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WELCOME TO 2024!

This year is the 45th anniversary of ALIEN and our T-shirt design celebrates it! ValleyCon is all in good fun... but there are rules... which you should pay close attention to. BADGES **MUST** be worn at all times. We will eject anyone who cannot show they belong here. We've returned to the welcoming arms of the Ramada and with that.. party rooms!! They WILL card btw.. so ALWAYS carry ID! Here are the standard rules...

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 CONSENT!** If you wish to take a photo, be in the pic, etc.. BE RESPECTFUL and **ask first** please. ANY boorish behavior and **you will be ejected** (at the very least).

Our edict is that **ValleyCon is an ESCAPE** from the crap of every day so POLITICS, RELIGION, ETC. are to be avoided and any altercations arising will be dealt with immediately with actual, LEGAL consequences. JUST COOL IT and have fun... everyone is here for fun.. that said, *let's have fun!*

Get some rest, eat something, shower, use deodorant (how unsavory to even have to mention it..) and BE POLITE!

No smoking ANYWHERE and **at LEAST 50** feet from the doors outside.

No photography without permission & **ask permission for video/audio, etc. with any guest.** If they did not give you consent, you **DON'T HAVE IT!**

Special rules apply to weapons for costumes, etc... follow them or items will be confiscated and authorities will be called.

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 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!

DRINKING: 21 is the legal drinking age. The bar is the hotel's and they will do so VIGOROUSLY. Even if you look like you're 95, a PHOTO I.D. IS REQUIRED. ValleyCon will not tolerate underage drinking and anyone caught doing so will have his or her memberships revoked and criminal prosecution may occur.

SMOKING: According to State Law, virtually ALL areas are public areas and are NON-SMOKING and are marked as such. There is ABSOLUTELY NO SMOKING IN ANY FESTIVAL PANELS, ART SHOW, MERCHANTS ROOM, GAMING, OR OTHER DESIGNATED AREA. Smoking is allowed ONLY in designated private rooms or at least 20 feet away from the outside entrance.

LOST OR STOLEN ITEMS: ValleyCon is NOT responsible for stolen, lost or misplaced items. Please take care of your belongings. In the event of something going missing, check with the hotel front desk or at the ValleyCon registration table. *Note-we do cooperate fully with the Fargo-Moorhead Police Dept.

WEAPONS POLICY – BASICALLY, DON'T BE STUPID! NO BRANDISHING, WAVING, ETC. ANYWHERE!!!

Antique Firearms – ANY REAL GUNS – Are not allowed (only exception: Law enforcement/military with proper ID/notification to chairman).

Firearm replicas (toy guns) – Are not allowed (except completely peace-bonded and approved per person)

Pikes and Halberds- Are not allowed

Swords, Knives, Dirks & Daggers – Must be completely sheathed and *peace-tied*.

Axes, Claymores & Maces(includes all clubs/bats/etc.) – Are strongly discouraged but if you insist Axes must be sheathed and *peace-tied*. Claymores and Maces must be *peace-tied* to your person (strapped to your back, tied to your belt, etc.). All else peace tied.

Bow & Arrows – Arrows are not to be drawn at any time. Bows must be un-strung and arrows tied in to the quiver.

Walking sticks/Quarterstaves – Are allowed with extreme care. **Any other variation of weapons with distinction to be made by ValleyCon ONLY!**

Sheath: a protective covering, usually of thick leather that protects the edge of the blade, the wearer and anyone near them from damage. The sheath must cover the entire blade, not just the tip.

Peace-tied: the method of securing a weapon to the sheath, belt or body of the wearer. If the weapon is not peace-tied upon arrival at the festival front gate a worker must peace tie it for you.

No drawing of any weapon at any time (only exception-prior permission during Masquerade presentation or display).

If a weapon is drawn, the patron is subject to loss of weapon, removal from ValleyCon and/or prosecution by authorities.

All patrons must be at least 18 years old to carry a weapon on site.

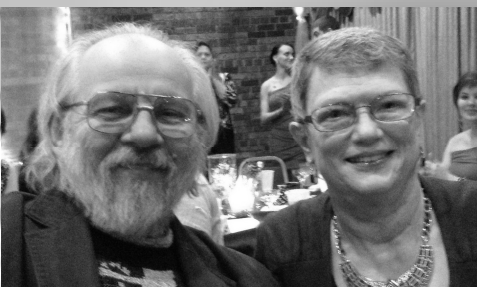
This policy applies to anyone carrying a weapon in with him or her or purchasing a weapon while at ValleyCon.

If you purchase a weapon/replica please STORE IT AWAY!



Remembering Andrew “Andy” Held.

Andrew passed on October 8, 2018 from complications of kidney disease. Andrew collected superhero toys and enjoyed dressing up as different superheroes. His favorite was Wonder Woman. He also enjoyed dressing in drag and started a drag company called Hot Mess Harlots with his good friend, Kyle. Andrew really enjoyed volunteering at and attending ValleyCon and he would tell his friends and family about it and get them to join him at the event. A few years ago he was awarded posthumously the Lew D. Dailey Golden Segway award for Volunteerism excellence. I am sure he was smiling down on us from heaven as we accepted this award in his memory. Andrew was so loved and is missed by many. We hope that memories of Andrew can make you smile again this year.



At the time of this writing our dear friend and ValleyCon member, Connie Norheim, is in hospice care. Connie was Lew Dailey's partner in life and ValleyCon named our Volunteer Award after him after his untimely

passing a few years back We are now adding Connie to that award so that starting now and going forward it will be called the Lew Dailey and Connie Norheim Golden Segway Award for Volunteerism Excellence.

Connie knows about this and is very pleased. We love them both and we ask that you keep her in your thoughts and prayers. We will

honor Connie further when that sad day occurs but for now, we wish her peace and comfort.

