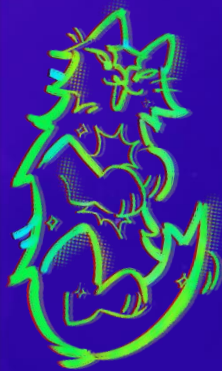




AKUMAKON

CON BOOK 2025



CON-DIRECTOR MESSAGE

Greetings to all,

My name is Rachel, and I'm the Con-Director of Akumakon 2025. This convention is truly a labour of love, brought to life through the dedication and hard work of an incredible team of committee members and volunteers. My team has exceeded expectations, making Akumakon 2025 a remarkable success while ensuring it remains an inclusive, respectful, and supportive space for everyone.

Of course, we ask all attendees to help us maintain that environment: respect others' boundaries, ask before taking photos, and always remember that cosplay is not consent. I am delighted to announce this year we have partnered with the Galway Hospice Foundation. We encourage everyone to support them and donate if they have the ability.

We are excited to showcase our newly introduced Cosplay Photography Studio and the Kids Recreation Lounge. In addition, we included Galway-based artists in the Trade Hall/Artist Alley for the first time.

Conventions like Akumakon are important to many people in Ireland. It is a place where old and new friends meet to express their admiration for anime, manga, gaming, and much more!

Thank you for joining us on this journey and for a convention that takes a special place in my heart—we can't wait to welcome you!

Rachel (She/Her)

Akumakon 2025 Con Director



WELCOME TO AKUMAKON 2025!!!

Welcome all and everyone!

Whether you are a long time visitor of Akumakon, this is your first time, or you are simply accompanying someone, we are delighted to have you!.

If you are unaware, Akumakon is the longest - running Anime and Manga convention in Ireland. This will be our 13th year! Every year, we give our all to organizing this event, and we have a wide selection of events, panels, screenings, and even games for you to enjoy, as well as a great selection of food, high - quality merchandise, and art!

This PDF file you are reading is your guide to this year's Akumakon, here you will find all the information about everything happening at our convention.

We are so glad you could come and we hope you have an incredible time here!!!



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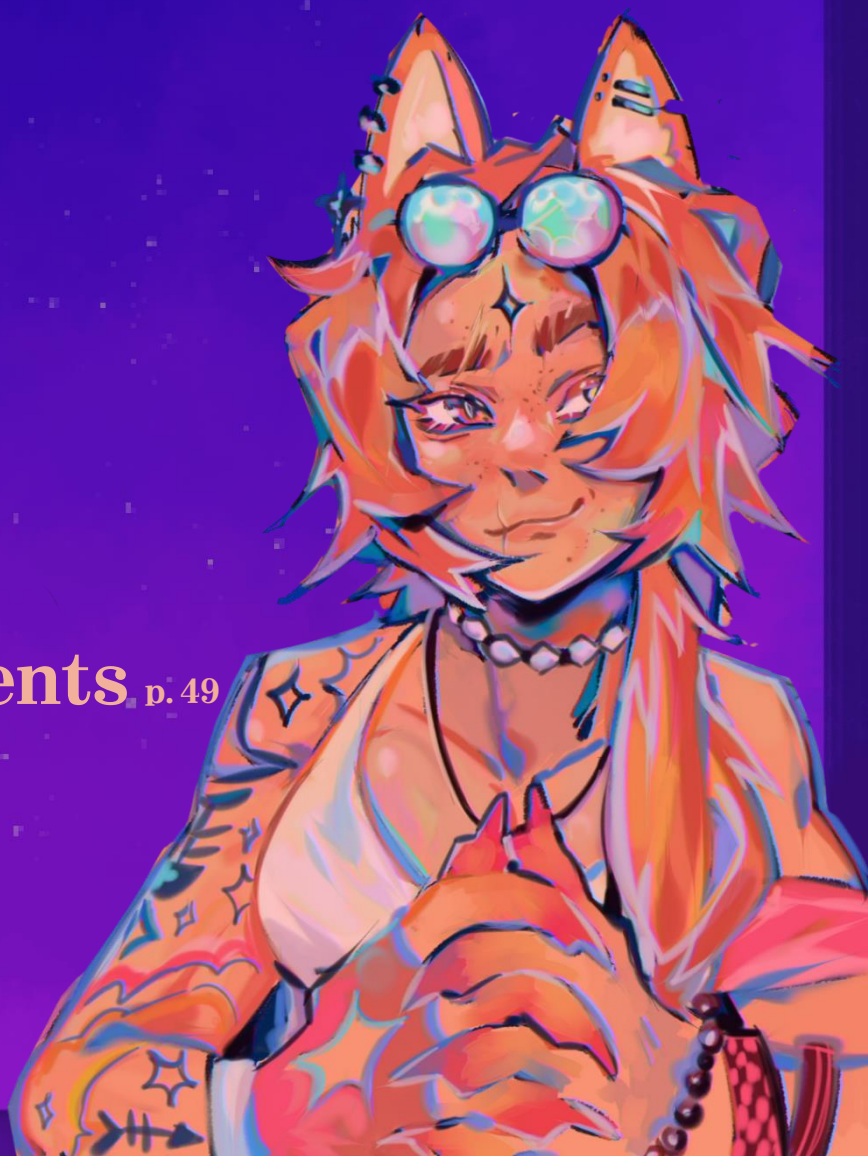
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

All committee members will be wearing blue Akumakon shirts and all volunteers will be wearing red Akumakon shirts. If you have a problem or question, please ask them.

Security will be wearing high - vis vests.

The front desk will be open at the following times:

17:00 - 19:00 on Friday

10:00 - 16:00 on Saturday

10:00 - 14:00 on Sunday

You can chat with our front desk team for tickets, pre-orders and all general queries!

A lot of information is available on our website over at www.akumakon.com but if you have any specific questions please email akumakon@socs.universityofgalway.ie

Please be aware that staff reserve the right to bar entry and remove people from the convention for misbehaviour.



CONVENTION RULES

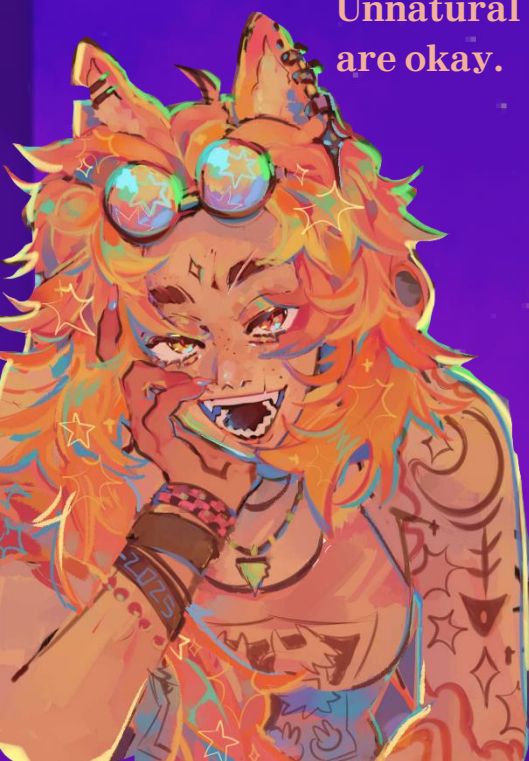
General Convention rules:

- **Zero tolerance harassment policy:** This includes but is not limited to: Verbal abuse, physical abuse, following, stalking, unconsented photography, unconsented recording, inappropriate physical contact and inappropriate sexual attention. Harassment of any kind will result in being escorted out of the convention and having your entry badge confiscated.
- **Do not touch people. Ask to take photos. Respect a "No".** Anyone breaking these rules will be escorted out of the convention and have their entry badge confiscated.
- **Please report harassment to a committee member or volunteer.**
- **Accessible toilets are to be used for their designated purposes and not as changing rooms.**
- **You are required to have your weekend pass/day pass wristband on you at all times. Anyone found without a wristband will be asked to leave the convention.**
- **Children aged 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times. If children under this age are found to be unaccompanied then An Garda Síochána will be contacted.**
- **Wristbands:** blue bands are Saturday passes, green are weekend passes, and red indicate the wearer is 18+.
- **To obtain an 18+ pass, attendees must prove their age using a passport, driver's/provisional licence, student ID, Garda age card, European identity card or some other equivalent. Attendees without a red band cannot attend 18+ events and will be asked to leave if they do.**
- **Anyone caught stealing will be reported to An Garda Síochána, escorted out of the convention, have their entry badge confiscated, and be blacklisted from all future Akumakon events.**

- Hygiene complaints will be treated in the same vein as behaviour complaints. One complaint will trigger a situation appraisal and the committee will adjudicate on a case by case basis. We reserve the right to ask you to leave the con if your hygiene is deemed to be of an unsatisfactory standard. Guide to personal hygiene: [Link 1](#) and [Link 2](#). Guide to cleaning your clothes: [Link](#)
- No signs, eg, "Hug Me".
- No throwing of any objects.
- No pushing or shoving in queues.
- No running.
- No imagery that is politically promotive in its nature.
- No pornographic imagery (including on clothing).
- No smoking or vaping indoors.
- AI generated imagery is not permitted to be sold anywhere on Akumakon premises for the duration of the convention.
- No art can be sold outside the Bailey Allen Hall and The Hub. Artist Alley. Any artist found doing so will be escorted out of the convention and have their entry badge confiscated. Only those approved to sell in the Trade Hall or the Artist's Alley or The Hub are authorised to sell.
- Attendees may not be permitted to use photography and/or video equipment during panels and events, this will be clearly stated beforehand. If you do use photography equipment during one of these events you will be escorted out of the convention and have their entry badge confiscated.
- Attendees should note that they may be photographed or filmed while in attendance of the convention by our staff. These images and videos may be used for promotional purposes.
- Akumakon committee, volunteers, security, and university staff may need to issue additional instructions not included in these rules. Warnings may also be issued to attendees. Refusal to follow these will result in being escorted out of the convention and having your entry badge confiscated.
- The organisers of Akumakon reserve the right to refuse admission to anybody.

Cosplay rules:

- Accessible toilets are to be used for their designated purposes and not as changing rooms.
- No offensive/overly revealing clothing or costumes are permitted. Any cosplays worn must cover at least the same as a modest bikini/swimsuit. You must wear a dance belt if wearing something form fitting. 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 always be worn; bare feet are not permitted.
- Wheeled footwear (heelies, roller blades, roller skates, etc.) and stilts are not permitted inside the convention centre. They may be carried as a prop, but cannot be worn.
- Anyone who has a cosplay that will inhibit movement/vision/or impede the senses are required to have a 'buddy' to help escort you around the convention.
- Cosplayers may not be connected/tethered/tied/leashed together in any manner.
- Racism will not be tolerated in the form of blackface/brownface, changing the colour of your skin to one of a different human ethnic group is not permitted. Unnatural skin tones, for example blue/green/purple are okay.



Cosplay and harassment:

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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 until the end of the convention and/or your time in the convention.
- Anyone found to be miss-using props in a manner deemed dangerous to other attendees will have their props confiscated until the convention is over.
- If you wish to use airsoft guns/pellets guns as props they must be unloaded and shown to be nonfunctioning.
- No projectile weapons permitted.

Prohibited props/ weapons:

- Real firearms: working, replica, disabled, or otherwise.
- Anything that fires projectiles, such as BB guns, pellet guns, cap guns, paintball markers, crossbows, dart guns, blow guns, slingshots and strung bows.
- Live steel knives including swords, bayonets, daggers, switchblades, axes, shuriken and kunai.
- Blunt weapons, such as batons, clubs, paddles (including yaoi paddles) and nunchaku.
- Liquid weapons, including water pistols, water guns, and water balloons.
- Explosives, including fireworks, firecrackers, sparklers, stun grenades, and smoke bombs.
- Chemical weapons, including tear gas and pepper spray.
- Laser devices, including laser pointers and laser-aiming devices.
- No bubble machines.
- And all other weapons prohibited in Ireland under the Firearms Acts 1925 to 2009 and the Firearms and Offensive Weapons Act 1990.
- Anyone found in possession of a prohibited weapon will have the weapon confiscated and they will be reported to An Garda Síochána.

