don't Have to Be Black DoubleTree Atrium 3 From Nautilus to Sting Ray to Sea Quest and beyond, let's talk about submarines in science fiction and fantasy. <i>Bryon Stump (he), Christopher Baye (mod, he), Dan Stiglich (he), Michael May (he), Simon Bitdiddle (he)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	One on One with Ytasha Womack DoubleTree Atrium 4 <i>Ytasha Womack (she)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	The Film World of Daren Dochterman DoubleTree Atrium 7 GoH will describe his career in the film industry, and what exactly a concept designer does, and his work in visual effects. He may even illustrate his work with slides! <i>Daren Dochterman (he)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Signing - Patrick S. Tomlinson DoubleTree Autograph Table A <i>Patrick Tomlinson (Shazam)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Signing - Paul Cornell DoubleTree Autograph Table C <i>Paul Cornell (he)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Get Off My World! DoubleTree Bloomington A live recording of the Doctor Who podcast "Get Off My World!" featuring passionate opinion, idiosyncratic expression, general nerdery and an opportunity for audience-suggested topics. <i>Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Joshua Scrimshaw (he), Kelvin Hatle (he), Pat Harrigan (he)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Deadpool Movie DoubleTree Edina The Merc with a Mouth got a movie with moxie. Or did it? Come discuss your opinion of the film. <i>Damarra Atkins (she), Grace Ulak (she), Keane Amdahl (mod, he), Satish Jayaraj (he), Sean Casey</i>
2:00pm - 4:00pm	Tea Time in the TARDIS DoubleTree Garden Court - Southwest The Victorian Lady Doctors invite you to join us for our 5th Tea Party. Come dressed as your favorite Doctor, Companion, Villain, or Dedicated Fan. Various tea and dainties will be on offer. Photography encouraged. Tomfoolery highly encouraged. <i>Natasha Jo Krentz (she)</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	One on One with Cam Banks DoubleTree Plaza 1 <i>Cam Banks (he), Tanya DePass (she)</i>

2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Make & Take Paper Drop Spindle DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>Learn to turn fiber into yarn. Explore physics, biology, history and chemistry in One fun panel! Create your own paper spindle and learn to use it. Discuss fiber which can be spun, both traditional & New. Kid Friendly project. <i>Char Haas</i></p>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Disabilities as Character Development DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>What books, movies, and TV shows seem to rely on physical disabilities and mental illness stereotypes in place of realistic portrayals? We'll discuss why these portrayals are problematic and how they could have been done better. <i>Haddayr Copley-Woods (she), Jess Banks (mod, she), Josie Browning (she), Sarah Prentice (she)</i></p>
2:30pm - 4:00pm	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 28 DoubleTree Plaza 4</p> <p>See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing!</p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Reading - Chrysoula Tzavelas DoubleTree 2201</p> <p><i>Chrysoula Tzavelas (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Red Dragon Inn (all expansions) DoubleTree 2205 Table B</p> <p>Hey you, let's fight! Them's drinkin' words! Return to Red Dragon Inn where adventurers gather to drink, gamble and brawl when they get back from killing the monsters. Last one sober(ish) with money to spend wins! 8 players, age 13+</p>
3:30pm - 5:00pm	<p>Munchkin Twist DoubleTree 2207 Table A</p> <p>Munchkin, twisted! Each player uses a different theme of munchkin, and competes to be the first to level 10. Fight the monsters, level up, equip gear, loot treasure, and (of course) mess with other players in true Munchkin tradition. 