

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: **Sept 10th 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!

- AUGUST 31- SEPT 4 **Atla** DRAGON CON Peachtree Ctr & Several hotels <https://www.dragoncon.org/>
JODIE WHITTAKER, MANDIP GILL, Nathan Fillion, Erin Gray, Phil LaMarr, Freddie Prinze Jr, Andy Serkis, Jewel Staite, Billy West, Toni Weisskopf, Chesea Quinn Yarbro
Jim Butcher, Robert J Sawyer, Keith R A DeCandido, Esther Friesner, Greg Hildebrandt, Sherrilyn Kenyon, Larry Niven, Jody Lynn Nye, Michael Stackpole, S M Stirling,
- 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 1-3 **TX** GALAXY CON AUSTIN Austin Conv Ctr, Austin TX <https://galaxycon.com/>
Andy Serkis, Charlie Cox, Vincent d'Onofrio, Stephen Amell, Emily Bett Rickards, Colin O'Donoghue, Wm. Shatner, Walter Koenig, Levar Burton, Jon Frakes, Gates McFadden, Terry Farrell,
Wil Wheaton, Armin Shimerman, Giancarlo Esposito, Evan Evagora, Terry Matalas, Harvey Guillen, Alessandro Juliani, Auston St John, Carey Jones, Ross Marquand,
Brec Bassinger, John Wesley Shipp, Barry Boswick, Dave Foley, Laura Banks, Danielle Fishel, Will Friedle, Rider Strong, Matt Lawrence,
- SEPT 2 **WNY** STEAMPUNK FESTIVAL 2023 Leonard Oakes Estate Winery, 10609 Ridge Road, Medina, NY <https://www.oakeswinery.com/events/steampunk-festival-2023>
3pm-11pm "The Festival of EPIC PROPORTIONS is back at our original site on the Ridge! Longer Hours. More vendors. Musical talents on stage all night. Fire performance by PYROMANCY!
...and of course CIDER. Lots and lots of cider....Live Music TBA. Oddities and Curiosities by Steampunk vendors, artisans, and makers. Steampunk Costume Contest! Can't miss the festival of
the year - tickets on sale now. \$30 per person, children 12 and under free. (Due to the capacity of our venue, we have a limited number of tickets available for pre-purchase)." **LOCAL!**
Musical acts: Mephiskapheles, Jeff Rowe & Friends, Bunch Of Bloody Guts, Jackson Cavalier
- SEPT 10 & 13 **ALL** FATHOM FRIGHT FEST: CHRISTINE 40th Anniversary <https://www.fathomevents.com/collections/fright-fest>
"Based on the novel by Stephen King, CHRISTINE tells the horrific story of a 1957 Plymouth that is bought by a misfit student and refurbished, and takes on human characteristics.
This special anniversary event will feature an exclusive intro from director John Carpenter." LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Walden, Regal/Quaker Crossing.
- 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 16 **ONT** ROYAL MEDIEVAL FAIRE Waterloo Park West, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada <https://www.royalmedievalfaire.org/>
- SEPT 16-17 **Roch** FLOWER CITY COMIC CON Total Sports Experience, 880 Elmgrove Rd, Rochester, NY 14624 <http://www.fc3roc.com>
Charisma Carpenter, Karyn Parsons, Julian Richings, Kris Holden-Ried, Sweetheart Harley, Melanie Muses
- SEPT 21 **ALL** FATHOM FRIGHT FEST: SHAKY SHIVERS <https://www.fathomevents.com/collections/fright-fest>
"From Director Sung Kang (star of Fast X). Bitten by a mysterious creature, Lucy believes she'll become a werewolf. With her best friend by her side, they face a throat-slashing creature in
this campy adventure filled with magic and mayhem. " LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Walden, Regal/Quaker Crossing.
- 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 22-24 **OR** ROSE CITY COMIC CON Oregon Conv Ctr, Portland, OR <https://rosecitycomiccon.com/>
JODIE WHITTAKER, MANDIP GILL, Mark Shepperd, Felica Day, 8 cast members from 'Critical Role'
- 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 23-24 **Haml** HAMILTON COMIC CON Cdn Warplane Museum, 9280 Airport Rd, Mt Hope, ONTARIO <https://hamiltoncomiccon.com/>
Erik Estrada, Larry Wilcox, Danielle Harris, Joseph Marcell, Dmitrius Bistrevsky, Tony Daniels, Pat Mastroianni, Stacie Mistysyn, Abdullah the Butcher,
Tony Atlas, Christian, Kevin Duhaney, Jeff Parazzo, Matthew G Taylor, Jordan Prentice, 'Hacksaw' Jim Duggan, Demolition: Ax & Smash, Powers Of Pain: Warlord & Barbarian
- SEPT 24 **BTC** BUFFALO TIME COUNCIL MEETING 49 Greenwood Pl, Buffalo monthly BTC meeting buffalotime council.org
- SEPT 30 **PA** STEAMPUNK RIVERBOAT CRUISE, Hiawatha Paddlewheel Riverboat, Hiawatha Blvd., Williamsport, PA www.facebook.com/events/258345166579279/
- OCTOBER 1 & 4 **ALL** FATHOM FRIGHT FEST: THE EXORCIST 50th Anniversary <https://www.fathomevents.com/collections/fright-fest>
"When a charming 12-year-old girl takes on the characteristics and voices of others, doctors say there is nothing they can do. As people begin to die, the girl's mother realizes her daughter has
been possessed by the devil—and that her daughter's only possible hope lies with two priests and the ancient rite of demonic exorcism. This extended version contains an additional 12
minutes to the original theatrical version. LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Quaker Crossing.
- OCTOBER 7-8 **Balt** INT'L. EDGAR ALLAN POE FESTIVAL Poe House & Museum, 203 North Amity St, Baltimore, MD <https://poefestinternational.com/>
"Free Admission! Vendors, books, music, performances and art in the shadow of Poe House... Explore the enduring mystery of Poe's death in Baltimore on the "Poe Places Death Weekend
Tour." This tour has sold out each year, so be sure to get tickets early! Official Festival Party: Black Cat Ball at Westminster Hall, Saturday, Oct 7. Gothic PROM NITE theme. Dress to impress "
- OCTOBER 8 & 11 **ALL** FATHOM FRIGHT FEST: HOUSE OF 1000 CORPSES 20th Anniversary <https://www.fathomevents.com/collections/fright-fest>
"Four friends embark on a quest to find offbeat tourist traps across the country—bringing them face-to-face with the murderous Firefly clan, whose house of horrors harbors an urban legend
that is all too real. Starring Sheri Moon Zombie, Rainn Wilson, Sid Haig, Walton Goggins, Bill Moseley, and Karen Black. Each screening includes an exclusive featurette by writer/director Rob
Zombie, providing unique insight into his directorial debut and this cult favorite that almost didn't see the light of day." LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, R/Transit, R/Walden, R/Quaker Crossing
- OCTOBER 12-15 **NYC** NEW YORK COMIC CON Javits Ctr, midtown Manhattan, New York, NY <https://www.newyorkcomiccon.com/>
DAVID TENNANT, JODIE WHITTAKER, KAREN GILLAN, Chris Evans, Ewan McGregor, Chris Claremont, John Carpenter, Jess Harnell, Katee Sackhoff, Kathy Najimy, Micheal Rooker,
Rob Paulsen, Ron Perlman, Sean Gunn, Shameik Moore, Tim Curry, Zachary Levi,
- OCT. 13-15 & 20-22 **S.F.** MAKER FAIRE Mare Isl. Naval Shipyard, Vallejo, CA Steampunk training? <https://makerfaire.com/bay-area/>
"The legendary and mind-blowing Maker Faire is back for its 15th time in the Bay Area! Experience the ultimate showcase of creativity, innovation, and endless possibilities."
- OCTOBER 19 **ALL** FATHOM FRIGHT FEST: ONYX THE FORTUITOUS AND THE TALISMAN OF SOULS <https://www.fathomevents.com/collections/fright-fest>

