

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: **MAR. 25 2024** 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!

2024

- FEBRUARY 1-4 **Flor** MEGA CON ORLANDO Orange Cty Conv Ctr, Orlando, Florida megaconorlando.com
- FEBRUARY 9-10 **Buff** FILMS: THE ROOM & BIG SHARK North Park Theatre, 1428 Hertel Ave, Buffalo, NY **836-7411** <https://www.northparktheatre.org/>
MEET DIRECTOR TOMMY WISEAU! Showing his first film The Room, and his new BIG SHARK, " 3 firefighters must save New Orleans from a massive shark"
- FEBRUARY 16-18 **L.A.** GALLIFREY ONE'S MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET Marriott @ L.A airport <https://www.gallifreyone.com/>
ALEX KINGSTON, LALLA WARD, MATTHEW WATERHOUSE, FRASIER HINES, Segun Akinola, Eric Seward, Jacqueline King, Ray Holman, Jonathon Carley, John Dorney, Mark Morris, Gary Russell, James Goss, Lisa McMullin, Simon Guerrier, Jason Haigh Ellery, and more. The world's largest and longest-running annual Doctor Who fan convention!
ADDED: Sir Derek Jacobi, Billie Piper, Camille Coduri, Eric Roberts, Shaun Dingwall, Annette Badland, Jan Chappell, Sally Knyvette, Gigi Edgley, Barbara Hambly, David Gerrold
- FEBRUARY 16-18 **Atla** CONPOSSIBLE -ATLANTA STEAMPUNK FEST. "The Jungles Of Venus" theme Hilton-Atlanta, GA <https://www.conpossible.org/>
- FEBRUARY 17-18 **NYC** COSMIC CON NY Tangram Ctr, Flushing NY <https://cosmicconny.com/>
- FEBRUARY 17-19 **Vanc** FAN EXPO VANCOUVER Vancouver Conv Ctr, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada fanexpovancouver.com
- FEBRUARY 18-19 **ALL** FILM: DUNE 40th Anniversary of original David Lynch's film <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/dune-40th-anniversary/>
Kyle MacLachlan, Jose Ferrer, Max Von Sydow, Linda Hunt, Patrick Stewart & Sting. LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Walden, Regal Quaker Crossing
- FEBRUARY 21-22 **ALL** FILM: FINAL FANTASY VII: ADVENT CHILDREN COMPLETE <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/final-fantasy-vii-advent-children/>
See the animated film before you can buy the game LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Walden, Regal Quaker Crossing
- FEBRUARY 22-29 **Buff** FILM: DEMON SLAYER: TO THE HASIRA TRAINING North Park Theatre, 1428 Hertel Ave, Buffalo, NY **836-7411** <https://www.northparktheatre.org/>
screening both DUBBED and SUBTITLED versions.
- FEBRUARY 24 **Buff** MINI COSMIC COMIC CON Cosmic Comics, 3861 Union Rd (Tops Plaza), Cheektowaga, NY <https://www.facebook.com/BuffaloComicon/>
- MARCH 2 **Buff** ANNE BISHOP READING & SIGNING Barnes & Noble, 1565 Niagara Falls Blvd, Amherst (south of 1-290) <https://www.annebishop.com/a.events.htm>
The New York Times Best-Selling author of the Black Jewels series, will read from her new book, a short story collection: "The Lady In Glass & Other Stories" from 1-3 pm.
In the past, these events have been live streamed on her fan group Facebook account. Also, her novel "The Queen's Price" has just come to paperback.
- MARCH 2 **Buff** VILLA CON 2024 Villa Maria College, 240 Pine Ridge Rd, Buffalo <https://www.villa.edu/villacon/>
Guest: Gayle Petri, artist, storyteller, D&D fan Villa Maria College's 1-day convention featuring gaming, cosplay, animation, film, local vendors and artists, food trucks, unique panels, & more!
