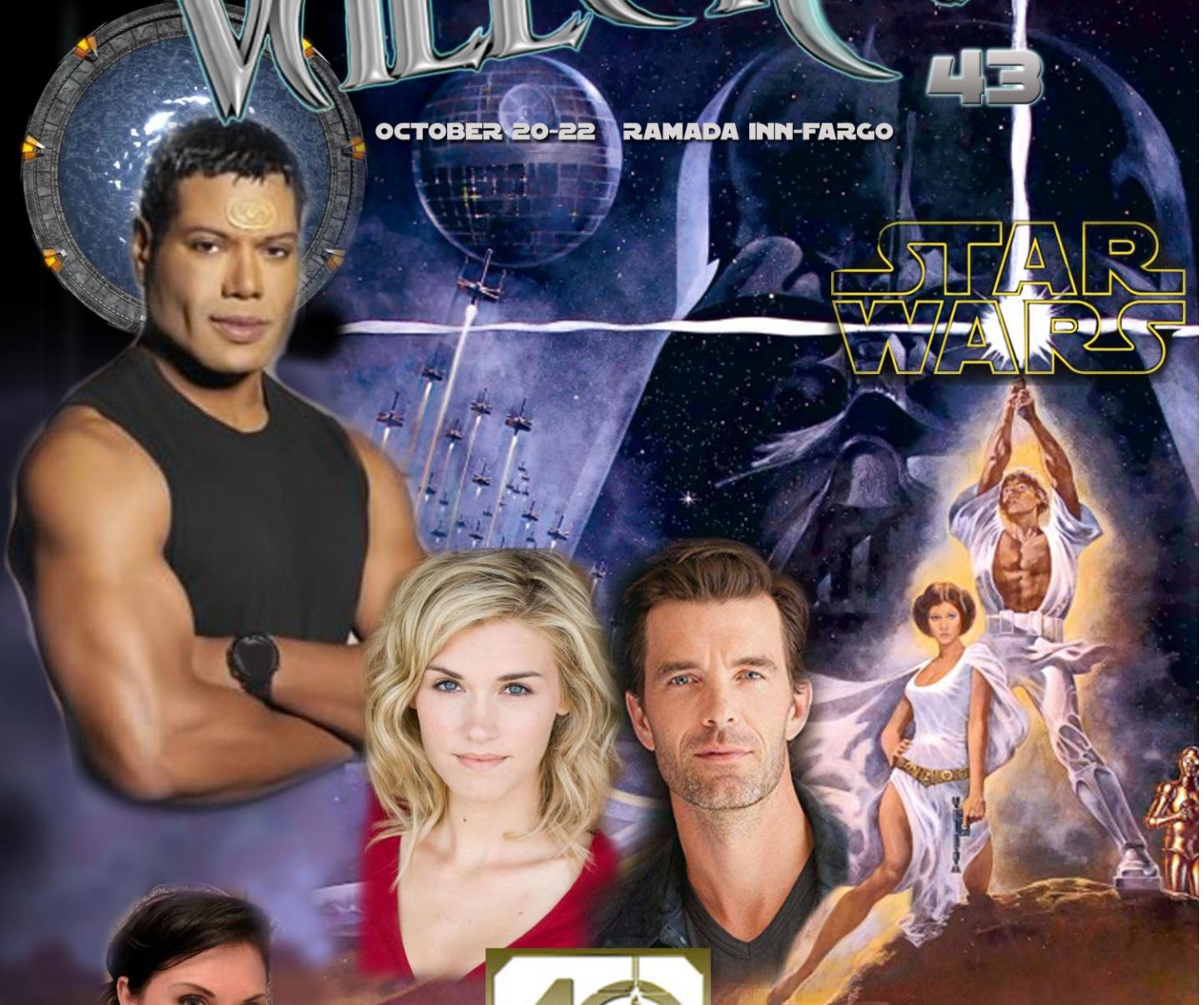


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Welcome!

**ValleyCon 43: The Fargo Entertainment Expo** is designed to be an event for all ranges of interest in popular culture, highlighting the sci-fi, fantasy, comic book, gaming, horror and related genres. We just want everyone to have a great weekend and celebrate the fun in entertainment! There are events for all levels, from film and video presentations, panels and workshops or just browsing and meeting our fantastic guests: **CHRISTOPHER JUDGE, EMILY ROSE, LUCAS BRYANT, TROY DENNING, ERIK BURNHAM, CHRISTOPHER MIHM and TIFFANY JOHNSON!**

We have a stated mission to bring a wide variety of options to our attendees and we do listen, so chime in and let us know what you'd like to see! Needless to say, we are excited by the huge variety of guests and programming this year along with the return of major gaming and anime programming! Check the program guide carefully and visit the vendors—which also houses our artists alley and guest tables—and then enjoy!

I just want to thank everyone who helped this year, especially Curtis & Jenn Ness, Rhiannon , Audrey and Alexis, Sarah Galbraith, Raquel Smith and Frank Galbraith, Jim and Mary Bentzin, Dave Molay, Alan Lindahl, Jesse & Brigit Pigeon, Brent Peterson, Dan Hillstrom, Steve Eldred, Krista Arendes, Ben Larson, Kip Marvig of Comic Junction and especially **RICH EARLY of Paradox Comics**. I also want to thank Chris Perez as well as the gang at Shinespark for E-Gaming! We have many others to thank from our organization to many outside of it so please forgive me if I leave anyone out.

We especially want to mention our generous sponsors and supporters: **THE FARGO CW and METV, PARADOX COMICS, HALLOWEEN EXPRESS, APPLAUSE, Dave Jacobs, Tim De Forge and Eric Falde and MCAM** and many, many more! Last but not least is the guy who started it all 40 years ago, Rudy Sigmund.

Have a great weekend and look forward to next fall as we finalize plans! Please chime in on it too! Thank you for coming and everyone—have FUN!

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21 is the legal drinking age.

Anyone exhibiting overly aggressive behavior will not be tolerated. **Be respectful of everyone and remember that costumes do not equal any consent..** that said, let's have fun!