"Onyx the Fortuitous is struggling to find purpose with his soul-devouring side gig when he receives a coveted invitation to the mansion of his idol, Bartok the Great. Here, he joins Bartok and his mysterious delegation to raise the spirit of an ancient demon for a once-in-a-lifetime ritual." LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, R/Transit, R/Walden, R/Quaker Crossing

OCTOBER 21 **ALL** FATHOM FRIGHT FEST: BACK TO THE FUTURE DAY! <https://www.fathomevents.com/collections/fright-fest>

"From the Academy Award®-winning filmmakers Steven Spielberg and Robert Zemeckis comes Back to the Future - the original, groundbreaking adventure that sparked one of the most successful trilogies ever! When teenager Marty McFly (Michael J. Fox) is blasted to 1955 in the DeLorean time machine created by the eccentric Doc Brown (Christopher Lloyd), he finds himself mixed up in a time-shattering chain reaction that could vaporize his future - and leave him trapped in the past. Powered by innovative special effects, unforgettable songs and non-stop action, Back to the Future is an unrivaled adventure that stands the test of time." LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Walden, Regal/Transit, Regal/Quaker Crossing

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; Amherst 3, Capitol/Niagara Falls

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](http://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 27-29 **Roch** ASTRONOMICON 14 R.I.T. Inn & Conf Ctr, 5257 West Henrietta Rd, Rochester, NY <https://astronomicon.org/>
Ada Palmer, Alan F Beck, Moshe Feder, Christopher Williams (ChrisCross), Isis Asare

