

Welcome to J-Popcon!

Welcome back to J-Popcon, honoured guests from far and near!

This year, we chose not to have a theme, but inadvertently got one anyway! That's why it's SPOOKY TIME. Yokai and ghosts have taken over J-Popcon, but that's okay, because they're nice ghosts – just see our mascots, WingGirl and BatteryBoy! You can even check out our four shrines placed around the convention and pray for another amazing J-Popcon.

Once again, we have all the classics ready for you, but not all is what it used to be! Artist Alley and Game Room moved floors, Tabletop City got their own house now, and we have a completely new event stage! But you can still purchase amazing arts and crafts in Artist Alley, play your heart out, both on video games in Game Room and board games in Tabletop City, and join fantastic events all around the convention. And, of course, Dealer Room still offers great goods for everyone, our lovely maids and butlers will serve you in our Maid Café, you can take a breather in our Lounge – if you are old enough – or eat delicious food in our Food Court and enjoy it in our ØksBar Lounge. You can sing in Karaoke, read manga in our Manga Lounge, or meet organisations at our Community Corner, ask for help and buy awesome merchandise in our Information area. It's like coming home, but new and improved!

It might feel chilly around the convention with all the yokais, but fear not: We know how to keep the spirit up! With guests like Robert McCollum, Merryweather, Lumi, Mette Holm, Mikkel Mainz, and Line Nordskjold, we know you will be running around to attend all their events. But wait, there's more! Our event programme will surely keep you warm with tons of events: You can team up with your friends for Team Challenge, bathe in the extravaganza of our cosplayshow participants at DCC, JCS, and the craftsmanship competition, watch aikido and kyudo clubs showcase their martial art skills, spend your night playing Werewolf, try finding a match in Anime Dating Game, the possibilities are endless. It's the spookiest, wildest, best time of the year and we are so ready for all of it!

On behalf of all our amazing organisers, trustees, gophers, and other awesome volunteers, we hope you have the best spooky times at J-Popcon 2023!

The biggest and best J-Popcon wishes,

Ida & Mia Comma Team at J-Popcon





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Foreword

Dear guests,

It's been more than a year since we saw each other last – and how we have missed you. In 2021, we were lucky enough to have J-Popcon in October following the corona pandemic. It was a relief to open the doors to DGI Byen again after such a challenging period for all of us; but with the move to October and a hope to return to the beginning of the year, 2022 became 2023. We have eagerly waited for February, but we have also worked hard for more than a year to create the best J-Popcon ever – and I think we've done ourselves justice.

I have been an organiser at J-Popcon since 2015 and it was more or less by chance. I had initially declined the opportunity due to not having time, even if I myself had applied originally. But then, the chairperson at the time found my email buried in an inbox and replied. And, funnily enough, my plans had changed and I suddenly had time to join. I could never have anticipated what it would mean to me that someone stumbled upon my email, accidentally. She took me under her wing, and today, I'm grateful for all she did for me. Returning to DGI Byen every year and getting a chance to reunite with all these people, with whom I share a burning passion for both Japanese pop culture and making J-Popcon become reality. is honestly one of the best feelings in the world. And I cannot wait to hug my original mentor the moment she comes in the door!

I've been attending J-Popcon since 2010 and this will be my sixth convention as an organiser. Even after all this time, it



is still one of the most challenging things I do, and I know that goes for all of us volunteers. We, guite literally, put our blood, sweat, and tears into making this convention happen once a year. I'm truly proud of what we have accomplished. certainly in general, but definitely this vear. All our volunteers deserve the world and I hope you, our guests, will show your gratitude to them during the weekend. I'm proud of each and every single one without you, there would be no J-Popcon. So, pat yourself on the back, hug and compliment a fellow volunteer for the good work, and get some well-deserved sleep on Monday.

It has been an honour to be a festival leader at J-Popcon for the last three years, but it is simply a great joy to be a volunteer for such an amazing event together with all these wonderful people, and all of you, our wonderful guests – and I cannot wait to share all our hard work with you this weekend.

Have an amazing J-Popcon! Ida Bjerring Winkler Festival Leader



General Rules

We work hard to organise a fun and great J-Popcon for everyone, and to do that, we need your help.

With so many guests attending J-Popcon, it is important that you behave properly, keep conversations and music at a reasonable sound level, throw trash in the bins, nowhere else – and treat each other with respect. Keep a distance, sanitise, and wash your hands!

At times, you will have to queue for certain parts of J-Popcon, which can be frustrating. Queues are inevitable at events like these, and we ask you to be patient. We encourage you to use the wait to talk to one another and meet new friends.

At J-Popcon, it is the organisers', trustees', and gophers' responsibility to maintain order. The organisers, trustees, and gophers wear J-Popcon T-shirts, respectively in dark blue, blue, and orange. We have a security team on hand as well.

There are some rules that everyone needs to follow:

 Smoking is not allowed at J-Popcon at all, neither indoors nor outdoors. Drug use of any kind is prohibited, as per Danish law. If you carry prescription medicine on you, it is important that you can provide the proper documentation for this.

- Alcohol can be consumed in moderate amounts at our Lounge (18+). ID will be checked. Only valid photo ID such as a driver's license or a passport is approved. However, it is not allowed to be visibly drunk. Outside of this area, alcohol is forbidden.
- Violent behaviour or theft will result in an immediate expulsion from the convention, as well as charges being pressed against the offender.
- You are not allowed to touch or hug anyone without their consent. This rule also applies to Free Huggers. Free hug signs bigger than an A4 will be confiscated.
- Eating areas can be found in the entrance area and at our ØksBar. Eating outside of these areas is prohibited. Food and drinks are not allowed in the Game Room due to the electrical equipment, as is the case in the Dealer Room due to the merchandise. If you eat at J-Popcon, you are expected to clean up after yourself.
- Do not block hallways, stairs, or doorways.

Any violation of these rules may result in an expulsion from J-Popcon.

We recommend that children under the age of 12 be accompanied by an adult.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the reception desk.





PHOTOGRAPHY RULES

If you take pictures or video at J-Popcon, you must follow these rules of conduct. Failure to comply may result in expulsion from the convention.

You may not take any pictures or video at J-Popcon that can be used to identify individuals without their prior consent.

Any picture or video taken at J-Popcon may not be used for commercial purposes, unless an agreement exists with J-Popcon about such use of the material. If you are interested in such an agreement, please contact J-Popcon's PR division. Contact information can be found on our website.

Unless otherwise specified, flash photography is prohibited at our events, shows, lectures, etc.

As a participant of J-Popcon, you agree to being photographed by J-Popcon's official photographers in green T-shirts in the common areas of the convention or in larger groups. If you participate in an official event, you automatically consent to J-Popcon using the material, taken by J-Popcon's official photographers, for PR purposes.

WEAPON & PROP RULES

The Danish weapons law is in effect at all times during J-Popcon.

Real weapons, functional or not, are not allowed at J-Popcon, even if the carrier has a firearms license to carry them. This includes, but is not limited to, firearms and edged weapons. Breaking this rule will result in expulsion from J-Popcon and, in severe cases, the police will be contacted.

Realistic prop weapons and prop weapons made of metal must be approved by an organiser. Prop firearms must be marked with an orange or red tip at the mouth of the barrel. General tools, such as screwdrivers and pliers, must be justified and still pass a check at Weapon Control.

Props and weapons, where any length exceeds 30 cm of the carrier's height, and any overhang exceeds the length of your own arm, are not allowed at J-Popcon. Props and weapons used in the cosplay shows have to be checked, and must not exceed 2 meters. In addition to that, your headgear may not protrude further from your head than 30 cm and it should at most weigh 2 kg. It is the guests' responsibility to have their weapons and props checked and approved by one of J-Popcon's weapon controllers at Weapon Check next to Check-in. Armour, weapons, or other metal objects are not allowed to have sharp edges, but must be blunt, so they do not endanger the other guests. In general, common sense should be applied when handling weapons and props, plastic or not. You will risk a warning and have the weapon confiscated if used improperly.