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**Decisions of those running the event are final and carry the weight of the hotel and law enforcement behind it.** Yes, for all purposes, they do "own" the place while they are here.

*Enjoy the events and if you have any questions, ask the Emper... er, Chairman!*

***The Standard Announcements of issues, rules, etc. we are legally obligated to make-and you to accept or leave the premises (as we won't allow you to stay and yes, we have every legal right to do so!). Cheers!***

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**CHRISTOPHER JUDGE**

Douglas Christopher Judge was born and raised in Los Angeles, and is of African-American and Cherokee ancestry. Judge always knew that he wanted to be an actor, wanting to invoke feelings in others that he was receiving from the shows. He realized quickly that sports would be the stepping stone to an acting career. Attending the University of Oregon on a football scholarship, Judge led in kickoff return yardage for 1983-84 and interceptions in 1984, in addition to earning the Casanova Award in 1982 (given to the freshman or newcomer of the year). Judge was also a three-time All-American, a Pacific-10 Conference Selection in 1984, and played in the 1985 Hula Bowl.

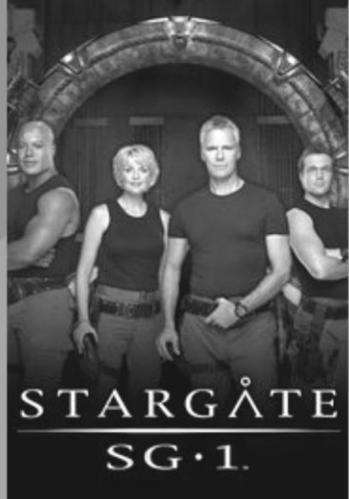
While at Oregon, Judge was a pre-med major, then psychology, then telecommunications and film, with a minor in psychology. In his senior year, he won a regional contest to host the West Coast Fox KLSR Morning Show, an "MTV talk show-type thing"; he used this experience to get an agent and move to Los Angeles. Judge began studying at the Howard Fine Institute in LA in 1989. Some early roles were Bird on a Wire, Cadence, Neon Rider and MacGyver with future Stargate SG-1 star Richard Dean Anderson.

In the ensuing years, Judge had small parts in various television shows and movies, such as 21 Jump Street (with future SG-1 director Peter DeLuise), The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air, and House Party 2, and as a regular on Sirens from 1994 to 1995. Judge's largest role came in 1997 with Stargate SG-1.

While at a friend's house, he saw his friend's roommate practicing for an audition and was intrigued. While the roommate was away, Judge looked at the audition notes, then called his agent and insisted he get him an audition, or lose him as a client. At the audition, there were three sets of actors for each of the principle roles, but eight or ten for the role of "Teal'c". Judge was confident he got the part when they dismissed everyone who read for the part, except him. Out of all the actors on "Stargate SG-1", Judge has been in the most episodes.

More recent works of Judge's include guest spots on Andromeda and Stargate: Atlantis, the television movie Personal Effects, and the films, Snow Dogs and A Dog's Breakfast, the latter written and directed by fellow "Stargate" actor, David Hewlett. Judge has written three episodes of Stargate SG-1: The Changeling, Birthright and Sacrifices. After "Stargate SG-1" was canceled, Judge began writing a script for a show called "Rage of Angels". Judge also does voice acting for animated series and video games, including the voice of "Magneto" on X-Men: Evolution and the canceled "Stargate SG-1: The Alliance".

In the season eight episodes of "Stargate SG-1" (Avatar and "The Warrior"), Teal'c informs SG-1 that he plays Def Jam Vendetta, alluding to the fact that Judge was a voice actor in that game. He is also known for voicing "Jericho" in Turok.





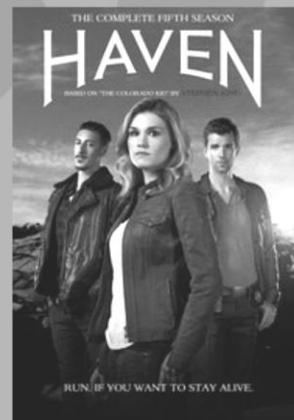
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## EMILY ROSE

Born in Renton, Washington, Rose received her Master of Fine Arts degree in Acting from UCLA in 2006. She also graduated from Vanguard University of Southern California with a degree in Theater Arts. She is the oldest of three children; she has a younger sister and brother.

Rose appeared in the unaired fourth episode of the American television show *Smith*, and starred as Cass in the HBO drama *John from Cincinnati*. She played Lena Branigan on *Brothers & Sisters*. She portrayed Trish Merrick, an employee of Jennings and Rall, on the CBS drama *Jericho*.

Rose performed voice acting and motion capture for the 2007 PlayStation 3 game *Uncharted: Drake's Fortune* as the main female character Elena Fisher, then reprised the role in *Uncharted 2: Among Thieves* in 2009, *Uncharted 3: Drake's Deception* in 2011 and *Uncharted 4: A Thief's End* in 2016. Rose played Dr. Tracy Martin in the final season of *ER* and guest-starred on the January 12, 2009, episode of *Two and a Half Men*.



The following year, Rose began her stint in the Syfy TV series *Haven*, playing the main character, FBI SA Audrey Parker. The series ran through 2015, with its fifth and final season a 26-episode split beginning on January 28, 2014. Rose's character is sent to Haven, a seemingly tranquil seaside town in Maine, to apprehend an escaped convict. As the story proceeds, she finds herself entrenched in a decades-long town mystery and ends up quitting the FBI and joining the Haven municipal police department to assist in ridding the town of its "Troubles," as the ongoing town mystery is called. The series was adapted from the Stephen King crime novel *The Colorado Kid*. In a rare departure for Syfy (whose production facility for nearly all of its scripted series and TV films is located in British Columbia, Canada), to maintain a sense of "place" (Maine) as much as possible yet still film in cheaper Canada, the series is shot in various locations along the south shore of Nova Scotia; and the main interiors (police station, Audrey's apartment) are shot on a soundstage in the Eleanor Pew Memorial Arena located in the Nova Scotia town of Chester.



