

Cons & Confusion

The almost accurate convention listing of the B.T.C.! We try to list every WHO event, and any SF event near Buffalo.

updated: April 20 2023 to add an SF/DW/Trek/Anime/etc. event; send information to: dennisplake@yahoo.com

PLEASE DOUBLECHECK ALL EVENTS, THINGS MAY STILL BE POSTPONED OR CANCELLED. SOMETIMES FACEBOOK WILL SAY CANCELLED YET WEBSITE STILL SHOWS REGULAR EVENT!

APRIL 9-10 **Buff** ANIME: TSURUNE: THE FIRST SHOT movie sequel of anime TV series North Park Theatre, 1428 Herte; Ave, Buffalo 716-836-7411
"Don't miss the gorgeous film from Kyoto Animation only in theaters! Sentai & HIDIVE are proud to present Tsurune the Movie: The First Shot in theaters on April 9 & 10, 2023 for a limited-time, special engagement. Minato Narumiya, along with his friends in the school kyudo club, return for this motion picture event. www.northparktheatre.org

APRIL 13 & 19 **ALL** FILM: THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE RETURN OF THE KING, EXTENDED EDITION 20th Anniversary RUNTIME: 4 HRS, 20 MINS.
<https://www.fathomevents.com/events/LOTR-the-Return-Of-The-King-20> "In the conclusion of J.R.R. Tolkien's epic masterpiece, The Lord of the Rings, as armies mass for a final battle that will decide the fate of the world--and powerful, ancient forces of Light and Dark compete to determine the outcome--one member of the Fellowship of the Ring is revealed as the noble heir to the throne of the Kings of Men. Yet, the sole hope for triumph over evil lies with a brave hobbit, Frodo, who, accompanied only by his loyal friend Sam and the hideous, wretched Gollum, ventures deep into the very dark heart of Mordor on his seemingly impossible quest to destroy the Ring of Power."
"Prior to the film, audiences will be treated to an introduction from Elijah Wood (Frodo) discussing the impact of the LOTR trilogy and why fans return again and again to immerse themselves in this storyworld. With recent footage captured at LA Comic Con of the World Premiere of the brand new LOTR Roleplaying tabletop game, Elijah takes audiences through this limited fan event with a celebrity cast to raise support for Extra Life for Kids, a program of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

APRIL 13-27 **Buff** ANIME: SUZUME some dubbed/some subtitled North Park Theatre, 1428 Herte; Ave, Buffalo 716-836-7411 www.northparktheatre.org
"Don't miss the new film by Makoto Shinkai, visionary director of Your Name and Weathering with You! On the other side of the door, was time in its entirety—Suzume is a coming-of-age story for the 17-year-old protagonist, Suzume, set in various disaster-stricken locations across Japan, where she must close the doors causing devastation. This story of closing doors that connect our past to the present and future will leave a lasting impression upon all of our hearts. Drawn in by these mysterious doors, Suzume's journey is about to begin."
Japanese drinks and snacks at the stand.

APRIL 21-23 **VA** RAVEN CON 16 Virginia Crossings Hilton Htl., Glen Allen, VA (Richmond) <https://www.ravencon.com/>
Esther Friesner, Heidi Hooper, Charles Pellegrino, Jennifer Allen, Charity Ayres, Dr. J 'Cal' Baldari, Sandra Baldari, Diana Bastine

APRIL 21-24 **Cal** COSTUME CON 39 Doubletree Htl, San Jose, CA DELAYED FROM 2020 ALL THINGS COSTUME! <http://costumecon39.org/>
Beverly Downen, Evil Ted,

APRIL 22 **Buff** OFFICIAL BUFFALO COMICON Cosmic Comics, 3875 Union Rd (G Urban Tops plaza) Cheektowaga, NY 14225 716-833-6220
ARTIST GUESTS: Mark McElligott, Cory Ross, Amy Duengfelder, Darius Johnson, Nigel Carrington, cosplay with 8 CASH prizes, free comics enovak3184@gmail.com

APRIL 23 **BTC** BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo monthly BTC meeting buffalotime.council.org