J-Popcon reserves the right to confiscate any prop or weapon and keep them until you leave the convention, if an organiser deems it to be a danger to you or others. We also reserve the right to deny a weapon entry if the rules are broken.



Information

The Information desk is the first place you see as you arrive at J-Popcon. Here, our loyal volunteers are ready to answer all your questions at all times during the entire weekend, whether it is about an event, a place you would like to visit, or J-Popcon in general. At our Information desk, you can also find our Lost & Found as well as buy different J-Popcon merchandise to celebrate J-Popcon with us.

Medics

If you experience any kind of discomfort or start feeling ill during the convention, you are always welcome to visit the medics. You will find them right next to the Information, where they are at your service at all hours during the entire weekend. If you end up in a situation where you need them somewhere else at the convention area, contact the nearest staff member and the medics will be with you as soon as possible.

Check-In

Right next to the Information desk is our Check-In area. Here, we scan your pre-purchased tickets and sell tickets for the entire weekend as well as single days for you to be able to enjoy all of J-Popcon. Remember to have your ticket ready on your phone or in print if you pre-ordered them.

Props & Weapons Check

With all kinds of costumes, armour, and weapons, our Prop & Weapons Check is a necessary part of any convention to ensure everyone's safety. You have to stop by here before entering the convention areas if you carry anything from swords and armour to horns and helmets. If your prop or weapon have not been checked by our staff, you risk getting it confiscated.

Opening Hours

Friday: 12:00-23:00 Saturday: 10:00-23:00 Sunday: 10:00-16:00

Photo Sale

Photo Sale is located at the entrance to J-Popcon. Here, our photographers can offer you a number of options for you to experience your own personal photoshoot. Your awesome new photos can be sent to you by email or they can be printed out on photo paper on the spot, all for your enjoyment.

Opening Hours Saturday: 10:00-16:00 Sunday: 10:00-15:00

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"Every cosplayer deserves to have their cosplay immortalised!"

Lounge (18+)

If you need a break from the yokai hauntings, or just a place to relax, the Lounge is the place to be. Play fun board games and talk with friends and new people in a cosy atmosphere. While you are taking a breather, we have many cold beverages to satisfy you and some snacks to refuel you. So, come by our little safe haven and let our friendly spirits serve you.

NOTE: You must be 18 years or older to enter. We require that you show a valid photo ID at the door.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16:00-03:00 Saturday: 12:00-03:00 Sunday: 12:00-17:00

1st floor

Our 1st floor offers relaxation and entertainment with our Manga Lounge and Karaoke. We have our faithful Manga Lounge and following the success last year, our J-Popcon museum will also return. Here, you can journey back in time and see items from the very beginning of J-Popcon.

Tabletop City

J-Popcon's board and card game area returns! Now located in the old Maid Café, commonly known as Spisehuset, between DGI Byen and Øksnehallen, Tabletop City will host board and card game events as required. Visit the area to see how it all takes place. In this area, you can also find other organisations and clubs associated with board games.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16:00-22:00 Saturday: 10:00-22:00 Sunday: 10:00-16:00

Karaoke

At Karaoke, you can sing your heart out to all your favourite anime, pop, and game songs along with childhood classics like Disney! We have an open karaoke with our long-term partners Mooncat Karaoke, or you can book a private room for you and your friends. If you need to quench your thirst, you can buy beverages at the Karaoke reception. See the list of songs by scanning the QR code by the registry.

To book a private room, you can come to the Karaoke reception five minutes before Karaoke opens. It is only possible to book four hours ahead due to the popularity of Karaoke and the limited numbers of rooms. You get a small label with your time slot to show before your scheduled time.

Opening Hours

Friday: 19:00-01:00 Saturday: 12:00-02:00 Sunday: 11:00-16:00

Game Room

Our Game Room is located on the 2nd floor. This is the gaming heart of J-Popcon. Here, you can play on new and retro consoles, as well as get a taste of both well-known and obscure games from Japan and the rest of the world – we even have dance games to entertain body and mind! Amongst all of these games, you can find beloved characters such as Mario and Naruto to keep you entertained throughout the day.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16:00-23:00 Saturday: 10:00-23:00 Sunday: 10:00-16:00



Our traditional Maid Café takes up the 3rd floor of CPH Conference. Here, you can be served by our team of cute maids in pretty maid uniforms and stylish butlers in beautiful suits, all inspired by Japan's own maid cafés. In the Maid Café, you are the centre of attention as our honoured goshujinsama and ojousama, and the foremost task of our maids and butlers is to serve you.

Every year, we try to improve our selection, which is also the case this year, as we introduce a larger variety of delicious coffees with different flavours. Furthermore, you can treat yourself to a nice cup of Obaachan's homemade cocoa with whipped cream.

With us, you can get a well-deserved break, a cup of coffee, and something sweet from our wide selection of both different cakes and beverages.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16:00-20:00 Saturday: 10:00-20:00 Sunday: 10:00-16:00

Café N' Fun

When evening settles in and the Maid Café closes, the 3rd floor converts into a chill café, where you and your friends can hang out, enjoy desserts and refreshments from the menu, and even participate in different events. By popular demand, we continue the success from last year with Battle Bingo (both Friday and Saturday) and as something new we will host the pub quiz: Japanese Facts N' Fun Quiz.

Opening Hours

Friday: 20:00-23:00 Saturday: 20:00-23:00

Artist Alley

Artist Alley has returned to the 1st floor, now placed between CPH Conference and the main entrance of DGI Byen. Follow the stairs from the Reception, and you will find it to your left. Artist Alley is a place where artists of all kinds gather to showcase and sell their arts and crafts. What was once but a corner of the 1st floor has now grown into a mecca of over 100 artists from Denmark as well as abroad, who easily take up an entire hall.

Here, you can find unique art of your favourite characters, original crafts, and the opportunity to commission the individual artists. The imagination is the only limit when it comes to our amazing artists!

Opening Hours

Friday: 16:00-22:00 Saturday: 10:00-22:00 Sunday: 10:00-16:00



Community Corner

If you continue along the hallway, you will find our Community Corner, located outside Artist Alley. Here, you can meet different clubs and organisations celebrating Japanese hobbies and activities.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16:00-21:00 Saturday: 11:00-23:00 Sunday: 11:00-15:00

Eventkælderen

Eventkælderen is our new large event room, taking over the space of the old Artist Alley in the basement. Here, we will host everything from panels and shows to dance workshops and competitions. So, go down to the basement and check out this new event room!

Forsamlingshuset

Forsamlingshuset is our second largest stage. Here, we always host our panels if we can get away with it. We also host our auction, K-Pop dance, and much more!

Food Court

We have once again made sure that you can taste different kinds of food from a variety of the Japanese restaurants located right here in Copenhagen. You are more than welcome to enjoy the delicious food outside or inside our lounge area at Øksnehallen, but it is not allowed to bring food with you inside the other indoor areas.

Opening Hours Friday: 17:00-21:00 Saturday: 11:00-21:00 Sunday: 11:00-16:00

Dealer Room

The Dealer Room is a classic part of J-Popcon, where you can find everything your heart desires in merchandise from Japanese pop culture. With a broad variety of booths and vendors, you can find everything from figurines, posters, and snacks to music, plushies, and wigs. There is something for the eager collector, but also for those who want small and cute everyday items or something for your sweet tooth. J-Popcon takes great care to stop the sale of fake items, so-called bootlegs, on our premises, and we do everything we can to make sure that you only bring home original items. Please see page 14 for more information regarding bootlegs. We hope that you will enjoy all the things that the Dealer Room has to offer.