- MARCH 6 & 10 **ALL** FILM: JIM HENSON'S LABYRINTH <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/labyrinth-2024/>
Jennifer Connelly, David Bowie LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Walden, Regal Quaker Crossing
- MARCH 9-10 **Tole** FANTASICON - TOLEDO Glass City Conv Ctr, 401 Jefferson Rd, Toledo Ohio <https://fantasicon.net/toledo>
Sam J Jones, Michael Biehn, Jennifer Blanc Biehn, Eric Estrada, Larry Wilcox (CHIPS), Darren McCarty, Mark Rolston, ROBOTS! 'Lost in Space's B-9 and Robby the Robot
Dirk Manning, Daniel Phillips, Renee Wittstaetter, Scott Kolins, Daniel Phillips
- MARCH 15-17 **T.O.** TORONTO COMICON Metro Toronto Conv. Ctr; Toronto, Ontario, Canada <https://fanexpohq.com/comicontoronto/>
Anson Mount, Ethan Peck, Christina Chong, Mary McDonnell, Denis Lawson, Eman Esfani, Diana Lee Inosanto, Jeff Ward, Harvey Guillen, Natasia Demetriou, Ken Lashley, Leonard Kirk, Joe Quinones, Claudia Gray, Larry Houston, Jeremy Adams, Tim Sheridan, Gerhard, Becka, Dave Ross, Ty Templeton, David Cutler
- 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/>
Sam Raimi, Elijah Wood, Sean Astin, Dominic Monaghan, Billy Boyd, Charlie Cox, Vincent D'Onofrio, Alan Tudyk, Danny Trejo, Rose McGowan, Mathew Lewis, Jason Lee, Jeff Ward, Eman Esfani, Diana Lee Inosanto, Ethan Suplee, Ryan Stegman, Frank Cho, Stephen Platt, Brian Azzarello, Claudia Gray, Tim Jacobus, Greg Land, Jae Lee, Yanick Paquette, Sweeny Boo
- APRIL 12-14 **Chic** CHICAGO STEAMPUNK EXPO Hyatt Regency Htl, Schaumber, IL (airport) <https://chicagosteampunkexpo.com/>
Jim Butcher, Valentine Wolfe, D J Zophiel,
- APRIL 12-14 **MD** OCEAN CITY RENAISSANCE Carousel Htl, Ocean City, MD <https://www.oceanrenaissancefoundation.org/>
"Nautically themed fantasy and pirate convention with music, aerialists, workshops, a fashion show, and more. Proceeds benefit ocean conservation and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.
- APRIL 12-14 **Kala** GRAND RAPIDS COMIC CON Kalamazoo Event Ctr, 2900 Lake St, Kalamazoo MI <https://www.grcomiccon.com/>
Nana Vistor, Tony Moran, Debi Derryberry, Kyle Herbert, Katelyn Barr, Landon McDonald, Casey Mongillo, Emi Lo, Envy the Green Fairy, Ron Martz, Corinne Roberts,
- APRIL 12-14 **Atla** 221B CON (Sherlock Holmes) Atlanta Airport Marriott Htl., <https://www.221bcon.com/>
- APRIL 20 **NYS** OTSEGO STEAMPUNK & ODDITIES EXPO Fortin Park, 101 Youngs Rd, Oneonta, NY [.facebook.com/events/s/2nd-annual-otsego-county-steam/945500527004736](https://www.facebook.com/events/s/2nd-annual-otsego-county-steam/945500527004736)
"Free admission, Celebrating the rich heritage associated with steampunk and fringe culture, we endeavor to gather art, usic, industrial history, sideshow acts, and a diverse community of vendors together, lovingly wrapped in the smokey, grungy, gilded arms of steampunk. Scheduled hours are 10 am. to 4 p.m., "but we will see how exciting it gets."