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WELCOMES

TELEVISION MEDIA GUEST

RACHEL SKARSTEN

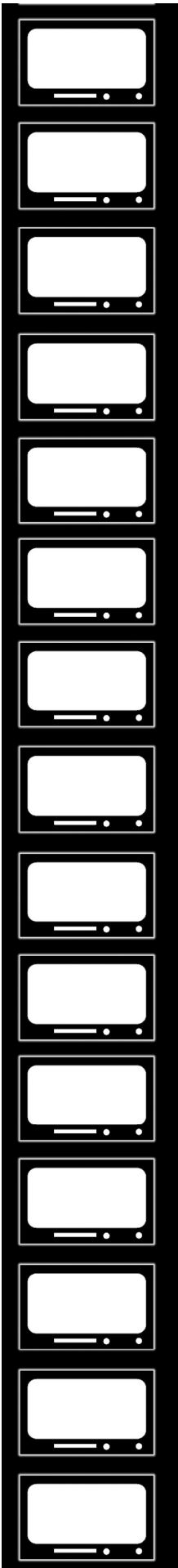


Rachel Alice Marie Skarsten was born April 23, 1985 daughter to Mary Aileen Self Skarsten and Dr. Stan Skarsten. She has a younger brother Jonathan Skarsten. Rachel danced for the Royal Academy of Dance for 12 years, earning her Elementary Level with distinction in 1999. After an injury to her ankle, Rachel was forced to give up dance and turned to sports. She played at the highest level of competitive female hockey as a goalie for the Leaside Wildcats in Toronto, where in 2002 she won the Toronto City Championships in a shootout.

One of her first movie roles was Caroline Lofton on Virginia's Run (2002) At 16 she won a major role — that of superhero Black Canary/Dinah Lance — in the WB series Birds of Prey(2002), after being discovered by Producer Brian Robins. After the show was canceled, she moved home from Los Angeles eager to take a hiatus from acting, to graduate high school and pursue an undergraduate degree. After graduating from Earl Haig Secondary School in the top 10% of her class, and being named an Ontario Scholar, she was accepted into the prestigious Canadian Queen's University. There she completed a double major in English Literature and Classical History. She moved back to Los Angeles in the spring of 2008.



Following this, she returned to acting with arcs on Flashpoint, The Listener and The LA Complex. Rachel represented the role of Tamsin in the supernatural crime drama television series Lost Girl (2010-2016), Andrea in the successful movie Fifty Shades of Grey (2015), Queen Elizabeth I in the CW series Reign and worked in several tv movies as Marry Me at Christmas, Timeless Love and For Love and important big screen projects as Aaron Sorkin's Molly's Game (2017) and Acquainted (2018). Rachel recently played a villainous lead opposite Ruby Rose in he CW's Batwoman. We welcome Rachel to ValleyCon!



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COSPLAY GUEST

CARA NICOLE

AZ POWERGIRL!



Cara Nicole aka AzPowergirl is a stellar cosplay sensation online and on the convention circuit. She brings her unique brand of sassy stylings to the world with her successful book crowdfunding campaigns, calendars, comic books, and convention appearances.

Her success as a comic book creator and comic book cover model only add to her skill set. She also enjoys celebrity as the model for Magic: The Gathering, has earned great notoriety for her support of upcoming cosplayers in

her informative panels on cosplay as a career. Music and stand-up comedy add to her showcase. Cara has graced the pages of Heavy Metal Magazine, Kotaku, Forbes, Bleeding Cool, and many more.



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COMIC ARTIST GUEST

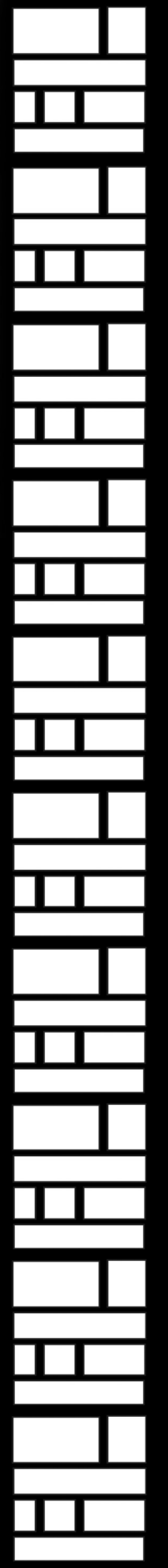
ALFRED TRUJILLO



Alfred Trujillo

is a comic book artist and photographer. Alfred has had the privilege to be published by Coffin Comics, Zenescope, Big Dog Ink, Aspen Comics, and many more. He has worked on a variety of covers for independent books and has successful original comic book projects through his studio.

Alfred travels nationally and internationally to promote comic book art with panels and workshops, and has gained notoriety with the fans. You can see Alfred's photography work on comic book covers and in cosplay prints. We welcome Alfred to ValleyCon!!



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LITERARY GUEST

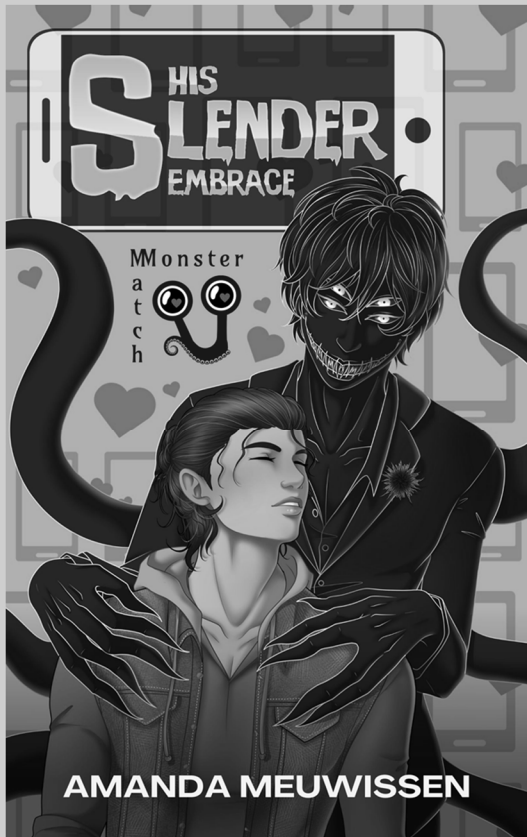
AMANDA MEUWISSEN

Amanda Meuwissen is a queer author with a primary focus in M/M or gay fiction and romance, dabbling in every subgenre. She is a board member for Big World Network, a non-profit publisher working toward education and growth opportunities for aspiring authors in underrepresented, economically disadvantaged, and rural communities.

