

AKUMAKON MUTI GALIWA

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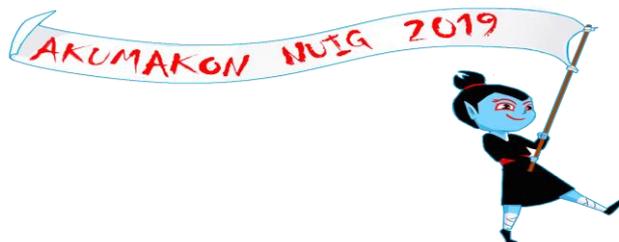
Hello there! Thank you for taking an interest in our convention. Like every year, we have a wide range of events to satisfy all of your nerdy needs. Whether it be to find a new artist in our artist alley or discover some new merch in our trade hall, Akumakon 2019 has you covered. We are a non-profit convention run by NUIG students and really appreciate our con goers travelling from all corners to our event.

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For the purpose of clarity, events involving special guests **will look like this**. Similarly, events that require an over 18's wristband **will look like this**. All 18+ events have a 6:00pm watershed.



Special Guests

Internet Celebrities

Super Eyepatch Wolf is an Irish YouTuber who specializes in analytical style videos about anime and manga

They're also part of a podcast called Let's Fight a Boss
We're so excited to have him back for another year!



MasakoX is best known for being a part of TeamFourStar and his Youtube channel
You may know him as Goku from the Dragonball Z Abridged series!



Cosplay Guests

Masazi is an incredible cosplayer all the way from Japan. She has cosplayed at many conventions and festivals, including Tokyo Game show and Tokyo Comic Con. She is a very active cosplayer and her intricate cosplays have been commended in many competitions worldwide. Some of her cosplays include Raiden from Metal Gear Solid, Chun-Li from Street fighter and Mori Mako from Pacific Rim. Masazi has also been involved in modelling over the years. We are super excited to have her as a special guest at the Akumakon this year and we can't wait to see her creative work at convention!



Pretzl Cosplay is a cosplayer from the Netherlands who loves to create detailed costumes. She also loves to design her own costumes and even create design. She uses Worbla in her projects but also does some intricate sewing work. The genre she loves most is fantasy, costumes are made with that theme in mind. She even wrote tutorial books about cosplay and created some digital patterns to help other cosplayers to make their very own costumes.



Voice Actors

Morgan Garrett is an American voice actress who is associated with Funimation. She has worked on many well-known anime such as Attack on Titan, Death Parade, My Hero Academia, Cardcaptor Sakura, Fairy Tale, One Piece and many more. Some of her major roles include Seraphim in "Is This a Zombie?", Tina in "Toriko" and Kaori Kanzaki from "A Certain Magical Index". She has worked alongside many other amazing voice actors and has many popular characters under her belt. We are super excited and cannot wait to see her in Galway!



Leah Clark is an American voice actor and ADR Script writer primarily associated with FUNimation productions.

Recently she has been heard in the broadcast dubs of Darling in the Franxx (Ikuno), HighSchool DXD Hero (Asia); My Hero Academia (Himiko Toga); New Game (Yun); Miss Kobayashi's Dragon Maid (Kobayashi); KanColle (Yuudachi), Akashic Records (Re=L), Sakura Quest (Maki); Aria the Scarlet Ammo AA (Aria), and Yuri On Ice (Mari).

Memorable titles and roles include Negima (Nodoka); Fairy Tail/Fairy Tail Zero (Mavis); Soul Eater (Blair); One Piece (Coby/Miss Doublefinger); Eden Of This East (Saki); Baka and Test (Minami); Deadman Wonderland (Minatsuki/Hummingbird); Dragonball GT (Maron); Assassination Classroom (Kanzaki); Suzuka (Suzuka); Rosario + Vampire (Ruby); Murmur (Future Diary); Fullmetal Alchemist: The Movie - Conqueror of Shamballa (Noah); Pokémon the Movie: Black - Victini and Reshiram (Carlita) and Pokémon the Movie: White - Victini and Zekrom (Carlita)

As a staff ADR script writer at FUNimation; Her most recent projects include Space Battleship Tiramisu; Chio's School Road; and Hoshin Engi. Other favorite scripts are Panty and Stocking, Suzuka, Peach Girl, Baka and Test, Sasami: Magical Girl Club, B Gata H Kei - Yamada's First Time; and Strike Witches.

As an ADR director, Leah has worked on Sasami: Magical Girl Club; Shuffle, The Tower of Druaga, and Case Closed.

Leah studied music theatre at Circle in the Square in New York. She performs and directs regularly for stage productions in the Dallas-FortWorth Area. Along with regular voice work at Funimation, her voice can also be heard on industrial commercials and video games such as Smite and Borderlands II.



We're very excited to welcome all of our special guests to Akumakon 2019!. ☺



Panels

At Akumakon 2019, we will have a wide range of panels to suit all audiences. Come along and see what's happening!

Friday panels

Main Panel Room

Opening Ceremony (6:00 – 7:00)

It's time to officially begin Akumakon 2019!. We hope that you will come along and see what we have in store for this year's convention.

Teach Solais (7:00 – 8:00)

Teach Solais is an LGBTQI+ support service for Galway and the surrounding area. It holds several events to help members of the LGBTQ+ community and raise awareness for the issues the community faces, as well as so much more. We are honoured to support them as one of our chosen charities this year.

Bad Fanfiction w/ Masako X (8:00 – 9:00)

18+

Whether it's the storylines, the spelling or the grammar the internet is full of very bad fanfiction. In this panel guest Masako X reads some of the worst fanfiction he can find.

Hentai Panel, Paul O'Connor & Victoria van der Spek (9:00 – 10:00)

18+

It's a tradition, a gross, perverse tradition but you, our adoring fans, keep asking for it every single year. We are back with the hentai panel and ready to expose everyone to the dredges of humanity once again. Bring your best body pillows and shield your eyes as we show you that you don't need Hentai Haven to get your hands on this filth.

Secondary Panel Room

Best Fight Scenes in Anime, Paul O'Connor (7:00 – 8:00)

Did you ever want to see a bald guy fight a crab monster? How about a green sludge monster fight an explosive school boy? Well you've come to the right place. Join me as I guide you through the world of the most brutal, bone-crunching, head spinning fights produced in the world of anime.

Your Waifu is Trash, Fiona Conlon (8:00 – 9:00)

18+

A panel about why your taste in waifus is bad and you should feel bad. Come and defend yourself...if you dare!

What the Flip Media, Ricky Travers (9:00 – 10:00)

18+

A selection of weird and funny clips of various sources from around the world.

Saturday Panels

Main Panel Room

WTF Moments in Anime, Paul O'Connor (10:00 – 11:00)

Did you ever look at anime and wonder where you went wrong in life? Yeah, me too. Well we decided to just go ahead and make a panel where we show off our favourite moments from anime that made us sit there and say, "what the f@ck".

Leah Clark Q&A (11:00 – 12:00)



Working With Worbla w/ Pretzl Cosplay 12:00 – 1:00

In this panel Pretzl will give an introduction about all the different Worbla types that you can choose. They all have different pros and cons, and you will learn about that so you will be able to pick the Worbla type that works best for your own project. After you know everything about the material, you will learn some tips and tricks for adding awesome details to your armour pieces and props. You will also learn about how to prime and paint Worbla to finish off your project!