APRIL 23 & 27 **ALL** FILM: SPIRITED AWAY: LIVE ON STAGE recorded in 2022 <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/SPIRITED-AWAY-Live-on-Stage-Studio-Ghibli-Fest>
"Hayao Miyazaki's Academy Award®-winning animated feature film comes to life in this first-ever stage adaptation, full of dazzling sets, captivating musical numbers, and wondrous puppets of beloved characters. Filmed during its acclaimed 2022 run at Tokyo's historic Imperial Theatre, adapted and directed by Tony Award®-winner John Caird (Les Misérables), features Kanna Hashimoto as Chihiro on April 23 and Mone Kamishiraishi as Chihiro April 27, and is screened for the first time in America as part of Studio Ghibli Fest 2023."
LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, /Walden, /Quaker, Transit

APRIL 27-30 **Calg** CALGARY EXPO Stampede Park, Calgary, Alberta, CA big media/comics con <https://fanexpohq.com/calgaryexpo/>

APRIL 28-30 **Buff** U B CON Student Union & nearby buildings of UB North Campus, Amherst, NY <https://ubcon.org/>

APRIL 29 **N.J.** ROCK N ROLL STEAMPUNK FAIR Pocket Park, 44 E Washington, Washington, NJ <https://www.washingtonbid.org/rock-n-roll-steampunk-fair>
"FREE EVENT!... Come enjoy a full day of live music, artisan vendors, street performers, costumes and general steampunk shenanigans. Come dressed for the occasion or come as you are! You won't want to miss this unique festival!
Music Lineup: Hi-Rev Combo, This Way to the Egress, Walter Sickert and the Army of Broken Toys, Keith Engle,

APRIL 29-30 **T.O.** TORONTO COMIC ARTS FESTIVAL Reference Library, 789 Yonge St, Toronto, Ontario, Canada www.torontocomics.com
"Join us at the library for panels, discussions, workshops, parties, kids programming, and of course, our iconic creator exhibition where you can shop from hundreds of artists and publishers from Canada, the United States, and the WORLD! This year will continue our hybrid format with a suite of digital programming and an online marketplace. "

APRIL 29-30 **NJ** CREATION - LUCIFER TRIBUTE Whippany, New Jersey <https://www.creationent.com/calendar.htm>

MAY 5-7 **Indy** INDIANA COMIC CON Indiana Conv Ctr, Indianapolis, IN <https://indianacomiconvention.com/>
John Glover, Jodi Benson, Charlie Hunnam, Curran Walters, Dee Bradley Baker

MAY 5-7 **SC** ATOMA CON 2023 Hilton Garden Inn, North Charleston, SC <http://atomacon.org/>
Amy Ratcliffe, Michael Smallwood, Nicole Givens Kurtz, Gray Reinhart

MAY 6 **ALL** FREE COMIC BOOK DAY Nationwide comic book stores have limited editions of free comics <https://www.freecomicon.com/>
47 different books have been announced, maybe a few more to come. Several local stores take part, some with special guests.
QUEEN CITY BOOKSTORE 3184 MAIN STREET BUFFALO, NY 14214 716-833-6620
GUTTER POP COMICS 1421 HERTEL AVE. BUFFALO, NY 14216 716-436-4806
KINGPIN COMICS & GAMING 3660 DELAWARE AVE. TONAWANDA, NY 14217 716-478-9726
EMPIRE COMICS 1069 ABBOTT ROAD BUFFALO, NY 14220 716-382-8459
PULP 716 COFFEE & COMICS 31 WEBSTER STREET NORTH TONAWANDA, NY 14120 716-544-2147
PULP 716 COFFEE & COMICS 45 EAST AVE. LOCKPORT, NY 14094 716-400-7450
HALLEY'S COMICS & GAMES 1144 OLIVER ST. NORTH TONAWANDA, NY 14120 716-695-6138
DAVE & ADAM'S CARD WORLD 8075 SHERIDAN DR (EASTERN HILLS) WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221 716-626-0000

MAY 7-10 **ALL** FILM: PONYO 15th ANNIVERSARY <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Ponyo-15th-Anniversary-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023>
"From the legendary Studio Ghibli, creators of Spirited Away and My Neighbor Totoro, and Academy Award®-winning director Hayao Miyazaki, comes a heartwarming family adventure. When Sosuke, a young boy who lives on a cliff top overlooking the sea, rescues a stranded goldfish named Ponyo, he discovers more than he bargained for. Ponyo is a curious, energetic young creature who yearns to be human, but even as she causes chaos around the house, her father, a powerful sorcerer, schemes to return Ponyo to the sea. Miyazaki's breathtaking, imaginative world is brought to life with an all-star cast, featuring the voices of Cate Blanchett, Matt Damon, Lily Tomlin, Liam Neeson, and more"
LOCAL: ALL FOUR REGAL THEATRES: Elmwood, Transit, Walden, & Quaker

