



The ICG Newsletter

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President's Message by Nora Mai

Back to School, back to work, back to...
whatever it is you do.

Just a few months ago we were all excited about Costume-Con 26. And then relieved that it was over. There were numerous costuming events and opportunities over the summer and now they're gone. Which means fall and Archon here in the Midwest. And other big cons coming up in November, December, January on the East Coast, Northwest, California. I've touched on this topic before; that there really isn't a non-costuming season. Unlike other sports, ours runs year round.

Sport? Yup, we have different divisions somewhat affected by region (a lot of people can't afford to travel too far out of their region) and different levels (either skill or type – anime, SF, historical). There's the All-Stars (Costume-Con) and World Series (Worldcon).

We wear specific "uniforms" that identify us as belonging to this sport. Either as participants or observers; check out the stands at any major sporting event – everybody's got the team jersey on.

Sometimes we paint our faces or bodies, although generally we show a bit more restraint and taste.

Seriously. A well-done zombie looks better than painting your face half blue and half gold to match your team colors, right?

And we've got this little thing called "costuming to body type." Tell that to the goober in the stand at a football game in December with no shirt on and his team logo shaved into his back. Shudder. At least he's using his "natural" assets.

My point? Our hobby may look strange to others but if you compare it to what some other people regard as perfectly natural behavior, we're not that different. We spend way too much on accessories and travel (team logo merchandise, traveling to games) plus the cost of conventions themselves (season tickets?).

So be proud of your hobby – it could be worse.

December, outdoors – Wisconsin – green and gold facepaint – cheeseheads; see? And people think there's nothing wrong with that. •••

*Betsy
Marks
Delaney
2008
Lifetime
Achievement
Winner*



Betsy has been supporting the costuming community since 1985, before the ICG was even formed. She has served the ICG as Correspondence Secretary, Recording Secretary and the first post-incorporation ICG Treasurer. She produced the first ICG Membership Directory and has served three chapters on their executive boards. Betsy has been an officer of the ICG, or one of its chapters, for more than 16 of the 22 years of the organization. Betsy launched the ICG Newsletter, doing much of the work in getting it consistently distributed by herself for the 800+ members of the Guild for over three years. She has been a tireless advocate for greater access to the Board of the Directors online presence, culminating in the opening of the BOD-list to the membership.

Perhaps one of Betsy's greatest contributions to the costuming community outside of the ICG, is her creation and maintenance of the Costume-Con.org website which she has now handed off to Karen Dick as part of Costume-Cons legacy. Other than the ICG's Archives and Gallery, this website is the most significant chronicle and showcase of our hobby's artform. •••

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Membership Report

as of November 9, 2008

Below is a chart showing the Primary Membership count for each chapter since May, 2008.

| CHAPTER: | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | Last Rpt |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------|
| ACG: | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 04/25/08 |
| BRCG: | 40 | 40 | 40 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 02/20/08 |
| CCG: | 10 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 06/14/08 |
| CGWP: | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 03/13/07 |
| DFWCG: | 20 | 20 | 20 | 19 | 13 | 6 | 11 | 11/08/08 |
| DCCS: | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 09/14/08 |
| FFA: | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 09/20/08 |
| GCFCG: | 10 | 8 | 8 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 07/28/08 |
| GDVCG: | 9 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11/09/08 |
| KCCG: | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 02/08/08 |
| MTCG: | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 02/20/08 |
| NJNY: | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 20 | 24 | 11/01/08 |
| NLCG: | 44 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 45 | 11/06/08 |
| SIW: | 38 | 41 | 43 | 41 | 41 | 41 | 42 | 11/04/08 |
| SECS: | 15 | 15 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 07/08/08 |
| SWCG: | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 10/08/08 |
| SLCG: | 41 | 41 | 39 | 39 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 10/31/08 |
| UCG: | 0 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 06/30/08 |
| TOTAL: | 330 | 331 | 337 | 295 | 300 | 297 | 302 | |
| Newsletters: | 265 | 275 | 281 | 268 | 244 | 236 | 249 | |

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Your ICG membership benefits include voting rights and a subscription to this newsletter. Chapters that fail to report their members and submit their dues run the risk of being deactivated. Members of deactivated Chapters who wish to participate in activities as ICG members must join an active Chapter of the ICG.