Opening Hours

Friday: 17:00-21:00 Saturday: 10:00-20:00 Sunday: 10:00-17:00

Øksnehallen

Øksnehallen is absolutely our biggest stage. Here, apart from panels and dance shows, you also find our amazing cosplay shows, where Denmark's fabulous cosplayers showcase their talent for costumes, performance, and craftsmanship on stage. Øksnehallen used to be closed off due to the many rehearsals taking place on stage, but now contains a bar and lounge area. Here, you can relax with a refreshment from our ØksBar, always ready to serve you.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16:00-23:00 Saturday: 10:00-23:00 Sunday: 10:00-18:00

Wardrobe

Did you just arrive with a big suitcase? Or did you buy a big box full of manga, or raid the auction for all its items? Are you unsure what to do with all of these goodies for you to enjoy J-Popcon 2023 unburdened? Come visit J-Popcon's wardrobe in Øksnehallen, where we are ready to store and look after your luggage for free. We will give you a ticket, so you can collect your belongings when your day is over. We promise to take good care of it, but we must inform you that it's at your own risk.

Opening Hours

Friday: 12:00-23:00 Saturday: 08:00-23:00 Sunday: 08:00-18:00

Dormitories

J-Popcon's sleeping facilities can be found in Rysensteen Gymnasium, located right across DGI Byen. Accommodations will be in smaller rooms, so there will not be one giant dormitory. We still require consideration towards other guests, which means you must be quiet to avoid disturbing other guests. Entry to the dormitories is given with a dormitory ticket, but we ask that the area is only used for sleeping. Use of the facilities for anything other than sleeping will be referred to the lounge areas in the Dealer Room, Øksnehallen, and on the 1st and 2nd floor.



Bootleg

What are bootlegs?

Copies or reproductions of original merchandise made without the original company's consent are known as 'bootlegs'. Bootlegs are against the copyright and trademark protection laws. Bootlegs are made illegally, and the creators of the anime or manga earn no money from the sale of bootlegs. Fan art is not considered bootlegs if the design is significantly different from the original design.

We have made a list of precautions and things to check if you are in doubt whether a piece of merchandise is original or not.

In general

The copyright information (© Creator/ Publisher/Producer) should be printed on the front of the poster. If this is missing or wrong, the poster is a bootleg. If there is a number in the corner of the poster, e.g. 8143, it is a bootleg. If the print quality is low, for instance matte colours or thin paper, it is a bootleg. Please note that fan art is not considered bootleg as long as the design is clearly different from the original design.

Bootleg posters

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How to spot bootleg plushies, T-shirts, and bags

The copyright information (© Creator/ Publisher/Producer) should be printed on the washing label. If this is missing, lacking, or wrong, it is a bootleg.

Bootleg figurines

Copyright information should be printed on the figurine itself with the format "© Creator/Publisher/Producer". If this is missing, wrong or lacking, the figurine is a bootleg. If you know what the original figurine or its packaging looks like, you might be able to spot minor differences between the two. If this is the case, you are looking at a bootleg.

If the packaging contains a holographic sticker from the publisher, the figurine is an original, not a bootleg.

How to spot bootleg CDs

If the CD is published by Miya Records, it is definitely a bootleg. If there is no copyright information printed directly on the CD (© Creator/Publisher/Producer), if the copyright information is lacking or wrong, or it doesn't contain the ©-symbol followed by the production information, it is a bootleg.



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Friday

A Brief History of AMVs

With Fake is Sad

When was the first AMV made? Which techniques and equipment was used back in the day? How did we get where we are now? Kaj will tell you all about it, and show some landmark AMVs from yesteryear.

Forsamlingshuset, 20:30-21:30 In English

American Voice Actor vs. Danish

With Robert McCollum

Join Robert on his quest to learn Danish, and get to hear him say your lines as your favourite character in your own language! If you speak Danish. Non-Danish speakers beware: This is probably still going to sound hilarious to your ears. **Eventkælderen, 20:00-21:00 Partly in English**

AMV Competition

The AMV competition is finally back! AMV is short for Anime Music Video, and here, artists show off their skills in video editing by selecting clips from anime and mixing it with music, thereby creating their own AMV. Come and see their work and vote for your favourite! Forsamlingshuset, 22:00-23:15

Ask the Qixing: Genshin Impact Panel

Do you have any burning questions? Why not use the opportunity to ask your favourite Genshin Impact character what you've always wanted to ask them? Join this panel, where you get to ask and dare a team of some of the most iconic Genshin Impact characters. Forsamlingshuset, 17:30-18:30

Battle Bingo

Are you ready for an evening of Battle Bingo-lingo and a cosy atmosphere? Then join us for a round of Battle Bingo! Other than having fun, you might get lucky and win some prizes! Battle Bingo is, like regular bingo, played by marking numbers on your bingo plate as they are called out, but with an extra twist of added rules. These rules will be explained at the start of every round. How to get bingo plates: You receive a bingo plate with every item bought in Cafe N' Fun, and you can also buy additional bingo plates for 5 DKK each. Maid Café, Café N' Fun, 20:30-22:15

Bonsai: A Living Art Form

Bonsai is a meeting between artistic expression, deep horticultural knowledge of trees, a high degree of craftsmanship, and a sculptural endeavour. With its history dating back thousands of years, bonsai in all its forms has fascinated people in many different cultures for a long time. As a practice, it requires great understanding of trees and plant growth in general as well as a high degree of patience and an eye for design.

Jan Leung and Jonas Lint are both deeply engaged practitioners and will share their knowledge of the artform – from the historical aspects to general techniques used in the craft. 2nd floor, event 1, 20:00-21:00



Cosplay Catwalk

Come show off your cosplay in J-Popcon's Cosplay Catwalk! All costumes of official designs are welcome, both homemade and purchased. Sign-up starts at 20:00 and closes at 21:00. The catwalk will begin at 21:15.

Øksnehallen, 20:00-22:00

Debate: Cosplay in Society

Cosplayers bring beloved universes to life and this meeting with fictional heroes can create unique experiences. How can we actively work towards this magical moment, and can we use it to create a positive change in society? **1st floor, event 1, 18:00-19:00** In Danish

Foxtown J-Popcon

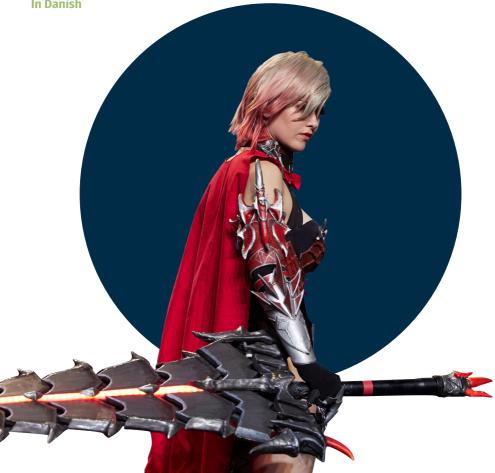
A small, super happy retro-inspired Synthesizer concert with a lot of cool sounds!

Eventkælderen, 21:30-22:00

How to VTube

With Merryweather Merryweather explains the world of VTubing and all the different ways one can enter the scene! Tips on content creation, gaining an audience, and how to manage it all!

Forsamlingshuset, 19:00-20:00 In English



K-Pop Bonanza Extravaganza

You know all the music, the idols, and the scandals of the wildest music industry. Here, we have the ultimate quiz to show that you are the biggest K-Pop fan of them all!

1st floor, event 1, 21:00-22:00

Karaoke

At Karaoke, you and your friends can sing to your heart's desire! You have the opportunity to choose private rooms or the classic open scene with an audience. The catalogue of songs is big enough for anyone to find something they can sing along to.