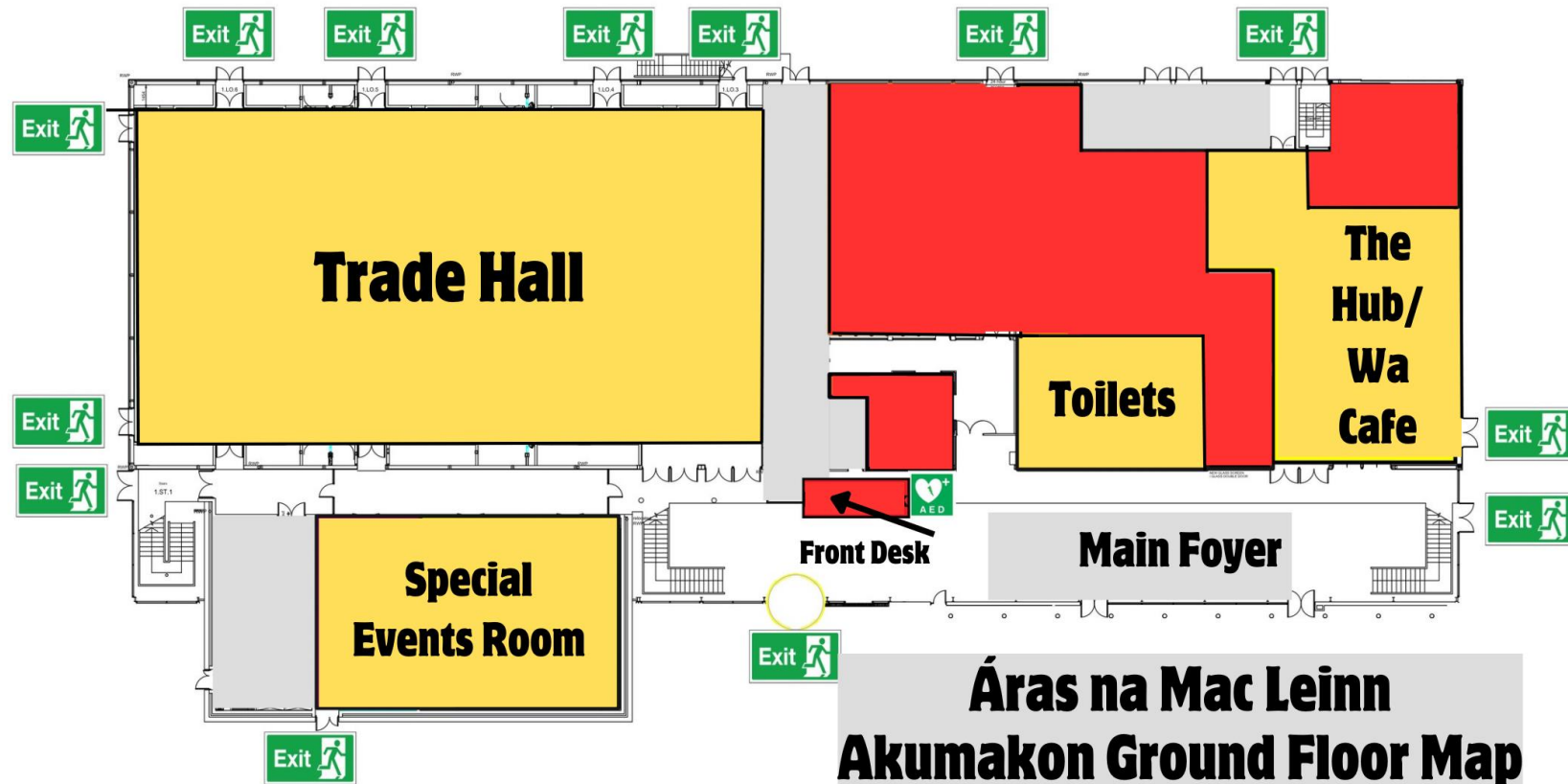
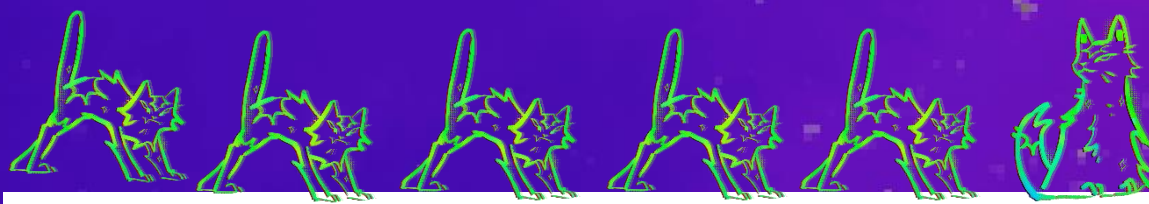
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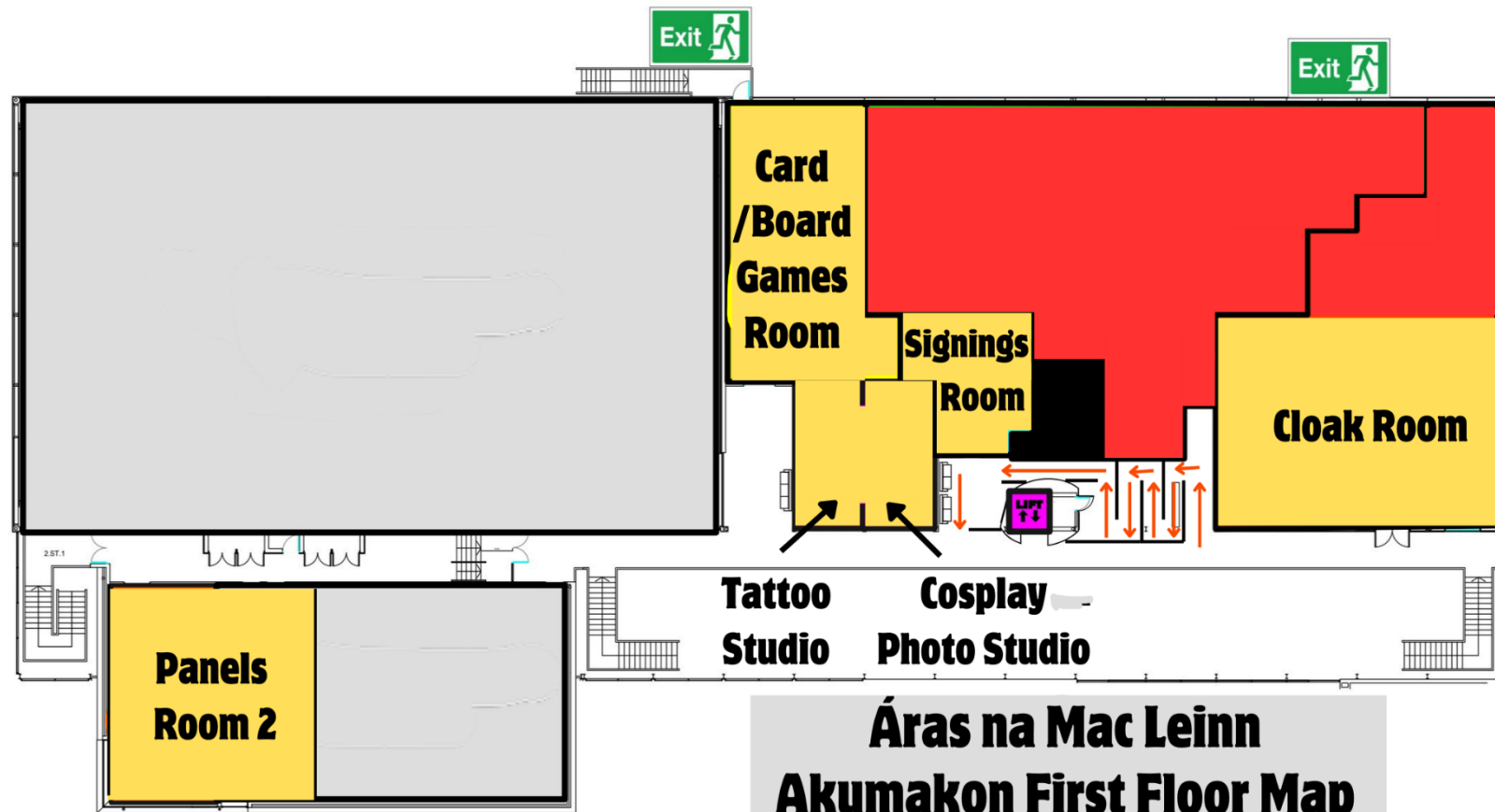
All our events will be held on the University of Galway Campus, specifically the Aras na Mac Leinn building, the Human Biology building and the O' Donoghue Theatre, they're all beside each other so you'll have no trouble finding them. In the next few pages, you can find the following maps:

- Aras na Mac Leinn - the main venue building, there are 2 floors with both stair and elevator access. Here you can find the Front Desk, the Artist and Trader hall, Wa cafe, the Special Events room, Panels Room 2, the Card/Board games room, the Signings room, the Tattoo studio, the Cosplay Photo room, and the Cloak room.
- O'Donoghue Centre - right next to SULT, here you can find the Screenings room and both Videogame rooms.
- Human Biology Building - separate from the rest and opposite the O'Donoghue Centre. Here you can find the Main Panels room and the Kids Recreation room.
- Trade Hall Layout - here you can find a list of all our artists and traders, as well as where to find them.

