**HAMcon Cosplay Rules**

1) If you’re going to bring a prop, please ensure it isn’t steel. Only light wooden and plastic props are allowed. Also, props that can shoot any sort of projectile are prohibited.

2) Nothing offensive is allowed to be worn/carried/passed out, eg, nothing too skimpy, nothing with bad language or anything that insults a particular group of people. We’re trying to keep this con family friendly ya know!

3) Treat other cosplayers with respect, this also includes staff, other attendees, stall holders and guests. Will that Sailor Moon like getting her hair yanked? Would that Gundam guy appreciate a bonk on the head? Is that Batgirl gonna enjoy getting her butt pinched? Don’t insult anyone on the basis of their appearance, accuracy of cosplay or for liking something you don’t. Treat others as you would like to be treated.

4) No going mad in the venue; you never know if that gigantic prop scythe will swing into someone’s neck. We’re not saying don’t be excited, but please try control yourself!

5) There’s no limit on prop sizes, but please don’t go overboard! If it doesn’t fit though the door you ain’t comin in, you can use it outside though!

**Skit Event Rules**

1) Keep skits no longer than ten minutes. The skits will be voted for by the HAMcon team. There is a maximum participant allowance of 15 skits, you will need to submit your name(s) to us between two dates for us to organise the timing. Submissions are on a first come first serve basis. Please also include your plans and rough timing of your skit.

2) If you are going to perform a skit, please bring in MP3 music/soundtrack on a USB stick.

3) No throwing out anything sharp or dangerous into the audience.

4) No swearing unless it’s bleeped out on your tape/CD.

5) There is a limit of up to four people on stage at once. Anymore is not allowed due to the size of the stage.

6) Please be aware that there are two pillars on either side of the stage; ensure care is taken when manoeuvring yourself and your props.

7) Any type of pairing/shipping scene is allowed, whether it be a heterosexual or homosexual scene, just keep it appropriate; that means a quick peck or a mild flirtatious act, it is a family venue after all!

8) If you have any more questions about what is deemed appropriate as a skit, do not hesitate to contact us!

9) Both bought and handmade cosplays are allowed, we will judge on skit content, not on how well your costumes are made!

**Masquerade Rules**

1) There will be no winner in the masquerade, it’s just for fun, so don’t go up expecting a prize! Sign up on the day to entry on a first come first serve basis. There will be a maximum for 30 participants of either sole entries or groups (a group counts as one entry).

2) The stage is yours when you are called up! Don’t just walk up, pose for a split second and then run off! You can take your time walking to the spot, then stay in each pose for about 5 seconds and then change. Don’t be nervous we won’t bite!

3) Please don’t flash anything obscene at the audience!! Deadpools, this means you!

4) You can enter on your own, or go up as a group. Maximum group is four people due to stage sizing.

5) Your cosplay can be made or bought, don’t worry we aren’t judging your sewing skills; we’re all just admiring your love of the character and showmanship.

**Drawing Competition Rules**

1) There will be three age categories for entries; 12 years and under, 13-16 years, and 17 years and over. There is no age limit, you can be 63 and still enter! There will be one entry per participant. Sign up is on the day; just bring us your picture, name and age!

2) There will be prizes for each category. There is one prize per category. The winner will be decided by two HAMcon judges. Judging will be based on how well drawn the picture is, not by content.

3) Your drawings can be any sort of theme; comic book, manga, realism, own characters, well known characters and so on. Any medium is allowed. The only limitation is that it must be non-offensive (ie, hate against groups, discrimination or racism and overly sexual images).

4) Maximum entry size is A3. Minimum entry size is A4. Entries must be sketches, drawings and paintings only, any sculptures or 3D work is disallowed.

**Can you beat Nikku at Tekken?**

1) Fights will be set to 3 rounds, infinite time. The stage being picked is to be chosen using random select.

2) No spamming! Having played Tekken for over 10 years, Nikku knows what spamming is; constantly using Devil Jin’s beam attack, using nothing but Kazuya’s u/f+4,4,4,4 kicks, doing nothing but grabs, etc is disqualification material.

3) Sportsmanship is a must. Nikku will not be sore about losing to anyone and you shouldn’t be either. Oh and remember the Good Game handshake after the match!

4) Please keep it brief before and after a fight; once it’s over be ready to let the next challenger take the seat and controller.

5) Any character is allowed (yes this includes Capoeira characters!), Nikku will be using Forest Law and Lei Wulong, no one else, so please don’t request he uses random select or anything.

6) If you’re feeling confident enough, you may pick just one character vs Nikku’s 2 (single character gets double health and deals more damage, but cannot heal lost health bar).

7) If you don’t know how to play Tekken, but still want a go, please read up on the controls; there’s no time to fully explain them before or during the match.

8) The system being used is the Playstation 3 with 2 official controllers; no fake pads here baby!

9) In the rare occurrence of a Double KO (in which both characters are knocked out at the end of a match) then you are allowed another go.

10) No physical contact is to be made to with either Nikku or the challenger during a match. Any attempt to put either player off is prohibited.

11) If Nikku uses his Pro-Asian face whilst playing, it’s unintentional; it always happens and simply means he’s into the game!

TIMES AND LOCATIONS FOR EVENTS ARE STILL TO BE DECIDED.

DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING YOUR NAME FOR SKIT COMPETITIONS ARE ALSO STILL TO BE DECIDED.