Developing your D&D Character, Tantalus (1:00 – 2:00)

Are you tussling with how to create a breathing character that lives up to their alignment for your favourite Role Playing Game? Then join us as we use pop culture figures as examples of how to play just about everything.

Super Eyepatch Wolf Q&A (2:00 – 3:00)

Tantalus Presents: Musicals You've Probably Never Heard Of (3:00 – 4:00)

Come and find some of the greatest musical numbers that you've probably never seen, come sing, come dance and come laugh at this music extravaganza! Explanation: What it says on the tin, we go through some amazing musicals numbers and comment on same!

Cosplay Q&A w/ Pretzl Cosplay & Masazi (4:00 – 5:00)

Morgan Garrett Q&A (5:00 – 6:00)

Cards Against Akumakon w/ Masako X (6:00 – 7:00)

18+

Have you ever thought of something so terrible, so twisted that you dare not speak of it? Now's your chance to let it all out! With your deck of...cards. Join MasakoX as he hosts a game of Cards Against Humanity to decide who is worthy of the title King of Akumakon! Fancy joining in? You Can! Audience participation is most welcome and will help judge who is deemed worthy of the crown.

Spill the Tea w/ Leah and Morgan (7:00 – 8:00)

18+

discuss inside dirt on our experiences and the biz. Tea will be spilled and maybe some shade thrown.

Man of Action, Tantalus (8:00 – 9:00)

18+

Ireland's most ruthless fan-faction assassination squad. Bad fanfiction and riots galore!.

Secondary Panel Room

Cositivity, Katie Bayliss (11:00 – 12:00)

What it means to have confidence in cosplay. Whether it's how to deal with negative comments or how to deal with being a larger cosplay. Also a general "how to have fun in the cosplay community.

Disability, Cosplay and Mental Health, Sinead Lynch (12:00 – 1:00)

A discussion of the challenges facing disabled cosplayers, as well as a discussion on mental health risks involved in the community and how to keep yourself healthy.

Why we Love Mecha Anime, Jacob Adams (1:00 – 2:00)

A look at the history of and reasons for our love of Mecha Anime! (Crowd Participation encouraged).

The Idiots Guide to the Overwatch League, Paul O'Connor (2:00 – 3:00)

What does the worst win/loss record in sports history, endless amounts of drama and the non-stop spamming of twitch emotes have in common? THE OVERWATCH LEAGUE (sponsored by T-Mobile) Join us on a journey through the myriad of trouble, triumph, and tribulation that was the Overwatch League season 1. We may also be taking a quick look at what season 2 has to offer if we can get through all the xQc drama first.

Crackpot Theories, Sinead Lynch (3:00 – 4:00)

Theories about media that make just enough sense to be plausible but still crazy enough to be impossible. Previous theories include Luna Lovegood being a transplant from the Twin Peaks universe, Lazytown being the aftermath of a nuclear apocalypse and My Little Pony being an insectoid species of cannibals.

What did I Just Read?, Fiona Conlon (4:00 – 5:00)

Japan has strange food, weird commercials, odd anime, so it's no surprise that their manga is equally as bizarre. Come along and see some of the craziest manga out there. Panel includes audience interaction and live readings.

Vintage Anime for New Otaku, Sinead Lynch (5:00 – 6:00)

An introduction to some older anime of all genres that the newer fans might enjoy.

Dan Solman's Werewolves (6:00 – 7:00)

Werewolf attacks! Politics! Lynching! Join Dan Soulman in games of custom deck werewolf, a social team based game. No experience needed.

Google Trends, Jamie Kenny (7:00 – 8:00)

18+

Teams compete to see how well they know about the current hot trends, particularly in the field of Anime, Games and Nerdness, as they come up and figure out the weird but popular searches of the week on Google.

Theatre Mode, Maqs Conway (8:00 – 9:00)

18+

In this panel we discuss about various topics whether it's a very bad advertisement, tv show, movie, or anime. We aim to provide comedic commentary over random video. We encourage the audience to take part in this panel with their views and opinions.

Sunday Panels

Main Panel Room

Tantalus Presents: Weird Japanese Games you Probably Never Heard Of (10:00 – 11:00)

We all love all those games that come from Japan, but what about those strange titles that never make it to our stores? Come see some games that flew under the radar, titles that never saw the light of day over here or probably never should have. Get ready Player 1 for some Laughs and an overwhelming feeling of What Am I Looking At!?

Cosplay Workshop w/ Masazi (11:00 – 12:00)

"Cultural Diplomacy and Nation Identity", Sou Watanabe of the Japanese Embassy (12:00 – 1:00)

Mr Sou Watanabe has been First Secretary at the Embassy of Japan in Ireland since October 2017. He is currently in charge of the Information and Cultural Section. In his career, he has specialised in the fields of macro-economics, aviation policy, parliamentary systems and other economic policies. He has worked in Montreal, Helsinki, Warsaw and Baghdad in the course of his diplomatic service. In his panel, he will introduce the cultural diplomacy of the Japanese Government and talk about how the Japanese Government promotes its national identity in the context of political economy.

Masako X Q&A (1:00 – 2:00)

"Do The Voice!" w/ Leah Clark (2:00 – 3:00)

This is your opportunity to ask Leah to sample the voices you love- live! You are also free to ask any other questions you may have, but this will be the designated time to make voice requests. Come with your favourite line in mind!

Designing your own Costumes w/ Pretzl Cosplay (3:00 – 4:00)

In this panel Pretzl will show her own costume designs and talk about how she designed them. Different questions about the designing process will be answered; how to choose which shapes to use? Or what colours? Or even materials? What feeling should the costume have? You will learn about the different steps that she takes to design her own costumes and costumes for other cosplayers. After this panel you'll be going home with tips and tricks to finally design that awesome costume that you had in mind for so long!

Behind the Scenes: Attack on Titan w/ Morgan Garrett (4:00 – 5:00)

Have you wondered what an audition for Attack on Titan would be like?. Want to re-enact moments from the show or ask some general questions?. Join Morgan Garrett and experience first-hand the chaos that is Attack on Titan. GUREN NO YUMIYA!

Closing Ceremony (6:00 – 7:00)

To bring a close to Akumakon 2019, we collaborate with our fellow conventions and acknowledge the hard work and time put into the event. We also have an announcement to make that you won't want to miss!!!... 🤔

Secondary Panel Room

How Anime Won the West, Paul O'Connor (10:00 – 11:00)

A look at why anime has risen to popularity in recent years and tracing it back to the first releases of classic hits like Akira and Sailor Moon. We will be charting the rise, slight fall and the meteoric rise of anime throughout the decades and try and predict what the future holds for anime as we know it.

Setting Up a Webcomic, Anthea West (11:00 – 12:00)

Want to launch a webcomic but don't know where to begin? During this talk, you'll learn where to host, how to make a website and even how to promote it.

"It's not Anime!", Fiona Conlon (12:00 – 1:00)

The eternal argument...no not subs vs. dubs, the other argument: do anime-style western-made cartoons count as anime? Well this panel isn't about that. This is a chance to leave arguments at the door and just appreciate some moving pictures that weren't made in Japan.

Model UN, Paul O'Connor (1:00 – 3:00)

People actually requested that I do this panel again? Alright, I'll humour them. Join us in our premier interactive panel where we combine the bureaucratic nightmare of working at the UN and the actual nightmare of a zombie apocalypse. Audience members play as member states and do their best to fight off hordes of zombies, that is if a d20 rolls your way.