MAY 19-21 **DETR** MOTOR CITY COMIC CON Suburban Collection Showplace, Novi, MI <https://motorcitycomiccon.com/guest/celebrity-guests/>
CATHERINE TATE. Stephen Amell, Ashley Eckstein, Matt Lanter, David Ramsey, Emily Bett Rickards, James Arnold Taylor

MAY 19-21 **Nash** CREATION - VAMPIRE DIARIES / ORIGINALS OFFICAL REUNION Nashville, TN <https://www.creationent.com/calendar.htm>

MAY 20-21 **L.I.** TREK LONG ISLAND Hyatt Regency Htl, 1717 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, NY <https://treklongisland.com/>
Doug Jones, Oded Fehr, David Ajala, Robin Curtis, France Nuyen, Barbara Luna, Raven Dauda, Isa Briones, Evan Evagora, Bonnie Gordon, Tanya Lemani, Sandy Gimpel,

Phumzile Sitols, Bruce Horak, J G Hertzler, Toni Belafonte, David Frankham, Denise & Michael Okuda, Micheal Westmore, Alan Howarth, Doug Drexler, Robb Pearlman, John Peel, Micheal Jan Friedman, Keith R A DeCandido, Bonnie Moss (Nimoy biographer)

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| MAY | 26-28 | T.O. | ANIME NORTH 2023 Toronto Congress Ctr, Delta & Sheraton Htls. Jill Harris, Richard Epcar, Dallas Reid, Lindsay Seidel, Austin Tindle | BIG fan-run event | https://www.animenorth.com/ |
| MAY | 26-29 | Balt | BALTICON 57 Renaissance Harborplace Htl, Baltimore, MD Original G-O-H Jane Yolen will now be a virtual guest. Ariel Burgess, Brad Lee Howard, Bryan 'Bellz' Jordan, P Djeli Calrk, Micaiah Johnson, Heinlein Award Winner-John Scalzi, Adam Stemple | big SF fan con | https://www.balticon.org/wp57/ |
| MAY | 26-28 | Colu | MARCON 2023 Hyatt Regency Htl, Columbus, OH | | https://www.solaicons.org/marcon |
| MAY | 28 | BTC | BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo | monthly BTC meeting | buffalotime council.org |
| MAY 31 - JUNE 4 | | Buff | A.A.U.W. BOOK SALE Centerpoint, 425 Essay Rd, Williamsville, NY A HUGE annual booksale to benefit the scholarship fund of the Buffalo branch of American Association of University Women | | https://aauwbuffalo.org/book-sale/ |
| JUNE | 2-4 | Phil | FAN EXPO PHILADELPHIA Pennsylvania Conv Ctr, Philadelphia, PA Sam Raimi, Michael J Fox, Christopher Lloyd, Christina Ricci, Katee Sackhoff, Tom Welling, Kristen Kreuk, Micheal Rosenbaum, Stephen Amell, Emily Bett Rickards, Peter Weller, Henry Winkler, Mark-Paul Gosselaar, Mario Lopez, Grace van Dien, Joseph Quinn, Hayden Christensen, Sean Astin, Jon Bernthal, Bonnoe Wright | big media/comics con | http://www.fanexpophiladelphia.com/ |
| JUNE | 9-11 | N.F. | NIAGARA FALLS COMIC CON N.F. Conv. Ctr, 6815 Stanley Ave, Niagara Falls, ONTARIO, CDA John De lancia, Matthew Lewis, Cary Elwes, Giancarlo Esposito, Jesse Ventura, Wendi Richter, Trish Stratus, Lita, Chazz Palminteri, Micheal Rosenbaum, Trailer Park Boys, Jon Heder, Efen Ramirez, Jerry Mathers, David Howard Thornton, Damien Leone, Tyler Mane, Andrew Bryniarski, Micheal Golden, Tom Cook, Arthur Suydam, Dan Parent, Phil Ortiz, Laz Alonso, Tomer Capone, Billy Zane, Henry Thomas, Wendell Clark, Kane Hodder, Tyler Mane, David Howard Thornton, Damien Leone, Alex Essoe, Andrew Bryniarski, Jim Steranko, Jim Starlin, Micahel Golden, Tom Cook, Arthur Suydam, WITHDREW: Micky Dolenz | | https://nfccomiccon.com/ |