1st floor, event 2, 3, 4, & 5, 19:00-01:00

Learn how to: Magic the Gathering

Learn how to play Magic: The Gathering. Slice N Dice are bringing intro decks and will be ready to help you get started with the rules. Here, you will have the opportunity to try out the game with others who are also learning how to play. **Tabletop City**

Meltan Box

Still missing Meltan in your Pokémon Go Pokédex? We will be stationing a trainer in our Pokémon Corner to transfer a Meltan Box to your Pokémon Go app. All you need is a Pokémon you can transfer before you receive the box in your app. Game Room, 19:00-20:00

Opening Ceremony with Fusion

Watch the fabulous Opening Ceremony, where we welcome you to J-Popcon 2023. Here, you will hear about the exciting activities going on this weekend in DGI Byen, where we celebrate yet another J-Popcon. The K-Pop dance group Fusion will also give an amazing performance to mark the beginning of J-Popcon! Øksnehallen, 16:30-17:15

Pathfinder RPG Start

Pathfinder Society visits J-Popcon, bringing oriental medieval adventures with them. Pathfinder is a pen and paper roleplaying game where you and your companions are the protagonists of the story. Everyone is welcome.

Tabletop City, 17:30-21:30

Pokémon Lounge

If you like gaming with others and have your handhelds by your side, swing by the Pokémon Lounge. You will find us in Game Room, where people can bring their own devices to battle, trade, or just connect to other people at J-Popcon. Game Room

Re:Solver

Join the underground group of elite hackers known as The Re:Solver Agency, revisiting modern murder cases and solving crimes using wits, collaboration, and hacking. We run new cases hourly for teams up to four players. Visit resolvergames.com/jpop for more information and a case schedule. Game Room

Redesign of Dolls

Join this event to hear about re-designing dolls. You will learn what materials to use, how toget started, and you will be shown how to make a face-up to make hair/wigs, your own eyes, and outfits and cosplays in doll size, all step-by-step and with pictures. 1st floor, event 1, 19:30-20:30



Robert McCollum Meet & Greet

Meet Robert McCollum at this Meet & Greet! Here, you have the opportunity to say hi to the voice actor, have a chat, get an autograph to take home with you, perhaps even a photo to treasure forever and share with the world!

Eventkælderen, 18:30-19:30

Seasonal Anime Kahoot

All anime are released in seasons, and some would claim each season has shows of a specific type! But can you guess in which season these shows began airing? If you can't, there's still a 25% chance to get it right!

2nd floor, event 1, 21:15-21:45

Sequel/No Sequel

How deep is your anime knowledge? In this quiz, you have to guess based on a clip or the opening/ending, whether an anime title has a sequel or not, along with follow-up questions related to that anime. 2nd floor, event 1, 18:30-19:30

Taiko no Tatsujin: Tournament

Last year's successful rhythm drumsmashing contest returns! Bigger and louder than ever, you will experience a miniature version of one of Japan's most popular arcade machines. We cannot wait to see you there!

Game Room, 17:00-19:00

Team Challenge Introduction and Sign-Up

Do you want to do more than wander the Dealer Room for the 100th time? Do you want to meet new friends? Maybe you already have a group that needs something fun to do? Then join Team Challenge, where we kick off the weekend with fun tasks and competitions as well as a prize for the winning team, of course! Here, you are introduced to it all and given the opportunity to sign up for the challenge. Øksnehallen, 17:30-19:30

Tekken 7: Tournament

This insane fighting game has been a 3D fighter for almost three decades. The tight controls and witty characters are both things that draw people into this madhouse of a fighting game. If you want to try it out, or just show off your fighting style, now is your chance! Game Room, 19:30-23:30

Werewolf

Join us for a night of fun and mystery. At day, all seems well in your village, but everything changes at nightfall. On the outside, it's a simple village and you are its citizen, but nothing is what it seems. Figure out who amongst your friends you can trust, but be careful. One of them might just be a werewolf.

Meet us at event 1 on the 1st floor at 22:00 for the introductions.

1st floor, event 1, 2nd floor, event 1, Tabletop City, 22:00-when you can't stand anymore

Working in the US Anime Industry

With Robert McCollum

Robert McCollum has given his voice to more than 300 characters in a career spanning decades of anime. Join us as he takes us through his career in the American VA-industry, and ask your burning questions. This is a must for any aspiring voice actor, as well as for anyone with an interest in how our anime and games are actually made. **Eventkælderen, 17:30-18:15 In English**

Yokai Hour

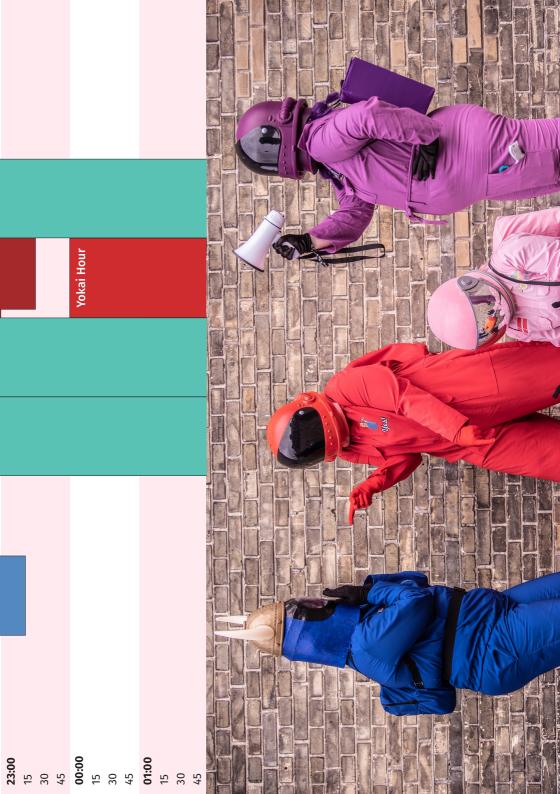
If your inner night owl is waiting to get a scare, swing by Game Room on the 2nd floor, where we will put on horror games to get the spooky vibe. Come and play, or watch others get the scares!

Game Room, 00:00-02:00

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| Other | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Maid Café | | | | | | | | | Battle Bingo | | | | |
| Tabletop City | Learn how to: Magic the Gathering | | Pathfinder RPG | Start | | | | | | | | Werewolf | |
| Game Room | Pokémon Lounge Re:Solver | Taiko no Tatsujin: | Tournament | | | Meltan Box | Tekken 7: | Tournament | | | | | |
| 2nd floor event 1 | | | | | Sequel/ No Sequel | | | Bonsai: A Living | Art Form | | seasonal Anime Kahoot | Werewolf | |
| 1st floor event 1 | | | | Debate: Cosplay in | Society (Danish) | | Redesign of Dolls | | | K-Pop | Bonanza Extravaganza | Werewolf | |
| Event- kælderen | | | Working in the US Anime | Industry | Robert McCollum | Meet & Greet | | Robert McCollum: | Voice Actor vs. Danish | | Foxtown J-Popcon | | |
| Forsamlings- huset | | | Ask the Qixing: Genshin | Impact Panel | | Merryweather: How to | VTube | | A Brief History of | AMVS | | AMV | сотрециол |
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PROGRAMME FRIDAY



PROGRAMME SATURDAY

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| 09:00 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| 30 45 | | K-Pop Dance Workshop | Tai Chi Qigong with Thomas | | | | | | |
| 10:00 15 | | | | Make Your Own Origami | | Pokémon Lounge | Learn how to: Magic the | | Make Your Own Badges |
| 30 45 | - | | Team Challenge | Doll | D&D for Absolute | Re:Solver | Gathering Pathfinder | | (Community Corner) |
| 11:00 15 | | Robert McCollum: | Event | | beginners | | RPG Start | | |
| 30 45 | | Please Mr. Voice Actor | | Japanese Commercials: | | Hatsune Mikur | | | |
| 12:00 15 | | | | Ine Big Competition | Mette Holm: Translation | Tournament | | | Your Name in Kanji |
| 30 45 | | Merryweather: How to | Aikido Show | | of Haruki Murakami | | | | |
| 13:00 15 | | Webcomics | | | | | | | |
| 30 45 | - | | | Line Nordskjold: From Fanart | Irix Cosplay: 101 Reasons | | | | |
| 14:00 15 | | | Robert McCollum: | to Published Comic | to Hate Wig Styling | Super Smash Bros. | | | Twister Tournament |
| 30 45 | | Auction | Act it Out | | | Tournament | | | (Lounge (18+)) |
| 15:00 15 | | | | | Mie Rose: Reauty Edits | | | | |
| -5 45 | | | K-Pop Random Play | | in Cosplay 101 | | | | |