Cosplay 101 (3:00 – 4:00)

In this panel I'll go over the basics of cosplay and information I would have loved to have known when I started , it's a 30 minute PowerPoint and discussion followed by a demonstration / q/a about cosplay where I will answer any burning questions budding cosplayers May have !

A Brief History of Magical Girls, Sinead Lynch (4:00 – 5:00)

A chronology of magical girls from their early roots in Japanese folklore to western influences to the money spinners we now know them as.

Events

Want to see something only available at Akumakon?. You're in luck!. Events take place in the stage unless stated otherwise.

Friday Events

Fire Show, Áras na Mac Léinn (9:00)

The hottest attraction at this convention. Prepare to be amazed by this "lit" performance!

Pub Quiz, Sult, (9:30)

Time to test your Anime knowledge in this very nerdy, multi-round extravaganza!

Saturday Events

Cosplay Contest Signup, Front Desk (9:00 – 12:00)

Trade Hall & Artist Alley, Bailey Allen Hall (9:00 – 7:00)

Masazi Cosplay & Pretzl Cosplay Signings (10:00 – 11:00)

Tournament Arc (11:00 – 12:00)

Watermelons? Hula hoops? What's a good anime without a tournament arc right?. Join us in this plus ultra-journey where even we don't know what is happening. Seriously, we don't know what this is.

Cosplay Contest (1:00 – 3:00)

Show off your amazing cosplays in a fashion show style performance. The best scoring cosplayers in the three groups (children, adults and groups) will win a very special prize. (All performers must arrive at least 15 minutes before the show and must sign up at the front desk).

Leah Clark & Morgan Garrett Signings (3:00 – 4:00)

Kendo Demonstration (4:00 – 5:00)

Ever wanted to know what a live martial arts demonstration looks like?. Curtesy of Galway Kendo Club, this is now a reality!

Gameshow – Tantalus (7:00 – 8:00)

Have you ever wanted to be on a tv show? Ever wanted the glory and the prizes? Well here's your chance! For 2 days only Tantalus will present an epic game show involving YOU! You answer the questions, you battle for the glory, you win the prizes! Come one come all and take part in a Tantalus extravaganza.

Charity Auction

This is what Akumakon is all about, chance for us as a community to enjoy ourselves and contribute positively to those in need. With signed collectors' items, amazing bundles and cosplay props all being auctioned here previously, who knows what you could get your hands on this year! All proceeds go to charity.



Sunday Events

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Cosplay Skits (4:00 – 6:00)

Have you ever wanted to show off your cosplay by lip syncing to a song you think the character would sing? Or dance one of the many dance routines from an idol anime? Or even sing the opening theme of an anime? Sign up for our Skits then come on down to the stage to show off your skills! The winner will win an amazing prize!

All day Saturday & Sunday

Yukata Fittings, Main Foyer

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to wear a traditional Japanese outfit? WELL NOW IS YOUR CHANCE!

Calligraphy and Origami, Main Foyer

Do you know how to write your name in Japanese? Would you like to know how to make a boring sheet of paper into a crane? Then look no further!

Maid Café, The Hub

Welcome to the restaurant of your anime and manga fuelled dreams. With wonderful maids and delicious food, it's all you could really ask for. (Run by WA Café).



Games & Cards

Games are held in the view. We have collaborated with the video game society in NUIG to ensure all your framerate aren't lagging. There's casual gaming all weekend from opening to closing along with tournaments. Tournaments cost €2 to enter and all proceeds go to charity. Did I mention you could win a prize?.

Friday Tournaments

2v2 Rocket League, (7:00 - 9:00)

What is Rocket League you may ask? It's basically just football (or soccer for you peasants) mixed with cars. And boosting. And explosions. What more do you need?

Saturday Tournaments

1v1 Smash Ultimate, (11:00 - 1:00)

Smash Ultimate is the newest addition to the legendary brawler series of Smash, where you can watch your beloved Nintendo characters fight it out.

My Hero's One Justice (3:00 -6:00)

The most thematically appropriate game of the convention, this game is a fighter between all the characters of My Hero Academia. (best girl toga fite me)

Mario Kart 8, (6:00 - 10:00)

The iconic game by Nintendo that everyone and their grandmas can have a grand time with.

Sunday Tournaments

1v1 Black Ops 3, (11:00 - 1:00)

Honestly, who doesn't know Call of Duty at this point? Everyone has at least played one of these once, and this one is like them but better.

2v2 Smash Ultimate, (3:00 - 6:00)

You thought we would be done with Smash? The more the merrier, which is why we're also doing a 2v2 tournament

Card games will be held all day in the space on Saturday and Sunday and are run by the wonderful SciFi society in NUIG.

Saturday: YU-GI-HO Regionals Signup (11:00 – 12:00)

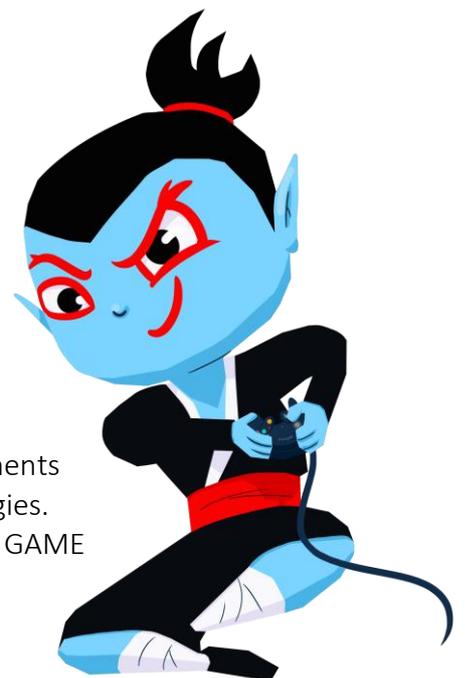
Casual Card Games

Card Games? What are they? Some say they are an ancient tradition lost to the ages with the old gods. Others speak strange words like Magic: the Gathering, Yu-Gi-OH and many more describing them as fun and varied pastime that people play. Which of these descriptions is true? Find out for yourself in our card room!

Saturday Card Games

YU-GI-HO Regionals

Players of all ages and skill levels can compete together in tournaments to make new friends, see new cards and show off their best strategies. There's no better way to experience the Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME than to compete in events and Duel with your friends!



Anime Screenings

Tired feet after wearing those 6 inch cosplay heels? Just want to sit down with some slice-of-life or introduce yourself to a whole new fanbase? We have a wide range of screenings to suit everybody.

Friday Screenings

Anime Screenings

Zombieland Saga (6:00 – 8:00)

This shows humour will hit you like a truck 😊 . Sakura Minamoto and other famous idols must band together to save the Saga Prefecture. Just one problem: they're all zombies. Come along and have a laugh at our opening screening at Akumakon!.

Redline (8:00 – 10:00) FILM

18+

"A whacky thrilling film about a futuristic life or death race devoid of rules that takes place on a dangerous planet! Sounds like prime anime to me!"

PG Anime Screenings

Ladybug (6:00 – 8:00)

Many know of 'The Miraculous Tales of Ladybug and Cat Noir', but did you know it was based on an anime?.