| JUNE | 9-11 | Dall | FAN EXPO DALLAS K Bailey Hutchison Conv Ctr, Dallas, TX | big media/comics con | https://fanexpohq.com/fanexpodallas/ |
| JUNE | 11-14 | ALL | FILM: KIKI'S DELIVERY SERVICE "Celebrate this beloved coming-of-age story from the legendary Studio Ghibli, creators of Spirited Away, and Academy Award®-winning director Hayao Miyazaki, about a resourceful young witch who uses her broom to create a delivery service, only to lose her gift of flight in a moment of self-doubt. It is a tradition for all young witches to leave their families on the night of a full moon and fly off into the wide world to learn their craft. When that night comes for Kiki, she embarks on her new journey with her sarcastic black cat, Jiji, landing the next morning in a seaside village, where her unique skills make her an instant sensation. Don't miss this delightfully imaginative and timeless story of a young girl finding her way in the world, featuring the voices of Kirsten Dunst, Janeane Garofalo, Phil Hartman, & Debbie Reynolds. LOCAL: all 4 Regals | | https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Kikis-Delivery-Service-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023 |
| JUNE | 16-18 | Cinn | INT'L. STEAMPUNK SYMPOSIUM Holiday Inn-EastGate, Cincinnati, OH | | http://www.steampunksymposium.com/ |
| JUNE | 16-18 | Wash | AWESOME CON 2023 Washington Conv Ctr, Washington, DC JODIE WHITTAKER, MANDIP GILL, KAREN GILLIAM, CHRISTOPHER ECCELSTON & BILLIE PIPER, Amy Jo Johnson, Billy Dee Williams, Danny Trejo, Elijah Wood, Felicia Day, Levar Burton, Phil Lemarr, Rob paulsen, Sean Astin, Terry Brooks | | https://awesome-con.com/ |
| JUNE | 23-25 | StLo | FAN EXPO ST. LOUIS America's Center Conv Hall, St. Louis, MO | big media/comics con | http://www.fanexpostlouis.com/ |
| JUNE | 25 | BTC | BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo | monthly BTC meeting | buffalotime council.org |
| JUNE 30 - JULY 2 | | Buff | NICKEL CITY CON Buffalo Niagara Convention Center, Franklin St at Court St, downtown Dean Cain, Michael Rooker, Sean Gunn, Henry Winkler, C J Graham, David Yost, Walter Jones, Mark Boone Jr, Kim Coates, Kenny Johnson, David Labrava, Brett Wagner, Sgt. Slaughter, Sting, Greg Valentine, Brutus Beefcake, | | https://www.nickelcitycon.com/ |
| JUNE 30 - JULY 2 | | Denv | FAN EXPO DENVER Colorado Conv Ctr, Denver. CO | big media/comics con | https://fanexpohq.com/fanexpodenver/ |
| JULY | 7-9 | Knox | FANBOY EXPO KNOXVILLE Knoxville Conv Ctr, Knoxville, TN JOHN BARROWMAN, Kevin Smith, John-Rhys Davies, Miranda Otto, Michael Rosenbaum, Sam Witwer, Kerr Smith, Tony Anselmo, Mindy Cohn, Sean Schemmel, Kurt Angle, Jason Mewes, Craig parker, Sala Baker, Geof Isherwood, Frank Fosco, | | https://fanboyexpo.com/knoxville/ |
| JULY | 7-9 | S.F. | CREATION - SUPERNATURAL TRIBUTE San Francisco, CA | | https://www.creationent.com/calendar.htm |