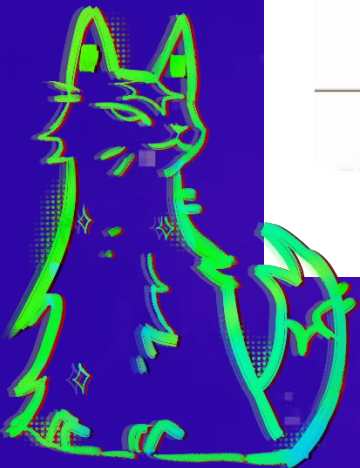
The Sensory Screenings room is in the Aras Ui Chathail building which is next to Aras na Mac Leinn and the Human Biology Building.

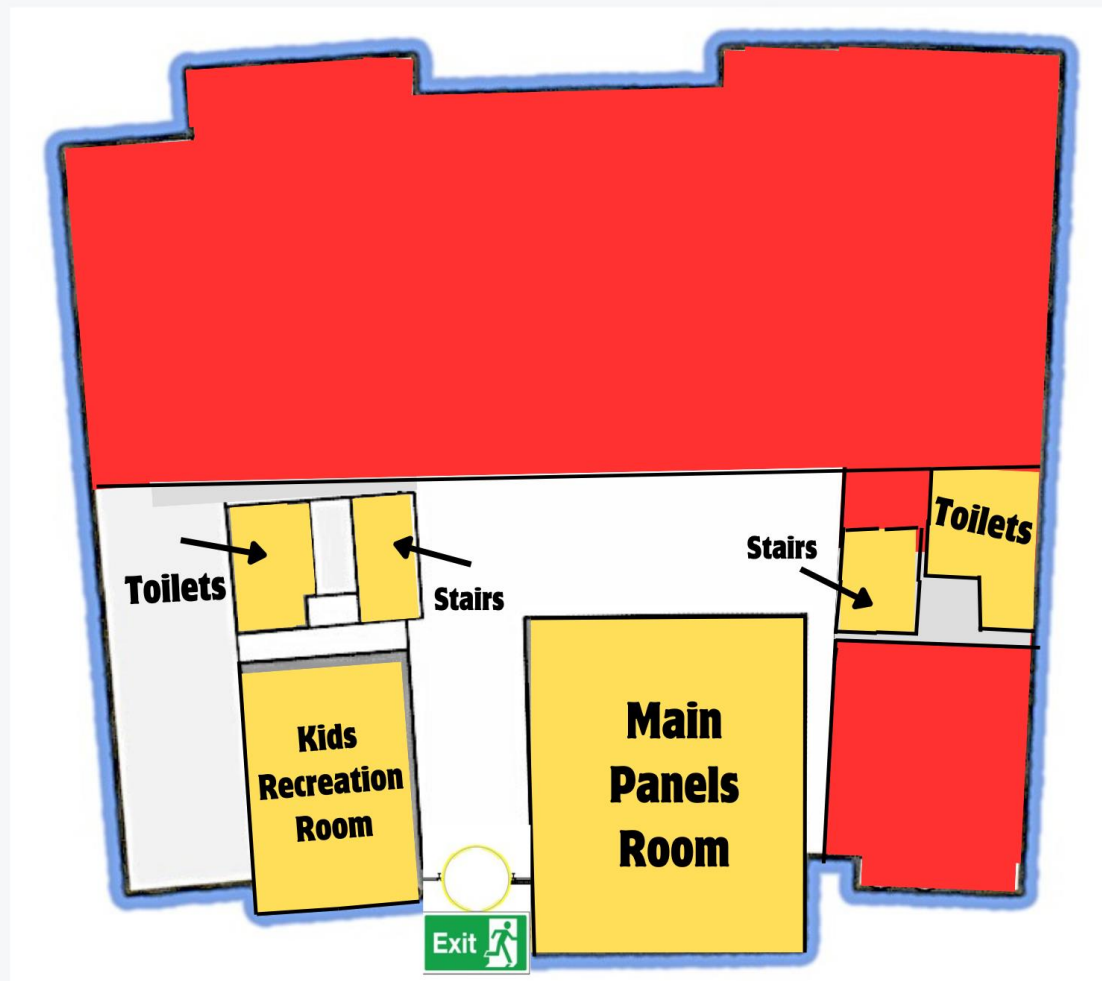






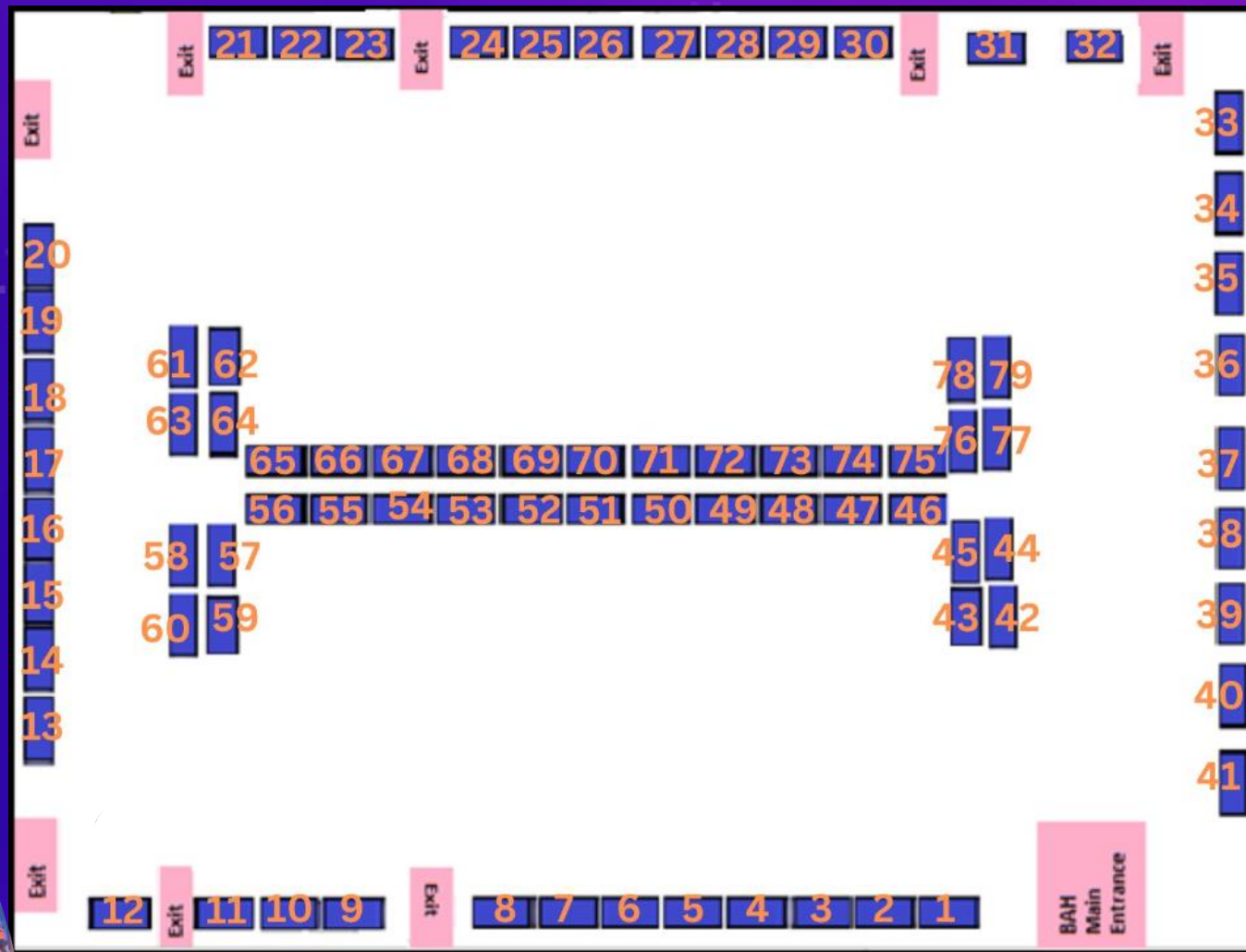
Akumakon The O'Donoghue Centre Map





Akumakon Human Biology Building Map

TRADE HALL LAYOUT



GALWAY ARTIST ALLEY

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25 Ella Byrne Art

26 WyMethy

27 Arcane Opal

28 KinleyR Art

29 Olaakii

30 Cheesetoken

31 Chris Comix

32 Mossy Critter

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14 Wonderfool Art

15 Artsy Ruthless

16 iiGracie

17 Nijagen

18 Cosmolog

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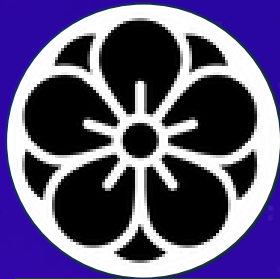
73 - 75 The Dragon's Hoard

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Keep an eye out for our food vendors! They will be providing you with the tastiest and most delectable treats and dishes, and we are very proud to host them.



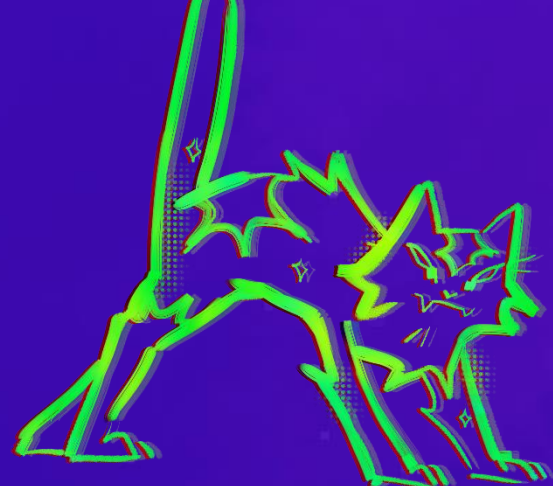
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TIMETABLES

We have a great many events, happenings and things for you to enjoy this Akumakon! On the next 2 pages, you can find the timetables for when and where anything will be happening. We really hope you enjoy)





Location	Main Panels Room	2nd Panels Room	Special Events	Screenings Room	Sensory Screenings Room	Videogames Room 1	Videogames Room 2	Card/Board Games	Trade Hall	Signing Room	Kid's Recreation Room	Flash Tattoo Studio	Cosplay Photo Studio	Extra			
SUNDAY	HBB Lecture Hall	The Space	The Stage/Cube	O'Donoghue Theatre	Áras Ui Chathail (G002)	The Foyer (ODC)	Studio 2 ODC- G008	The View	Bailey Allen Hall	Art Room	HBB Classroom	Meeting Room 1	Meeting Room 2	Sult			
9:00 ---	Setup																
10:00 ---				Tonbo!	Pokémon	Free Play		Morning Cartoons	Sensory Friendly Shopping				Bookings Only				
11:00 ---	Makeup Workshop W/Megavity	The Black Butler Panel												RTgame			
12:00 ---	Ratana & Emily Neves Q&A	Games Of Praise	Cosplay Workshop W/eufiemoon	A Place Further Than the Universe	Sleepy Princess in the Demon Castle		Mario Kart 8 Tournament	Free Play	Trade Hall & Artist Alley & Galway Artist Alley	Super Eyepatch Wolf	Open	Open					
13:00 ---	RTgame How Not To Stream	Design a Sonic OC								Chloe Eves							