Rose married long-time boyfriend Dairek Morgan on December 6, 2009 in Washington. On January 15, 2013, Rose announced via Twitter that she and her husband were expecting a baby. The tweet included a YouTube pregnancy announcement. A baby boy, Miles Christian Morgan, was born on April 29, 2013. Rose announced via Twitter on August 25, 2015 that she and her husband were expecting their second child. Rose gave birth to her second son, Memphis Ray Morgan, on December 31, 2015. In August 2014, Rose helped to raise awareness of the disease ALS by participating in the Ice Bucket Challenge.



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# LUCAS BRYANT

Lucas Bryant (born September 28, 1978) is a Canadian-American actor. Bryant is most well known for his role as Nathan Wuornos in the Syfy TV channel series *Haven* (2010–2015).

Bryant was born in Elmira, Ontario, Canada to Susan Hodges Bryant and M. Darrol Bryant; he currently has dual Canadian and U.S. citizenship. His father is from North Dakota. His mother was also born and raised in the United States. He is of Finnish descent. Bryant graduated from Elmira District Secondary School and studied acting at Sheridan College in Oakville, Ontario.

He was the star of the short-lived UPN television series *Sex, Love & Secrets*. For television, Bryant has appeared in the movie *More Sex and the Single Mom*, as well as guest starred in the series *Queer as Folk*, *Odyssey 5* and *Playmakers*. He has also starred in Canadian television projects, including *Crazy Canucks*, *An American in Canada* and *The Eleventh Hour*. Bryant has appeared on stage all over Canada in many productions, including *The Crucible* and *The King* and I. Bryant appeared as Gabe McCall on the CBC drama *MVP: The Secret Lives of Hockey Wives*.

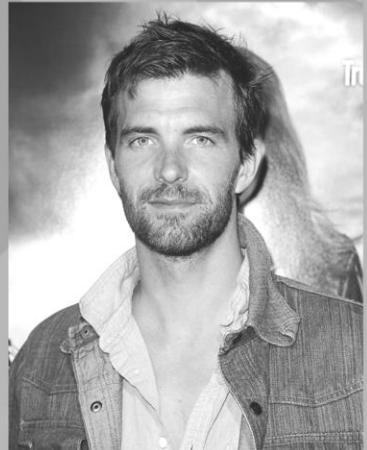
In 2006, Bryant starred as Calvin Puddie in the TV movie *Playing House* based on the book by Patricia Pearson. He also starred as Brad in the short musical *I Hate Musicals*. Bryant had supporting roles in movie *A Very Merry Daughter of the Bride* and *The Vow*. In 2010, he and *Haven* co-star Emily Rose previously starred together in the 2010 "made-for-TV" suspense-thriller *Perfect Plan*.

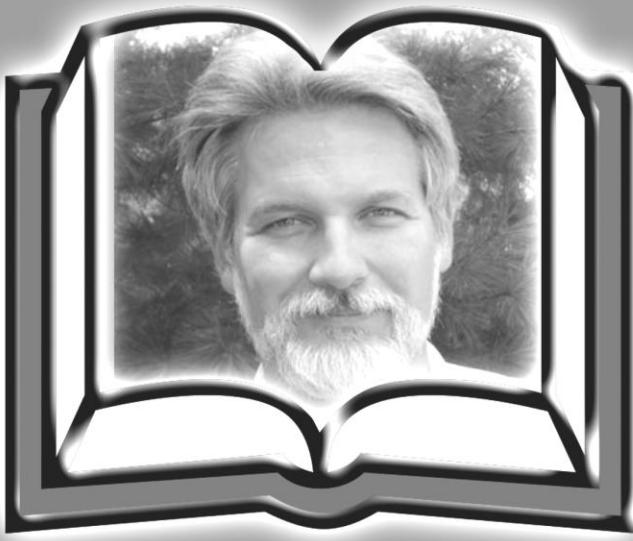
In 2010, Bryant landed a lead role as Nathan in *Haven*, a TV series based on Stephen King's novel "*The Colorado Kid*". In "*Haven*," Bryant plays 'Nathan Wuornos,' the wry, hardened local cop who somewhat reluctantly becomes the partner of new-to-town FBI agent 'Audrey Parker,' played by Emily Rose. BuddyTV ranked him #72 on its list of "TV's Sexiest Men of 2011".



In late 2012, Bryant starred in the Lifetime original movie *Merry In-Laws*. Bryant played Peter, a teacher who becomes engaged to an astronomer. When she meets his parents she learns that they are really Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. The film co-stars former *Cheers* stars George Wendt and Shelley Long as Mr. and Mrs. Claus. The film is directed by Leslie Hope who previously directed Bryant in *A Very Merry Daughter of the Bride*. In 2013, he guest-starred in shows *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*, *Cracked* and *Beauty & the Beast*.

In 2015, Bryant played the role of Count Johan Oxenstierna in the historical drama *The Girl King*. In 2016, he and his *Haven* co-star Emily Rose had supporting role in the movie *Secret Summer*, which premiered on PixL. In summer 2016, he starred as Tom Novak in the Hallmark Original Movie *Tulips in Spring* co-starring Fiona Gubelmann. He also starred as Colin Fitzgerald in another Hallmark movie *Summer Love* co-starring Rachael Leigh Cook. In fall, he starred in the highly anticipated CBC series from Jennifer Holness and Sudz Sutherland, *Shoot the Messenger*. Bryant is married to Australian-born actress and personal trainer Kirsty Hinchcliffe. They have a daughter born in August 2008 and, as of July 2010, live in Santa Monica, California. They also have a son, born in 2015.





Troy Denning is a fantasy and science fiction author and game designer who has written more than two dozen novels.

The New York Times bestselling author of 34 novels, Troy Denning grew up in the mountain town of Idaho Springs, Colorado — which happens to be the home of David Chappellet, Robert Redford's character in the 1969 ski-racing film, *Downhill Racer*. After seeing the movie at twelve years of age, Troy was inspired to become an Olympic ski-racing champion.

Sadly, that did not happen.