ICG via Email or the Net

- ICG-D@yahoogroups.com (General Discussion)
 - ICG-BOD@yahoogroups.com (Board and Officers)
- ICG-D is open to everyone, including non-members. Instructions for subscribing to any of the ICG email mailing lists can be found at this URL: help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/groups-19.html
- ICG Web Site: www.costume.org

The ICG Newsletter

The International Costumers' Guild, Inc. (ICG) publishes The ICG Newsletter as a benefit for its members. The newsletter contains chapter contact information, articles, a costume event calendar and other regular features of interest to ICG members. The ICG Newsletter is delivered to all members in good standing with the ICG. Subscription is included in ICG membership.

Publication Specifications/Advertising

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| | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| • Issue 1 – January/February | MATERIAL DEADLINE: | 15 December |
| • Issue 2 – March/April | MATERIAL DEADLINE: | 15 February |
| • Issue 3 – May/June | MATERIAL DEADLINE: | 15 April |
| • Issue 4 – July/August | MATERIAL DEADLINE: | 15 June |
| • Issue 5 – September/October | MATERIAL DEADLINE: | 15 August |
| • Issue 6 – November/December | MATERIAL DEADLINE: | 15 October |

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Material MUST be formatted as follows:

- For articles, text (ASCII text), .TXT, Word .DOC, and Excel .XLS files are accepted. PowerPoint files are not accepted.
- Art or Photography MUST be submitted at 300 dpi resolution in .JPG or .TIF format. Also, accepted and preferred for ads, documents created in Adobe Illustrator saved no higher than CS2, with your fonts turned to outlines and placed photography embedded. Your ad can also be designed for the newsletter if needed. Please email the editor for a quote.

Email to newsletter@costume.org or send CD-R or DVD to The ICG Newsletter mailing address previously listed. If needed, an FTP site login can be provided for large materials. If you have not received a confirmation that your materials have been received, please email immediately. If there are any issues with your submissions, you will be contacted.

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| AD SIZE | MEMBER RATES | NON-MEMBER RATES |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Full Page (7.75" x 10.25") | \$60 | \$120 |
| Half-Page (7.75" x 5") | \$30 | \$60 |
| Quarter Page (3.75" x 5") | \$15 | \$30 |
| Eighth Page (3.75" x 2.5" or BCard) | \$7.50 | \$15 |
| Classified Ads | Free | 50 cents/word |

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A Note from the Editor...

Introductions are in order, since many do not know me. My name is Cat Robinson, and I am known as 'sewinggoddess' around the web. I got hooked on costuming in 2000, when I entered my first costume at Anime Weekend Atlanta's Masquerade, and won an Honorable Mention Workmanship Award. I have been sewing and crafting since I was a child, but costuming became an outlet for my creativity. I have since learned more skills and techniques than I ever thought possible, all in the quest of the perfect costume.

For my day job, I have been a Graphic Designer for the last 16 years. I have since employed these skills in costuming by doing my documentation in a professional manner. My claim to ICG fame would be the documentation materials for the CC24 Best in Show Winners for Castlevania. This is why I volunteered for Editorial Duty. I hope I can bring a sense of clean design and continuity to the ICG Newsletter.

I have many great ideas to bring our newsletter into the age of color and the Internet, but I will need alot help and encouragement. This job is a big one!! I know there are tons of costume-related events out there... so I need your input! Photos! Articles! Book Reviews! Con Reviews! I need roving reporters!! Anything and everything will help. I want this to be a more involved communication piece that we really look forward to receiving.