| JULY | 9 & 11 | ALL | FILM: NAUSICAA OF THE VALLEY OF THE WIND "Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind, written and directed by Academy Award®-winner Hayao Miyazaki, is an epic masterpiece of sweeping scope and grandeur that remains one of the most breathtaking and exhilarating animated films of all time. A thousand years after the Seven Days of Fire destroyed civilization, warring human factions survive in a world devastated by atmospheric poisons and swarming with gigantic insects. The peaceful Valley of the Wind is nestled on the edge of the Toxic Forest and led by the courageous Princess Nausicaä, whose love of all living things leads her into terrible danger, as she fights to restore balance between humans and nature. Featuring the voices of Alison Lohman, Uma Thurman, Patrick Stewart, Edward James Olmos and Shia LaBeouf. LOCAL: three of the Regal Theatres: Elmwood, Walden, & Transit | | https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Nausicaa-of-the-Valley-of-the-Wind-Studio-Ghibli-Fest |
| JULY | 10 & 12 | ALL | FILM: CASTLE IN THE SKY "Castle in the Sky is a timeless story of courage and friendship, with stunning animation from acclaimed Academy Award®-winning director Hayao Miyazaki. This high-flying adventure begins when Pazu, an engineer's apprentice, spies a young girl, Sheeta, floating down from the sky, held aloft by a glowing pendant. Both Sheeta and Pazu are searching for the legendary floating castle, Laputa, and they vow to travel there together to unravel the mystery of the luminous crystal. But their quest wo't be easy, as soon they are being pursued by greedy air pirates, the military, and secret government agents, who all seek the power Sheeta alone can control. The English-dubbed cast includes the vocal talents of Anna Paquin, James Van Der Beek, Cloris Leachman, Mark Hamill, Mandy Patinkin, and more!" LOCAL: all 4 Regals: Elmwood, Transit, Walden, Quaker | | https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Castle-in-the-Sky-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023 |
| JULY | 13-16 | Mass | READERCON 32 Marriott Htl, Quincy, MA (Boston) | | https://readercon.org/ |
| JULY | 20-23 | CDA | PEMMI-CON The 15th North American Science Fiction Convention, Julie E. Czerneda, Tanya Huff, Waubgeshig Rice, Nisi Shawl, John Mansfield, Philip John Currie, Lorna Toolis, katherena vermette, George Freeman | RBC Conv Ctr, Winnipeg, Manitoba | https://main.pemmi-con.ca/ |
| JULY | 23 | BTC | BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo | monthly BTC meeting | buffalotime council.org |
| JULY | 27-30 | NC | GALAXYCON RALEIGH Raleigh Conv Ctr, 500 South Salisbury Raleigh, NC | | https://galaxycon.com/pages/raleigh |
| JULY 28 - AUG 10 | | PA | PENNSIC WAR Cooper's Lake Campground, Slippery Rock, PA | SCA annual warfare | http://www.pennsicwar.org/ |
| JULY | 28-30 | FLA | TAMPA BAY COMIC CON Tampa Bay Conv Ctr, Tampa Bay, FL | | https://tampabaycomicconvention.com/ |
| AUGUST | 3-6 | Indy | GEN CON INDY 2023 Indiana Conv. Ctr. & Lucas Oli Stadium; Indianapolis, IN | HUGE gamer event | https://www.gencon.com/indy |
| AUGUST | 4-6 | Bost | FAN EXPO BOSTON Boston Conv Ctr William Shatner, Sam Raimi, Emily Swallow, Peter Weller, Gabriel Luna, Bonnie Wright, Mark-Paul Gosselaar, Brain Baumgartner | | fanexpoboston.com |
| AUGUST | 5-6 | Pitt | MOMENTO CON LAWRENCE Conv Ctr, Pittsburgh, PA | POSTPONED! Aug 5-6 2023! | https://www.momentocon.com/ |