- Cosplay and e20 **NYS** LAKE GEORGE FANTASY FESTIVAL Wild West Ranch, 5 Mill Rd, Lake George, NY <https://www.allwedoisepic.com/lg-fantasy-festival>
"a celebration of all genres of imagination, for all ages...We welcome ALL genres including but not limited to: Steampunk, Cosplay, Goth, Industrial, Renaissance, Wild West, Super Heroes, "
- APRIL 20-21 **Ont** TIMMINS CON 2024 McIntyre Community Ctr, Timmins, Ontario <https://northernontarioexpo.com/timmingscon-2024>
Tricia Helfer
- 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
- APRIL 26 **Buff** SCIENCE AFTER HOURS: SCI-FI THEMES Buf Museum Of Science, Dr. King Park, 1020 Humboldt <https://www.sciencebuff.org/>
"to provide an enjoyable and relaxed atmosphere for adults to playfully explore science and art concepts...themed around science fiction...Museum-led demonstrations will include a Van De Graaf Generator, dry ice, and other technologies used to evoke "science" film and television." more details to come.
- APRIL 26-28 **Buff** U B CON XXXIII Student Union on Amherst Campus of S.U.N.Y. Center at Buffalo <https://www.facebook.com/UBCon>
Facebook has vendor/artist info only, website still shows last year's info "SUNY UB's annual gaming and anime convention!"
- APRIL 27 - MAY 1 **ALL** SPIRITED AWAY Studio Ghibli Fest 2024 check for local theartes <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/>

MAY	3-5	Phil	FAN EXPO PHILADELPHIA PA. Conv Ctr		fanexpophildadelphia.com
MAY	4	ALL	FREE COMIC BOOK DAY Free special edition comics, likely many local stores available Gutter Pop Comics, 1421 Hertel Ave, Buffalo, NY 14216 716-436-4806 Kingpin Comics & Gaming, 3660 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14217 716-478-9726 Empire Comics, 1069 Abbott Rd, Buffalo, NY 14220 716-382-8459 Halley's Comics & Games, 1144 Oliver St, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 716-695-6138		https://freecomicbookday.com/
NOT listed at FCBD site: Queen City Comics, near UB on Main St; Dave & Adams near Eastern Hills Mall; Cosmic Comics at Union & G Urban					
MAY	4	NJ	ROCK N ROLL STEAMPUNK FAIR Washington Boro Park, Washington, NJ		https://www.washingtonbid.org/rock-n-roll-steampunk-fair "Steampunk festival with live music, street performances, and artisan vendors. The festival is presented by the Washington Business Improvement District, a local nonprofit."
MAY	11-12	Tor.	TORONTO COMICS ARTS FESTIVAL Toronto Reference Library, 789 Ypnge St, Toronto ON 416-323-9212		https://www.torontocomics.com/ Freddy Carrasco, Julie Delporte, Nina Bunjevack, Keith Knight, Adrian Tomine, Veronica Post, Boum, Rosemary Valero-O'Connell, Ivana Filipovic, Rosena Fung, Mitch Lohmeier,
MAY	11	Mass	WATCH CITY STEAMPUNK FESTIVAL Waltham Common, Waltham MA		https://www.watchcityfestival.com/
MAY	17-19	Detr	MOTOR CITY COMIC CON Suburban Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave, Novi, MI (Detroit)		https://motorcitycomiccon.com/show-info/ Katee Sackhoff, Dante Basco, Felica Day, Steve Downes, Giancarlo Esposito, Amy Jo Johnson, Simon Kassianides, Lex Luger, Ron Simmons, John Ratzemberger, Jen Taylor Claudia Gray, Joe Rubinstein, Dean Haspiel, Jonathan Rand, Joe Rubenstein, Marco Rudy, Joseph Schmalke, K Lynn Smith, Bart Sears, Gavin Smith
MAY	19-21	ALL	NAUSICAA OF THE VALLEY OF THE WIND Studio Ghibli Fest anime classic		https://www.fathomevents.com/events/
MAY	20-22	ALL	CASTLE IN THE SKY Studio Ghibli Fest anime classic		https://www.fathomevents.com/events/
MAY	24-26	T.O.	ANIME NORTH 2024 Toronto Congress Ctr & Delta Hotel Airport, both on Dixon Rd, Etobicoke, ON		https://www.animenorth.com/ Japanese boy band MADKID as Musical G.O.H.