14:00 ---	cakejumper Streamer Q&A	Japanese 101		Dr.Stone (Season 4)	The Boy and the Heron										Emily Neves		
15:00 ---	Voice Acting 101 with Chloe Eves	Ranking Ace Attorney Culpits	Junk Cosplay														Ratana
16:00 ---	Making Cosplay Your Side Hustle W/eufiemoon	The Struggle of Creating Art and Getting Motivated		Kaiju No.8	Too Many Losing Heroines											cakejumper	
17:00 ---	Super Eyepatch Wolf Q&A	How To Fry Rice (18+)															
18:00 ---	Closing Ceremony																



GUESTS

We have gathered a most delightful array of wonderful guests: incredibly talented voice actors, expert cosplayers and well-known content creators. You might see them wandering the convention or at their dedicated panels and Q&A sessions. We do ask that you remain respectful of their space and personal boundaries :)

On the timetables above you can see when each guest will be having their signing session up in the Signings Room.





cakejumper!

Twitch Streamer
(She/Her)

She's back! cakejumper is an Irish Twitch streamer with a love for Lolita fashion. She is a full-time variety streamer and also loves baking on stream (yummy food yippee) !

She is an incredible presence in both the streaming community and the Lolita fashion scene! You can find her on Twitch and YouTube as cakejumper and on Instagram, TikTok and twitter/X as [@ItsCakeJumper](https://twitter.com/ItsCakeJumper)



Chloe Eves is a Northern Irish, non - Binary voice actor with 10 years of voice acting under their belt!

They' ve seen lots of characters come to their doorstep! Some of Chloe' s roles include Corin (Zenless Zone Zero) , Greater Lord Rukkhadevata (Genshin Impact) , Lynx (LEGO Fortnite) , The Scholar (Black Desert Online) , Daughter of Decay (Hunt Showdown) , Oni Huntress Artemis (Smite) .



Emily Neves!
Voice Actor
 (She/Her)

Emily Neves is an accomplished actor, director, and scriptwriter known for her work with FUNimation Studios, Sentai Filmworks, and Oktratron 5000. You might recognize her for roles in *My Hero Academia* (Eri), *Akame ga Kill* (Chelsea), *Toilet-Bound Hanako-kun* (Aoi Akane), *Mushoku Tensei: Jobless Reincarnation* (Sylphiette) and over 200 more. As a director and ADR scriptwriter, her credits include *Death March to the Parallel World: Rhapsody*, *Maid-sama* and *Classroom of the Elite*.



eufiemoon!
(Seph)
Cosplayer
(She/They)

When it comes to sewing, prop making, wig styling Seph is a talent at all of them!