Saturday Screenings

Anime Screenings

Tanaka-san is Always Listless (9:00 – 11:00)

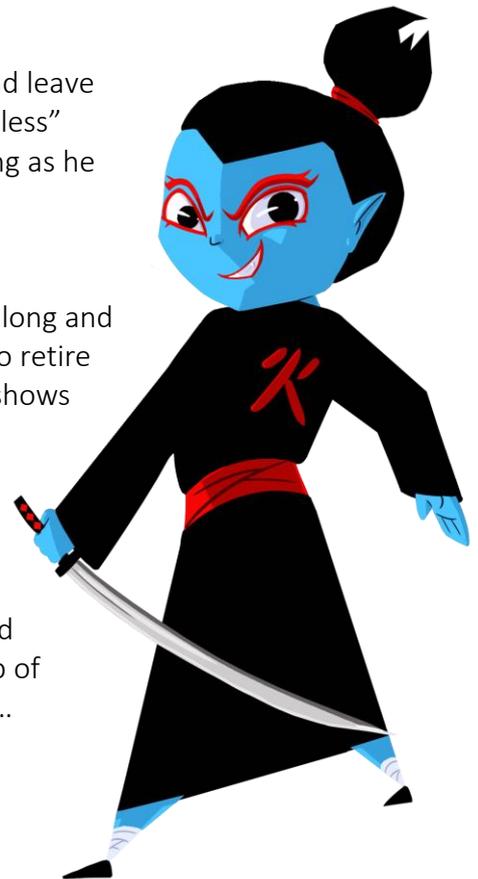
An anime for those who wish they could do nothing all day and leave their faithful friend Oota to pick up the slack. Tanaka, the "listless" protagonist, is skilled in the art of procrastination. Follow along as he interacts with a diverse cast and somehow manages to avoid responsibility time and time again.

Yuri on Ice (11:00 – 01:00)

With Yuri on Ice: Ice Adolescence coming out in 2019, come along and see the immensely popular anime beforehand. Yuri is about to retire from the cutthroat world of figure skating. But when his idol shows up at his front door and offers to mentor him, how can he refuse?.

Summer Wars (01:00 – 03:00) FILM

Math genius Kenji is invited by his crush Natsuki to her great-grandmother's 90th birthday. However, he accidentally cracks the security code of a virtual world (yes, accidently) and opens the door for an A.I. to wreak havoc. Kenji, with the help of Natsuki's family must stop the Love Machine with maths and... gaming?.



My Hero Academia - Season 3 (03:00 – 05:00)

Deku is growing stronger by the day, but so are his enemies. As the students of U.A. start their training camp the league of villains have a surprise in store for our heroes.

K – On (05:00 – 07:00)

Some anime can have a lot of additives. All you're getting in this organic, no gluten anime are best girls. K-on has charming characters like Yui, an airhead food-lover who must try to master the guitar for music club and tackle her rock-bottom grades in this slice-of-life creation.

Space Dandy (07:00 – 09:00)

18+

Dandy and Meow hunt unclassified aliens and reap the rewards; whilst getting into all kinds of mischief. This anime has many connections with those who worked on Cowboy Bebop, and is unpredictable in the best way possible.

Akira (09:00 – 11:00) FILM

18+

This essential classic will have you questioning God, yourself, the universe and why you aren't a cool biker hitting clowns. Need I say more?.

PG Anime Screenings

The Cat Returns (09:00 – 11:00) FILM

A young high school girl, Haru, is flung into cat kingdom. Watch and follow the amazing adventures of Haru, the Baron and the mad King.

Shirokuma Café (11:00 – 01:00)

Shirokuma café is a place where animals and humans alike can relax after a hard day's work. Will Panda get that succulent bamboo?. Will Penguin confess to his crush?. Will Polar Bear ever have a break from their antics?. Join this wonderful cast and many more to get answers to these burning questions!.

Little Witch Academia (01:00 – 03:00)

Welcome to Wholesome Ville. Population: uplifting girls trying real hard to achieve their dreams. An anime that every clumsy goof can relate to.

Steven Universe – Season 1 (03:00 – 05:00)

Join Steven (a young boy with a rock in his bellybutton) and The Crystal Gems on this light-hearted adventure, where he learns to master his gem's powers and help others. With fantastic visuals, silly humour, and important life lessons, it's definitely worth the watch.

Wolf Children (05:00 – 07:00) FILM

There's like a single mother who has children that sometime turn into wolves and it tough for them as they grow up and yeah I know I felt the same when I first heard of it but just give it a chance, it's worth it I swear.

Spirited Away (07:00 – 09:00) FILM

The beauty of anime is that there is no limit as to what could happen. Miyazaki's Oscar-winning classic balances childhood whimsy with epic fantasy adventure. A must see for Studio Ghibli fans.

Sunday Screenings

Anime Screenings

Haikyuu! (09:00 – 11:00)

It's a volleyball anime focused on Hinata Shoyo's first year in Karasuno high school. When he joins the volleyball team he discovers that his rival he swore to beat went to the same school. They then overcome their differences and rely on each other to become a staple on the team and have HHYYPPEE games

The Girl Who Leapt Through Time (11:00 – 01:00) FILM

The Girl Who Leapt Through Time: A teenage girl discovers that she can travel to the past, and uses it to shape her summer vacation to her fitting, but soon learns the terrible consequences that it brings.

Konosuba (1:00 – 03:00)

Watch as a cynic, a masochist paladin, a useless goddess and an explosion loving little girl fail miserably at even the most basic quests. Also, the dubbed version just came out!

Gun Gale Online (03:00 – 05:00)

In this SAO spin off we follow a student who hates her height. To compensate for this she plays as a cute short girl in the VR world of Gun Gale Online!

Tonari no Seki-kun (05:00 – 06:00)

Every day, Rumi Yokoi finds herself distracted by Seki-kun; the boy sitting next to her in class. He develops a new hobby every episode, changing from robot families to dominos, toy cars to knitting. The hilarity that ensues is not to be missed.

PG Anime Screenings

Pokémon – original (09:00 – 11:00)

What can we say?. Everyone grew up on this classic so get your nostalgia fix at Akumakon with Ash, Pikachu and the rest of the gang. *"I wanna be the very best, Like no one ever was. To catch them is my real test, to train them is my cause!. POKÉMON!."*

Ponyo (11:00 – 01:00) FILM

Someone stole Liam Neeson's daughter?. Well imagine that but combined with amazing art style and world building from the legendary director Hayao Miyazaki.

Avatar – The Last Airbender (01:00 – 03:00)

In a world where people can bend the 4 elements to their will, only one can bend all them. Follow Aang as he travels around the world with his companions to learn the elements and defeat the evil fire lord

Digimon (03:00 – 05:00)

Children teleported to the digital world, partner with digital monsters (Digimon) to try and get back home.



Rules

General:

- No running or "glomping".
- No screaming.
- No signs e.g. "Hug me"
- No throwing of any object e.g. Props, food etc.
- Observe basic manners, ask people if you want to take a picture of their cosplay, apologise if you bump into people etc.
- No pushing or shoving in queues.
- You are required to display con pass at all times, persons not displaying, or without a con pass will be asked to leave the convention.
- Persons caught stealing from traders/people will be removed from the convention and banned from any Akumakon Convention in the future.
- No bullying, harassment or assault. Offenders will be removed from the convention and banned from the future conventions.
- Pass holders must not allow their pass to be worn by anyone else.
- The organisers reserve the right to refuse admission and to eject anyone from the venue for any reason.
- Attendees must carry photo identification at all times and may be asked to show it at any time.
- Accepted forms of photo identification are:
 - *Driver's or Provisional licence or Passport
 - *Student ID (must have a photo and date of birth) or Garda National Age Card
 - *European Identity Card
- Attendees may not be permitted to use recording and/or photography equipment during certain panels or events, this will be clearly stated prior to the event. We ask that you respect the wishes of the organisers, guests and panelists. Offenders will have their equipment confiscated for the remainder of the weekend and all data deleted.
- Attendees should note that they may be photographed or filmed while in attendance of the convention by our staff to help us prepare images and video for our website and other advertising needs.