Thanks to everyone and Happy Costuming~

Cat Robinson
Incoming Newsletter Editor
Communications Director, SECSfiends





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Richy Dick and Marty Gear
With the help of con com members
from CC-1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9,15,23, and 25

TREASURER'S REPORTS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION Accrual Basis as of October 31, 2008

| | Oct 31, 08 | Sep 24, 07 | \$ Change |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Current Assets | | | |
| Checking/Savings | | | |
| Wachovia Checking | | | |
| General Funds | 0.00 | 369.01 | -369.01 |
| Total Wachovia Checking | 0.00 | 369.01 | -369.01 |
| Wells Fargo Checking | | | |
| General Funds | 1,420.83 | 1,199.75 | 221.08 |
| Archive Funds | 1,227.30 | 1,075.57 | 151.73 |
| Total Wells Fargo Checking | 2,658.13 | 2,275.32 | 382.81 |
| PayPal | 72.00 | 78.00 | -6.00 |
| Wells Fargo Savings | 5,117.02 | 5,106.58 | 10.44 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 7,775.15 | 7,828.91 | -53.76 |
| Accounts Receivable | | | |
| Accounts Receivable | 2.00 | 24.00 | -22.00 |
| Undeposited Funds | 44.00 | 102.00 | -58.00 |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 46.00 | 126.00 | -80.00 |
| Total Current Assets | 7,893.15 | 7,954.91 | -61.76 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 7,893.15 | 7,954.91 | -61.76 |
| LIABILITIES and EQUITY | | | |
| Liabilities | 0.00 | | |
| Equity | | | |
| Opening Balance Equity (May 2004) | 4,285.81 | 4,285.81 | 0.00 |
| Retained Earnings | 2,785.10 | 2,329.28 | 455.82 |
| Net Income (2008) | 822.24 | 1,339.82 | -517.58 |
| Total Equity | 7,893.15 | 7,954.91 | -61.76 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES and EQUITY | 7,893.15 | 7,954.91 | -61.76 |

TREASURER'S NOTE: General revenues are down and Archives donations are essentially non-existent. While it looks like we did a great job of keeping our expenses in check, the reality is that we failed to publish 3 issues of the ICG Newsletter. That omission resulted in an expense reduction of around \$725.

SURPLUS AND LOSS BUDGET VS. ACTUAL Accrual Basis January 1 through October 31, 2008

| | Jan 1 thru Oct 31, 08 | Budget | Difference |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| INCOME | | | |
| Earned Revenues | | | |
| Membership Dues | | | |
| General Funds Dues | 1,284.00 | 1,416.00 | -132.00 |
| Archive Funds Dues | 512.00 | 530.00 | -18.00 |
| Total Membership Dues | 1,796.00 | 1,946.00 | -150.00 |
| Interest | 5.31 | 5.00 | .31 |
| Total Earned Revenues | 1,801.31 | 2,076.00 | -274.69 |
| Contributed Support | | | |
| Archives | 4.00 | 375.00 | -371.00 |
| General Funds | 88.00 | 40.00 | 44.00 |
| Total Contributed Support | 92.00 | 415.00 | -323.00 |
| TOTAL INCOME | 1,953.31 | 2,491.00 | -537.69 |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| Business Expense | | | |
| Archives | 363.00 | | 363.00 |
| Awards | 52.00 | 75.00 | -23.00 |
| Bank Fees | -9.95 | | -9.95 |
| Web Site | 89.91 | 67.50 | 22.41 |
| Total Business Expense | 494.96 | 142.50 | 352.46 |
| Other Expenses | | | |
| Printing and Reproduction | 280.38 | 670.00 | -389.62 |
| Postage and Delivery | 192.85 | 375.00 | -182.15 |
| Supplies | 12.88 | 40.00 | -27.12 |
| Licenses and Permits | 174.00 | 355.00 | -181.00 |
| Total Other Expenses | 660.11 | 1,420.00 | -759.89 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 1,155.07 | 1,652.50 | -497.43 |
| NET INCOME | 798.24 | 928.50 | -130.26 |