Instead, Troy retreated into his love science fiction and fantasy, poring over the works of Asimov, Clarke, Heinlein, Bova, Burroughs, Tolkien, Norton . . . pretty much anybody who wrote about something other than ski-racing. By the age of fourteen, he had convinced himself that he could tell a better story than any of those fools, and he began to scribble his masterpieces into 80-page spiral-bound notebooks.

Unfortunately, acquiring editors of the time were a stodgy, short-sighted bunch. Most of them didn't even read handwritten manuscripts, and those who did pretty much insisted on ink. So Troy dragged out his father's old Underwood typewriter and began to fill old suitcases with typed manuscripts. Some were even neatly typed. Nevertheless, with his acceptance rate still hovering just below zero, by his eighteenth birthday he began to suspect that this writing thing was harder than it looked.

Then Troy opened a SASE containing his short story, "The Ghosts in the Old Argo." Inside, he found a rejection slip from the legendary editor, Ben Bova. But this time, there was a signature — and a handwritten note thanking him for the submission.

Wildly ecstatic, Troy decided the thing to do was go college and play some Division III football, and maybe then his writing dreams would come true. (If not, he could always turn pro, right?) Beloit College had a football team, and Troy's English teacher thought it might have a decent writing program. So he went there. It turned out that Beloit College did have a fine English department, and by the time Troy graduated, he could put together a respectable paragraph. He landed a job editing game material for TSR Hobbies (the producers of *Dungeons & Dragons*), then spent the next few years honing his skill by working as an editor and game designer.

In 1989, not quite twenty years after deciding to become a writer, he published his first novel, *Waterdeep*. It became an instant New York Times bestseller (even if it did make the list by the skin of its teeth), and Troy went on to publish more than thirty novels set in many different game and media worlds, including *Forgotten Realms*, *Dark Sun*, *Planescape*, and *Star Wars*. Currently, he resides in western Wisconsin with his wife, their two pets, and far too many hosta-eating whitetail deer.

He still writes novels, and it's still harder than it looks. His most recent book is *The Sentinel*, the fifth novel in the *Forgotten Realms Sundering* series.



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## ERIK BURNHAM

ERIK BURNHAM IS A MINNESOTAN WRITER AND ARTIST THAT FIRST BROKE INTO COMICS BY WAY OF THE NICK LANDIME FEATURE FROM SHOOTING STAR COMICS. THIS LED FIRST TO OTHER ANTHOLOGIES AND THEN WORK FOR IDW PUBLISHING, UP TO AND INCLUDING HIS CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED WORK ON THE GHOSTBUSTERS LINE OF COMIC BOOKS. HE'S BEEN FORTUNATE TO WORK WITH MANY COMPANIES IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, INCLUDING CRYPTOZOIC, DYNAMITE, IDW, INSIGHT EDITIONS, MARVEL, AND PANINI ON PROPERTIES SUCH AS GHOSTBUSTERS, TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES, BACK TO THE FUTURE, GALAXY QUEST, SCARLET SPIDER, NEW WARRIORS, AND KISS--



-WITH MORE ON THE WAY. (WHICH IS GOOD NEWS, BECAUSE HE LOVES HIS WORK.) ERIK STILL LIVES IN MINNESOTA; ANY RUMORS ABOUT THIS BEING BECAUSE HE'S COMPLETELY AFRAID OF THE FORTY-NINE OTHER STATES (AND CANADA) REMAIN UNVERIFIED AT THIS TIME.

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## JENNIFER BOXER

Jennifer Boxer (aka Jenie) has been to conventions all over the country but ValleyCon was her first booking as an agent and is still her favorite so she feels honored to be invited as a guest. As a Fairy Godmother, She has 940 years of experience (just ask her!), teaches others how to be fairy godmothers, and has had multiple media outlets (national/international tv, radio and internet) feature her transformations. She truly knows she was chosen for this calling and truly believes in the power of magic.

She has spent the past 10 years being a Fairy Godmother-in-Training at Disney, the last 5 as a mom to an awesome cosplaying little man, and the last 3 years as an appearance agent, where you may have met her with Laura Tyler and RJ Haddy.

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## CHRISTOPHER MIHM

Christopher R. Mihm is the writer, director, and producer of the films of the "Mihmiverse," a series of award-winning, loosely interlinked feature-length films which pay homage to 1950s-era "drive-in cinema."

Mr. Mihm's filmmaking career began in 2006 with the release of his first retro-styled film, "The Monster of Phantom Lake." Made on a nearly non-existent budget, the film went on to garner much critical acclaim, appear in numerous film festivals, win multiple awards and, to this day, continues to screen across the world.

Since his first film, Mr. Mihm has released one new as-authentic-as-possible 1950s-style feature a year, many of which have received numerous accolades, nominations, and awards. "Attack of the Moon Zombies" raked in the most 2011 Dead Letter Awards at mailorderzombie.com. "House of Ghosts" beat out several big budget films to win the coveted Rondo Hatton Classic Horror Award for Best Independent Feature in 2012. Mr. Mihm's ode to the "big bug" films of the 1950s, "The Giant Spider," won the Forrest J. Ackerman Film Award at the Famous Monsters of Filmland Film Festival and the Best Action/Horror Feature award at the Highway 61 Film Festival.

Christopher R. Mihm has been featured in many publications, both online and off, including SCI-FI Magazine, Scream, Famous Monsters of Filmland and Scary Monsters Magazine. Mr. Mihm was the recipient of the first-ever Roger & Julie Corman Intrepid Filmmaker award at the ninth annual Fargo Fantastic Film Festival, won the Best Director award from mailorderzombie.com and received the key to the city of Forest Lake, MN, where July 30th was officially declared "Christopher R. Mihm Day."

"Demon with the Atomic Brain" is his 12th film and will screen at ValleyCon 43 and is safe for kids of all ages!