Cosplay Rules:

- No offensive/overly revealing clothing or costumes are permitted. Any cosplays worn must cover at least the same as a modest bikini/swimsuit.
- Anyone who violates this rule will be asked to cover up. Failure to do this will result in you being asked to leave the premises.
- Cosplays must be suitable for a general audience - There are a lot of kids around the convention after all!
- Nudity is not permitted.
- Suitable footwear must be worn at all times; bare feet are not permitted. Wheeled footwear (heelies, roller blades, roller skates etc) is not permitted inside the convention centre. They may be carried as a prop of but cannot be worn.
- Anyone who has a cosplay that will inhibit movement/vision/or impede the senses are recommended to have a 'buddy' to help escort you around the convention.



- Cosplayers may not be connected/tethered/tied together in any manner.
- Costumes associated with illegal activity; e.g. Pedobear, will not be permitted.

Cosplay and Harassment:

- Harassment will not be tolerated in any form.
- This includes but is not limited to: Verbal abuse, physical abuse, following, stalking, unconsented photography, unconsented recording, inappropriate physical contact and inappropriate sexual attention.

Cosplay is not Consent.

Cosplay Masquerade:

- To enter the masquerade for judging your cosplay must be from a known published source. (i.e. Anime, Video game etc). Original characters can be entered to showcase an individual's work but they will not be judged.
- Anyone under the ages of 13 years old who wishes to enter the masquerade must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over 18 years old.
- The origins of your cosplay must be specified. You must state, truthfully, on sign up if your cosplay is bought, hand-made, commissioned (this includes if a friend or parent/guardian has made it for you) or if it is a combination. If entrants provide false information and place in the competition they will be stripped of their title and prizes.
- Judging will be based on the quality of the costume, the accuracy of the costume and the stage presence of the cosplayer. (You can't forget the 'play' in cosplay!)
- There will be two categories: Best overall Cosplay and Best Group.

Props:

- All props will be inspected on arrival at the convention. Only approved props will be allowed to be carried around. Any props deemed to be too hazardous will be stored in the cloakroom and will only be allowed to be used in photo shoots and the Cosplay Masquerade.
- If anyone is found to be miss-using props in a manner deemed dangerous to other attendees will have their props confiscated with no guarantee of the prop being returned.
- If you wish to use airsoft guns/pellets guns as props they must be unloaded and shown to be non-functioning.
- Please refer to our prop/weapon guidelines for more details.

Cosplay Skit Rules:

- The maximum number of people allowed on stage at one time is 6 people.
- Performances should be no longer than 5 minutes.
- The skit needs to be suitable for a PG 13 audience. This means no offensive language or no sexual themes. (Let's keep groping to a minimum!) Any material to be used on stage will be screened prior to the skits.
- Any music/audio visual material required for the skit must be provided by the performers and submitted at the time of sign-up.
- Props that will delay the flow of the other performances are not permitted. Anything that will require a long setup/take down will not be permitted.
- Any fight scenes must be slowed to half speed.
- Props such as confetti, flower petals, water or anything that will litter the stage is not permitted.
- Fire props (e.g. lighters, flash paper etc) will not be permitted.
- The judging will be based purely on the quality and of the performance and the creativity of content.