Silicon Web members had a very busy few months. Starting with Costume Con 26, it was the second largest costume con on record and Kevin Roche and all staffers involved should be proud of making CC26 a success. At CC26, SiW member Betsy Marks Delaney received the ICG Lifetime Achievement Award for her work for the organization over the years. Congratulations to Betsy! Bruce and Dana MacDermott had a Retrospective Panel. SiW presented a Dream Catcher award to Lance Ikegawa for his beast entry in "We Lost."

Many of our members were staffers and concom of CC26. Kevin and Andy Trembly were the con and bid chair respectively. Dana, with Bruce assisting and Betsy MCing ran the well received Parallel Dimensions in Design events. Jwylfher de Winter was responsible for

the Hall Costume awards. Karisu grew some extra arms and helped to keep the competition events running smoothly. John and Chris O'Halloran as usual did an excellent managing stage crew. Betsy, Andy and Carole Parker managed tours around some local favorite spots and Carole also assisted in the masquerade Green Rooms. Richard Man ran the photography department (official photos are at <http://imagecraft.smugmug.com>). It was a lot of work, but it was well worth the effort.

We had our annual election after CC26. Our current list of officers are President, Aurora Celeste; VP, Richard Man; Treasurer, Bruce MacDermott and Correspondence Secretary, Jeanine Swick.

We currently have 43 members, many of which are active in Worldcon, Costume-Con, and regional science fiction and anime cons. At Denvention, Kevin, Andy and John O helped with masquerade functions. SiW member Carole competed Silk Moth, designed by Kevin Roche, and won a workmanship award for her dyework. Bruce and Dana attended Burning Man again. While not strictly a costuming event, their reports and photos from this annual outing are always interesting.

Looking ahead, Carole is responsible for the SiliCon Costume Programming, and Richard will be again doing official photography for LosCon and Anime LA. Betsy Delaney is the newly minted CC27 Tours and Excursion coordinator. If you're planning on attending CC27 (please?!?), visit <http://www.hawkeswood.com/cc27/> for more details, and fill out the member survey to give Betsy some clues for what folks want to do while they're in Baltimore.

richard at imagecraft.com

DO YOU KNOW THESE PEOPLE?

A plea for help and blatant promotion for the ICGallery

The International Costumers Gallery has a problem.

We've got lots of content, over 8,600 photos. 2000+ from the Pat and Peggy Kennedy Memorial Library (AKA: the ICG Archives) and 6000+ in the private Contributors' Galleries. And we're adding more everyday (yes, I can say "we" because I do a lot of the scanning and loading myself). And the geographic diversity on both sides is improving as well, so we're covering more areas you haven't seen before.

So what's the problem?

- We don't know who some of these people are!
- We have tons of great photos of all kinds of costumes and costumers, but even the official photographers don't always have all the details on a presentation.
- As for the private Contributors – sometimes you just can't catch the name of someone who you photograph in the hall.

How can you help?

Go to www.costume.org/gallery2/main.php and register to become a Contributor. Of course that means you can create your own albums and upload your photos (*which we encourage, more content is always welcome*). It also means you can sign up for the A-list where all Gallery announcements are made first; so you'll always know when there's new content on the Gallery. But it also means you can comment on individual photos – which means if you can identify someone in a photo, you can let us know so we can add that info to the Gallery. Whatever you know – dates, names, photographers, awards, etc. – we'd like to know too.