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| 15 | | | | Nostalgia: | | | | | in Kanji |
| 30 45 | | | | Learn Combo Fighter! | Be a Better Tabletop | | | | |
| 17:00 15 | | Tales of Alethrion | | | Roleplayer | | | | |
| 30 45 | | | Robert McCollum | Vocaloid/ Project | | | | | |
| 18:00 15 | | | Meet & Greet | Sekaı Meet-Up! | Zoom Quiz | | | | |
| 30 45 | | Lumi: How to | | | | | | | |
| 19:00 15 | | Vlube | | I | | | | | |
| 30 45 | Danish Cosplay | | | How to Spot Bootlegs and | | | | | |
| 20:00 15 | cnampionsnip | Soundtrack Quiz | Sequel/No Sequel: | What to Do About It | Pun Name Quiz | | | | |
| 30 45 | | | Remastered | | | | | Japanese Facts N' Fun | |
| 21:00 1E | | | | Naruto/ Boruto Quiz | | | · | Quiz | |
| 30 | Award Ceremony | | | , | | | | Battle Bingo | |
| 22:00 | | Anime Dating Sim | Trash Cosplay Contest | Werewolf | Werewolf | | Werewolf | | |
| 15 45 | | Voice-Over (18+) | | | | Dance Dance Revolution | | | |
| 23:00 15 | | | | | | - 00:30 | | | |
| 30 45 | | | | | | Yokai Hour 00:00-02:00 | | | |

PROGRAMME SUNDAY

| Maid Café Other | | Make Your Own Badges | (Community Corner) | | | | (Community Corner) | | | | | | |
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| Tabletop City | | Learn how to: Magic the | Gathering • Pathfinder | RPG Start (-15:30) | | Learn how to: Pokémon | | | | | | | |
| Game Room | | Just Dance — K-Pop: | Tournament (-12:30) | Pokémon Lounge | • Re:Solver | Meltan Box | | Mario Kart | \$ | | | | |
| 2nd floor event 1 | | Maija: Fabrics 101 | | | Elvea: How to Get | CosPaid, not CosPlayed | | Chikara: Streamino? | Where do you even start?! | | Forbidden K-Pop Quiz | | |
| 1st floor event 1 | | | Debate: Craftsmanship | or Roleplay? (Danish) | | How to Volunteer | | | J-Popcon Feedback Panel | | | Otaku Exam | |
| Event- kælderen | Tai Chi Qigong with Thomas | | | Anime Dating Game | | | Team Challenge | Event | | Kyudo Performance | | | |
| Forsamlings- huset | | Anime Emoji Quiz | | | | Robert McCollum | Meet & Greet | | BNHA Pro Hero Panel | | | | |
| Øksnehallen | | | | | - | | | | | | | J-Popcon's Cosplayshow | and Craftsmanshin |
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101 Reasons to Hate Wig Styling

With Irix Cosplay

Do you hate wig styling? Me too! So, let's stand united in this panel about all the reasons why it's the worst part of cosplay! You can't remember why wig styling is the worst thing on Earth? Then it's good that I can! So come and join! 2nd floor, event 1, 13:30-14:30

Act it Out

With Robert McCollum

Have you ever wanted to be part of your favourite anime? Well, if your favourite anime is one Robert McCollum has voiced a character in, now you can! Ask for Robert to reenact real or original scenes as one of his roles with our staff, or join him on stage yourself, if you're up for it.

Eventkælderen, 14:00-15:00 In English

Aikido Show

Join the Copenhagen Aikido Dojo for an hour of fun where they will both demonstrate Aikido and let you try it yourself! **Eventkælderen, 12:30-13:30**

Anime Dating Sim Voice-Over (18+)

Do you have a voice actor hidden inside of you? Have you always wanted to voice someone in a dating sim? Then stop by and help voice your favourite character or simply enjoy the performance and fun.

Disclaimer: This is an 18+ event and you must provide a valid photo ID to prove this at the door.

Forsamlingshuset, 22:00-00:00

Arcade Nostalgia: Learn Combo Fighter!

Combo Fighter is a card-driven tribute to the classic arcade fighting games. Take on the roles of iconic fighters and string together cards to unleash powerful combos.

Combo Fighter is a fast learning game and you can both **learn and play it in less than 15 minutes**. At this event, you will get an exclusive introduction to the game by the creators themselves. Besides this event, Plotmaker Games, the creators of Combo Fighter, will be in Tabletop City for most of the convention. **1st floor, event 1, 16:00-17:00**

Auction

As usual, the auction will take place with 150 different items on sale. If you have seen something you want in the catalogue available on the website, or if you just want to take a look, feel free to drop by and make a bid.

Forsamlingshuset, 14:30-16:30



Battle Bingo

Are you ready for an evening of Battle Bingo-lingo and a cosy atmosphere? Then join us for a round of Battle Bingo! Other than having fun, you might get lucky and win some prizes! Battle Bingo is, like regular bingo, played by marking numbers on your bingo plate as they are called out, but with an extra twist of added rules. These rules will be explained at the start of every round. How to get bingo plates: You receive a bingo plate with every item bought in Cafe N' Fun, and you can also buy additional bingo plates for 5 DKK each. **Maid Café, Café N' Fun, 21:30-22:15**

Be a Better Tabletop Roleplayer

In this workshop, we look at how you can improve yourself in different roleplays. Both in the roleplay itself – with voices, background stories, and small quirks – but also outside the roleplay, such as how you tackle problems, learn how to say yes and no, and bring the best to the game at the table for everyone to have the best experience. Together! We also look at other roleplays and which methods they use to help the game and the players. For intermediate and advanced roleplayers, but everyone is welcome.

2nd floor, event 1, 16:30-17:30

Beauty Edits in Cosplay 101

With Mie Rose

Mie Rose will share her own tips as a photographer and cosplayer about beauty editing of photos, with tips of how to do it and what to avoid for a more realistic look. She will be sharing her own editing flow with plenty of examples and pointers of how to retouch photos for beginners. 2nd floor, event 1, 15:00-16:00 In English

D&D for Absolute Beginners

Stop by and get a speed course in the roleplay that everyone knows! In this workshop, we look at how you start a session, make the roles and characters you have to play, and the most basic rules needed to participate in a game of Dungeons and Dragons. We have all materials available. The event is for beginners who have never tried Dungeons and Dragons, but everyone is welcome no matter your level.

2nd floor, event 1, 10:30-11:30

Dance Dance Revolution

Step, jump, and follow the rhythm – the hit 2000's rhythm game is making a comeback here at J-Popcon. So, get your need to step on arrows satisfied by jumping right into the groove and show off your moves.

Game Room, 22:30-00:30

Danish Cosplay Championship

See the description on page 38. Øksnehallen, 19:30-20:45

Danish Cosplay Championship Award Ceremony

Øksnehallen, 21:15-21:30

From Fanart to Published Comic

With Line Nordskjold Comic book creator Line Nordskjold shares her story of going from cringy fan art on Tumblr to publishing a comic and shows the process of making a comic from beginning to end.

1st floor, event 1, 13:30-15:00

Hatsune Miku: Tournament

Is it any surprise that Hatsune Miku will be making a return this year? Come and join us once again in the virtual singer's popular annual contest! Get the highest score in our selected song and claim your title as the ultimate Hatsune Miku super fan!