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# **TIFFANY JOHNSON**

Tiffany, at an early age, showed an interest in the Metaphysical realms. At 14, she began reading Tarot cards for friends and family. Continuing through junior high, high school & college she read, honing her talents and developing others. Further into adulthood, a series of events brought her back to her New Age Spirituality and deeper studies of holistic healing, herbs, oils, stones, energy work, past life work, Angels, Reiki, etc. Having personally worked and trained with well known psychics and healers, she knows what an integral part of life and soul development readings can be. Now, at age 34, Tiffany continues her studies and assists other people in theirs. Through classes, readings and healings she works to enlighten her clients to spirit's/God's/Goddess's nature and beauty.

In her Tarot readings, Tiffany gives inspiration, insight and understanding into your ever-changing life. Tarot offers symbolic guidance to assist you on your personal path. In addition to guidance and clarification, the Tarot is enjoyable and entertaining. It is an energizing way of divining your personal path.

In a channeling session with Tiffany, guidance & messages from our angels, spirit guides, those on the other side and inner light comes through.

In addition to channeling, Tiffany also utilizes her inner voice, intuition. This assists not only in interpreting the message given, but understanding where it applies in your life.

As a healer, Tiffany is a Reiki Master. Reiki is a Japanese healing art developed by Mikao Usui. Reiki can relieve pain, acute problems, and chronic illnesses depending on the specific nature of the disease. Reiki honors the ecology of the person by working on spiritual, mental and emotional levels.

Beyond the spiritual counseling and healing, Tiffany is also an ordained minister. She provides a unique style to many various rites of passage (marriage, baptism, commitment ceremonies, etc.) that adapt and respect all faiths and belief systems. In addition to her officiating at life ceremonies, Tiffany's studies and ordination give her a perspective that is not only comforting, but educating as well.

Tiffany is also a certified Hypnotherapist specializing in past life regression therapies. This modality assists in her practice as a tool to help work through many of those karmic issues we have chosen to bring into this lifetime.

Late in 2006 Tiffany was asked to be a part of the Greater Lakes Search and Rescue team. This team, comprised all of volunteer police, paramedics and emergency medical technicians works on missing persons cases in the Midwest.



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LOCAL ARTIST  
JOEL "MOJO" MOEN

JOEL "MOJO" MOEN BEGAN HIS CAREER AS AN INKING ASSISTANT FOR TOM NGUYEN ON SUCH BOOKS AS: SUPERMAN: MAN OF STEEL, BATMAN AND JLA. HE THEN MOVED ON TO CO-FOUND THE UPSTART PUBLISHING COMPANY--DEAD DOG COMICS. MOJO STAYEDON FOR 8 YEARS AS EIC WHILE ALSO INKING, SCRIPTING, WRITING AND LETTERING VARIOUS BOOKS, MOST NOTABLY NIGHT OF THE LIVING DEAD: BARBARA'S ZOMBIE CHRONICLES AND CRYPTIC MAGAZINE. HE CURRENTLEY PRODUCES ART AND PRINTS T-SHIRTS THROUGH HIS COMPANIES BODY BAGGZ AND MONSTER IMAGING. HE IS ALSO PUTTING THE FINISHING TOUCHES ON HIS ANTHOLOGY BOOK CALLED MADD FRANK'S MADDHOUSE--DUE OUT SOON!



VALLEY COMIC CON  
PROUDLY PRESENTS

LOCAL ARTIST  
NOEL "SCOTCH" ANDERSON

NOEL "SCOTCH" ANDERSON IS THE CREATOR OF THE COMIC BOOK SERIES SINKHOLE AND IS THE ARTIST RESPONSIBLE FOR URBAN DINOSAURS, A LINE OF T-SHIRTS AND COMIC BOOKS. SCOTCH'S OTHER NATIONALLY-DISTRIBUTED COMICS INCLUDE BRAVENGERS, PLAYMATE OF THE APES, SPIDERBABE, AND THE FORTHCOMING GHOU SCHOOL. HE IS ALSO A FARGO RADIO PERSONALITY AND CO-EDITOR OF THE LOCAL UNDERGROUND ART MAGAZINE ART RIOT, AND WAS A FEATURED CARTOONIST FOR THE FORUM.



VALLEY COMIC CON  
PROUDLY PRESENTS

LOCAL ARTIST  
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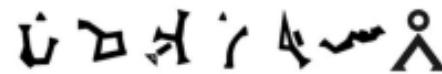
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## PROGRAMMING

FRIDAY



TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
5:00 pm	<b>ValleyNewsLive MEET-N-GREET!</b> Meet the ValleyNewsLive crew!	Conference Center Hall
	<b>STAR WARS "Special" VIDEOS!</b> Special videos of our 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary subject!	Woodlawn North
6:30 pm	<b>OPENING CEREMONY!</b> Join us in the official opening of ValleyCon 43!	Woodlawn North
7:00 pm	<b>EMILY ROSE &amp; LUCAS BRYANT-EVERYTHING NOT HAVEN!</b> Join our guests from Haven to hear about everything NOT Haven! Like UNCHARTED... and much more! *Don't worry.. some Haven goodies! More tomorrow!	Woodlawn North
8:00 pm	<b>CHRISTOPHER MIHM'S "DEMON WITH THE ATOMIC BRAIN!"</b> A failed attempt to weaponize a machine capable of opening portals to other worlds creates an exponentially expanding bubble of fractured space-time which threatens to engulf the entire universe! An elite team of specialists must enter a "crack" in the disturbance and make their way down a rabbit hole of increasingly more dangerous alternate realities to find and shut down the machine which created it! Will their last ditch attempt to save humanity be successful? Will this be how the universe ends? Find out in writer/director Christopher R. Mihm's exciting homage to the sci-fi adventure films of the late 1950s: "Demon with the Atomic Brain!"	Woodlawn North
9:00 pm	<b>PARTIES BEGIN!</b> The poolside parties begin and run all night! Enjoy!!	POOLSIDE

## BJ ARMANI'S CABARET -18+

Woodlawn North



It's BJ Armani's Cabaret featuring the Vendetta Vixens from St. Cloud and Carmen Love AND Trixi Del Mar both amazing costume Queens. Drag Show and burlesque combine for a rare treat of entertainment. Only \$5 for general public and \$2 for badge holders. BRING YOUR SINGLES!!