As the author of LGBTQ+ Fantasy #1 Best Seller, Coming Up for Air, LGBTQ+ Horror #1 Best Seller and #1 New Release, A Delicious Descent, and #1 New Release in Fantasy Erotica and Gay Erotica, Last Courtesan of Olympus, Amanda's extensive library of titles continues to grow.

In 2024, her organization of the massive 22-author series collaboration Tales from the Tarot raised \$2000 for SAGE, a charity dedicated to advocacy and services for LGBTQ+ Elders, and her contributing title to the series, Cleric of Desire, continues to be an inspiration to readers as it delves into demi-gender identity.

She lives in Minnesota with her husband, John, and their two cats.



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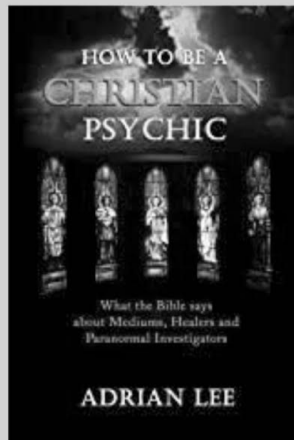
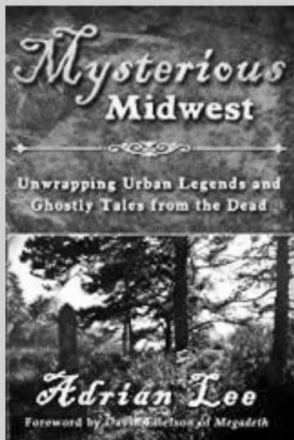
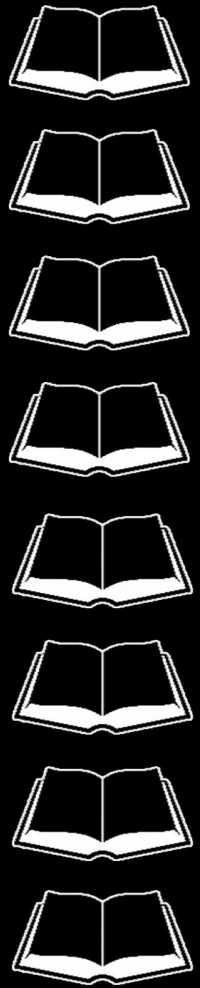
PARANORMAL GUEST

ADRIAN LEE



Adrian Lee is the founder of The International Paranormal Society and a member of the Luton Paranormal Society in England. He has investigated ghosts and paranormal activity all over the world for twenty-five years. Lee first came to Minnesota early in 2008 to work on several paranormal video productions and spent two years working in Minneapolis as the national and international news correspondent for a live paranormal talk radio show on 100.3 KTLK. He currently hosts the only weekly paranormal news quiz show, More Questions than Answers, every Friday on the

Dark Matter Digital Radio Network. A show that was nominated for the 2018 Comedy Awards. Lee has also appeared on My Real Ghost Story, Fox 9, WCCO, Eyewitness News, KSTP, KGRA, KSAX and KARE 11. Lee has written the following books: Ghosts & UFOs, Connecting Paranormal Phenomena through Quantum Physics; How to be a Christian Psychic: What the Bible says about Mediums, Healers and Paranormal the Dead and Mysterious Minnesota, Digging up the Ghostly Past at Thirteen Haunted Sites. He currently lectures on all aspects of the paranormal, including ghosts, UFOs, psychic development and angels.



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CRYPTID INVESTIGATORS

SHE-SQUATCHERS

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She-Squatchers came together in 2015 to begin their "all female bigfoot experiment" as the midwest's first all female bigfoot re-search team. Jen Kruse founded the team after receiving a suggestion from cryptozoologist, Loren Coleman who had shared his idea that the recipe to success for interacting with bigfoot would be to send women into the woods without men, dogs or guns. She-Squatchers isn't just women in the woods, they are psychic women, utilizing their extra senses while looking for bigfoot. Team leader, Jen Kruse is a missing persons psychic medium and remote viewer. Her teammates, Jena Grover & Tammy Treichel, are also gifted intuitives as well as adventurous woodswomen! Together they have had some amazing, sometimes scary experiences, collecting evidence along the way. The team is based primarily out of Minnesota, but have literally been traveling from coast to coast searching for bigfoot while sharing what they have found.

As seen in:

Tubi Original, "Scariest Monsters in America."

Documentaries:

Searching For Sasquatch, Chapter 3.

Searching for Sasquatch,
Chapter 4.

Cultured Bigfoot.

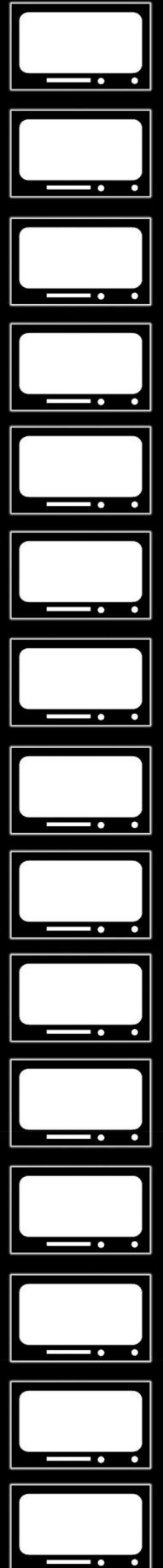
To be released soon:

Searching For Sasquatch 8, Enter Ohio Grassman

Website: SheSquatchers.com

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COMIC ARTIST GUEST

JON BIVENS



JOHN BIVENS' WORK HAS APPEARED IN THE EISNER AND HARVEY AWARD WINNING COMIC BOOK TATTOO, THE HARVEY AWARD WINNING POPGUN VOLUME 4, AND THE HARVEY NOMINATED READING WITH PICTURES. HE HAS ALSO RECEIVED NOMINATIONS FOR AN EAGLE AWARD AND A GHASTLY AWARD. HE HAS WORKED FOR IMAGE COMICS, HEAVY METAL MAGAZINE, VAULT COMICS, VALIANT COMICS, IDW PUBLISHING, AND OTHERS.