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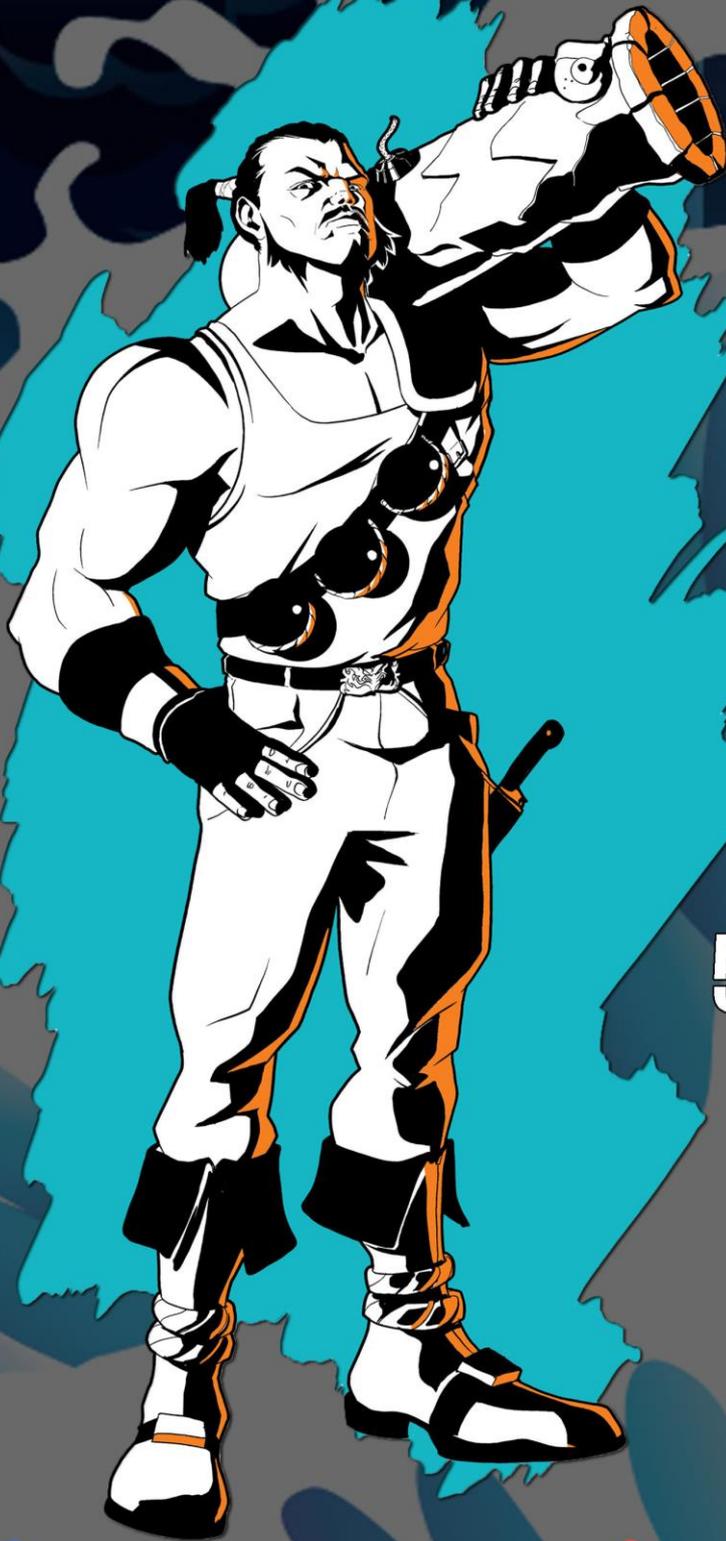
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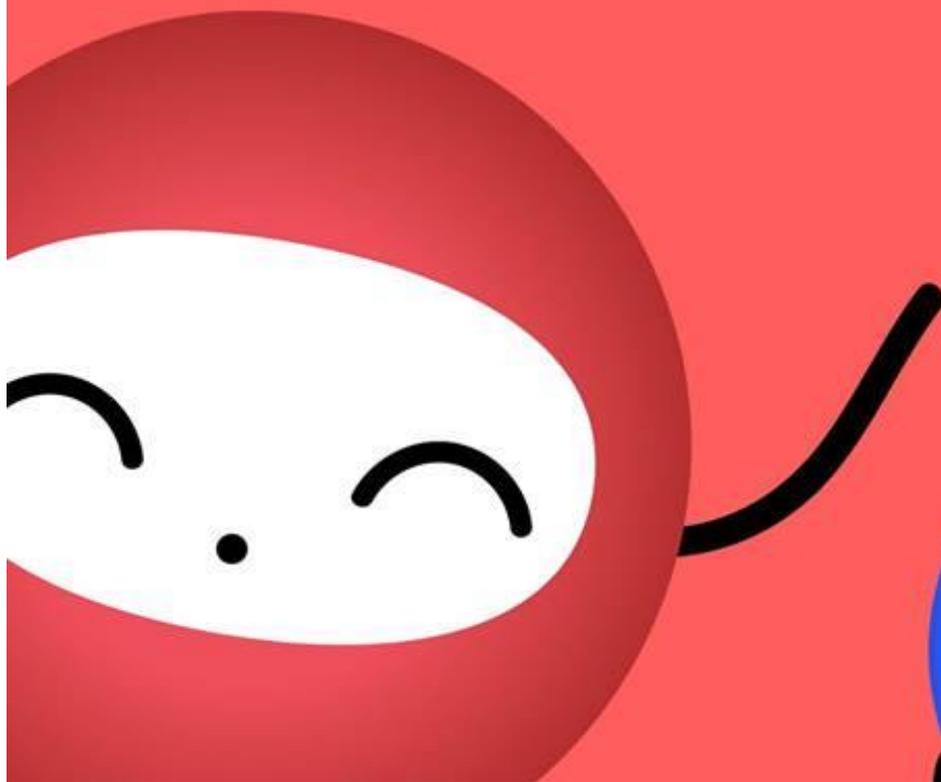
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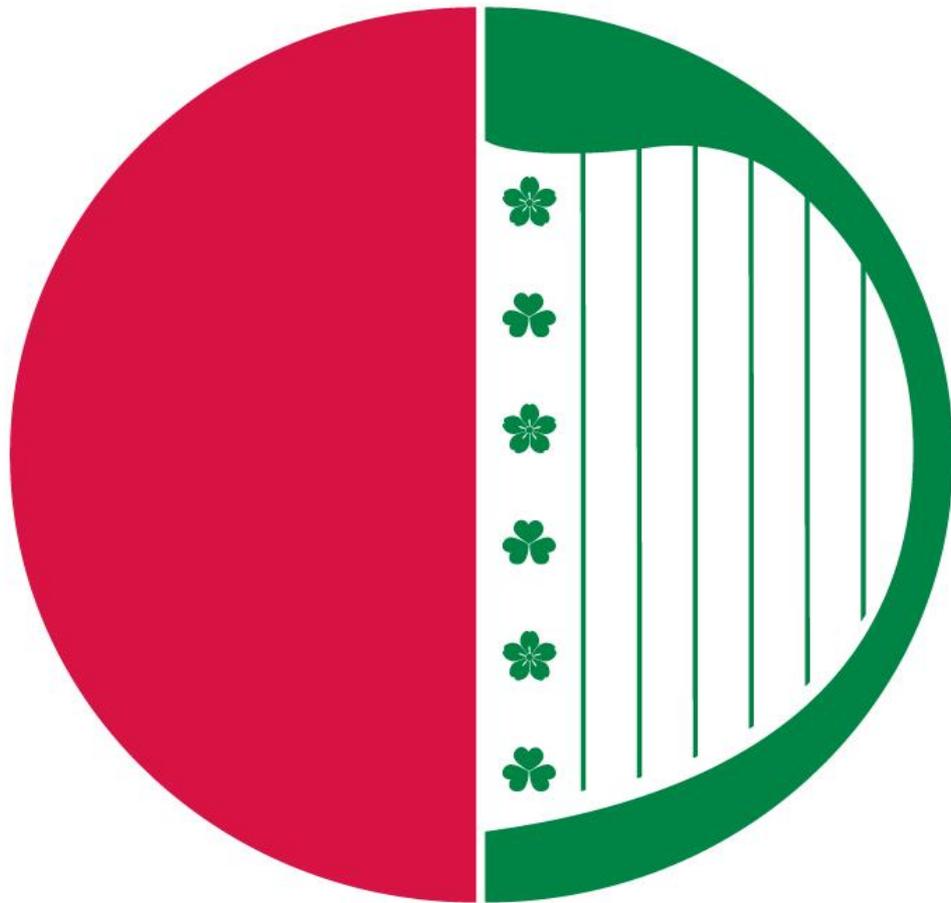
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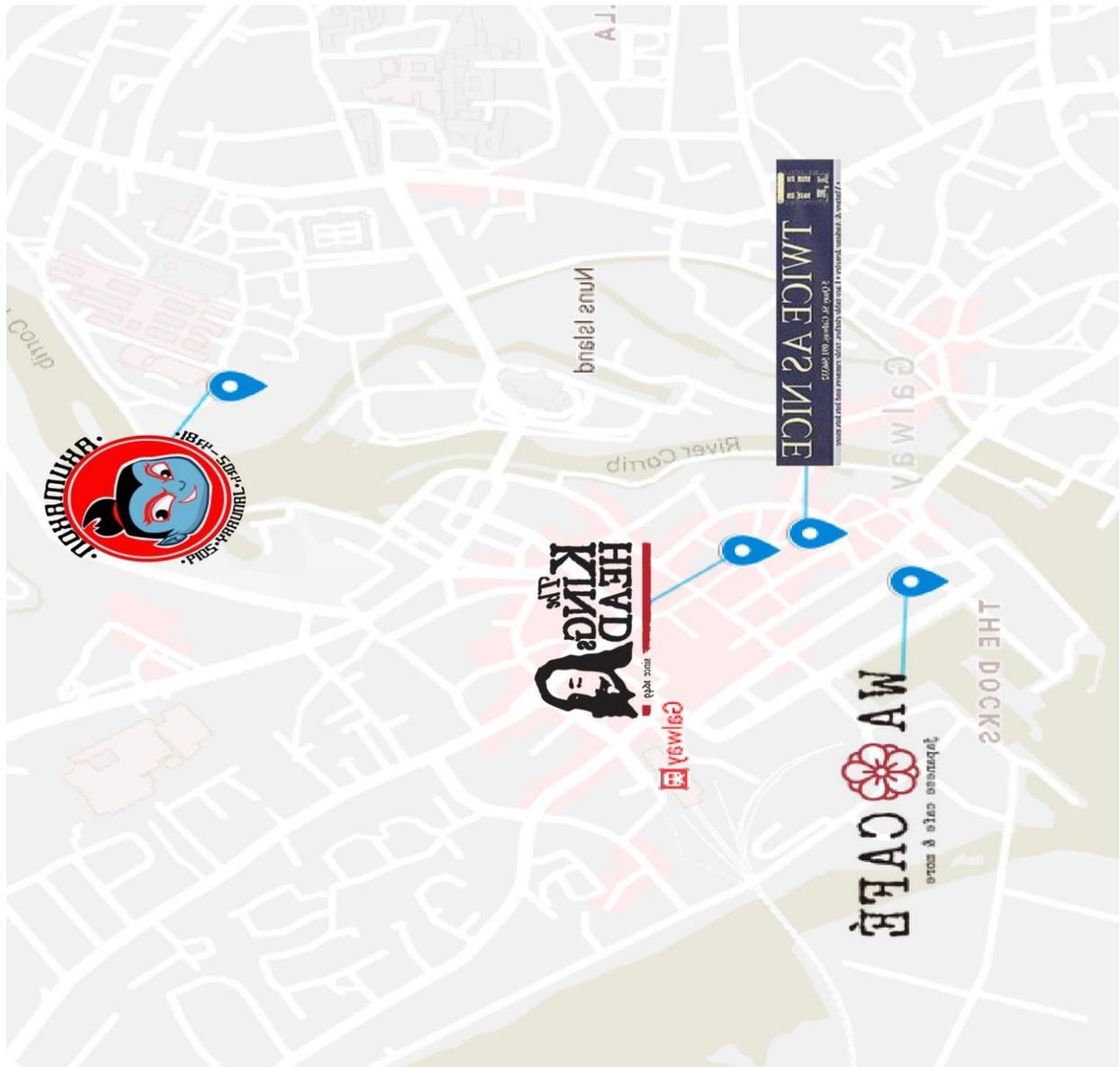
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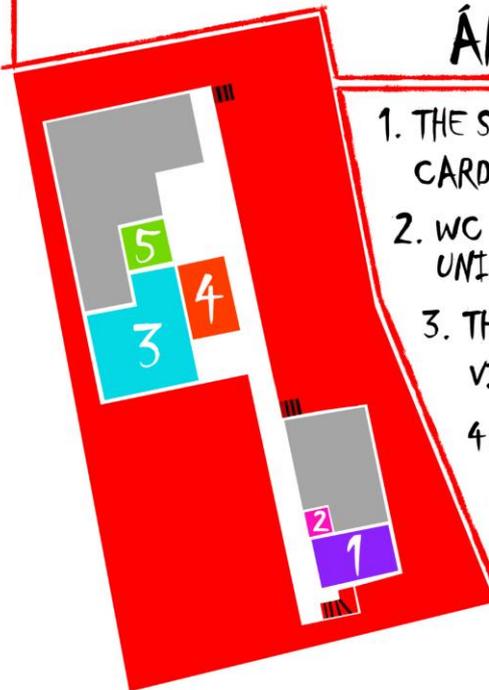
AKUMAKON FIRST FLOOR MAP ÁRAS NA MAC LÉINN