MAY	26	Roch	ROCHESTERCON - POP CULTURE SHOW Doubletree Htl, Rochester, NY		http://www.therochestercon.com/ Linda Young,
MAY 30 - JUNE 2		SanD	STOKER CON 2024 Marriott Mission Valley Htl, San Diego, CA		https://www.stokercon2024.com/ "The annual convention of the Horror Writers Association. Highlights include the presentation of the Bram Stoker Award recognizing "superior achievement" in dark fantasy and horror writing" Jonathan Maberry, Paul Tremblay, Justina Ireland, Nisi Shawl, Rob Savage
MAY 31 - JUNE 2		LI/NY	TREK LONG ISLAND 2 Hyatt Regency Long Island, 1717 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, NY		https://treklongisland.com/ Melissa Navia, Armin Shimerman, Gabrielle Ruiz, Chase Masterson, Ethan Phillips, J G Hertzler, Janet Kidder, Daphne Ashbrook, Keith R A DeCandido, Michael Jam Friedman, John Peel
JUNE	6-9	L.A.	S.F.W.A. / NEBULA CONFERENCE Westin Pasadena Htl, Pasadena, CA		https://events.sfw.org/ From " the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America. Activities include panels and presentation of the Nebula Awards. It will be presented in-person and online." Susan Cooper will be presented the 40th SFWA Damon Knight Grand Master Award.
JUNE	7-9	NF-C	NIAGARA FALLS COMIC CON N.F. Conv. Ctr, 6815 Stanley Ave, N.F., ONTARIO		https://nfcomiccon.com/ SYLVESTER McCOY , Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Dolph Lundgren, Peter Weller, Bonnie Wright, Matthew Lewis, Lea Thompson, Robert Patrick, Lou Diamond Phillips, Jason Priestley, Edward James Olmos, Danielle Fishel, Rider Strong, Will Friedle, Julie Benz, Paul Blake, Femi Taylor, Judith Hoag, William Fichtner, Kim Coates, Theo Rossi, Jonathan Lipnicki, Doug Gilmour, Greg Capullo, Bian Azzarello, James O'Barr, Simon Bisley, Ken Lashley, Leonard Kirk, Derek Laufman, Leo Leibelman, Mike Rooth, R B White, Andrew Thomas Derek Mears, Bob Elmore, Brett Wagner, Roger L Jackson, Lee Waddell, Heather Langenkamp, Kevin Foster, Jess Weiss
JUNE	7-9	Dall	FAN EXPO DALLAS Hutchinson Conv Ctr, Dallas, TX		fanexpodallas.com
JUNE	15-16	T.O.	ODDITIES & CURIOSITIES EXPO SITE TO BE ANNOUNCED		https://odditiesandcuriositiesexpo.com/ "An exposition of "all things weird," including antiques, artwork, taxidermy, preserved specimens, handcrafted oddities, quack medical devices, apparel, jewelry, and funeral collectibles. "All items you see at our shows are legal to own and sustainably sourced," the producers say. (This show travels to many cities each year.)
JUNE	28-29	Buff	NICKEL CITY COMIC CON Buf/Niagara Conv Ctr, 153 Franklin St, downtown Buffalo		https://nickelcitycon.com/ Dean Cain, John Schneider, Tom Wopat, Catherine Bach, Chandler Riggs, Ray Park, Daniel Logan, Stefan Kapicic, Shannon Elizabeth, Tara Reid, Chris Owen, Trailer Park Boys
JUNE	28-29	NYS	THE X-FILES FAN FEST Saratoga Springs City Ctr., Saratoga Springs, NY		https://xfilespreservationcollection.com/pages/xf-fan-fest-2024 Mitch & Arlene Pileggi, Megan Leitch, J J Lendl, Susannah Hoffman, Corey Kaplan,
NOW OFFICAL see website for more info			NOTE: NEW DATES ANNOUNCED!		