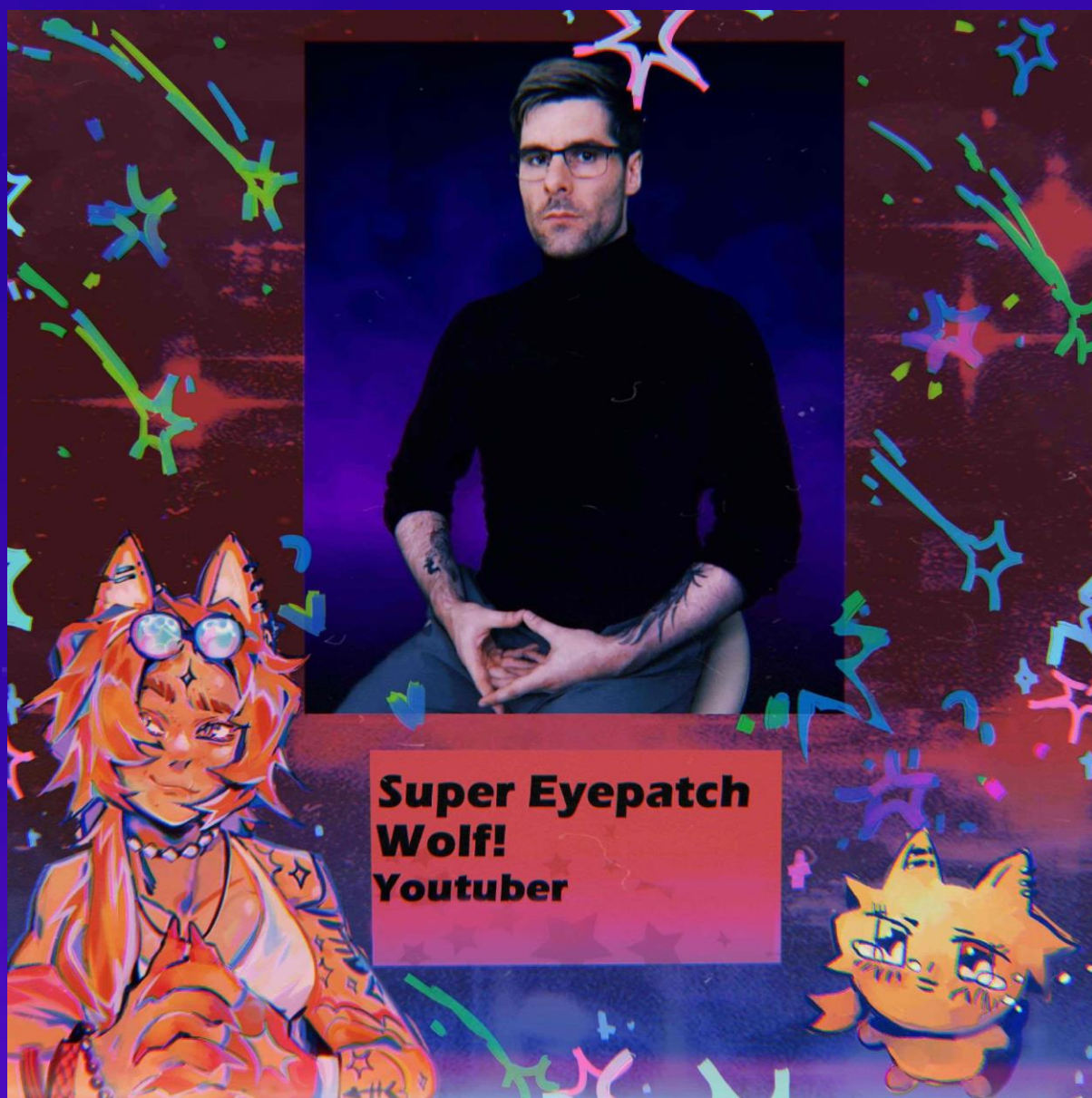
From Balder's Gate 3 to Arcane and Dungeon Meshi Seph's passion (hyperfixation lol) for costume-making is a joy to watch! Seph is also a TTRPG player and is currently in her 12th year of cosplay! You can find her on nearly all social media platforms as eufiemoon.



Megavity!
Cosplayer
(She/Her)

Megavity or Jenny is an Irish cosplayer and with a degree in theatre-making who loves nothing more than labouring over costumes for work, then going home and doing it again for free!

With an intense love of Critical Role, musical theatre, and the nicest FMV games out there, you'll never know what she'll make next, because neither does she!



Super Eyepatch Wolf an Irish YouTuber who does analytical - style videos on primarily anime, but occasionally manga and video games as well!

You can find them on Twitch as [supereyepatchwolf](#) and YouTube as [Super Eyepatch Wolf](#).





Ratana is well known for her work as Yae Miko in Genshin Impact, Leonie in Fire Emblem: Three Houses, Ishtar (Fire Emblem Heroes), RaRa and Kiyomi (Fallout 76) !

She is a cheerleader of creativity, kindness and entrepreneurship with a love of music, theatre, cartoons, dance & performing! (No better place to be then Akumakon right)



RTGames!

Youtuber
(He/Him)
(Drift King)

The Drift King returns! Daniel, better known as RTGame, is an Irish-Canadian YouTuber and live streamer. He is known for his humorous commentary during gameplay, and often plays games in mischievous ways!

With over 2.8 million YouTube subscribers and 1.2 million Twitch followers, Daniel's unique style and witty commentary have made him a fan favorite. You can find him on Twitch and YouTube as RTGame!

GUEST SIGNINGS

Signings will be held beside the cloakroom.

SATURDAY:

Emily Neves 10:30 - 11:30

Cakejumper 12:00 - 13:00

Ratana 13:30 - 14:30

Chloe Eves 15:00 - 16:00

RTGame 16:00 - 17:00

Super Eyepatch Wolf 17:30 - 18:30

SUNDAY:

RTGame 10:30 - 11:30

Super Eyepatch Wolf 11:30 - 12:30

Chloe Eves 12:30 - 13:30

Emily Neves 14:00 - 15:00

Ratana 15:30 - 16:30

Cakejumper 17:30 - 18:30



SPECIAL EVENTS

In addition to our trade hall, artists, and guests, we would have special events on every day. Some are simply for you to observe and enjoy, while for others we invite you to participate yourself, you might even win something! Held in the Special Events space (The Stage) unless stated otherwise.