1. MAIN ENTRANCE AND TICKET DESKS
2. SHOWS, COSPLAY AND SPECIAL EVENTS (THE STAGE)
3. MAIN PANEL ROOM
4. TRADE HALL AND ARTIST'S ALLEY
5. WC & LIFT WITH UNISEX ACCESSIBLE BATHROOM
6. MAID CAFÉ (WA CAFÉ)



AKUMAKON SECOND FLOOR MAP ÁRAS NA MAC LÉINN



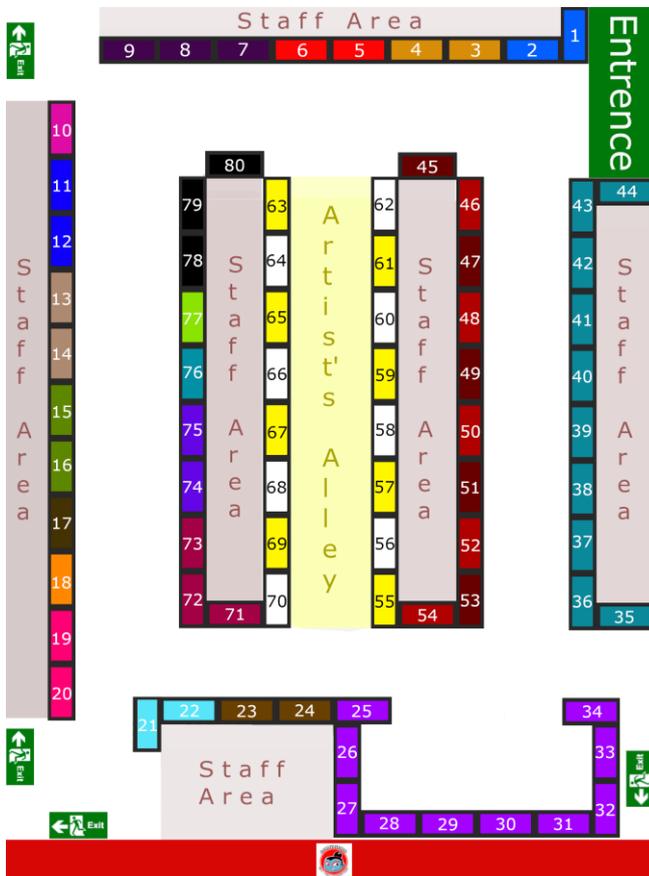
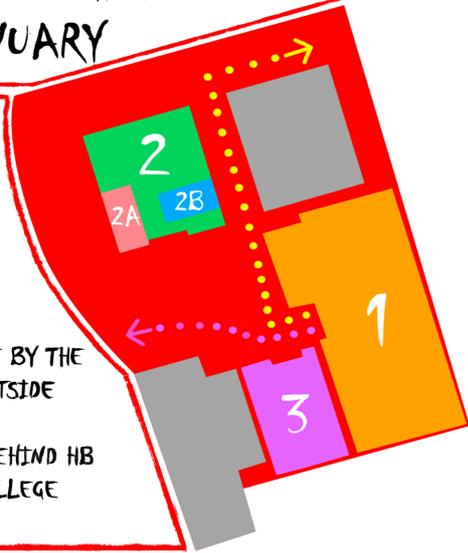
1. THE SPACE
CARD GAME EVENTS
2. WC
UNISEX ACCESSIBLE BATHROOM
3. THE VIEW
VIDEO GAME EVENTS
4. SECOND PANEL ROOM
5. CLOAKROOM
€2 FOR ALL-DAY STORAGE



AKUMAKON VENUES MAP

NUI GALWAY 19TH-21ST JANUARY

1. ÁRAS NA MAC LÉINN
PURCHASE CONVENTION TICKETS HERE
2. HB BUILDING
ANIME SCREENING ALL DAY
3. SULT - COLLEGE BAR
NEARBY ON-CAMPUS P&D PARKING IS AVAILABLE BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT (PINK ARROW) AND OUTSIDE ÁRAS GIRBSEAN (YELLOW ARROW)
BANK OF IRELAND ATMS LOCATED ON-CAMPUS BEHIND HB BUILDING (NUMBER 2 ON MAP) AND OUTSIDE COLLEGE BRANCH IN THE ARTS AND SCIENCE CONCOURSE



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TRADE HALL AND ARTIST ALLEY LAY OUT

1. MINIFIGURE MADNESS
- 2.
3. DUNGEONS & DONUTS
- 4.
5. AKUMAKON DESK
- 6.
7. AUNTY NELLIE'S
8. SWEET SHOP
- 9.
10. DICELADY
11. MOKO.IE
- 12.
13. NEW WOLF STUDIO
- 14.
15. COSPLAY PROPS
16. EIRE
17. PEBBLES TOY BOX
18. MEGAN MULCAHY
19. CARLY MCWILLIAMS
- 20.
21. RINOA FREYA
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23. CRAFTY LIKE A FOX
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39. SUBCITY
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49. CONVENTIONS
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55. CJ RASMUSSEN
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65. HAYLEY MULCAHY
66. KAY MURTAGH
67. TRIKI SHINI ART
68. ANTHEA WEST
69. KATIE O'KANE
70. IAN FAY
71. MIRAN'S OTAKU
72. GOODS
- 73.
74. ANIME MERCH
75. EXPRESS
76. EMILY BREIN
77. LURA WALL
78. THE DRAGON'S
79. HOARDE
- 80.