JULY	18-21	Buff	NASFI! The North American Science Fiction Convention Buffalo Conv Ctr & Hyatt Htl, BUFFALO		https://buffalonasfic2024.org/ Alan Dean Foster, Milah Magruder, Kaja & Phil Foglio, Tony & Suford Lewis
JULY	21-22	ALL	FILM: THE NEVER ENDING STORY 40th Anniversary		https://www.fathomevents.com/events/labyrinth-2024/ LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Walden, Regal Quaker Crossing
JULY	26-28	Detr	MOTOR CITY NIGHTMARES (Horror Expo & Film Festival) Novi Sheraton Htl, Novi, MI		https://motorcitynightmares.com/
JULY 26 - AUG 08		PA	PENNSIC WAR Cooper's Lake Campground, Slippery Rock, PA		http://www.pennsicwar.org/ SCA annual warfare
AUGUST	3-4	Buff	ODDITIES & CURIOSITIES EXPO Buf-Niag. Conv Ctr, downtown Buffalo, NY		https://odditiesandcuriositiesexpo.com/ "An exposition of "all things weird," including antiques, artwork, taxidermy, preserved specimens, handcrafted oddities, quack medical devices, apparel, jewelry, and funeral collectibles. "All items you see at our shows are legal to own and sustainably sourced," the producers say. (This show travels to many cities each year.)
AUGUST	8-12	Scot	GLASGOW WORLDCON 2024 Scottish Events Campus, Glasgow, Scotland,UK		https://glasgow2024.org/ Nnedi Okorafor, Chris Baker, Claire Brialey, Mark Plummer, Terri Windling, Ken MacLeod
AUGUST	22-25	TOR.	FAN EXPO CANADA Metro Conv. Ctr, Toronto, ON next to CN Tower & Skydome		https://fanexpohq.com/fanexpocanada/
AUGUST	23-25	LI/ny	LONG ISLAND DOCTOR WHO CELEBRATION Holiday Inn, Holtsville, NY		https://longislanddoctorwho.com/ COLIN BAKER , Nicola Bryant, Mark Strickson, Frazier Hines, Yee Jee Tso, Trevor Cooper, John Peel
AUGUST	23-25	NM	BUBONICON 54 Albuquerque, NM		https://www.bubonicon.com/
SEPT	13-14	Pitt	MONROE COMIC CON F M B Expo Ctr, Monroe, MI		https://www.monroecomicon.com/

OCTOBER	16-20	N.F.	WORLD FANTASY CON Niagara Falls Conv Ctr, Old Falls St, Niagara Falls, NY USA Heather Craham, Michael Swanwick, Scott H Andrews, Galen Dara, P Djeli Clark	https://wfc2024.org/
OCTOBER	25-27	NF-C	FRIGHTMARE IN THE FALLS N.F. Conv Ctr, 6815 Stanley Ave, N.F., ONTARIO	https://frightmareinthefalls.com/
NOVEMBER	17 & 20	ALL	FILM: THE FIFTH ELEMENT Bruce Willis, Milla Jovovich, Gary Oldman	https://www.fathomevents.com/events/the-fifth-element-2024/ LOCAL: Regal/Elmwood, Regal/Transit, Regal/Walden, Regal Quaker Crossing
NOV. 29 - DEC 1		Chic	CHICAGO TARDIS Westin Htl, Lombard, IL (Chicago) Annette Badland,	HUGE Dr. Who con https://www.chicagotardis.com/contact-us

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MARCH	14-16	L.A.	VE NEILL'S VAMPIRE WEEKEND Marriott Htl & Conv Ctr, 2500 N Hollywood Way, Burbank, CA	https://veneillvampireweekend.com/
AUGUST	13-27	Seat	SEATTLE WORLDCON 2025 Seattle Conv Ctr, Seattle, WA Martha Wells, Donato Giancola, Bridget Landry, Alexander James Adams, K Tempest Bradford, Nisa Shawl	https://seattlein2025.org//
OCT. 30 - NOV 2		U.K.	WORLD FANTASY CONVENTION 2025 Metropole Hotel, Brighton, England, UK	https://worldfantasy2025.co.uk/

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