JOHN'S WORK SPANS THE GENRES OF CRIME, HORROR, SCIENCE FICTION, FANTASY, ROMANCE, AND EDUCATION. HIS EDUCATION INCLUDES THE UNDERGRADUATE ILLUSTRATION PROGRAM AT NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AND THE GRADUATE PROGRAM AT MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN. HE HAS TAUGHT AS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR AT NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, DAKOTA COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE, AND PARTICIPATED IN MULTIPLE VISITING WORKSHOPS AND PANELS.

JOHN CURRENTLY RESIDES IN MINNEAPOLIS, MN WHERE HE IS A PROUD MEMBER OF WORLD MONSTER HQ STUDIOS.



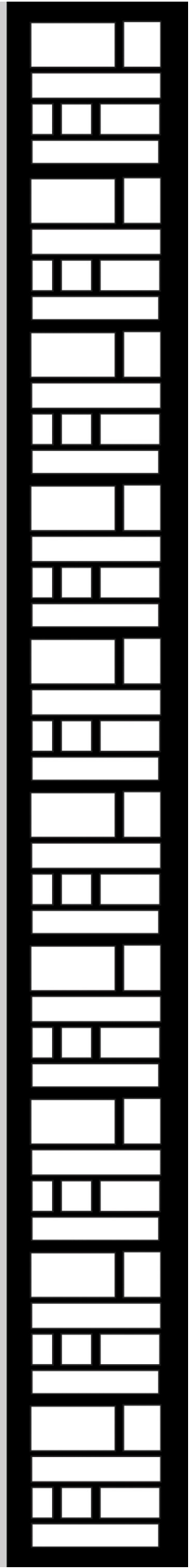
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COMIC ARTIST GUEST

DAVE WHEELER



DAVE WHEELER IS A JACK OF ALL TRADES WHEN IT COMES TO COMICS, WORKING AS AN: INKER, COLORIST, LETTERER, WRITER AND BOOK DESIGNER. IN ADDITION TO THE COMICS INDUSTRY HE HAS WORKED IN THE ADVERTISING AND GRAPHICS INDUSTRY FOR 10 YEARS. DAVE CURRENTLY RESIDES IN MINNEAPOLIS, MN, WITH HIS FAMILY. HE IS PROUD TO BE ONE OF THE CO-FOUNDERS OF THE KID-FRIENDLY COMIC COMPANY MIND WAVE COMICS DOING HIS PART TO BRING BACK FUN TO COMICS! WHEN HE'S NOT IN THE STUDIO HE ENJOYS LONG WALKS ON THE BEACH, MAKING TOYS AND PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING!



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COMIC ARTIST GUEST TRAVIS BENTLEY

Travis Bentley is a giant robot enthusiast primarily, however, he's a graphic designer with a skill set that includes visual development, illustration and tackling new challenges with passion. He intentionally creates designs that communicate an idea, thought, or emotional resonance.



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COMIC ARTIST GUEST

BRAD THINGVOLD



THROUGHOUT MY LIFE, I'VE ALWAYS BEEN INTERESTED IN COMIC BOOKS. THE STORIES THAT THEY TELL THROUGH THE ARTWORK IS WHAT HAS INSPIRED ME TO BECOME AN ARTIST MYSELF. WHETHER IT IS CREATING PORTRAITS OR COMIC STYLE ART, I ALWAYS WANT TO BRING MY SUBJECTS AND THEIR STORIES TO LIFE THROUGH DIFFERENT MEDIUMS. SO WHETHER YOU WANT TO SURPRISE A LOVED ONE WITH A PORTRAIT OF THEMSELVE, A BELOVED PET, OR THEIR FAVORITE CHARACTER, I'M READY TO CREATE SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR THEM.

BRADTHINGVOLD.ART



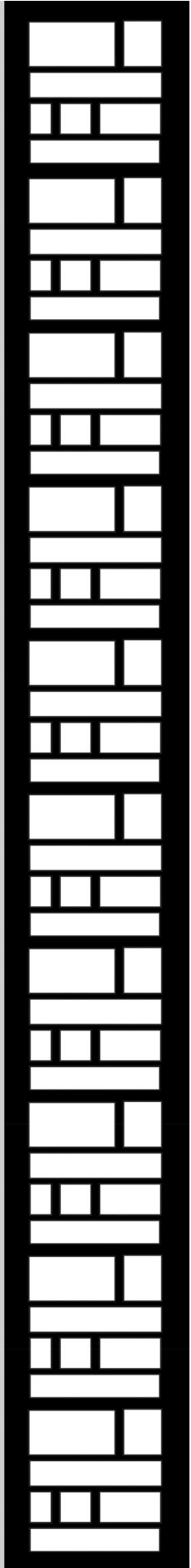
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COMIC ARTIST GUEST

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 STAYED ON 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 CURRENTLY 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 MADHOUSE--NUMBER ONE OUT NOW!!!





FARGO PARANORMAL

Based out of Fargo, ND, this team of dedicated Paranormal Investigators has been visiting known and unknown spooky places for nearly 20 years. Most of the group has had their own personal unexplainable experiences which brought them together to form the team. Using a variety of tools, they work with clients to help look for logical and scientific proof of the reported Paranormal activity. The team has done numerous investigations in the tri-state area as well as across the United States including reportedly haunted cemeteries, schools, historic military forts, hotels, brothels and abandoned towns. Their goal is to document and someday scientifically prove the existence of the paranormal. They have appeared on the nationally syndicated Paranormal Stake-Out Podcast with Larry Lawson as well as participated in panel discussions and sessions at Valleycon, the FargoPopExpo and have appeared on local television and radio broadcasts.