Mark Sheppard, Mark Pellegrino, Timothy Omundson, D J Qalls, Richard Speight Jr, Rob Benedict, Osric Chau, Lauren Tom, Rachel Miner

- AUGUST 5-9 **ALL** FILM: PRINCESS MONONOKE <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Princess-Mononoke-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023>
"From the legendary Studio Ghibli, creators of Spirited Away, and Academy Award®-winning director Hayao Miyazaki, comes an epic masterpiece that has dazzled audiences worldwide with its breathtaking imagination, exhilarating battles, and deep humanity. Inflicted with a deadly curse, the young warrior Ashitaka heads west in search of a cure. There, he stumbles into a bitter conflict between Lady Eboshi, the proud people of Iron Town, and the enigmatic Princess Mononoke, a young girl raised by wolves, who will stop at nothing to prevent the humans from destroying her home and the forest spirits and animal gods who live there. Featuring the voice talents of Gillian Anderson, Billy Crudup, Claire Danes, Jada Pinkett Smith, and Billy Bob Thornton." LOCAL: all four Regal Theatres: Elmwood, Walden, Transit, & Quaker
- AUGUST 10-13 **Chic** FAN EXPO CHICAGO Stephens Conv Ctr, Chicago, IL big media/comics con <http://www.fanepochicago.com/>
Sam Raimi, Micheal J Fox, Christopher Lloyd, Lea Thompson, Chevy Chase, Christina Ricci, Henry Winkler, Bonnie Wright, Gabriel Luna, Emily Swallow, Peter Weller
- AUGUST 16-20 **Asia** CHENGDU 81ST WORLDCON Chengdu Conv Ctr, Chengdu China First Chinese Worldcon! <http://www.worldconinchina.com/>
Robert J Sawyer, Liu Cixin, Sergey Lukianeno
- AUGUST 18-20 **L.I.** LONG ISLAND WHO Holiday Inn Holtsville, NY Fan Run Who con <https://longislanddoctorwho.com/>
PAUL McGANN, Katy Manning, Frazer Hines, Jan Chappell, Catherine Schell, Gary Russell, John Peel
- AUGUST 19 (20) **ONT** RUTHVEN IN WONDERLAND Ruthven Park National Historic Site, Cayuga, Ontario <https://www.ruthvenpark.ca/upcoming-events-programs>
"Alice in Wonderland meets Steampunk in this unique event. Enjoy live performances, craft show, food, musical entertainment, and more." rain date is Sun. Aug 20th.
- AUGUST 20 & 22 **ALL** ANIME: PORCO ROSSO <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Porco-Rosso-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023>
"This unsung treasure from Academy Award® winner Hayao Miyazaki nestles a tale of morality and identity inside a soaring airborne adventure — a tribute to early aviation and the reckless flyboys whose home was the open sky. Set in a mid-war Italy swept by fascism, the film follows the life of Marco, a world-weary flying ace-turned bounty hunter who plies his trade above the waters of the Adriatic. Somewhere along the way a curse has transformed Marco's head into the head of a pig, reflecting his loss of faith in humanity. Marco meets his polar opposite in the innocent and energetic 17-year-old Fio, an aspiring airplane designer, and the two are catapulted into an airborne adventure pursued by air pirates, the Italian army, and an egotistical American flying ace. Miyazaki fans will be familiar with the writer/director's fascination with flight; in this film, Miyazaki indulges his passion to the fullest. An avid aviation buff, Miyazaki's airplane designs conform scrupulously to the technology of the period. But most
- AUGUST 21 & 23 **ALL** ANIME: THE WIND RISES <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/The-Wind-Rises-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023>
"The most recent masterpiece from Academy Award®-winning filmmaker Hayao Miyazaki (Spirited Away) is a spellbinding movie beyond compare. Jiro dreams of flying and designing beautiful airplanes, inspired by the famous Italian aeronautical designer Caproni. Nearsighted and unable to be a pilot, he becomes one of the world's most accomplished airplane designers, experiencing key historical events in an epic tale of love, perseverance and the challenges of living and making choices in a turbulent world. Academy Award® nominee, Best Animated Feature Film of the Year, 2013" LOCAL: all four Regal Theatres, Elmwood, Walden, Transit, & Quaker
- AUGUST 24-27 **T.O.** FAN EXPO CANADA Metro Toronto Conv Ctr, next to Skydome, downtown Toronto, Ontario Canada www.fanexpohq.com/fanexpocanada/
Zachary Levi, Christina Ricci, Ethan Peck, Lana Parrilla, Vincent D'Onofrio, Bonnie Wright, Harvey Guillen, Emily Bett Rickards, Paul Walter Hauser, Brian Baumgartner,
- AUGUST 25-27 **NM** BUBONICON 54 Albuquerque, NM <https://www.bubonicon.com/>
- AUGUST 27 **BTC** BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo monthly BTC meeting buffalotime.council.org