Game Room, 11:30-14:00

How to Spot Bootlegs and What to Do About It

With Fake is Sad

Counterfeit merchandise is an ever-growing problem in the world, and the easily accessible availability, thanks to Wish, AliExpress, and eBay, certainly makes it difficult to stop people. The lecture is intended to make people aware of the problem, and to give some pointers on what to look for and what to avoid.

1st floor, event 1, 19:30-20:30

How to VTube

With Lumi

Lumi shows off how to make yourself move in 3D! She will talk about different ways of doing full body tracking and answer questions from the audience! Forsamlingshuset, 18:30-19:30

How to Webcomics

With Merryweather

Merryweather talks about writing webcomics, creating his own company, how to deal with having thousands of people simultaneously love and hate what you make, and how to deal with it. Forsamlingshuset, 12.30-13.30

Japanese Commercials: The Big Competition

Who actually knows what the Japanese commercials are trying to sell us? In this quiz, we will both laugh and cry when we try to decipher the slightly special sales strategies in these commercials. **1st floor, event 1, 11:30-12:30**

Japanese Facts N' Fun Quiz

If you want to test your knowledge of Japanese culture, come join the Japanese Facts N' Fun Quiz and see if you can get the answers 100% correct. There will be several themed question rounds covering everything from classic Japanese culture to anime. You can either join by yourself or as a team (max. 4 per team), and the winner will be found among the ones with the most correct answers. **Maid Café, Café N' Fun, 20:30- 21:15**



K-Pop Dance Workshop

Do you want to learn the dance choreographies for your favourite K-Pop songs? Then, join Fusion's Dance Workshop at J-Popcon! All levels of skills are welcome, whether you are a professional dancer or have two left feet.

Forsamlingshuset, 9:30-10:30

K-Pop Random Play Dance

The dance group Fusion is back with the most awesome round of Random Play Dance at J-Popcon! They have made the greatest playlist and are ready to party, so come along and dance all night long! **Eventkælderen**, **15:30-17:00**

Karaoke

At Karaoke, you and your friends can sing to your heart's desire! You have the opportunity to choose private rooms or the classic open scene with an audience. The catalogue of songs is big enough for anyone to find something they can sing along to.

1st floor, event 2, 3, 4, & 5, 12:00-02:00

Learn how to: Magic the Gathering

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Make Your Own Badges

Draw, make collages, or cut out letters like some serial killer – at Idræthøjskolen Bosei's booth, you can stop by and make your own badge that you receive immediately and can carry with pride for the rest of the convention. It costs 10 DKK for a big badge and 5 DKK for a small one – and there are no limits to how many you can make. See you in Badge Heaven!

Community Corner

Make Your Own Origami Doll

Learn how to make an origami doll from start to finish at this event. You will be guided on how to make them step by step.

1st floor, event 1, 10:00-11:00

Naruto/Boruto Quiz

Have you seen Naruto? Have you seen Boruto? Are you a fan of it? Do you think you know more than anyone? Then come and test your knowledge at this Naruto/ Boruto quiz.

1st floor, event 1, 21.00-22.00

Pathfinder RPG Start

Pathfinder Society visits J-Popcon, bringing oriental medieval adventures with them. Pathfinder is a pen and paper roleplaying game where you and your companions are the protagonists of the story. Everyone is welcome. **Tabletop City, 10:00-21:30**





Please Mr. Voice Actor

With Robert McCollum

Was there an event with Robert you couldn't make it to? Did you not get to ask that burning question, or hear him say that line live? Well, here's your last chance! This is an open Q&A where any (reasonable) question goes. We have also prepared a few of Robert's most iconic scenes for live dubbing, so even if you don't have a question, it's sure to be a fun ride.

Forsamlingshuset, 11:00-12:00 In English

Pokémon Lounge

If you like gaming with others and have your handhelds by your side, swing by the Pokémon Lounge. You will find us in Game Room, where people can bring their own devices to battle, trade, or just connect to other people at J-Popcon. Game Room

Pun Name Quiz

Did you know that many characters in manga and anime have pun names? As in, a lot? In this quiz, we will show you the direct translation of a character's name and then it is up to you and your superior weeb knowledge to guess the character. This is of course a competition, so you can challenge your friends and prove once and for all who's the best. Of course, you can also join the quiz simply to enjoy it with your friends. 2nd floor, event 1, 20:00-21:00

Re:Solver

Join the underground group of elite hackers known as The Re:Solver Agency, revisiting modern murder cases and solving crimes using wits, collaboration, and hacking. We run new cases hourly for teams up to four players. Visit resolvergames.com/jpop for more information and a case schedule. Game Room

Robert McCollum Meet & Greet

Meet Robert McCollum at this Meet & Greet! Here, you have the opportunity to say hi to the voice actor, have a chat, get an autograph to take home with you, perhaps even a photo to treasure forever and share with the world! Eventkælderen, 17:30-18:30

Sequel/No Sequel: Remastered

How deep is your anime knowledge? In this quiz, you have to guess, based on a clip or the opening/ending, whether an anime title has a sequel or not, along with follow-up questions related to that anime. This version of Sequel/No Sequel reuses material from the past nine years, but with updates to fit the current edition of Sequel/No Sequel. **Eventkælderen, 20:00-21:00**



Soundtrack Quiz

Can you guess the anime title from its soundtrack? Test your knowledge on anime soundtracks along with some additional questions. Forsamlingshuset, 20:00-21:00

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate: Tournament

The fighting game where the roster is nothing to scoff at. You will most definitely find some characters which will be right up your alley, but this game is also a joy to watch while people duke it out! Game Room, 14:00-18:00

Tai Chi Qigong with Thomas

Come and get a free trial hour in Tai Chi Qigong. Tai Chi Qigong are ancient Chinese health exercises and are traditionally used in Chinese martial arts to give the practitioners a good and solid foundation, but they are also used in the public medicinal practice in China. You can do the exercises in all types of clothing, so come as you are.

Eventkælderen, 9:30-10:20

Tales of Alethrion

Tales of Alethrion is an animated 2D fantasy web series on YouTube with 172.000 subscribers, where we follow a group of adventurers in the country of Alethrion. Come and learn more about it and enjoy the animated epicness as director Mikkel Mainz shares the latest tales and films. Forsamlingshuset, 17:00-18:00

Team Challenge Event

ONLY FOR TEAM CHALLENGE PARTICIPANTS — **sign-up Friday required**. **Eventkælderen, 10:30-12:00**

Translation of Haruki Murakami and what followed

With Mette Holm Behind all foreign literature read in Danish, there is a translator, yet it is often not something we speak of. But when an author, who only rarely speaks in front of his readers, has such a cult status like Haruki Murakami, the spotlight falls onto the translator.

For many years, Mette Holm has made Haruki Murakami accessible here in Denmark. And now, she will do it at I-Popcon too. Who is this Murakami? The latest short story collection in Danish, 'Første person ental', and the essay 'At skille sig af med en kat' will be the starting point of this talk about both man, work. as well as the translation of the work. But Mette Holm goes further than that. considering what Murakami's popularity has actually meant for Japanese literature in Denmark. Which authors have followed in the wake of him? And what is it like to translate them? What does she do to ensure that they don't end up sounding like Murakami?

2nd floor, event 1, 12:00-13:00

Trash Cosplay Contest

Are you the type who can turn a black plastic bag into No-Face itself, then this competition is right up your alley. In Trash Cosplay Contest, you compete against others to turn tin foil and tea towels into known characters.

Eventkælderen, 22:00-23:30

Twister Tournament

Do you have what it takes to become this year's Twister Grand Champion? Then come down to the Lounge and blow everyone away with your agility, ingenuity, and courage. The sign-up begins at the Lounge two hours prior to the event. Lounge (18+), 14:00-16:00

Vocaloid/Project Sekai Meet-Up!

