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2025

WELCOME TO J-POPCON!

This year, we are ready to knock it out of the park as we celebrate 25 years with a worthy theme: **Choose Your Fighter!** BatteryBoy and WingGirl have been through all kinds of transformations, just like J-Popcon, and we are ready to battle it out yet again!

Øksnehallen has once again been transformed into a mecca of vendors, communities, and events. Enjoy amazing crafts and art pieces from Artist Alley, now all gathered in one place, meet local communities in Community Corner, find all the merchandise that your heart desires in our Dealer Room, and get wowed at our stages, Denchi and Tsubasa. And if you need a break from the hustle and bustle, you can even find a Quiet Lounge, just ask our Artist Alley staff, and they will help you. Of course, we have much more to offer than just the grandiose Øksnehallen. Step outside to find our classic Maid Café for a relaxing break, maintained by our lovely maids and butlers, go through our Food Alley for delicious foods and beverages, and then enter CPH Conference and its wonders! Here, you can get your game on in our Game Room and Tabletop City, or you can relax in our new, improved, and enlarged lounge area. Here, you'll find both our Genki Lounge and Manga Lounge filled with drawing tables, manga galore, and cozy events, another Quiet Lounge, as well as the Lounge (18+). Last, but definitely not least is our main stage, Sakura, where you can watch talented cosplayers perform and compete in DCC, J-Popcon's Cosplayshow, and the craftsmanship competition, talented dancers show off their skills during Idol Fest, and experience some of our big VIPs – among other things!

Of course, we need some awesome VIPs to complete J-Popcon 2025. First of all, we are once again lucky to have some fantastic voice actors with us. Coming all the way from the U.S., we have Howard Wang, who will tell us all about voice acting, the gaming industry, VTubing, and much more, but we will also hear from a well-known local voice, Jan Tellefsen, who will talk about the development of the Danish voice acting scene, from the early 2000s until now. For fans of animation and especially the Hellaverse, illustrators BranFlakes and EmBani will let you in on all the details of the animation industry, while Sofia Stunts hits the stage with her gymnastics. And of course, you can experience Jakob Stegelmann himself! Artist Alley, Game Room, and our cosplayshows will also be guested by special VIPs catering to your very interests within all spheres – there's really something for everyone!

On behalf of all our amazing organisers, trustees, gophers, and other awesome volunteers, we hope you have the best time at J-Popcon 2025!

The biggest and best J-Popcon wishes,

Ida

The Eternal Conguide Editor



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FOREWORD

Dear attendees at J-Popcon 2025,

This J-Popcon is a very special one for us, since this year, 2025, is our 25th anniversary! We have now existed for a quarter of a century, and that's no small feat. Since the dawn of this millennium, we have had a goal to create a space for Japanese popular culture in Denmark. And if you ask me, we have succeeded. Part of that is because we can, once again, say 'welcome back' to you!

It's a common myth that your first J-Popcon will always be your best J-Popcon. I might have agreed some years ago, but now my views have changed. I believe that the next J-Popcon will always be the best J-Popcon, because I see the hard work that people put together to make this happen. It's part of my own drive to create J-Popcon, and I myself look up to these people quite a lot! Because even though I'm no longer a teenager, standing in line for J-Popcon 2011, bursting with excitement to experience like-minded people, that spark is still carried over in my leadership in J-Popkai and J-Popcon. This community and this festival is cumulative: We all have memories that will never die, and we'll all have new memories, on top of our old ones. The latter doesn't extinguish the first.

For a lot of people, to create J-Popcon is a way of reminiscing, myself included. However, it's also a way to make sure that the new generation has a spark and a space. Japanese popular culture and cosplay today is in the mainstream, and



social media is giving cosplay a new dimension that's easy to access. Because of that, some would perhaps argue that festivals for Japanese culture are a thing of the past. But we wholeheartedly believe that that's not the case. To get together with people, meeting idols or discovering new ones, attending events and photoshoots, just wandering around and spending more money than you thought - that's a key part of the feeling in attending a festival for Japanese pop culture. We might get to create the framework, but you, the guests, are part of the J-Popcon experience. Remember that the people here are just like yourself, we share a passion for something that was once obscure, and now is illuminated. Be kind to each other, lift each other up. Our community has no room, nor time, for petty infighting. Enjoy yourself this weekend, and keep in mind that you're part of J-Popcon history, by attending today.