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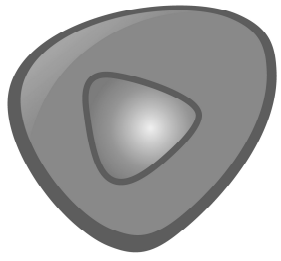


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FRIDAY



TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
3:30pm	VALLEYCON 49 OPENS! Vendors – Artist Alley – Gaming!	Entire Building!
4:00pm	TRAILERS OF UPCOMING FILMS	Woodland North
	FFFF SESSION 1 #bog/A Prayer for My Father/Fasten Your Belts/Obito/Pangoori/Relics/Third Eye (Troisième Œil)	Chestnut
5:00pm	TOYS!! Join Podcaster and ValleyCon Artist Guest DAVE WHEELER to talk all about TOYS!!	Woodland North
6:00pm	FFFF SESSION 2 Universe 25/What We Don't say/Cabinet of Dr. Garibaldi/The Ankou, the Child and the Bandits/Shell	Chestnut
6:30pm	OPENING CEREMONY Join us for the official opening of ValleyCon 49!	Woodland North
7:00pm	SELF PUBLISHING, TRADITIONAL, AND HYBRID – OH MY! Advice and a look at the options for modern publishing with our Author Guest Amanda Meuwissen!	Woodland North
8:00pm	MYSTERIOUS MCGREGOR: EXPLORING THE GHOSTS, PIRATES, AND HISTORY OF A TOWN IN IOWA Author, TV presenter, and ghost hunter, Adrian Lee, discusses his latest book and TV episodes filmed in the haunted town of McGregor. With the premier of previously unseen paranormal evidence and unreleased footage from the TV show.	Woodland North
8:00pm	FFFF SESSION 3 Illuminant Object/Death Delights/The BBQ	Chestnut
9:00pm	VENDORS AND GUESTS CLOSE! Vendor spaces and Artist Alley close as we reset for evening parties!	
9:00pm	WHAT IS STARFLEET? Starfleet International is the World's largest fan run Star Trek organization. It has been in existence since 1974 and in the Red River Valley since 1991. Join the crew of the USS Imperium as we take a deep dive into the organization both at an international and local level and see if it's for you!	Woodland North
10:00pm	PARTIES AND MORE! Hit the poolside party rooms! Gaming going on! Fargo Fantastic film fest! Limber up for 11pm...	Woodland North
	FFFF SESSION 4 An American Masquerade/Rust	Chestnut



FRIDAY CONTINUES

- 11:00pm **WARRIORS & WENCHES!** Woodland North
The perennial audience favorite has ValleyCon attendees strut their stuff (with caveats to local regulations) for cancer! Sign up with Warriors & Wenches hostess Michelle Roller! A \$2 cover at the door will be collected with ALL proceeds going to our Breast and Prostate cancer programs! 18+
- 12:00 Mid. **FFFF SESSION 5** Chestnut
Special film event!
- 2:00am Start the wrapup of parties!
- 3:00am **ALL VALLEYCON AREAS CLOSE!!**



SATURDAY

- 10:00am **FLIPPING FANFICTION & OTHER SUCCESS STORIES** Woodland North
How your hobby can become a career in fiction writing. With Amanda Meuwissen!
- KIDS FFFF SESSION 1** Poolside Meeting Room
A simple message/Away with the Circus/Bluewater Fairies/Get Along!/Galactic Cat and the Spell of time/Itsy Bitsy Problems/Lilly Visits the Hospital/Lucky Dog/PotenDogs/Wick
- STAR TREK NEWS AND VIEWS** Chestnut
Star Trek Prodigy Season 2, Star Trek Lower Decks Final Season! Star Trek Section 31, Star Trek Starfleet Academy!! There is a ton of Star Trek news and upcoming projects on the horizon. Join local Star Trek expert Mike Urvand as he breaks down what's what with Sci-Fi's venerable franchise.
- 11:00am **SHE SQUATCHERS!** Woodland North
They're baaack!! Meet the SHE-SQUATCHERS!! The nationally-known all-female Bigfoot research team returns to ValleyCon with new stuff!!!
- 12:00pm **KIDS COSPLAY COSTUME CONTEST!** Woodland North
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!
- PARANORMAL EVIDENCE REVIEW WITH SCOTT KENNER** Chestnut
Join Scott Kenner, team leader of The International Paranormal Society, and investigator with the TV show *Unscripted Paranormal*, as he presents his best audio, photographic, and video evidence from a two decade career of exploring some of the most historic and haunting buildings across the Midwest and the US. With a question and answer session.

- 1:00pm GIGI EDGLEY!** Woodland North
 The triumphant return of one of our favorites!!! Meet the fetching and engrossing Miss Edgley, aka Chiana from Farscape (and much more!!!)!!
PHOTO OPS with RACHEL SKARSTEN Chestnut
 Purchase your photo ops in advance AT HER BOOTH! They will be printed for you to have Rachel autograph at her table later!
FFFF SESSION 6 Poolside Meeting Room
 The Giant of Es Vedra and other Fairy Tales/Lost Boys Pizza/Asleep in Armageddon/Best Kept Shut
- 2:00pm RACHEL SKARSTEN!** Woodland North
 Meet the star of shows like Reign, Batwoman and many more.. and a Hallmark movie favorite!!
PHOTO OPS with GIGI EDGLEY Chestnut
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- 2:30pm PHOTO OPS with CARA NICOLE!** Chestnut
 Purchase your photo ops in advance AT HER TABLE! They will be printed for you to have Cara autograph!
- 3:00pm CARA NICOLE! Az Powergirl!!** Woodland North
 She's been on major magazine covers, in photo campaigns worldwide and is an entrepreneur and expert cosplay model! Meet Cara!!!
FFFF SESSION 7 Poolside Meeting Room
 The Rooms/The Last Garden/The Ghost and His Unfortunate But Phenomenal Tale/The Barber/Salvar/INKAR/IZZY/Key/ERROR
- 4:00pm ALFRED TRUJILLO!** Woodland North
 Alfred, or as he is now also known (along with Michael Colon) as the "luckiest bastard around" will share about his expertise in the world of comics and photography!
THE YEAR IN SPACE Chestnut
 It has been an amazing year in Space Exploration - We've had a total solar eclipse, a civilian space walk, a spacecraft that went up crewed but came back alone and that's just the tip of the iceberg. Join NASA JPL Ambassador and Analog Astronaut Mike Urvand as he talks about some of the biggest headlines to come from this year in Space.
- 5:00pm WOODLAND NORTH CLOSED FOR BANQUET SETUP**
 Time to get ready for banquet... Burlesque.. and more!!

5:00pm

THE TOP TEN GREATEST PARANORMAL EVIDENCE WITH STEVE THAEMERT

Join award winning journalist, producer, and director of *Unscripted Paranormal* Steve Thiemert, and TV presenter, author, and paranormal investigator Adrian Lee, as they discusses the filming and producing of the show *Unscripted Paranormal* with their top ten of the greatest paranormal evidence they've recorded.