- SEPT 1-3 **FLA** FANBOY EXPO ORLANDO Hyatt Regency, Orlando, FL <https://fanboyexpo.com/orlando/>
Kevin Eastman, John-Rhys Davies, Bin Furuya, Sarah Douglas, Jack O'Halloran, Mindy Cohn,
- SEPT 15-17 **ONT** AMHERSTBURG UNCOMMON FESTIVAL 2023 Various sites Downtown Amherstburg (Windsor) visitamherstburg.ca/events
"FREE Event ~ September 15 4-10pm, 16 12-10pm and 17 12-6pm, One of the most anticipated events of the year! Dress up in your favorite wizardry or steampunk cosplay and join us for a weekend filled with fun! Expect more buskers, live performances, games, downtown businesses open to serve you and wackier –than - ever fun filled days.
- SEPT 15-17 **Wash** CREATION - VAMPIRE DIARIES / ORIGINALS OFFICAL REUNION Washington, DC <https://www.creationent.com/calendar.htm>
- SEPT 15-17 **Albt** EDMONTON EXPO Expo Ctr, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada <http://www.edmontonexpo.com>
- SEPT 21-23 **UT** FAN X SALT LAKE COMIC CON Salt Palace Conv Ctr, Salt Lake City, UTAH <https://fanxsaltlake.com/>
David Morrissey, Mark Shepperd, Wm, Shatner, Brent Spiner, Tim Daly, Ron Pearlman, Steven Amell, Vincent D'Onofrio, John DeLancie, Steven Weber, Kevin Smith, Tara Strong
- SEPT 23-27 **ALL** ANIME HOWL'S MOVING CASTLE <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Howls-Moving-Castle-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023>
"From the legendary Studio Ghibli, creators of Spirited Away, and acclaimed director Hayao Miyazaki, comes the Academy Award®-nominated fantasy adventure for the whole family. Sophie, a quiet girl working in a hat shop, finds her life thrown into turmoil when she is literally swept off her feet by a handsome but mysterious wizard named Howl. The vain and vengeful Witch of the Waste, jealous of their friendship, puts a curse on Sophie and turns her into a 90-year-old woman. On a quest to break the spell, Sophie climbs aboard Howl's magnificent moving castle and into a new life of wonder and adventure. But as the true power of Howl's wizardry is revealed, Sophie finds herself fighting to protect them both from a dangerous war of sorcery that threatens their world. Featuring the voice talents of Lauren Bacall, Christian Bale, Billy Crystal, Blythe Danner, Emily Mortimer and Jean Simmons." LOCAL: all four Regal Theatres: Elmwood, Walden, Transit, & Quaker
- SEPT 24 **BTC** BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo monthly BTC meeting buffalotime.council.org
- OCT 20-22 **TX** DALLAS FAN FEST Irving Conv Ctr, Irving, TX <http://www.dallasfanfest.com>
- OCT 22-23 **ALL** FILM: THE BIRDS! 60TH Anniversary re-release <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/The-Birds-60th-Anniversary/theaters>
"Alfred Hitchcock's The Birds is an unforgettable masterpiece that is considered one of the most terrifying films from the Master of Suspense. When beautiful, blonde Melanie Daniels (Tippi Hedren) travels to Bodega Bay in pursuit of eligible bachelor Mitch Brenner (Rod Taylor), she is inexplicably attacked by a seagull. Suddenly, thousands of birds begin to flock into town, preying on schoolchildren and residents in a terrifying series of attacks. Mitch and Melanie must fight for their lives against a deadly force that cannot be explained or stopped in this film that makes you want to "hold onto something & watch!" LOCAL: Regal, Elmwood, Walden, Transit, Quaker; and the Amherst 3.
- OCT 22-29 **SEA!** SCI-FI SEA CRUISE Port Canaveral, Florida to Cozumel, Roatan, Puerto Maya & Coco Cay www.scificruise.com
Aboard Royal Caribbean's Wonder of the Seas (World's largest cruise ship) Sylvester McCoy, Frazier Hines, Eric Roberts, Eliza Roberts
- OCT 22 **BTC** BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo monthly BTC meeting buffalotime.council.org
- OCT 26-29 **K.C.** WORLD FANTASY CON 2023 Sheraton @ Crown Ctr., Kansas City, MO HUGE fan-run event www.wfc2023.org
Kij Johnson, Elizabeth Leggett, Vincent Villafranca
- OCTOBER 28 **WNY** ROCKIN HALLOWEEN HAUNTFEST The Backlot Entertainment Venue, 11891 Main Rd, Akron NY <https://www.thebacklotwny.com/events/>
"Let the spooky season commence. Come enjoy live music from Hair Nation & Envy's Mixtape. There will be a **\$1,000** costume contest grand prize with several runner ups. Categories to be judges include scariest, most creative, funniest, & most original. Winners from each category will proceed to the final round for the grand prize. The audience will be the judge. On top of live music we will have some of WNY's finest food trucks as well as several local vendors. Parking is FREE."
- OCT 28 - NOV 1 **ALL** ANIME SPIRITED AWAY <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Spirited-Away-Studio-Ghibli-Fest-2023>