So join up and help us make the Galleries more accurate. Plus you get to see all those great photos. ~Nora Mai

photo from Demicon 16
by Steve "Wookiee" Houle

Upcoming Conventions 2009

This is only a partial listing. See the following links for more convention listings:

- SCIFI http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_science_fiction_conventions
- ANIME http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_anime_conventions
- COMIC BOOK http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_comic_book_conventions
- FURRY http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_furry_conventions
- MULTI-GENRE http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_multigenre_conventions

| | DATES | EVENT | LOCATION | WEBSITE | GENRE |
|----------|------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|---------------|
| January | 1/2-4 | Anime South 2009 | Destin, FL | http://www.animesouth.com/ | Anime |
| | 1/2-4 | Anime Los Angeles 2009 | Los Angeles, CA | http://www.animelosangeles.org/ala/ | Anime |
| | 1/9-11 | Sac-Anime 2009 | Sacramento, CA | http://sacanime.com/ | Anime |
| | 1/9-11 | RustyCon | Seattle, WA | http://www.rustycon.com/ | SciFi/Fantasy |
| | 1/16-19 | Arisia 2009 | Cambridge, MA | http://2009.arisia.org/ | SciFi |
| | 1/17-18 | Setsucon | State College, PA | http://www.setsucon.com/ | Anime |
| | 1/18 | SoDak Con | Rapid City, SD | http://www.sodakcon.org/ | Anime |
| | 1/22-26 | Further Confusion | San Jose, CA | http://www.furtherconfusion.org/fc2009/ | Furry/Anthro |
| | 1/23-25 | ChattaCon 34 | Chattanooga, TN | http://www.chattacon.org/ | SciFi |
| | 1/23-25 | GeneriCon 2009 | Troy, NY | http://genericon.union.rpi.edu/ | Anime |
| 1/23-25 | Phoenix ComiCon | Mesa, AZ | http://www.phoenixcomicon.com/ | Pop Culture | |
| 1/30-2/1 | Ohayocon 2009 | Columbus, OH | http://www.ohayocon.org/ | Anime | |
| February | 2/6-8 | New York Comic-Con 2009 | New York, NY | http://www.nycomiccon.com/ | Comics |
| | 2/6-8 | IkkiCon 3 | Austin, TX | http://www.ikkicon.com/ | Anime |
| | 2/13-15 | Ani-Aikousha-Con | Rochester, NY | http://www.ani-aikousha-con.com/ | Anime/Gaming |
| | 2/13-15 | Boskone 46 | Boston, MA | http://www.nesfa.org/boskone/ | SciFi |
| | 2/13-15 | Gallifrey One 2009 | Los Angeles, CA | http://www.gallifreyone.com/gallifrey.php | SciFi |
| | 2/13-15 | KatsuCon 2009 | Arlington, VA | http://www.katsucon.org/ | Anime |
| | 2/13-15 | Kawa Kon 2009 | St. Louis, MO | http://kawakon.com/ | Anime |
| | 2/14-15 | Animation on Display | San Francisco, CA | http://www.aodsf.org/ | Anime |
| | 2/19-22 | CapriCon XXIX | Wheeling, IL | http://www.capricon.org/capricon29/ | SciFi |
| | 2/20-22 | Con Nooga | Chattanooga, TN | http://www.connooga.com/ | Pop Culture |
| | 2/20-22 | KeiKon | Victoria BC Canada | http://keikon.org/ | Anime |
| | 2/21-22 | Con-G 2009 | Guelph, ON Canada | http://www.con-g.com/ | Anime |
| | 2/27-3/1 | ConDorCon XVI | San Diego, CA | http://www.condorcon.org/ | SciFi |
| 2/27-3/1 | SheVaCon 17 | Roanoke, VA | http://www.shevacon.org/ | SciFi | |
| 2/27-3/1 | Anime Milwaukee 2009 | Milwaukee, WI | http://www.animemilwaukee.com/ | Anime | |
| 2/27-3/1 | MegaCon 2009 | Orlando, FL | http://www.megaconvention.com/ | Comics | |