FFFF SESSION 8

Poolside Meeting Room

4 Little Angels/Aftermath/BANANAHEAD/Baller State of Mind: The Philosophy of David Arquette/Day of the Cyclops/I am Not a Robot

6:00pm

VENDORS and ARTIST ALLEY CLOSE! RESET for EVENING PARTIES!

6:30 pm

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

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7:00 pm?

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – AWARDS AND MORE! Woodland North
All can join in after Banquet! Be present for some special awards to very deserving individuals!

7:30pm Cosplay check-in/Pre-judging Prairie lineup and hall
You MUST be here to be in the contest! *Let us know if you are in the banquet!

FFFF SESSION 9

Chestnut

Night Feeding/One For the Road/Recall/Replacement/Best on the World/Insurrection/Money talks/Tea's time

7:30-8:00pm

RESET WOODLAND NORTH FOR EVENING
REOPENING 8:00 approx.!

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8:00 pm

THE MASQUERADE BALL

Woodland North

Masks not required but costumes HIGHLY encouraged! Meet our "court", mingle, dance and more! The Saturday evening events all happen under the overall MASQUERADE BALL! Oh yeah.. PRIZES FOR COSTUMES!!! Even if you're also in the Costume Contest.. you could win TWICE!!



8:30pm approx.!

THE COSPLAY COSTUME CONTEST

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

**The Auction will PAUSE to announce winners of the COSTUME CONTEST and then resume!*

9:00pm Party areas open!
Check them out early and often!!

POOLSIDE!

FFFF SESSION 10

Chestnut

M23/Book of Martin/Through the Uncanny Valley/The Lonely Portrait/The Mirror/The Séance/You're An Angel/The Fence/Osmosis/Spanish Self-Employed (Autonomous)

11:00pm **BURLESQUE!**

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ValleyCon welcomes NORTH STAR NERDLESQUE! Direct from Minneapolis!! They have been the burlesque go-to show for Crypticon, Convergence and many more! Revel in their nerd-friendly and fantastic burlesque show!! There will be a \$5 cover at the door and a portion goes directly to Breast and Prostate Cancer Research!! Bring some \$\$\$ and

have a blast at the VALLEYCON BURLESQUE by NORTH STAR NERDLESQUE!!

11:00pm

FFFF SESSION 11

Chestnut

Bill came Back/Blood Orange tree/C'Mon/Dig/Hairy/Look me in the eyes/Ring Neck/Starr/The Companions/Waiting For Sea Serpents

1:00am

FFFF SESSION 12

Chestnut

Special presentation!

2:00am

Parties start to wrap!

3:00am

ALL VALLEYCON SPACES CLOSE!!!

- 1:00pm **THE SPECULATIVE RAINBOW** Woodland North
 Where queer stories fit into today's fantasy, sci-fi, paranormal and horror genres. With Author Guest Amanda Meuwissen.

FFFF SESSION 13 Chestnut
 Waiting For Sea Serpents / The Last Garden / The Lonely Portrait / Salvar / Replacement / Pangoori / Best in the World
- 2:00pm **TAROT 101 Workshop with ADRIAN LEE** Woodland North
 Adrian Lee, British author, psychic, and host of the TV show *Unscripted Paranormal*, will host an afternoon of psychic tarot work. He will present the history of tarot cards and how to read them, with live audience readings, interactions, and demonstrations. Lee will also highlight his own tarot card designs and decks to buy. Books will also be available to sign.
- 3:00pm **STARDATES: Making Sense of Star Trek's Time-Keeping System** Woodland North
 Join our deep-dive nerd king Patrick Tilton as he dives DEEP into Trek funkiness and tries to explain how Stardates work... from some of his own writing research.
- 4:00pm **TALKBACK** Woodland North
 Bring your pithy comments, concerns and even praise, to the talkback!!
- 4:30 pm **CLOSED! SEE YOU FEB. 1-2, 2025 for FARGO TRUE-CRIME EXPO and FEB. 29-MARCH 2, 2025 for FM COMIC-CON!!! And APRIL 12-13, 2025 for the FARGO POP EXPO/Son of FM Comic-Con with DAISY DUKE HERSELF, CATHERINE BACH!**
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Away With the Circus	An autistic teen realizes his dream of running away with the Circus after facing a life changing event.
Battle Against Luck	In the midst of a town-wide celebration, mysterious and very unlucky misfortunes begin to affect the residents of Cloverton.
Bluewater Fairies	Written by kids for kids, Bluewater Fairies takes you on a magical adventure with henchmen, fairies, and a lazy dragon.
Galactic Cat and the Spell of Time	Gato Galactico receives a pocket watch as a gift from his father, made by his great-grandfather Pedro Pontual, the former watchmaker from Cronópolis, a small village where his family's ancestors came from. However, without finding a battery that fits the strange clock, Gato runs away to Cronópolis to look for someone who can make it work.
Get along!	At young koala Fred's home, there are often fights between his brothers and his father. When it gets noisy again, Fred runs crying to the playground, where he sees the lion girl Lizzy and the duck Mika.
Grub Dash	A race between two rival food delivery guys.
Guiding Light	Through the compelling interviews of the lead prosecutor, the defense attorney and the police chief, "Guiding Light" tells the story of a young teen (Polly Hannah Klaas) in a small town in America who was kidnapped from her bedroom during a slumber party while her family was in the house. In "Guiding Light", India Mitchell, a teen growing up in the same town thirty years later brings a fresh perspective and highlights the importance of the legacy of this case to the continuing endeavor to keep children safe. Recommended viewing with parents or guardians.
I Squished Grandpa	Young Rose has a special relationship with her grandpa. However when Grandpa goes missing the day after telling a Rose an unsettling tale, she believes his disappearance may be her fault.
Itsy Bitsy Problems	A spider moves into his new home, and faces some realities of home ownership.
Lilly Visits the Hospital	Lilly, a 12' tall orange Monster takes her friend Fluffle to visit patients in a hospital. What could go wrong?
LUCKY DOG	A dog lives a lucky life in a retirement home with friends who know and remember him in different ways.
PJ	The Adventures of PJ, a magical Teddy Bear who dreams of being a real boy - Inspired by The Adventures of Pinnocchio by Carlo Collodi
Poos	Poos is an animated adventure of Thumper the cat exploring her home and elements of Blackfoot culture. Directed by Blackfoot Language teacher Celestine Twigg, co-written by Celestine Twigg, Troy Emery Twig and Xstine Cook, with support from Harrison Red Crow and Adrian Stimson. Music by Lance Tailfeathers. Animated by Tank Standing Buffalo.
PotenDogs	A boy named Hwan is desperate to have a dog of his own, but gets more than he bargained for when he finds a talking, super-powered PotenDog named Kai.
The Little Magician	1920s style black and white silent film made by 14 year old director and edited and sound production by Tibet Aslan.

