

Peoria Riverfront Museum

GeekFest | Saturday, June 29

Panel/Activity Information and Application

The Peoria Riverfront Museum GeekFest will take place at the Peoria Riverfront Museum in Peoria, IL on Saturday, June 29 from 4-10 pm. GeekFest is a convention-like experience celebrating the art, history and science of geek, comic book, and gaming culture. This event will include activities, panels, special guests and vendors. Guests will gain admission to the Peoria Riverfront Museum GeekFest by purchasing event-priced admission tickets.

Anyone interested in hosting a panel or activity at the Peoria Riverfront Museum GeekFest should fill out the Panel/Activity Application and send to Heather Placko at hplacko@peoriariverfrontmuseum.org or Peoria Riverfront Museum, 222 SW Washington St, Peoria, IL 61602. Questions? Call 309.863.3046. Applications will be open through June 2, 2019, and will be accepted on an on-going basis until full. Early application is encouraged.

Panel:

Panels will be scheduled in 30 minute blocks with plenty of set-up time between. Presentation spaces will be prepared in a traditional lecture style with rows of seats and presenter at the front. Please contact us if you have any specific set up requests.

Activity:

In addition to traditional panels, this year the Peoria Riverfront Museum GeekFest will also offer individuals and groups the opportunity to host on-going activities in the lobby. These activities should last the duration of the event and allow guests to stop in and join the fun in between all of the other exciting things going on. This format is perfect for anyone interested in leading demos, how-to's, games, or crafts and allows more direct interaction with guests in order to share your expertise.

Activity organizers are responsible for all materials and supplies necessary for their activity. Due to limited space in the galleries, some activities may be placed outside, weather permitting.

Special Museum Rules:

1. No food or drink may be brought into gallery spaces.
2. In order to protect the Museum's art and artworks:
 - a. Absolutely NO glitter may be brought into the Museum. It is impossible to remove glitter from art, artifacts or carpet. Thank you for understanding.
 - b. Please be cautious of cosplay weapons/outfits and their proximity to art/artifacts on display. It is very easy for large items (be they backpacks or wings) to accidentally scrape up against artwork.
3. No live-steel or ultra-realistic weapons may be brought onto Museum property. Cosplay weapons will be checked and peace-tied.
4. The Museum is hosting a family-friendly con, and all panels/activities/merchandise should be family-friendly. You may recommend a suggested age for your panel below. Cosplay outfits should also be family-friendly.
5. The Peoria Riverfront Museum GeekFest values diversity and inclusion.
6. In order to protect the art and artifacts, the Museum reserves the right to issue further instructions both in writing and verbally as necessary.

Panel/Activity Application

Proposed Panel/Activity Title: _____

Organizer Contact Information

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Set-up Style: Panel Activity

What age range do you recommend this panel/activity for*? Circle those that apply:

Little Children (3–6 years) • Older Children (7–11 years)

Teens (11 years–16 years) • Adults • All ages

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How would you categorize your panel/activity? You may circle more than one option:

Anime/manga • Books • Comics • Comedy • Cosplay • Diversity/Inclusion

Video Games • Tabletop Games • Superheroes • DIY & How-To

Science/Sci-Fi • Movies • Art • Steampunk • History • Geek

Other: _____

Panel/Activity Description: *Additional pages may be attached if necessary.*

Audio & Video Requirements:

Projector & Screen: Y / N

Other:

Other information you'd like to provide: *Additional pages may be attached if necessary.*

All presenters/participants must sign the agreement below.

I have read all of the rules governing the Peoria Riverfront Museum GeekFest and agree to abide by them. I do hereby release and hold harmless the Peoria Riverfront Museum, any members of the staff and volunteers of and from any and all manner of actions, suits, damages or claims whatsoever for damage to property, theft, loss, personal injury or death that may occur during the Peoria Riverfront Museum GeekFest or at any time participant's property or person is located at the Peoria Riverfront Museum.

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