## 11:00 pm STAR WARS HOLIDAY SPECIAL!

Woodlawn North

THE INFAMOUSLY worst fan film of all time – George Lucas's own STAR WARS HOLIDAY SPECIAL! We will still have the bar open.. **ON PURPOSE.**



## PROGRAMMING

SATURDAY



9:30 am

### AGASSIZ DOJO

Join us for demonstrations from our own local dojo – AGASSIZ DOJO!

Woodlawn North

10:00 am

### STAR WARS FILMS-THE ONES WE DON'T TALK ABOUT

Stop by and have a blast from the past! NOT THE TRILOGIES!

Chestnut

### STARFLEET REGION 6 CONFERENCE

Elm Room

Since 1974, Starfleet International has given Star Trek fans a unique and fun way to meet each other, make friends, and celebrate together the worldwide phenomenon that Gene Roddenberry started 51 years ago. Join the USS Imperium as it hosts the annual gathering of members and fans from the six state areas known as Starfleet Region 6 to discuss where Starfleet has been and where it's going in the future.

11:00 am

### LUDOSPORT LIGHTSABER COMBAT DEMONSTRATION

Woodlawn North

Have you ever wanted to learn how to really fight with a lightsaber? Well now you can with LudoSport International Lightsaber Combat Academy. Teachers from the Academy coming to Grand Forks will spar, do forms, and explain the sport that is spreading across Europe and the United States.

11:00 am

### PARADOX COMICS PRESENTS:

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#### The PARADOX COMIC BLOCK – A ValleyCon Special Event!

Paradox Comics Presents:

##### \* Panels \* Comics professionals \* Games and prizes

Celebrate ValleyCon in style at the Paradox Comic Block! We're taking over programming for 2 hours of the best panels you'll see all weekend! Want to know what to read right now, how to start collecting, or how to get in to the business of comics? We've got everything you need to know plus prizes, trivia, and more!

##### 11am: Comics on screen

Where do TV and movies take their inspiration? What's a shared universe? What's next for your favorite characters? Discuss it all with us.

##### 11:30am: How to start reading comics

Richard Early, owner of Paradox Comics, has a passionate presentation. He's going to convert you into a regular comics reader by sharing his passion and knowledge and showing you how to begin reading today.

12:00 Noon

##### 12Noon: Today's must read comics

Darren Gregson has dozens of comics to show you featuring the best of today's comics. Whether you love Game of Thrones, Disney stories, or a apocalyptic wastelands, you will fall in love with comics right here.

##### 12:30N The Art of Comics

Our artist guests will host an in depth discussion of the process from pencil to finished work. This year's panel is focused on a workshop approach so bring your projects and get ready to dig in.

##### Games and Giveaways:

We'll have trivia to test even the biggest comic or movie experts. We'll have coloring for the young and young at heart. And we'll have door prizes, gifts for questions from the audiences, and awards for trivia and coloring. It's the ultimate comic book block and it's all at ValleyCon! Get your badges and plan to spend the morning with Paradox comics and your fellow comic fanatics!



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12:00 Noon

### TROY DENNING

Elm Room

One of our favorite Author Guests of Honor is back! Find out what he's been doing, what he's working on and who he cheers for on Sundays!

12:00 Noon

## PRINCESS (and Prince) MAKEOVER WORKSHOP!

Jennifer Boxer is a professional makeup artist and hair designer who is a great friend to ValleyCon! She also works for DISNEY doing the Princess Makeovers at DisneyWorld! Jennifer will show you how to create a Princess (and Prince) Transformation on your special someone... and a lucky one or two will be the model for the workshop! There will be a special drawing for a makeover via a raffle with the proceeds going directly to our charity, Sanford Children's Hospital! Raffle tickets only \$3 a piece! This is for a younger princess hairstyle with an age cap of 15. There will be another Royal Transformation raffle at the Charity Auction Saturday night—not limited to age (and yes, ANYONE can get it) and complete with an even more opulent tiara! Everyone in the workshop will learn how to transform and there is no obligation to get in on the raffle for the makeover! Tickets at Registration!

Woodlawn North



1:00 pm

## COSPLAY JR. COSTUME CONTEST

A special costume event for the younger members of ValleyCon! Having fun is key and prizes for all participating! Extra credit and main prizes for craftsmanship and originality or re-creation!

Woodlawn North

## PHOTO OPS WITH CHRISTOPHER JUDGE, EMILY ROSE & LUCAS BRYANT

Chestnut

Don't worry! We'll call you up for photo ops if you have a little one in the Costume Contest! Here's your chance to have a professionally shot photo with our guests! Sign up at their tables! This might be the only time to do it professionally—the photos will come back by later afternoon for autographing! (Yes, photo prices are separate from autographs, inquire at tables)

## JEDI ACADEMY Q & A

Elm Room

LudoSport International Lightsaber Combat Academy is back for a Q & A. Learn more about this new Academy coming to Grand Forks and how to get involved!

2:00 pm

## STAR WARS FILMS –THE ONES WE DON'T TALK ABOUT!

Elm Room

More blasts from the past! NOT THE TRILOGIES!

2:30 pm

## CHRISTOPHER JUDGE!

\*Right after Kids Costumes!

Woodlawn North

Meet our Guest of Honor CHRISTOPHER JUDGE! A gifted actor known for Teal'c but SO much more! Meet with Chris and hear some of his travels, films and shows, characters and works that he's pursuing and that he experienced.

3:00 pm

## TIFFANY JOHNSON

Chestnut

Welcome back our honored guest TIFFANY JOHNSON!

Meet this joyous ball of energy and light and join her in her gallery!

4:00 pm

## EMILY ROSE & LUCAS BRYANT

Woodlawn North

Welcome our dynamic duo of HAVEN fame! All things Haven and much more!

## WRITING FOR SCIENCE FICTION, FANTASY AND ALL GENRES!

Chestnut

Join Author Guest of Honor TROY DENNING and regional author WILLIAM HEINZEN and possibly others (Ozgur?) for a panel exploring the ins and outs of genre writing!