Are you into Vocaloid and/or the game Project Sekai Colorful Stage? Then, come join the Vocaloid/Project Sekai meet-up! Watch MVs, play a round of MegaMix, and talk about your favourite units. Sekaaii-dee~~

1st floor, event 1, 17:30-18:30

Werewolf

Join us for a night of fun and mystery. At day, all seems well in your village, but everything changes at nightfall. On the outside, it's a simple village and you are its citizen, but nothing is what it seems. Figure out who amongst your friends you can trust, but be careful. One of them might just be a werewolf. Meet us at event 1 on the 1st floor at 22:00 for the introduction. **1st floor, event 1, 2nd floor, event 1, Tabletop City, 22:00-when you can't stand anymore**

Yokai Hour

If your inner night owl is waiting to get a scare, swing by Game Room on the 2nd floor, where we will put on horror games to get the spooky vibe. Come and play, or watch others get the scares! Game Room, 00:00-02:00

Your Name in Kanji

Get your name written with Kanji! Idrætshøjskolen Bosei's Japanese teacher Line will be ready to help you get your name written with Japanese signs. It can be a pretty name like 'the sound of logic' or an amazing name like 'evil witch diarrhoea'. You decide! If you want, you can make a bookmark or a badge with your new name. It costs 10 DKK for a big badge and 5 DKK for a small one. Stop by and find your true weeb name! **Community Corner, 12:00-13:00, 16:00-17:00**

Zoom Quiz

Guess an anime title from a zoomed in image, which will be zoomed out gradually, until you have guessed the anime title. 2nd floor, event 1, 18:00-19:00



Sunday

Anime Emoji Quiz

The Anime Emoji Quiz returns! Are you good at finding the meaning in random emojis? You're going to need this in the quiz. You choose a category – e.g. pairings or cute animal sidekicks – and then you have to guess the answer written with emojis. We play the quiz in teams, so gather your friends and stop by the ultimate test in both weeb knowledge and emoji guessing.

Forsamlingshuset, 10:00-11:30

Anime Dating Game

Have you ever considered what would happen if Loid Forger from Spy x Family and L from Death Note went on a date? It sounds impossible, but everything can happen at J-Popcon's Anime Dating Game!

Eventkælderen, 11:00-12:00

BNHA Pro Hero Panel

Some of the pro heroes from Boku No Hero Academia have taken the time out of their busy schedule of saving the world to come here and answer your guys' questions, and maybe even do a few dares while they are at it. So, come prepared for this hour of BNHA! **Forsamlingshuset, 13:30-14:30**

Closing Ceremony with CODE9

Be there at the Closing Ceremony, where we look back at the events that took place during the weekend, experience an amazing dance performance by the K-Pop dance group CODE9, and thank each other for this year's J-Popcon. Øksnehallen, 16:00-17:00

Debate: Craftsmanship or Roleplay?

Cosplay is more than just a costume, but what exactly does the "play" mean for us? We are diving into this topic as we will be discussing how and why character-play is an essential part of cosplay. **1st floor, event 1, 10:30-11:30**

In Danish

Fabrics 101

With Maija

Maija gives you a entry-level peek into the world of fabrics. Learn the differences between natural and man-made fibres and how they might affect your costume making.

2nd floor, event 1, 10:00-11:00 In English



Forbidden K-Pop Quiz

The Forbidden K-Pop Quiz returns! Again this year, we challenge you on your K-Pop knowledge – and more specifically on your knowledge of why some videos and songs are banned in South Korea. We have the forbidden videos – you just have to bring your friends to compete in teams on what got the video cancelled. **2nd floor, event 1, 14:30-15:30**

How to Get CosPaid, not CosPlayed: Your marketing momager teaches you the ins and outs

With Elvea

Elvea, cosplayer by night and marketing specialist by day, walks you through when, how, and why you should get paid when working in cosplay, red and green flags to be mindful of when collaborating with companies, and how to know your own worth – and stand by it. She also shares a few universal tips and tricks on how to approach brands for collaborations, and what to think of when accepting a cosplay job.

2nd floor, event 1, 11:30-12:30 In English

How to Volunteer

Have you ever considered what it is like to be a volunteer at J-Popcon? Or what drives the people behind the convention? Get answers for this and other questions at the panel, where volunteers tell their own J-Popcon story. Here, you can also ask your own questions if you are curious about what it means to be a part of J-Popcon.

1st floor, event 1, 12:00-13:00

J-Popcon's Cosplay Craftsmanship Competition

See the description on page 38. **Øksnehallen, 15:00-16:00**

J-Popcon's Cosplayshow

See the description on page 38. **Øksnehallen, 15:00-16:00**

J-Popcon Feedback Panel

How was your experience at J-Popcon? What do you want to see next year? Be a part of this feedback panel, where you can give constructive feedback to the event organisers from J-Popcon. Remember, all J-Popcon work is volunteer work, so we ask you to bring your good manners to this event. **1st floor, event 1, 13:30-14:30**

Just Dance – K-Pop: Tournament

Do you love to dance? Maybe you even love to dance to K-Pop? In that case, this is the tournament for you! We are going to be dancing to the biggest hits K-Pop has to offer in this energetic and challenging Just Dance Tournament! Game Room, 10:00-12:30

Karaoke

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1st floor, event 2, 3, 4, & 5, 12:00-16:00

Kyudo Performance

Japanese archery is a different experience from Western archery – from the equipment and the uniform to the process itself to fire an arrow. A group of archers enter in harmonic movements to perform eight steps to prepare. A balance between technique and etiquette is what makes kyudo an exceptional sport and a unique experience.

Eventkælderen, 14:00-14:30

Learn how to: Magic the Gathering

Learn how to play Magic: The Gathering. Slice N Dice are bringing intro decks and will be ready to help you get started with the rules. Here, you will have the opportunity to try out the game with others who are also learning how to play. **Tabletop City**

Learn how to: Pokémon

Learn how to play Pokémon TCG. J-Popcon has made intro decks for you to borrow and play against others who are also learning how to play the game. **Tabletop City**

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Community Corner

Mario Kart 64

Join Mario and his buddies, while they race through polygons on the Nintendo 64! This classic version of the game is something you owe yourself to play if you've never touched it, and, who knows, maybe you will be the next racing king in the Mushroom Kingdom! Game Room, 13:00-16:00

Meltan Box

Still missing Meltan in your Pokémon Go Pokédex? We will be stationing a trainer in our Pokémon Corner to transfer a Meltan Box to your Pokémon Go app. All you need is a Pokémon you can transfer before you receive the box in your app. Game Room, 12:00-13:00

Otaku Exam

Are you an anime or manga fan? Do you know more than anyone else about anime and manga? Then, come to the Otaku Exam, where you can test your knowledge! There will be questions about anime from the 80s and 90s, Studio Ghibli, and many more. **1st floor, event 1, 15:00-16:00**

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Forsamlingshuset, 12:00-13:00

Streaming? Where do you even start?!

With Chikara Streaming is hard! ... or is it? Chikara takes you through the must-haves to start streaming and shares tips on how to find resources and what to do and not to do when entertaining a live audience online! 2nd floor, event 1, 13:00-14:00 In English

Tai Chi Qigong with Thomas

Come and get a free trial hour in Tai Chi Qigong. Tai Chi Qigong are ancient Chinese health exercises and are traditionally used in Chinese martial arts to give the practitioners a good and solid foundation, but they are also used in the public medicinal practice in China. You can do the exercises in all types of clothing, so come as you are.

Eventkælderen, 9:30-10:20

Team Challenge Event

ONLY FOR TEAM CHALLENGE PARTICIPANTS — **sign-up Friday required. Eventkælderen, 12:30-13:30**

Your Name in Kanji

Get your name written with Kanji! Idrætshøjskolen Bosei's Japanese teacher Line will be ready to help you get your name written with Japanese signs. It can be a pretty name like 'the sound of logic' or an amazing name like 'evil witch diarrhoea'. You decide! If you want, you can make a bookmark or a badge with your new name. It costs 10 DKK for a big badge and 5 DKK for a small one. Stop by and find your true weeb name!