The McGuffin 2: Hard to be a Hero

Tragedy strikes the world's most powerful heroes. They must choose a new teammate. Who will get the job?!

The Queen's Flowers

A magical take on a true story, THE QUEEN'S FLOWERS is an animated short adventure for kids that follows Emma, a native Hawaiian girl in 1915 Honolulu, as she makes a special gift for the last monarch of Hawai'i, Queen Lili'uokalani.

Three Plumberteers

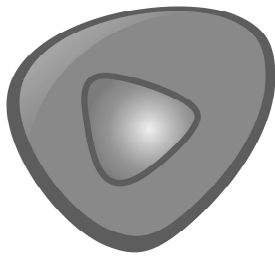
Three eccentric plumbers compete to finish a dirty job first.

Waiting for Sea Serpents

Young cryptozoologist, Phineus Barnes (Braeden Wildermuth), obsesses over being the first person to capture a sea monster he is convinced dwells in the town lake. Time is running out before his family's big move.

Wick

In this suspenseful drama-thriller 'Wick,' a young girl's life is inexplicably bound to a mysterious candle that, if extinguished, spells her doom- a deadly secret revealed when a disbelieving friend snuffs it out at a slumber party, inadvertently cursing herself to protect her own flickering flame or face the same fate.



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- #bog** An Irish fairytale about two women, generations apart, finding common ground in the wild and all consuming beauty of a Tipperary bog.
- 4 Little angels** Dani is a young geriatric assistant who starts his new job in an old nursing home taking care of Marisa, an elderly woman in the last few hours of her life. Dani aims to use the situation to get hold of some of the old woman's jewels and valuables, and unleash some of his most personal perversions. However, Dani may have chosen the wrong person...
- A Prayer For My Father** Decades after she and her late father found an unspeakable horror in the woods, Lola receives a package of his ashes, and along with it the ghost of their shared trauma.
- Aftermath** A young woman's resilience is tested in the aftermath.
- An American Masquerade** Two failing actors and a porn star. A car full of drugs. One hell of a road trip.
- Asleep in Armageddon** Based on the Ray Bradbury short story, a lone astronaut crash lands on an abandoned colony planet. A rescue team is a few days away, but that's not soon enough as he is contacted by the lost colonists who have their own plans for him.
- Baller State of Mind: The Philosophy of David Arquette** Exploration of the world view of David Arquette.
- BANANAHEAD** After her mother's disappearance, Andi Sanger hopes to land the lead role in the adaptation of her mother's bestselling novel BANANAHEAD. But after discovering the haunting legacy within the walls of her familial home, her own aspirations threaten to tear her apart.
- Best In The World** In the high-stakes world of wrestling, our protagonist battles not just physically, but emotionally and morally, navigating global fame and personal betrayals.
- Best Kept Shut** A young woman discovers a hidden, locked door in the house where her father has gone missing.
- Bill Came Back** After years of abuse, Amanda killed her husband Bill in self-defense. She then hid the body with the help of her lover, Samantha. One night, Bill's lifeless corpse mysteriously appears in Amanda and Samantha's kitchen.
- Blood Orange Tree** A conspiracy theorist believes he's uncovered a plot where people are being systematically replaced, but the more he digs, the closer he gets to the terrifying truth.
- C'mon** Angela wants to make a medical insurance claim. But can she get past AI Cindy, an artificial intelligence employee of Metro Insurance?
- Day of the Cyclops** A woman resurrects a cyclops and things don't go well.

Death Delights	"Death Delights" is a collection of stories with one common element: the overpowering of death. In each episode death comes ruthlessly and wins over life, humiliating it.
Dig	A man is digging a clandestine grave in the middle of the forest at night when he is suddenly discovered.
ERROR	A dystopian world where AI uses humans as tools to achieve its own perfection.
FASTEN YOUR BELTS	The co-pilot has locked the cockpit and is about to destroy the plane. The captain and crew have only 10 minutes to save the passengers.
HAIRY	A determined mother must navigate teenage angst, furballs, and full moons to save her son from going too 'hairy', all while striving to help the town embrace her son's wolfish nature.
ILLUMINANT OBJECT	An extraordinary light incident ten years ago led to the mysterious disappearance of Zhang Peng's friend. Ten years later, a film crew director approached Zhang with the idea of returning to the site of the incident.
I'm not a robot	After repeatedly failing Captcha tests, music producer Lara becomes obsessed with a disturbing question: could she be a robot?
INKAR	A girl named Inkar is forced to flee after an unsuccessful magical ritual. Now the evil spirits wants to possess Inkar's body and her hereditary gift.
Insurrection	After the events of the Oil Revolution, the city of Alcoy became an independent state, walling its borders and reducing all communication with the rest of the country.
IZZY	Izzy is constantly stuck in the same cycle: mocked, dismissed, ignored, forgotten. But a touch of red glitter? Now that's a game-changer!
Key	Eve is given the key to the King's castle, but she runs away with it - only to get lost and, with a little help from a guiding force, build a castle of her own.
Look me in the eyes	When you are willing to do anything for money you should be aware that it can be a hostile world out there.
Lost Boys Pizza	Once upon a Halloween night, two theater kids had such a fright, for right before their unsuspecting eyes is Dracula, not so in disguise.
M23 - Cargo/ Mechanical	M23 is a family owned, cargo/ mechanical spaceship. It is operated by Captain Lawrence, a middle aged man struggling with a shaky marriage and numerous on the job conflicts. Ultimately, after significant dramatic events, the ship takes off from its distant green moon-home in order to proceed with its business.
Money Talks, Gunshots Whisper	After a near miss during a midnight drive a man finds himself entangled in a violent dispute between two strangers, over a mysterious case.
Night Feeding	A new mother struggles through the 4am feeding time. Exhaustion and sleep-deprivation begin to take their toll on a new mother, who struggles through the strange, dark stillness of the 4am feeding.
Óbito	Eugenia & Mauricio, a young couple who, due to an economic downturn, see their relationship in jeopardy. Everything changes when Mrs. Lian, owner of the restaurant where Eugenia works, offers her €50,000 in exchange for marrying Huang, his late son.
One for the Road	When a stranger ambles into a roadside diner in the dead of night, two innocent Samaritans prove no good deed goes unpunished. Based on a story by Stephen King.
Osmosis	Brazilian mission commander Sam struggles with establishing a stable connection from earth to his lover. Their long-distance relationship faces doom, when alien invaders attack the human outpost, 1400 light years away.
Pangoori	In 2020, after the first lockdown, Ed got very sick and tried to recover by all means. Following a friend's advice, he went to a strange sorcerer's office...
RECALL	In the early 2000s, scientists developed a dangerous time amendment program called RECALL. It allows desperate individuals to alter their recent history by creating a second timeline. Natan wants to save Hannah from death. He hopes to survive the RECALL program long enough, to create a timeline where they are back together.
Relics	A sick old woman, widow of a civil guard officer, who lives immersed in a psychotic-looking delirium, receives a visit from her granddaughter, Alicia.