Finally, I'd like to acknowledge the big work that each and every volunteer contributes to this festival. I'm continually humbled by being surrounded by so many talented, hard-working people. If any of you attending today would like to contribute and create the festival, don't hesitate to write an email to info@j-popcon.dk.

Andreas Risager
Chairperson of J-Popkai



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 pink and orange. We have a security team on hand during the night.

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 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, at our seating area outside near the food stands, 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 and the Artist Alley 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. This pertains to, but is not limited to, journalists, content creators, streamers, TikTokers, and YouTubers. 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 burgundy 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.

Per 2025, Airsoft weapons and others alike are not allowed at the convention either.

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 Check.

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 or the weapon is deemed too dangerous to carry around the convention.



AREAS

Information & Check-In

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 be 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.

We also have a small aid kit as well as a cosplay repair booth here, for the scary emergencies!

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.

Right next to it is also our very dear VIP and Guest check-in. This is for our event holders, VIPs and general press to check in at.

Prop & Weapon Check

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

Opening Hours

Friday: 12.00-23.00
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 2025 unburdened? Come visit J-Popcon's Wardrobe in Øksnehallen, where we are ready to store and look after your luggage. 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



Dealer Room

The Dealer Room is J-Popcon's version of Akihabara, and this year, it is bigger and better than ever in its new location! Go to the middle of Øksnehallen, and you will be surrounded by booths and vendors selling everything from figurines, posters, and plushies to cool clothing, manga, music, and snacks. 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: 16.00-22.00
Saturday: 10.00-22.00
Sunday: 10.00-17.00

Artist Alley

You will find Artist Alley in Øksnehallen, not far from the Reception area. Here, it takes up almost half the venue, right next to the Dealer Room, with close to 100 exciting artists, both Danish and international. You can find unique art of your favourite characters, original crafts, and maybe a chance to commission the individual artists for art just for you. 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: 10.00-17.00

Community Corner

Located next to Dealer Room, you find our Community Corner. Here, you get the chance to meet different clubs, organisations, and other events, all celebrating Japanese hobbies and activities. This year, Community Corner is proud to say that the cosplay judges will have their own table in our corner.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16.00-22.00
Saturday: 10.00-22.00
Sunday: 10.00-17.00

ØksBar

Stop by our very own ØksBar! Here, you can buy yourself some snacks and beverages from our staff, who are always ready to serve you. When Sakura opens its doors, they will even open an ØksBar pop-up, so you won't have to venture far for refreshments during the shows!

Opening Hours

Friday: 16.00-22.00
Saturday: 10.00-22.00
Sunday: 10.00-17.00

Tsubasa Stage

Tsubasa is just so cooooooool!
This new stage might look like any other stage, but Tsubasa is where the good times never stop. Tsubasa is located in Øksnehallen, and from here, we want to spoil you with lots of amazing events. With its classic but very chic stage design, you will have the opportunity to learn about everything from makeup to Japanese boy bands, or maybe you will get the best deal of your life at the auction, and have the chance to show off your kahoot skills, so why not check it out?

Denchi Stage

Denchi: It's crazy, it's party, it's BIG! This new stage is where you will see some of J-Popcon's most well-known events in a totally new format. It is located in Øksnehallen, and with its horse-shoe shape, it will provide you with an immersive experience with great seating and angles for viewing. You can experience panels, Q&As, fashion shows, and maybe even get a date while hanging out at Denchi. Opportunities are endless, so why not visit this stage while you're at J-Popcon 2025?

Quiet Lounges

In both Øksnehallen and CPH Conference, you'll find two Quiet Lounges. In Øksnehallen, Himawari is located towards the back entrance, and in CPH Conference, Bonsai is located right next to our Genki Lounge and Manga Lounge. If you need a break from all the noise without having to explain or defend yourself and your needs, find one of our organisers nearby and they will help you access the Lounge. All we expect of you is to respect the other people and their needs in the Lounges – just like they have to respect yours!