## ERIK BURNHAM

Elm Room

We had the great pleasure of hosting Erik at FM Comic-Con and we're very happy he could join us again for ValleyCon! Find out what's going on in the world of comics and illustration with Erik!



5:00 pm

## PROGRAMMING



### HOW TO MAKE A FEATURE FILM FOR LESS \$ THAN A NEW CAR

Chestnut

Join our FILM GUEST OF HONOR CHRISTOPHER MIHM as he details how he's made a LOT of films!

### LGBT and HEALTH and MEDICINE as PORTRAYED BY ANIME (80 min.)

Elm Room

Join ERIN MESSICK, Roswell Park Cancer Therapist, in a presentation on two important subjects and how Anime as a genre portrays them.

### Woollawn North Closed for Banquet Setup

Woollawn North

Go buy stuff! Check out other panels! Get those Autographs!!!

6:30 pm

### BANQUET! Seating at approx. 6:20; Dinner soon after!

Woollawn North

Excellent food, cash bar and some diverting entertainment during dinner and soon after! **Limited tickets available so purchase at Registration before they're gone!**

7:15 pm

### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – AWARDS AND MORE!

All can join in after Banquet! Be present for some special awards to very deserving individuals!

7:30pm

## EMILY ROSE and LUCAS BRYANT IN CONCERT!

Right after the Banquet, everyone is invited to enjoy our guests in concert! Woodlawn North  
Doors will open for seating as the Banquet ends but of course; the best seats will be those AT THE BANQUET and there are limited Banquet tickets available...!

8:45 pm?

## THE COSPLAY COSTUME CONTEST

Woodlawn North

### SPONSORED BY PARADOX COMICS!

ValleyCon has almost 40 years of costume contests and we welcome all levels of craft... awards for originality and re-creation as well as skills and more! Sign up at registration **before 5pm!**



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### ART AUCTION followed by CHARITY AUCTION

Woodland North

For judges!

Bid! Bid! Bid! It's all great stuff--much donated BY OUR VENDORS and the Charity Auction benefits SANFORD CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL with 100% of donations staying LOCAL!

Also!! THE ROYAL TRANSFORMATION by Jennifer Boxer will be auctioned off! ANYONE CAN GET THE ROYAL TREATMENT with a Fantabulous Tiara as well!!!

11:00pm(App.)

### SCA COMBAT DEMO!

Woodlawn North

Our friends return with real combat – LIVE!!

### STAR WARS HOLIDAY SPECIAL REPLAY!!

Chestnut

Because it didn't hurt enough the first time.. the bar is still open!!

12:00 Mid.

### WARRIORS AND WENCHES!

Woodlawn North

A \$2 "DONATION" WILL BE COLLECTED (with all proceeds going to the Breast and Prostate Cancer fund).

Yes, this classic event returns for all! You must be 18 or over, doors will be closed during the duration, no photography or video until after (with participant's permission) and a select panel of all kinds does judging, with points for presentation and that elusive "x" factor! Sign up at registration or show up a little before midnight!  
**STRUT YOUR STUFF TO KILL CANCER!**



## PROGRAMMING

### SUNDAY

10:00am

#### SUNDAY MORNING VIDS

Woodlawn North

Enjoy some classic STAR WARS offshoots! Fan films, "official" films (is Ewok Adventures canon?)...

11:00am

#### TRAILER PARK!

Chestnut

Trailers of upcoming blockbusters!

12:00 Noon

#### STAR TREK NEWS AND VIEWS

Woodlawn North

2017 marks the 51st anniversary of Star Trek. A new show is on the air (kinda). Discuss where it's going with Mike Urvand, Star Trek:Hidden Frontier Story Editor and commanding officer of Fargo/Moorhead's own USS Imperium, Steve Eldred.

#### STAR WARS FILMS-THE ONES WE DON'T TALK ABOUT

Chestnut

More classics!

1:00 pm

#### HOW TO GET IT PUBLISHED!

Woodlawn North

Join Author Guest of Honor TROY DENNING and regional author WILLIAM HEINZEN and possibly others.. (Ozgur??) in a look at getting your work published! Breaking into the professional world or going the independent route... what might work for you?

2:00 pm

#### DR. WHO

Woodlawn North

The Doctor is more popular than ever and we celebrate the newest regeneration... wait a minute... he's a she?! Of course, was "he" ever a "he" anyways? Are Gallifreyans equipped the same as Earthers? Join in!

#### ROYAL TRANSFORMATION!

Chestnut

4:00 pm

#### TALKBACK

Woodlawn North

Bring your pithy comments, concerns and even praise, to the talkback!!

4:30 pm

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# ANIME JUNCTION ROOM 170 PROGRAMMING!

## FRIDAY

### 4:00 PM: Amagi Brilliant Park

The "slapstick drama" begins with Seiya Kanie, a high school boy who is invited on a date in an amusement park by a mysterious beautiful transfer student named Isuzu Sento. He is introduced to Ratifa, a "real" princess and the park's manager, and is asked to be the acting manager of this "disappointing amusement park in the Tokyo suburbs.

### 6:00 PM: Girls Und Panzer Der Film

When the Ministry of Education goes back on its promise to keep Ooarai Girls Academy open, the task of saving the Academy Ship falls to Miho Nishizumi and her barely-seasoned tankery team. However, things go off track almost immediately when the Ooarai tankery team is pitted against the leading university team in an all-or-nothing match! Fortunately, the girls of Ooarai may have more allies than they realize, and the final showdown to save their school begins.

### 8:00 PM: Gate

A gate to another world appears in the middle of Tokyo's Ginza District, and the citizens of Tokyo are attacked by cavalry, dragons, and demons. Itami, an otaku who was in the area to purchase his long-awaited doujinshi, becomes the accidental hero of the day and gets promoted to second lieutenant of the Self-Defense Force. Not long after, he's sent on a mission through the gate into the other world with typical otaku-like expectations of what he'll find there.