Replacement	To reach retirement before the age of 40 and have the rest of our lives, all our time, to do whatever we want. Are human beings biologically capable of enjoying life without fighting for their survival?
Ring Neck	David gets an ash-laced tattoo of his recently deceased ring-necked dove. The tattoo soon gets infected, and David's condition quickly gets worse.
Rust	A lively traveler, a simple peddler of trinkets, arrives in a remote mountain village with his faithful dog, Ruggine.
Salvar	Su-hyeong was possessed by an evil, so he needs a salpuri(exorcism). In the process, it turns out that he is being chased by debtors due to his mother's surgery expenses.
SHELL	Plagued by writer's block, Aria Weathers turns to an innovative program designed to extract creative content from her dreams.
Spanish Self-employed (Autonomos)	The extreme conditions under which Spanish self-employed workers survive have only one explanation. Could any human being endure this?
Starr	A company promises a surefire system for becoming an influencer with millions of followers, but fame comes at a price.
Tea's Time	Alicia and her friends travel to an abandoned house to spend the night. What they don't know is that a diabolical entity has been inside them for years, waiting for the right moment to finally enjoy their favorite game.
The Ankou, the Child and the Bandits	A widowed and bankrupt farmer is being harassed by crooked creditors. Cornered, he steals a large sum of money from them to offer his daughter a future he cannot guarantee anymore.
The Barber	After killing his brother in a fit of rage, Gregg attempts to hide the body in his family's barbershop. However, things get complicated when his last customer of the night arrives: a cop.
The BBQ	The BBQ is a dark satire/comedy about a reunion of high society friends in a small town in the deep south.
The book of Martín	Teresa is very close to catching the serial killer she has been searching for years.
The Cabinet of Dr. Garibaldo	Cesare is pessimistic about his existence and no longer feels comfortable with his old convictions. He seeks help from his former guru Dr. Big Bird who makes him question whether he would be so wrong about everything.
The companions	A young couple walks down the street, they have left the children at home and are going out to dinner. A crowd gathers around something.
THE FENCE (La Valla)	A family is driven only by one dream, that of a better life. Only a fence separates them from their goal, an infinite piece of metal, impassable and strongly guarded by efficient and ruthless sentinels.
The Ghost And His Unfortunate But Phenomenal Tale	A brief encounter of a free spirited Ghost making his way through the dark misty and foggy woods, suddenly being confronted at full force by an unexpected phenomenon.
The Giant of Es Vedra and other Fairy Tales	During the visit to the apartment that her parents are intending to rent, young Agnès establishes contact with the former owner of the house, writer Joan Castelló Guasch, who died in 1984. Castelló tells Agnès three Ibizan Fairy Tales.
The Last Garden	In 2048 Earth's sun began it's solar maximus cycle, increased solar activity caused massive coronal mass ejections, decimating communication, electronic systems and the earths magnetosphere, scorching the surface of our once vibrant planet, the only escape - underground re-purposed nuclear bunkers built centuries ago at a time long since forgotten.
The Lonely Portrait	An AirBnB guest stumbles upon a hidden piece of art that, once hung up, has an unexpected and unsettling effect on the home.
The Mirror	A grieving woman, Kate, becomes obsessed with a mysterious antique mirror. She begins to experience supernatural occurrences and visions of her deceased lover.
The Rooms	Cast in a green light, a long corridor seems never ending in sight. Jun-sang faces multiple rooms in this long corridor, meeting various and bizarre people from door to door.

- The Séance** A group attends a séance in hopes to communicate with their lost departed, but inadvertently attract a malevolent entity poised to feed on their souls.
- Through the Uncanny Valley** Jonas's qualities are finally noticed by his office. Determined to deliver on his promises, he pushes the boundaries of his mind and body towards unfamiliar territory, through valleys not meant to be crossed.
- Troisième Œil (Third Eye)** A young widower meets a medium hoping to see his deceased lover one last time. He will take part in a journey to the depths of his psyche.
- Universe 25** A mysterious entity. A bizarre psychological experiment. Imprisoned in "The Room," a woman can't know anyone longer than 30 days. It's difficult to say what's worse: knowing that anyone she cares about will disappear, or that they might be replaced by someone worse. With no hope of escape, she must confront the absurdity of her new existence.
- Waiting for Sea Serpents** Young cryptozoologist, Phineus Barnes (Braeden Wildermuth), obsesses over being the first person to capture a sea monster he is convinced dwells in the town lake. Time is running out before his family's big move.
- What we don't say** Javier is taken aback by the abrupt passing of his absent father. He visits the morgue to identify the body, where he has a surreal encounter that forces him to confront both present and past traumas.
- You're An Angel** A horrifying discovery threatens a budding new romance.

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