Maid Café

Welcome home, Master and Princess ~ In our Maid Café, you will be served by our team of cute maids in pretty maid dresses and stylish butlers in beautiful suits. Again this year, we are introducing a brand new experience, all inspired by Japan's own maid cafés, where you can reserve a table, either alone or with your friends, and choose if you want to sit together with a maid or butler to socialise and play fun and easy games.

Here, you will be the centre of attention as our honoured goshujinsama and ojou-sama, and the foremost task of our maids and butlers is to serve you.

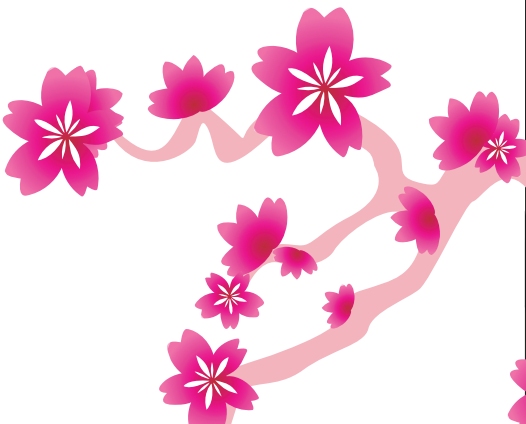
So if you want the real maid café experience, or even if you just want a cup of coffee and relax a bit on your own, we have room for you in our kawaii Maid Café in Spisehuset.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16.00-20.00

Saturday: 10.00-20.00

Sunday: 10.00-16.00



Food Alley

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. This year, we will be creating a cosy experience outside CPH Conference and Sakura with a true Asian-inspired Food Festival. Sporting tents with plenty of delicious vendors, you will be able to enjoy tasty food once again during J-Popcon. Please note that it is not allowed to bring food with you inside Øksnehallen or other indoor areas, unless marked so.

Opening Hours

Friday: 17.00-21.00

Saturday: 11.00-21.00

Sunday: 11.00-16.00

Genki Lounge & Manga Lounge

Genki Lounge and Manga Lounge will take up space in CPH Conference, providing a combined area for relaxation, hanging out with your friends, and being creative if you so wish. Here, you will find manga to browse, Hama beads to create cute and pixelated designs, and drawing materials to your heart's content. For some extra fun, Genki Lounge will have a few pop-up mini events throughout the weekend to inject some extra pizzazz to the festivities!

Opening Hours

Friday: 16.00-02.00

Saturday: 10.00-02.00

Sunday: 10.00-16.00

Lounge (18+)

If you need a place to relax, the Lounge is the place to be. Play fun board games and talk with both 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 staff serve you – we are located in CPH Conference, ground floor.

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: 16.00-02.00

Saturday: 12.00-02.00

Sunday: 12.00-16.00

Game Room

For the third year in a row, Game Room is moving – again! This year, you will find us on the 1st floor in CPH Conference. If you want to get a break from the busy atmosphere in Øksnehallen, or if you simply want to work up a sweat with some competitive fighting games, you should swing by and see what's on offer. We have a lot of old and new friends this year, and hope that you're ready to say hi to all of them!

Opening Hours

Friday: 16.00-00.00

Saturday: 10.00-00.00

Sunday: 10.00-16.00



Tabletop City

J-Popcon's dedicated board and card game area! Located on the 2nd floor of CPH Conference, Tabletop City will host a myriad of analogue games in a cosy environment. Visit the area to see our collection of board games and the events we have to offer, from Yu-Gi-Oh! and Pokémon to Riichi Mahjong and so much more! On the 2nd floor, you also find the three event rooms, Chibi, Sora, and Minna.

Opening Hours

Friday: 16.00-22.00

Saturday: 10.00-22.00

Sunday: 10.00-16.00

Sakura Stage

Sakura stage is J-Popcon's new and biggest stage, located in DGI Byen. Sakura is where J-Popcon begins and ends, but in between these times is where Sakura really shines!