### 10:00 PM: Problem Children are Coming from Another World, Aren't They

In the world known as Little Garden, factions and communities compete for power via Gift Games, in which individuals with unusual abilities are set against each other. But where there are winners, there are also losers. A group of losers bring in outside recruits and gamble that their new abilities will somehow reverse the tide! Fortunately, all three of the new members are far more formidable than anyone can imagine. Before they can win the games, they'll have to learn how to work together.

### 12:00 AM: Monster Masume: Everyday Life With Monster Girls

Kurusu Kimihito is an ordinary guy with a monster-sized problem: Miiia, the monster girl! Part snake and all woman, Miiia is affectionate and not afraid to show it, and she's Kimihito's full-time responsibility thanks to a certain government exchange program. But just when it seems like Kimihito's hands can't get any fuller, monster women of all species begin to invade his home!

## SATURDAY

### 2:00 PM: Blood-C

Saya's cheerful, clumsy exterior makes her well-liked at school, and she works hard to help out at her father's shrine. However, her sunny disposition hides a secret: she spends her nights wielding a sacred blade against demonic monsters. She slashes through the shadows to protect her friends and family, but unbeknownst to Saya, she's not the only one with secrets.

### 4:00 PM: Is it Wrong to Pick Up Girls in a Dungeon?

In Orario, fearless adventurers band together in search of fame and fortune within the underground labyrinth known as the Dungeon. However, Bell Cranel, novice adventurer, has bigger plans than riches and glory; he fights monsters in the hope of having a fateful encounter with a girl. When this happens, it doesn't go exactly as he planned. Thus begins the story of an unlikely pair, a boy and a goddess, both trying to prove themselves, both eager to reach their goals.

### 6:00 PM: Ultimate Otaku Teacher

Junichiro Kagami: scientific prodigy, groundbreaking physicist, published author...hopeless otaku. Now, a 24-year-old NEET with his science career behind him, Kagami finally has time to devote to the things that REALLY matter: updating his anime blog. But after his sister forces him to get a job as a teacher.

### **8:00 PM: Food Wars!**

*Soma Yukihira is a teenage chef who is always looking for the perfect flavors and combinations in his cooking. So when his father suddenly closes down the family diner, Soma realizes his dad has bigger plans for him. With the intent to spark his creativity, Soma is enrolled in a cutthroat culinary school. Will he make the cut, or will his pot boil over in the first season of Food Wars!*

### **10:00 PM: Shimoneta: A Boring World Where the Concept of Dirty Jokes Doesn't Exist**

*Ayame is leading a double life, she's both the VP of one of the most moral student councils in the land but also secretly the panty-masked bandit dedicated to mass acts of public obscenity in the name of SOX—a brigade of sorts—dedicated to spreading the good news of being lewd.*

### **12:00 MIDNIGHT: Prison School**

*There are five new male students at Hachimitsu Private Academy, the prestigious formerly all-girl's prep school, and when the boys are caught peeping, things take a turn for the perverted! Now, the boys are stuck in the school's on campus prison run by the beautiful and ruthless Underground Student Council, and they'll have to scheme, flirt, and cheat their way out!*

## **E-GAMING**

Come check out the e-gaming room, brought to you by Shinespark Gaming! You will find a huge selection of video games, both new and old. The room offers open gaming throughout the weekend. If you're the more competitive type, check out the scheduled tournaments for an opportunity to win some nice prizes!

#### **Hours:**

Friday - 3:00p-12:00a

Saturday - 10:00a-12:00a

Sunday - 10:00a-3:00p

#### **Tournaments**

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Saturday, 4:00p

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#### **ValleyCONsole Tournament:**

Sunday, 12:00p

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**126 The Fight Club:** The party room starts at 8:00 to whenever Friday and Saturday ...night. We have an Open Bar and will be sponsored by the Fargo Brewing Company; this year will be our second year Fargo Brewing company has sponsored our party room. All donations and tips go directly back into the Fight Club party room.

**128 Dr. Who:** Join us for Doctor Who videos and bad pun refreshments! No alcohol served but feel free to bring some in and share with your host! Our suite is dedicated to being a quiet place to argue about which Doctor is your Doctor and to hide from the people that disagreed with you in "that other con suite."

**130 CroutONS of fun:** In a world of bread, soup and villainous salad only a stiff drink will help knead the dough of fate.

**134 Cove of Justice:** Come sit on the infamous Iron Throne and enjoy games, drinks, movies and fun!

**158 Kilton's Monster Shop:** 21+! Enter Breath of the Wild's Hyrule. Come into our shop to enjoy potions and everything we have to offer!

**162 Karaoke Krypt:** The return!! Come belt out your favorite tunes in the long-time Karaoke room.

**164 Pirate Bangers:** Authors Ivery Kirk, Luna Teague, and Ozgur K. Sahin return! Separate works include the Timebangers series and the Brethren of the Spanish Main series. Come for the themed decor, drinks, snacks and the cranked-up A/C. Stay for the humor, the pirates, and Ye Wheel of Dares. Warning: some adult content.

**166 Marscon 2016:** Visit our cousins from the Deep South (Minneapolis) and check out MarsCon 2018!

**170 Anime Junction:** Watch new and classic anime, meet and mix with anime and manga fans, both experienced and the newbies! **COMIC JUNCTION SPONSORS!**

### **226 Star Wars Cantina & Mandalorian Mercenary Lounge**

Extremely rough in nature where villainy, violence, and entertainment are to be expected. Come on in and join the party whether you are Rebel or Empire scum. Younglings and Sithlings must remain with the droids at the door. Back by popular demand, the Mandalorian Mercenary Lounge will return along with EVERYTHING you loved about it at prior ValleyCons! Join in the late night gambling, intergalactic rum running and let go of your inhibitions while enjoying the entertainment at the Mercenary Lounge. In the lounge it is no holds barred, anything goes so be sure to have a good time.

**232/234 STARGATE – a Brand New Chapter:** After many years of being buried, the Stargate is open once again. Once it flares to life, enter the wormhole and begin your exciting journey. Be reunited with old friends and make new ones in this safe and friendly environment. Our intelligence reports refreshments and fun SG1 activities. Don't be left behind. Visit the Stargate room for an adventure you will never forget.

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