| March | 3/6-8 | SW Animation Con & Expo | Albuquerque, NM | http://www.swace.net/ | Anime |
| | 3/12-15 | Anime Oasis EVO | Boise, ID | http://www.animeoasis.org/ | Anime |
| | 3/13-15 | Naka-Kon | Kansas City, MO | http://naka-kon.com/ | Anime |
| | 3/13-15 | Wizard World LA 2009 | Los Angeles, CA | http://www.wizardworld.com/home-la.html | Comics |
| | 3/13-15 | A & G Ohio 2009 | Cincinnati, OH | http://www.aandgohio.com/ | Anime/Gaming |
| | 3/13-15 | Anime Express | Daytona Beach, FL | http://www.animeexpress.org/ | Anime |
| | 3/14-15 | MomoCon 2009 | Atlanta, GA | http://www.onegaistudios.com/momo/ | Anime |
| | 3/20-22 | LunaCon 2009 | Rye Brook, NY | http://2009.lunacon.org/ | SciFi |
| | 3/20-22 | MidSouthCon 27 | Memphis, TN | http://www.midsouthcon.org/ | SciFi |
| | 3/21-22 | Toronto AnimeCon | Toronto ON Canada | http://www.hobbystar.com/upcomingevents/ | Anime |
| | 3/21 | Mizuumi-con | San Antonio, TX | http://mizuumicon.san-japan.org/ | Anime |
| | 3/27-29 | Ad Astra | Toronto, ON Canada | http://ad-astra.org/ | SciFi |
| | 3/27-29 | Anime St. Louis | St. Charles, MO | http://animestl.net/ | Anime |
| 3/27-29 | Animeland Wasabi | Denver, CO | http://www.animewasabi.com/ | Anime | |
| 3/28 | WASFEn Con 3 | Wausau, WI | http://myspace.com/wasfen | SciFi | |
| 3/27-29 | ConBust | Northampton, MA | http://sophia.smith.edu/conbust/ | SciFi/Fantasy | |
| 3/29 | Castle Point Anime Con | Hoboken, NJ | http://www.stevens.edu/anime/cpac/ | Anime | |
| April | 4/3-5 | MTAC Ninja 2009 | Nashville, TN | http://www.mtac.net/ | Anime |
| | 4/3-5 | Anime Detour 2009 | St. Paul, MN | http://www.animedetour.com/ | Anime |
| | 4/3-5 | Tekkoshoco 2009 | Pittsburgh, PA | http://www.tekkoshoco.com/ | Anime |
| | 4/3-5 | WillyCon XI | Wayne, NE | http://www.willycon.com/ | SciFi/Fantasy |
| | 4/3-5 | CoreCon | Fargo, ND | http://www.fargocorecon.org/ | SciFi/Fantasy |
| | 4/9-12 | NorwestCon 32 | Seatac, WA | http://www.norwescon.org/ | SciFi |
| | 4/10-12 | Sakura Con 2009 | Seattle, WA | http://www.sakuracon.org/ | Anime |
| | 4/10-12 | Kawaii Kon 2009 | Honolulu, HI | http://www.kawaii-kon.org/ | Anime |
| | 4/10-12 | Anime Matsuri | The Woodlands, TX | http://animematsuri.com/ | Anime |
| | 4/10-12 | Anime Punch 2009 | Columbus, OH | http://www.animepunch.org/ | Anime |
| | 4/10-12 | KamiKazeCon | Houston, TX | http://www.kamikazecon.com/ | Anime |
| | 4/9-12 | AniZona 2009 | Paradise Valley, AZ | http://www.anizona.org/ | Anime |
| | 4/11 | NashiCon | Columbia, SC | http://web.sa.sc.edu/clubnashi/nashicon.html | Anime |
| 4/17-19 | FX Show 2009 | Orlando, FL | http://www.fxshow.com/ | Pop Culture | |
| 4/17-19 | KitaCon | Northampton, UK | http://www.kitacon.org/ | Anime | |
| 4/18 | Shinboku Con | Elyria, OH | http://www.shinbokucon.com/ | Anime | |
| 4/24-26 | Odyssey Con IX | Madison, WI | http://www.oddcon.com/ | SciFi | |
| 4/24-26 | Conestoga 13 | Tulsa, OK | http://www.sftulsa.org/conestoga/ | SciFi/Fantasy | |
| 4/24-26 | NoBrandCon 2009 | Eau Claire, WI | http://www.nobrandcon.com/ | Anime | |
| 4/24-26 | Delta H Con | Houston, TX | http://www.deltahcon.com/ | Anime/Gaming | |
| 4/25 | Tora-Con 2009 | Rochester, NY | http://toracon.rit.edu/ | Anime | |
| 4/25-26 | Kami-Con 2009 | Tuscaloosa, AL | http://www.kamicon.tk/ | Anime | |