FRIDAY:

- **Disgraceful Cabaret (18+) 19:00 - 20:30**
Disgraceful Cabaret is a Drag Nerdlesque Cabaret show who celebrate pride, diversity and silliness! They have been doing strong since their debut in 2019. Don't miss them in the Special Event room, where they will be bringing some sexy, silly Drag & Burlesque just for you! This 18+ event is sure to make you laugh with performances by Dez Scrace, Viktor Complex, Drew Dé Món, Satanya, Bombshell Ghuleh, Astra Novus, Frankie Stein, & Missin' Heels. Tickets will be €10 at the door.
- **Valentines Day Marriage Ceremony 19:00 - 21:00**
As it is Valentine's on the first day of Akumakon, we have prepared a lavishly decorated marriage venue where you our dear friend can undergo the rites!
(Disclaimer: we cannot legally officiate a marriage)
- **Charity Quiz 21:00 - 00:00**
Our yearly anime and Japanese culture quiz will be held in SULT. Come for some fun and the chance to win some incredible prizes!
All proceeds from entry and raffles go towards charity.

SATURDAY:

- Kids Under 12's Anime Disco 12:00 - 14:00

Let the little ones dance their heart away

- Cosplay Masquerade 14:30 - 16:30

Show off your cosplay for a chance to win cash prizes! You can sign up through this [link](#) or on our website.

Cosplay Masquerade rules:

- Anyone aged 12 and under 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. Costumes that are bought/commissioned are not eligible to receive a prize.
- 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!)
- The Entrants' costume cannot have previously won at a large competition using the same costume. If this rule is not complied with, winners may be stripped of their prizes and a new winner selected.



- Dungeons and Naggins Live Show (16+) 17:00 - 18:30
A DnD inspired comedy show from the very creator of the Dungeons and Naggins boardgame.
- ICC PRESENTS: The Cosplay Gameshow 19:00 - 20:00
Taking day time TVs game shows and giving them a cosplay *Twist*. Do you think you can work out the cost or time consumed by a cosplay Price is Right Style? Or do you know cosplayers well enough to guess the most popular task they are achieving 3 days before a Con via a Family Feud style stand off? Come and showcase your knowledge with the Irish Cosplay Communities at the Cosplay Game Show panel.
- Karaoke 18:30 - 20:00
Sing!
- Auction 20:30 - 23:00
We will be auctioning off a number of incredible one-of-a-kind (in some cases) items, with something for everyone. Come along even if you don't plan on placing a bid, it's great fun every year.

SUNDAY:

- Cosplay Workshop with Eufiemoon 12:00 - 14:00
Eufiemoon will be explaining how to create various effects for cosplays and what materials are best used where
- Junk Cosplay 15:00 - 16:30
This fun competition involves teams using pieces of cardboard and scraps of paper to create costumes. We've had some incredible creations over the years and we can't wait to see what you come up with this year.

PANELS

Do you love discussions and talks on anime, games, Japanese culture and a variety of other things? Then come to our many panels. Held in the Main Panels room (HBB Lecture Hall) and in 2nd Panels Room (The Space). There are a wide range of topics available and you can find the schedules and info on the next few pages.

FRIDAY:

Main panels room

- Women/Diverse Voices in Voice Acting W/Ratana 19:00 - 20:00
Join Ratana (VA, Trese, Starfield, Genshin Impact, Fire Emblem and more) as they talk about what it's like to be a working VA and how their work feeds into the creative process of producing a game or animated series.
- Yaoi with a twist (16+) 20:00 - 21:00

2nd panels room

- Enemies or Lovers 19:00 - 20:00
A look at intense rivalries in anime that have often been interpreted as romantic, and some that DID end up being romantic.
- Fanfiction 101: Welcome to an archive of our own (18+) 20:00 - 21:00
Fanfiction is a major part of the anime community this is a talk about how i found getting into writing fanfiction and the difficulty of choosing the topics to write and the highs and lows of fanfiction.

SATURDAY:

Main panels room

- RTgame Q&A 11:00 - 12:00
- Do you have what it takes to be a VA? W/Ratana 12:00 - 13:00
Ratana speaks on the struggles and challenges of being a VA in the Animation and Gaming industries.
- That time I got Isekai'd away from my Finals (Anime DnD) 13:00 - 15:00
- Super Eyepatch Wolf: Professional YouTube Disaster 15:00 - 16:00
The sins of Super Eyepatch Wolf
- Chloe Eves Q&A 16:00 - 17:00
- Lolita Fashion 101 with cakejumper 17:00 - 18:00
Want to start wearing Lolita Fashion? Have no idea what it is? Been wearing it but want to know more? Get in here!
- Megavity + eufiemoon Q&A 18:00 - 19:00
- Emily Neves From Stage to Booth 19:00 - 20:00
How a career in the theatre as an actor and playwright helps me as a voice actor and script writer.



2nd panels room

- Cosmaking Consistency - Beat the Crunch 10:00 - 11:00
This panel is designed to help you breakdown a cosplay down into small manageable tasks. And then schedule a routine that works for you. Creating cosplay on a consistent schedule not only enforces a better work/life/cosplay balance. It also means you get better crafted and longer lasting cosplay.
- From Geass to Galway: A Look into Irish Influences in Anime 11:00 - 12:00
Ireland is cool. Anime is cool. What if we... combined them? This panel takes a look into how elements of Irish culture and our international relations with an island over nine thousand kilometers away have affected the shows we know and love!
- How to Get Good at Genshin Impact 12:00 - 13:00
Have you tried the Spiral Abyss and Imaginarium Theatre? Whether you are struggling to kill monsters in the overworld or trying to get full stars in the Spiral Abyss; this panel will help you get there.
- Getting into the craft: Beginners Guide to Cosplay 13:00 - 14:00
Making cosplays on a low budget including armour and how to improve upon existing cosplays. Discussed techniques will include Pepekura and ways to add texture to pieces to create a more 3d and realistic look.
- The History of the World According to Anime 14:00 - 15:00
Attempting to reconstruct the history of the world according a mashup of bizarre alternate histories provided by various anime & manga, including interactive quiz segments and incoherent conspiratorial rambling

- Dance Dance 15:00 - 16:00
Intro to dance dance revolution (what it is, where to play it etc...) , history and cultural impact of the franchise, how it evolved over the years, regional differences between versions (Japan, US and EU versions) , talk about our favourite artists and tracks in the game.
- Oribis: Awakening an Indie Sci-Fi Fantasy 16:00 - 17:00
An open and honest discussion on launching an indie animation studio and developing original ideas with Oribis. We'll dive into the struggles, pitfalls, and rewards of bringing a unique project to life, especially in the current European animation climate. We'll also explore the challenges of staying creative in the face of AI disruption, laying everything out for you to see and hear.
- Impact of horror on anime 17:00 - 18:00
This panel would delve into how the horror genre has impacted mainstream anime and manga alike. We will also look at how having horror in anime has brought it to a bigger audience and let's people experience horror in a new way.
- Class Narratives in Villainess Isekai 18:00 - 19:00
How cultural attitudes to class come into play in a genre that places modern protagonists within pseudo-historical settings.
- Husbando's 101 (18+) 19:00 - 20:00
Ranking and rating the best anime guys for the season and pro and cons to each.