OCT 27-29 **N.F.** FRIGHTMARE IN THE FALLS Scotia Bank Conv Ctr, 6815 Stanley Ave, Niagara Falls, ONTARIO <https://frightmareinthefalls.com/>
Ron Pearlman, Doug Jones, Kristy Swanson, Devon Sawa, Corey Feldman, Camilla More, Carey More, Erich Anderson, Kimberley Beck, Craig David Dowsett, Tobias Jelinek, Larry Bagby, DEEP ROY!, Linnea Quigley, Michael Cudlitz, Dana Delorenzo, Eileen Dietz, Ari Lehman, John Dugan, William Vail, Allen Danziger, Besty Baker, Theresa Tilly, P J Soles, Sandy Johnson, Jenna Kanell, Catherine Corcoran, Will Sandin, Lisa Langlois, Nick Castle, 'Maximum Overdrive's Green Goblin prop,

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

NOV 12 **T.O.** CANADIAN TOY CON Burlington Holiday Inn, 3063 South Service Rd, Burlington, Ont, Cda www.toycon.ca

NOV 12 **T.O.** WIZARD SCHOOL & YULE BALL Burlington Holiday Inn, 3063 South Service Rd, Burlington, Ont, Cda www.gtacons.com

NOV 18-19 **Lock** LIL-CON #7 Gaming & Events Festival Best Western Plus, 515 S.Transit Rd., Lockport, NY <https://lilconconvention.com/>
"This is a new location and it's going to give more space. It has 95 rooms for people to stay. We have 5 different areas to do stuff. There's an indoor pool, and some other cool things. This place will give us lots of great opportunities! TIME TO PARTY! GET READY FOR AWESOMENESS!"

NOV 24-26 **Chic** CHICAGO TARDIS Westin Chicago/Lombard Htl, big Dr Who con <https://www.chicagotardis.com>
PETER DAVISON, COLIN BAKER, SYLVESTER McCOY, Frazer Hines, Michael Troughton, Jason Haigh-Ellery

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](http://buffalotime.council.org)

NOV. 30 - DEC 4 **WI** TESLA CON Marriott Conf Ctr & Htl, Madison, WI

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
2023
2024

JANUARY 5-7 **Nola** FAN EXPO NEW ORLEANS Morial Conv, Ctr, New Orleans. fanexponeworleans.com

JANUARY 12-14 **Minn** CONSOLE ROOM YEAR 11 Hilton @ Mall of America, Bloomington (Minneapolis), MN <http://console-room.com/>
SYLVESTER McCOY, Matt Everkoul, Chris Hawton

JANUARY 12-14 **OR** FAN EXPO PORTLAND Oregon Conv Ctr, Portland, OR fanexpoportland.com

FEBRUARY 1-4 **Flor** MEGA CON ORLANDO Orange Cty Conv Ctr, Orlando, Florida megaconorlando.com

FEBRUARY 16-18 **L.A.** GALLIFREY ONE'S MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET Marriott @ L.A airport <https://www.gallifreyone.com/>

FEBRUARY 16-18 **Atla** CONPOSSIBLE -ATLANTA STEAMPUNK FEST. "The Jungles Of Venus" theme Hilton-Atlanta, GA <https://www.conpossible.org/>

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 22-24 **LA** LOUISIANA'S WORLD STEAMPUNK EXPO Home2Suites Htl, Lafayette LA <https://worldsteampunkexpo.org/>

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/
APRIL 12-14	Chic	CHICAGO STEAMPUNK EXPO	Hyatt Regency Htl, Schaumber, IL (airport) Jim Butcher, Valentine Wolfe, D J Zophiel,	https://chicagosteampunkexpo.com/
APRIL 12-14	Atla	221B CON (Sherlock Holmes)	Atlanta Airport Marriott Htl.,	https://www.221bcon.com/
APRIL 20-21	Balt	TELL-TALE STEAMPUNK FESTIVAL	Marriott Hunt Valley Htl, near Baltimore	https://telltalesteampunk.com/
APRIL 25-28	Calg	CALGARY FAN EXPO	Calgary Stampede Park, Calgary, Alberta, Canada	calgaryexpo.com
MAY 3-5	Phil	FAN EXPO PHILADELPHIA	PA. Conv Ctr	fanexpophildaelphia.com
MAY 11	Mass	WATCH CITY STEAMPUNK FESTIVAL	Waltham Common, Waltham MA	https://www.watchcityfestival.com/
MAY 26	Roch	ROCHESTERCON - POP CULTURE SHOW	Doubletree Htl, Rochester, NY Linda Young,	http://www.therochestercon.com/
JUNE 7-9	Dall	FAN EXPO DALLAS	Hutchinson Conv Ctr, Dallas, TX	fanexpodallas.com
NOW OFFICAL see website for more info			NOTE: NEW DATES ANNOUNCED!	
JULY 18-21	Buff	NASFIC! The North American Science Fiction Convention	Buffalo Conv Ctr & Hyatt Htl, BUFFALO Alan Dean Foster, Milah Magruder, Kaja & Phil Foglio, Tony & Suford Lewis	https://buffalonasfic2024.org/
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/
AUGUST 23-25	NM	BUBONICON 54	Albuquerque, NM	https://www.bubonicon.com/
OCTOBER 16-20	N.F.	WORLD FANTASY CON	Niagara Falls Conv Ctr, Old Falls St, Niagara Falls, NY USA	https://wfc2024.org/