"Winner of the Academy Award® for Best Animated Feature, Hayao Miyazaki's wondrous fantasy adventure is a dazzling masterpiece from one of the most celebrated filmmakers in the history of animation. Chihiro's family is moving to a new house, but when they stop on the way to explore an abandoned village, her parents undergo a mysterious transformation and Chihiro is whisked into a world of fantastic spirits ruled over by the sorceress Yubaba. Put to work in a magical bathhouse for spirits and demons, Chihiro must use all her wits to survive in this strange new place, find a way to free her parents and return to the normal world. Overflowing with imaginative creatures and thrilling storytelling, Spirited Away became a worldwide smash hit, and is one of the most critically-acclaimed films of all time." LOCAL: All 4 Regal Theatres

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| NOV | 24-26 | Chic | CHICAGO TARDIS | Westin Chicago/Lombard Htl, | big Dr Who con | https://www.chicagotardis.com |
| NOV | 24-26 | S.F. | FAN EXPO SAN FRANCISCO | Moscone Ctr., San Francisco | | fanexposanfrancisco.com |
| NOV | 26 | BTC | BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING | 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo | monthly BTC meeting | buffalotime council.org |
| DECEMBER | 1-3 | OH | GALAXYCON COLUMBUS | Columbus Conv Ctr, Columbus, OH | | https://galaxycon.com/pages/columbus |

NO DECEMBER 2023 MEETING FOR B.T.C. INSTEAD TWO MEETINGS AGAIN IN JANUARY 2024 MONDAY JAN 1, AND SUNDAY JAN 28, 2024

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| JANUARY | 5-7 | Nola | FAN EXPO NEW ORLEANS | Morial Conv, Ctr, New Orleans. | | fanexponeworleans.com |
| JANUARY | 12-14 | OR | FAN EXPO PORTLAND | Oregon Conv Ctr, Portland, OR | | fanexpoportland.com |
| FEBRUARY | 17-19 | Vanc | FAN EXPO VANCOUVER | Vancouver Conv Ctr, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada | | fanexpovancouver.com |
| MARCH | 15-17 | T.O. | TORONTO COMICON | Metro Toronto Conv. Ctr; Toronto, Ontario, Canada | | https://fanexpohq.com/comicontoronto/ |
| MARCH 29 - APRIL 1 | | Colo | COSTUME CON 42 | Hyatt Regency Htl, Aurora, Colorado | | |
| APRIL | 12-14 | Clev | FAN EXPO CLEVELAND | Huntington Conv Ctr, Cleveland, Ohio | | http://www.fanexpocleveland.com/ |
| JULY 26 - AUG 08 | | PA | PENNSIC WAR | Cooper's Lake Campground, Slippery Rock, PA | SCA annual warfare | http://www.pennsicwar.org/ |
| AUGUST | 8-12 | Scot | GLASGOW WORLDCON 2024 | Scottish Events Campus, Glasgow, Scotland, UK Nnedi Okorafor, Chris Baker, Claire Brialey, Mark Plummer, Terri Windling, Ken MacLeod | | https://glasgow2024.org/ |
| NOT OFFICAL YET, but so far it's the only public bid | | | | | | |
| AUGUST | 15-18 | Buff | NASFIC! | The North American Science Fiction Convention | | https://buffalonasfic2024.org/ |
| AUGUST | 23-25 | NM | BUBONICON 54 | Albuquerque, NM | | https://www.bubonicon.com/ |