Community Corner, 12:00-14:00



Information regarding seats for DCC

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The chairs are placed in blocks as seen in the picture. In the middle block, the rows are called GREEN with 25 rows in total.

To the left (when facing the stage), the chairs closest to the entrance and the lounge area, the rows are called PURPLE with 27 rows in total.

To the right (when facing the stage), the chairs closest to the backstage area, the rows are called YELLOW with 27 rows in total as well.

In the PURPLE and the YELLOW section, the numbers in a row go from lowest closest to the middle and out, whereas the GREEN section has the lowest number in a row closest to the left/purple section.

When people are finding a place to sit, there will be a map on the screen where you can see which seats are free (the red ones are taken). There will also be numbers placed on the taken chairs, so those without numbers are free (please note that numbers can fall off by mistake).

Cosplayshows

Danish Cosplay Championship

Øksnehallen Saturday 19:30-21:30

Danish Cosplay Championship (DCC) is the first of the three cosplayshows hosted at J-Popcon. At DCC, the Danish representatives for some of the biggest international cosplay competitions will be chosen: European Cosplay Gathering in France and Nordic Cosplay Championship in Sweden. Come watch the contestants on the stage in their incredibly beautiful costumes and experience their impressive and eye-catching performances that all the contestants have spent months preparing.

J-Popcon's Cosplayshow

Øksnehallen Sunday 15:00-15:30

J-Popcon's Cosplayshow is our traditional show, which dates back to before J-Popcon started hosting the international qualifiers. In J-Popcon's Cosplayshow, we focus on having a good time while we share our passion for cosplay.

J-Popcon Cosplay Craft Competition

Øksnehallen Sunday 15:30-16:00

This year, J-Popcon will once again be hosting a craftsmanship competition. Here, the participants will show off the artistry and craftsmanship that went into their costumes without performing an act. For the first time, they will compete to represent Denmark at Tournament of Champions in Austria. You can look forward to seeing the many beautiful costumes presented in a full-blown fashion show.

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International qualifications

European Cosplay Gathering (ECG) is the biggest cosplay championship in Europe, where cosplayers from 15 countries compete in both solo and group categories during the big finale at Japan Expo in Paris, France. The competition's primary focus are the visually beautiful and impressive acts.



The main goal with the **Nordic Cosplay Championship (NCC)** is to raise the bar of quality for cosplay at events everywhere. It has traditionally been Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Iceland in the competition, as the Nordic part of the name implies, but recently Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and the United States joined on craftsmanship and acting. It takes place at NärCon in Linköbing, Sweden.



Our newest qualification is **Tournament** of Championships (ToC), which is a fully craft-based competition – it is all about the cosplay, its details, its techniques. It will take place for the first time in 2023 at YuniCon in Schwechat, Austria, and at least 12 countries will participate. Our finalist will be chosen during our craftsmanship competition on Sunday.

VIPs at J-Popcon



Merryweather and Lumi

Webcomic artist and VTuber Merryweather is visiting J-Popcon 2023! Merry is known for different webcomics such as 'Internet Explorer-Chan', 'Winter Moon', 'Clinic of Horrors' and 'Stalker x Stalker'. With his 1,2 million subscribers, Merry is delighted to be able to participate in conventions to meet his fans. He will be joined by Lumi, a comfy wolf girl VTuber from Finland!

During the weekend, you can meet him at panels and events as well as find him in our Artist Alley, where he sells a lot of the merchandise from his popular series.





Mette Holm

Mette Holm is one of, if not the most famous translator of Japanese literature in Denmark, and among others she is known for her translations of the works of Haruki Murakami. Besides Haruki Murakami, she has translated works of Japanese authors such as Yasunari Kawabata, Hiroko Oyamada, and Sayaka Murata, but for us manga and anime fans, she should be known for translating famous mangas such as 'Kare: First Love', 'Emma', 'Fruits Basket', and 'Manga Messias', as well as almost all of Hayao Miyazaki's movies from Studio Ghibli.

You can meet her on Saturday during J-Popcon, where she will speak about Haruki Murakami, translating his works, what followed, and what his popularity has meant for Japanese literature in Denmark.





Robert McCollum

Robert McCollum has been working with Funimation and Crunchyroll for almost 25 years, voicing more than 300 roles going all the way back to Teen Goten in 'Dragon Ball GT'. Recent notable works includes Reiner in 'Attack on Titan', Jellal in 'Fairy Tail', The Wizard King in 'Black Clover', Stain in 'My Hero Academia', and Donguixote Doflamingo in 'One Piece'. Robert is also the voice of Axton in 'Borderlands 2' and has done work for the games 'Orcs Must Die' and 'Brothers in Arms: Earned in Blood'. Among his personal favourite anime roles are Sweden in 'Hetalia'. Date Masamune in 'Sengoku Basara', Mifune in 'Soul Eater', Kaze in 'Kaze No Stigma', Kogami in 'Psycho-Pass', and his first bad guy, Shinobu Sensui from 'Yu Yu Hakusho: Ghost Files'.

In addition to acting, McCollum is a father of two and works as a producer and director of corporate communications in the US and UK. He is the creator of 'The Inside Man' – the world's first IT security training action series – for KnowBe4 and directed the wildly successful historical audio drama podcast '1865'. He lives in Dallas, Texas.

The Artist Cannon

The Artist Cannon is a new concept premiering at J-Popcon 2023. Here, we make artists in Artist Alley more visible by "blasting" them forward! So, without further ado, meet the first-ever artists in The Artist Cannon right here – and make sure to stop by their table in our Artist Alley to say hello and experience their art in real life.





Hope Hjort

My name is Hope, I'm a 30-year-old artist and comic book artist with a BA in Graphic Storytelling. I'm a creative soul, jumping from hobby to hobby, and I love TTRPs such as DND. Right now, I primarily work on a web-comic/graphic novel 'Corvid's Eye', which is a LGBT+ fantasy novel filled with magic and friendship/love. It is a story about how we can let ourselves be transformed (for better or worse) with the help of people we let into our hearts.

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LittleHalo Art

LittleHalo Art is a small business only driven by me, Michelle! I have been working with resin and attended Artist Alleys since 2017-2018 and it has been a blast every time. All products I have are made by hand and quality means a lot to me. I live in a pastel/glitter universe, sprinkled with a little bit of sarcasm and spookiness. I come up with new funny stuff to bring to my table all the time, so it's not only the old classic products, like my Pride keychains, you can find at my table. I have a great love for Japanese pop culture. I often use it as inspiration, so I always have a common thread throughout my products.



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Dustyleaves

I have two main interests in my life: glasses and art. In my everyday life, I work as an optometrist at an optician, and in my freetime, I draw and build my own comic universe, Bellum Pulchrum. The characters have been with me ever since I first drew them when I was 12 years old, and approximately 2 years ago, I finally drew the first chapter and published it the same year as a webcomic.



twitter.com/TheDustyLeaves

Saturday Judges



Mie Rose Nationality: Danish/Japanese (and now Swedish too) Pronouns: She/her **Occupation:** Graphic Design student Cosplayed for: 17 years

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Chikara Nationality: Danish, residing in Norway Pronouns: She/her Occupation: Student Cosplayed for: 14 years



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Elvea

Nationality: Swedish Pronouns: She/her Occupation: PR/marketing strategist Cosplayed for: 14 years



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Maija

Nationality: Finnish Pronouns: She/her **Occupation:** Fabric seller Cosplayed for: 16 years



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Sunday Judges



Irix Cosplay Nationality: Danish Pronouns: He/him Occupation: Looking for an apprenticeship as a tattoo artist Cosplayed for: 12 years



Shinji Nationality: Danish Pronouns: She/her Occupation: Craft and design/art teacher Cosplayed for: 15 years



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Zuum Cosplay Nationality: Danish Pronouns: She/her Occupation: B2B responsible Cosplayed for: 15 years



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