8 players, age 13+</p> <p><i>Jennifer Bergk (mod, she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 5:10pm	<p>The Princess and the Pilot DoubleTree Atrium 1</p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Worldcon 75 & Minnesota DoubleTree Atrium 2</p> <p>The Helsinki Worldcon has the support of several people from the Twin Cities area. Come learn about Worldcon and why there are a number of fans, both local & national, actively involved in running the convention. <i>Crystal Huff (she), Doug Yoder (he), Michael Lee (mod, he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Web Comics DoubleTree Atrium 3</p> <p>More and more comics live online. Which web comics are the best of all time? Which are the best up-and-comers? <i>Boris Smelov (he), David Schwartz (he), Kathryn Sullivan (she), Meredith Gillies (she), Scott Jamison (mod, he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Self-Publishing vs. Traditional: Pros and Cons DoubleTree Atrium 4</p> <p>Writing a novel? Wondering what to do with it when you're finished? We'll delineate the pros and cons between indie (self) publishing and traditional publishing in today's ever-changing marketplace, so you can make the choice that works for you. <i>Boone Dryden (he), Fes Works (he), Laura Zats (mod, she), Linda White (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>One on One with Greg Weisman DoubleTree Atrium 6</p> <p><i>Greg Weisman (he), Melissa Kaercher (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Culture and Race in Cosplay DoubleTree Atrium 7</p> <p>Discussion of issues related to culture and race as they apply to cosplay. What is cultural appropriation? How can it be avoided and prevented? How do you cosplay as a character with identity attributes different from your own? <i>Briana Lawrence (she), Gregory Parks (mod, he), Jonathan Palmer (he), Stephanie Kyola</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Daily Life in Fantasy Settings DoubleTree Bloomington</p> <p>Economics, food and where it comes from, spiritual systems, laws - all things that impact our daily lives but often get glossed over in fantasy world-building. Let's take a deep dive in building daily lives in fantasy worlds. <i>Eli Effinger-Weintraub (she), Monica Valentinelli (she), Tania Richter (she), Tyler Tork (mod, he)</i></p>

3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Movie Year in Review DoubleTree Edina</p> <p>This panel covers all geeky movies released since the past CONvergence. What was great? What wasn't? What were the underappreciated gems? <i>Adam Lueck (he), Elizabeth Reynolds (she), Matt Gamble (he), Niles Schwartz (he), Shaun Duke (mod, he)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Why Steven Universe Is the Best Thing Since the Concept of Bestness DoubleTree Main Stage</p> <p>Steven Universe. It's the best. But why and/or how is it the best? What is it exactly? Why do genre professionals weep into their Twitter accounts at the very mention of it? Our panelists will discuss the most perfect cartoon to appear in recent memory. <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Ben Blanchard (he), Christopher Jones (he), Hal Bichel (she), Peregrin Winkle (they)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Super Car to Sky Diver: The Vehicles of Gerry Anderson DoubleTree Plaza 1</p> <p>Let's face it: The vehicles were the stars in Anderson's shows. Let's discuss them all, from Stingray to Thunderbirds to Space 1999. <i>Craig A. Finseth (he), Daren Dochterman (he), Dave Romm (mod, he), Joan Marie Verba (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Table-top Catapults DoubleTree Plaza 2</p> <p>Lay siege to your neighbour's castle! Build each of 4 different onager/torsion style catapult models. <i>Renee Petersen (she)</i></p>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>The Man Is Out to Get You . . . Again DoubleTree Plaza 3</p> <p>Why do we keep seeing the predictable villains of Big Corporate and Big Government? Are there any twists on these ideas? What new villain types might we see in the future that get away from these cliches? <i>Anthony Eichenlaub (Mr.), Daren Johnson (mod, he), Jamie Riedesel (she), phillip andrew bennett low (Mister)</i></p>
4:00pm - 6:15pm	<p>Cinema Rex Movie 29 DoubleTree Plaza 4</p> <p>See the full Cinema Rex schedule, including information about this film, in the printed Programming Guide, Grid, or stop in at Cinema Rex to see what's playing! (this showing is captioned)</p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	<p>Closing Ceremony DoubleTree Main Stage</p> <p>One last chance to reflect upon this year's convention before we clear the parking lot of all those spaceships. <i>Amal El-Mohtar (she), Amy Shira Teitel (she), Cam Banks (he), Christopher Jones (he), Daren Dochterman (he), Dawn Krosnowski (she), Joseph Scrimshaw (he), Mark Oshiro (he), Ytasha Womack (she)</i></p>