Upcoming Conventions 2009

| | DATES | EVENT | LOCATION | WEBSITE | GENRE | |
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| May | 5/1-3 | CostumeCon 27 | Timonium, MD | http://www.costume-con.com/cc27/INDEX.HTM | Costume | |
| | 5/1-3 | OutLantaCon | Atlanta, GA | http://www.outlantacon.org/ | SciFi/Gaming | |
| | 5/8-10 | Anime Central 2009 | Rosemont, IL | http://www.acen.org/ | Anime | |
| | 5/8-10 | LouisIANIME | Baton Rouge, LA | http://www.louisianime.com/ | Anime | |
| | 5/15-17 | MobiCon XII | Mobile, AL | http://www.mobicon.org/ | SciFi/Fantasy | |
| | 5/21-24 | LeakyCon 2009 | Boston, MA | http://www.leakycon.com/ | Harry Potter | |
| | 5/22-24 | Animazement 2009 | Raleigh, NC | http://www.animazement.com/ | Anime | |
| | 5/22-24 | Anime Boston | Boston, MA | http://www.animeboston.com/ | Anime | |
| | 5/22-24 | Anime North 2009 | Toronto, ON Canada | http://www.animenorth.com/ | Anime | |
| | 5/22-24 | CONduit XIX | Salt Lake City, UT | http://conduit.sfcon.org/ | SciFi | |
| | 5/22-24 | ConQuest 40 | Kansas City, MO | http://www.conquestkc.org/ | SciFi | |
| | 5/22-24 | MarCon 44 | Columbus, OH | http://www.marcon.org/ | SciFi/Fantasy | |
| | 5/22-24 | OASIS 22 | Orlando, FL | http://www.oasfis.org/oasis/ | SciFi | |
| | 5/22-25 | BaltiCon 43 | Baltimore, MD | http://www.balticon.org/ | SciFi | |
| June | 5/22-25 | BayCon | Santa Clara, CA | http://baycon.org/2009/ | SciFi | |
| | 5/22-25 | FanimeCon | San Jose, CA | http://www.fanime.com/ | Anime | |
| | 5/29-31 | A-KON 20 | Dallas, TX | http://www.a-kon.com/ | Anime | |
| | 5/29-31 | ConCarolinas | Charlotte, NC | http://www.concarolinas.org/ | SciFi | |
| | 6/4-7 | ColossalCon | Sandusky, OH | http://colossalcon.com/ | Anime | |
| | 6/5-7 | Hypericon | Nashville, TN | http://hypericon.info/ | SciFi | |
| | 6/5-7 | OMGcon | Paducah, KY | http://www.omgcon.com/ | Anime | |
| | 6/12-14 | Anime Evolution | Vancouver BC Canada | http://www.animeevolution.com/ | Anime | |
| | 6/12-14 | AnimeNEXT | San Jose, CA | http://www.animenext.org/ | Anime | |
| | 6/18-21 | PortConMaine | Portland, ME | http://www.portconmaine.com/ | Anime/Gaming | |
| | 6/19-21 | METROCON 2009 | Tampa, FL | http://www.metroconventions.com/ | Anime | |
| | 7/2-5 | Anime Expo | Anaheim, CA | http://www.anime-expo.org/ | Anime | |
| | 7/2-5 | CONvergence 2009 | Bloomington, MN | http://www.convergence-con.org/ | SciFi/Fantasy | |
| | 7/2-5 | FiestaCon (Westercon 62) | Tempe, AZ | http://www.leprecon.org/w62/ | SciFi | |