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FRIDAY 18TH

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Timetables

LOCATION	PANELS		SPECIAL EVENTS <SIGNINGS, COSPLAY AND SP EVENTS>	ANIME SCREENINGS	PG ANIME SCREENINGS	GAMES	EVENTS	
	MAIN PANEL ROOM	2ND PANEL ROOM					SCHEDULED	ALL DAY
17:00			THE STAGE	HUMAN BIOLOGY BUILDING LARGE SCREENING ROOM	HUMAN BIOLOGY BUILDING SMALL LECTURE THEATRE	THE VIEW		
17:30								
18:00	OPENING CEREMONY					CASUAL GAMING ALL DAY	OPENING CEREMONY 18:00 - 19:00 MAIN PANEL ROOM	CASUAL GAMING VIDEO GAMES ROOM THE VIEW
18:30					MIRACULOUS: TALES OF LADYBUG & CAT NOIR			
19:00	TEACH SOLAIS	BEST FIGHT SCENES IN ANIME <PAUL O'CONNOR>	CLOSED	ZOMBIELAND SAGA				
19:30						ROCKET LEAGUE 2V2		
20:00	BAD FANFICTION WITH MASAKO X <18>>	YOUR WAIFU IS TRASH <18>> <FIONA CONLON>					FIRE SHOW	SIGN IN ENTRANCE FOYER ARAS NA MAC LEINN
20:30				REDLINE <18>> <MOVIE>			21:00 ARAS NA MAC LEINN	
21:00	HENTAI PANEL <18>> <PAUL O'CONNOR AND VICTORIA VAN DER SPEK>	WHAT THE FLIP MEDIA <18>> <RICKY TRAVERS>						
21:30							PUB QUIZ 21:30 SULT	
22:00								
22:30						CASUAL GAMING ALL DAY		



DOORS OPEN AT 17:00

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SATURDAY 19TH

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LOCATION	PANELS		SPECIAL EVENTS <SIGNINGS, COSPLAY AND SP EVENTS>	ANIME SCREENINGS	PG ANIME SCREENINGS	GAMES	ITZACORNER <CARD GAMES>	EVENTS
	MAIN PANEL ROOM	2ND PANEL ROOM						
09:00			EVENTS IN THE STAGE	HUMAN BIOLOGY BUILDING LARGE SCREENING ROOM	HUMAN BIOLOGY BUILDING SMALL LECTURE THEATRE	THE VIEW	THE SPACE	SCHEDULED ALL DAY
09:30			MASAZI COSPLAY AND PRETZL COSPLAY SIGNINGS	TANAKA-SAN IS ALWAYS LISTLESS	THE CAT RETURNS <MOVIE>	CASUAL GAMES ALL DAY	CASUAL CARD GAMES ALL DAY	COSPLAY CONTEST SIGNUPS 9:00 - 12:00 ITZACORNER THE SPACE
10:00			TOURNAMENT ARC	YURI ON ICE	SHIROKUMA CAFE	SMASH ULTIMATE IVI	YU-GI-OH REGIONALS SIGN UP	SIGN IN
10:30				SUMMER WARS <MOVIE>	LITTLE WITCH ACADEMIA	CASUAL GAMES ALL DAY	YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	ENTRANCE FOYER ARAS NA MAC LEINN
11:00				MY HERO ACADEMIA <SEASON 3>	STEVEN UNIVERSE		YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	TRADE HALL & ARTIST ALLEY OPEN FROM 9:00 UNTIL 19:00 ARAS NA MAC LEINN
11:30				K-ON	WOLF CHILDREN <PG MOVIE>		YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	MAID CAFE <RUN BY WA CAFE>
12:00							YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	THE HUB
12:30							YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	JAPANESE CALIGRAPHY AND ORIGAMI
13:00							YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	ARAS NA MAC LEINN FOYER
13:30							YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	YUKATA FITTINGS ARAS NA MAC LEINN FOYER
14:00							YU-GI-OH REGIONALS	
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SUNDAY 20TH

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LOCATION	PANELS		SPECIAL EVENTS <SIGNINGS, COSPLAY AND SP EVENTS>	ANIME SCREENINGS	PG ANIME SCREENINGS	VIDEO GAMES	ITZACORNER <CARD GAMES>	EVENTS	
	MAIN PANEL ROOM	2ND PANEL ROOM						SCHEDULED	ALL DAY
09:00			EVENTS IN THE STAGE	HUWAMI BIOLOGY BUILDING LARGE SCREENING ROOM	HUWAMI BIOLOGY BUILDING SMALL LECTURE THEATRE	THE VIEW	THE SPACE	SEW SIGNING 11:00 - 12:00 SPECIAL EVENTS ROOM THE CUBE	CASUAL CARD GAMES ITZACORNER THE SPACE SIGN IN
09:30				HAIKYUUI	POKEMON - ORIGINAL	CASUAL GAMES ALL DAY			
10:00	TANTALUS: WEIRD JAPANESE GAMES YOU PROBABLY NEVER HEARD OF	HOW ANIME WON THE WEST <PAUL O'CONNOR>							
10:30				THE GIRL WHO LEAPT THROUGH TIME <MOVIE>	PONYO <MOVIE>	BLACK OPS 3			ENTRANCE FOYER ARAS NA MAC LEINN
11:00	COSPLAY WORKSHOP WITH MASAZI	SETTING UP A WEBCOMIC <ANTHEA WEST>	SUPER EYEPATCH WOLF SIGNING						TRADE HALL & ARTIST ALLEY
11:30									OPEN FROM 9:00 UNTIL 17:00. ARAS NA MAC LEINN
12:00									
12:30	CULTURAL DIPLOMACY AND NATIONAL IDENTITY <SDU WATANABE- FIRST SECRETARY OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY >	'IT'S NOT ANIME!' <FIONA CONLON>							
13:00	MASAKO X Q&A			KONOSUBA	AVATAR: THE LAST AIRBENDER	CASUAL GAMES ALL DAY			
13:30		MODEL UN <PAUL O'CONNOR>	GAMESHOW <TANTALUS>						MAID CAFÉ <RUN BY WA CAFÉ>
14:00	'OO THE VOICE!' WITH LEAH CLARK								THE HUB
14:30									
15:00	DESIGNING YOUR OWN COSTUMES WITH PRETZL COSPLAY	COSPLAY 101							
15:30				GUN GALE ONLINE	DIGIMON <DUBBED >	SMASH 2V2			JAPANESE CALIGRAPHY AND ORIGAMI ARAS NA MAC LEINN
16:00	BEHIND THE SCENES: ATTACK ON TITAN WITH MORGAN GARRETT	A BRIEF HISTORY OF MAGICAL GIRLS <SINEAD LYNCH>							
16:30			COSPLAY SKITS	TONARI NO SEKI-KUN					
17:00									YUKATA FITTINGS ARAS NA MAC LEINN
17:30									
18:00	CLOSING CEREMONY								
18:30									18:00 MAIN PANEL ROOM



DOORS OPEN AT 9:00