SUNDAY:

Main panels room

- **Makeup Workshop W/Megavity 11:00-12:00**
A workshop going covering different makeup for cosplay and body paint related things.
- **Ratana & Emily Neves Q&A 12:00-13:00**
- **RTgame How Not To Stream 13:00-14:00**
- **cakejumper Streamer Q&A 14:00-15:00**
- **Voice Acting 101 with Chloe Eves 15:00-16:00**
Chloe is a Voice Actor from Northern Ireland who has worked on some of your favourite games! How did they do it and how can you? Come join this panel to find out and ask all your burning questions!
- **Making Cosplay Your Side Hustle W/eufiemoon 16:00-17:00**
A brief introduction into the ways you can earn money through cosplay, covering commission work, selling tutorials/patterns, affiliate work and briefly going into guest work and sponsorships.
- **Super Eyepatch Wolf Q&A 17:00-18:00**

2nd panels room

- **The Black Butler Panel 11:00-12:00**
A closer look at the popular series that involves demons, murder mysteries, and copius amounts of Earl Grey tea.

- Games Of Praise 12:00 - 13:00
Greetings folks! Games of Praise is the back again this year! We continue our journey into the good, the bad and downright bizarre of mythological/faith based games. We're going retro and modern for our selection of games this year. I hope to see you all there!
- Design a Sonic OC 13:00 - 14:00
A panel where the audience gives prompts on what the character being designed looks like. Previous years we've had tentacle hands, joker make up, various props and silly names! I've done this panel twice for Akumakon, and people have asked me to do it again.
- Japanese 101 14:00 - 15:00
A crash course in the Japanese language as well as tips and tricks for your first trip to Japan.
- Ranking Ace Attorney Culprits 15:00 - 16:00
My friend and I rank the culprits from the first six Ace Attorney games using a ~Very Scientific Algorithm~ to find who was best at committing their crime.
- The Struggle of Creating Art and Getting Motivated 16:00 - 17:00
Discussing the difficulty of getting yourself motivated to create original works, sharing personal experiences and my journey on how I fight procrastination and ultimately how it's better to at least try to make art even if you don't finish it.
- How To Fry Rice (18+) 17:00 - 18:00
A panel on How to Fry Rice

SCREENINGS

What is an anime and manga convention without some anime? (Don't ask where the manga is) We will have screenings for the duration of the entire convention, they will be separated between the Screening room (O' Donoghue Theatre) and the Sensory Screening Room (Aras Ui Chathail (G002)). For a full list of what will be shown please see below.

In addition to our regular screenings we feature morning cartoon 10-11 on Saturday and Sunday in the Card/Board games room (The View).

FRIDAY:

Screenings room

- Ouran High School Host Club 18:00 - 20:00
- Bloom Into You 20:00 - 22:00

Sensory screenings room

- Insomniacs After School 18:00 - 20:00
- Your Name 20:00 - 22:00

SATURDAY:

Screenings room

- JoJo's Bizarre Adventure: Diamond Is Unbreakable 10:00 - 12:00
- Sailor Moon 12:00 - 14:00
- I'm in Love with the Villainess 14:00 - 16:00
- Solo Leveling 16:00 - 18:00
- Arcane Season 2 (Act 1) 18:00 - 20:00
- Dandadan 20:00 - 22:00

Sensory screenings room

- That Time I Got Reincarnated as a Slime 10:00 - 12:00
- Dangers in my Heart 12:00 - 14:00
- One Piece 14:00 - 16:00
- Steins;Gate 16:00 - 18:00
- The Wind Rises 18:00 - 20:00
- The Way of the Househusband 20:00 - 22:00

SUNDAY:

Screenings room

- Tonbo! 10:00 - 12:00
- A Place Further Than the Universe 12:00 - 14:00
- Dr. Stone (Season 4) 14:00 - 16:00
- Kaiju No.8 16:00 - 18:00

Sensory screenings room

- Pokémon 10:00 - 12:00
- Sleepy Princess in the Demon Castle 12:00 - 14:00
- The Boy and the Heron 14:00 - 16:00
- Too Many Losing Heroines 16:00 - 18:00



VIDEO GAMES

As is tradition we will be having videogames for you to play and compete in throughout the whole convention in Videogames room 1 (The Foyer (ODC)) and Videogames room 2 (Studio 2 ODC - G008). There is a wide variety on different consoles for you to enjoy alone or with friends. And if you're feeling competitive, we have tournaments you can join as well! More information through this [link](#) as well as below.

VIDEO GAME TOURNAMENTS

All tournaments have a €1 entry fee, all of which goes towards charity. And of course, there are prizes! We do ask that you arrive early for your slot, if you are too late you will unfortunately have to be disqualified .

FRIDAY:

[Astrobears tournament](#) 18:00 - 23:00

SATURDAY:

[Tekken 8 Tourney](#) 10:00 - 13:00

[Super Smash Bros: Ultimate Tourney](#) 13:00 - 19:30

[Guilty Gear: Strive Tourney](#) 13:30 - 16:30

[Street Fighter 6 Tourney](#) 17:00 - 20:00

SUNDAY:

[Mario Kart 8 Tournament](#) 12:00 - 15:30

OUR CHARITY

We at Akumakon strive to create an enjoyable experience for everyone. And in our ongoing commitment to community support, each year we partner with a great charity to give back for all the support we receive year after year.

This year, we are proud to announce our partnership with Galway Hospice Foundation.

Galway Hospice Foundation is a community-based charity providing free palliative that aims to improve the quality of life of people suffering from life-limiting illnesses, and to support the person and their family. Galway Hospice helps people affected by a variety of different conditions and their Specialist Palliative Care is focused on managing complex symptoms using a team-based approach.

The reason we can support causes like this is because of you, we are very grateful to all of you for choosing to attend Akumakon. None of this would be possible without support from people like you.





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OUR FRIENDS

We know you love conventions so we would like to bring your attention to some other conventions in Ireland!



Ami returns again for DCU's Anime & Manga convention on May 17-18th! Amikon has industry and cosplay guests, panels, competitions and even a maid cafe!



Dating back to 2014, Kaizokucon is ranked as one of Ireland's best attended conventions centering on Anime and Sci-Fi, running annually on University College Cork (UCC) campus grounds. They offer a plethora of events including orchestra and band performances, cosplay competitions and talent shows,

various panels as well as their fundraising charity auction in support of their primary charity partner, LauraLynn Children's Hospice. The ticket proceedings go towards this charity also!



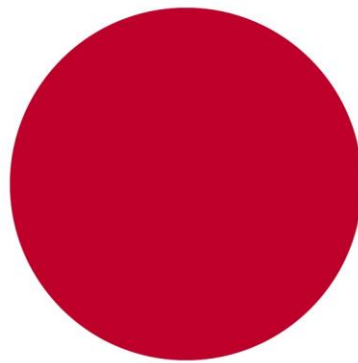
A fellow convention in the University of Galway, Itzacon returns from the depths for a second year after the dark ages of Covid. With a range of stuff for fans of Wargames, Card games and RPGs if you're looking for more fun events in Galway look no further than Itzacon!

Between LARPs, Artists, Traders, RPG sessions and Wargame

tournaments there's something for everyone. They'll also be raising money for Autism Ireland in their charity auction!



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And once again thank you dear visitor.