| 7/3-5 | Anime Overload | Austin, TX | http://www.animeoverload.net/ | Anime | | |
| 7/10-12 | JAMPcon | Chattanooga, TN | http://www.jampcon.net/ | Anime | | |
| 7/10-12 | Polaris 23 | Toronto ON Canada | http://www.tcon.ca/polaris/modules/content/?id=101 | SciFi | | |
| 7/17-19 | AniMix | Killeen, TX | http://www.animix.org/ | Anime | | |
| 7/17-19 | Otakon | Baltimore, MD | http://www.otakon.com/ | Anime | | |
| 7/18-19 | Azkatraz 2009 | San Francisco, CA | http://www.hp2009.org/ | Harry Potter | | |
| 7/18-19 | Northern Michigan Anime Con | Traverse City, MI | http://nmacon2009.webs.com/ | Anime | | |
| 7/23-26 | Comic-Con International | San Diego, CA | http://www.comic-con.org/ci/ | Comics | | |
| 7/24-26 | Ai-Kon | Winnipeg MB Canada | http://www.ai-kon.org/ | Anime | | |
| July | 7/31-8/2 | ConnectiCon | Hartford, CT | http://www.connecticon.org/ | Anime | |
| | 7/31-8/2 | Costume College | Van Nuys, CA | http://costumecollege.org/ | Costume | |
| | 7/31-8/2 | Kakkoï Con 2009 | Minneapolis, MN | http://www.kakkoicon.com/ | Anime | |
| | 8/6-9 | Official Star Trek Convention | Las Vegas, NV | https://www.creationent.com/cal/stlv.htm | SciFi | |
| | 8/6-10 | WorldCon 67 | Montreal QB Canada | http://www.anticipationsf.ca/ | SciFi | |
| | 8/13-16 | GenCon Indy 2009 | Indianapolis, IN | http://www.gencon.com/2009/indy/default.aspx | Gaming | |
| | 8/14-16 | Anime Iowa | Coralville, IA | http://www.animeiowa.com/ | Anime | |
| | 8/28-30 | Fan Expo Canada | Toronto ON Canada | http://www.hobbystar.com/ | Comics | |
| | Sept | 9/4-6 | Mephit Fur Meet 2009 | Memphis, TN | http://www.mephitfurmeet.org/ | Furry/Anthro |
| | | 9/4-7 | Dragon*Con | Atlanta, GA | http://www.dragoncon.org/ | SciFi/Fantasy |
| | | 9/18-20 | Anime Weekend Atlanta | Atlanta, GA | http://www.awa-con.com/ | Anime |
| | | 9/18-20 | Fencon VI | Dallas, TX | http://www.fencon.org/ | SciFi |
| | | 9/25-27 | New York Anime Festival | New York, NY | http://www.nyanimefestival.com/ | Anime |
| | Oct | 10/2-4 | SiliCon | San Jose, CA | http://www.siliconventions.com/2008/ (last year's) | SciFi |
| 10/9-11 | | TsubasaCon | Huntington, WV | http://www.tsubasacon.org/ | Anime | |
| 10/30-11/1 | | Bakuretsu Con | Colchester, VT | http://www.bakuretsucon.org/ | Anime | |
| Nov | 11/7-8 | Zenkaikon | King of Prussia, PA | http://www.zenkaikon.com/ | Anime | |
| | 11/20-22 | Another Anime Convention | Nashua, NH | http://www.anotheranimecon.com/ | Anime | |
| | 11/2X | LosCon | Los Angeles, CA | | SciFi | |

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