Here, you will find many events for your entertainment, such as our guests' panels and dance shows. This is also where you will find our amazing cosplayshows, where many of Denmark's cosplayers showcase their talent for costumes, performance, and craftsmanship on stage. Idol Fest will take place on this stage, so stop by for some musical festivities – when the music starts, the room becomes magical.

Opening Hours

Friday: 17.00-23.00

Saturday: 10.00-23.00

Sunday: 10.00-17.00

Rysenstein Dormitories

J-Popcon's sleeping facilities can be found in Rysenstein 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 ground floor of CPH Conference.



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 sales 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

In general, if a piece of merchandise is badly made or seems to be of inferior quality, it is likely a bootleg. The same applies to items with missing copyright information. The copyright information must be located next to a ©-label. It should note the creator, the publisher, and the producer on the item itself. If the packaging shows characters from more than one anime or manga, it is also a bootleg.

Bootleg posters

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.

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.



FAKE

ORIGINAL





BRING HOME MEMORIES FROM J-POPCON 2025 WITH OUR MERCHANDISE!

Stop by our Reception and find our unique merchandise to celebrate J-Popcon 2025! We have everything: tote bags, acrylic keychains, stickers, also as sticker sheets, and even omamori charms. You can even get your hands on merchandise from previous years, such as our tumblers.



FRIDAY

A Brief History of AMVs

When was the first AMV made? Which techniques and equipment were 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, as well as AMVs that might inspire people to start making AMVs.

Minna, 20.00-21.00

In English

Animation 101

With BranFlakes

One helluva animator is here to show you all what you'll need to know about animation. If you love Helluva Boss or Hazbin Hotel, this is an extraordinary chance to get a peek behind the curtain.

Minna, 17.30-18.30

In English

Anime, Manga, and Japanese Popular Culture

With Jakob Stegelmann

The titan, the legend, the man himself – Jakob Stegelmann! A man who has followed the Danish anime scene since it was nothing more than imported VHS, Betamax, and laserdiscs. Today, he'll give you his personal insight into Japanese popular culture – and his relationship with manga and anime!

Sakura, 20.00-21.00

Becoming a VTuber: Dust XinXue

With Howard Wang

VTubing has taken the world by storm and now you can be in the eye of the hurricane of this new phenomenon. See how Dust XinXue is working to take over cyberspace and learn how you can start your VTuber journey!

Minna, 18.45-19.45

In English

Cosplay Craft Jeopardy

Try Kitsune Cosplay Guild's spin on the classic team player game 'Jeopardy'!

Tsubasa, 20.45-21.45

In English

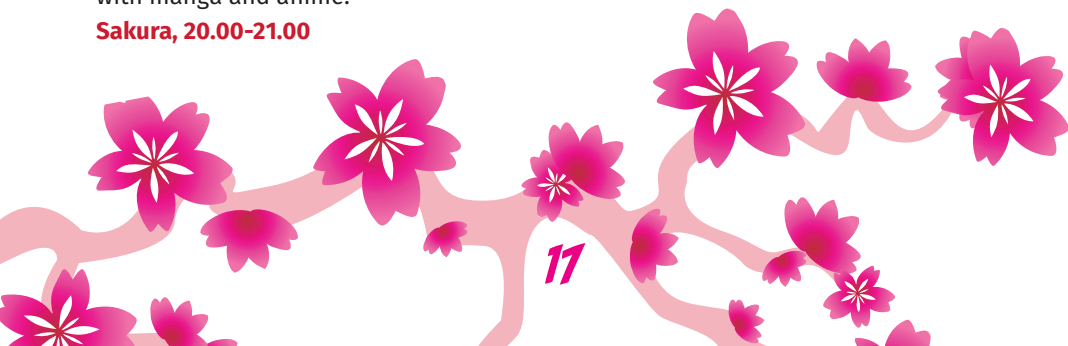
Cosplay Stage Props

With Amalia

Have you ever wanted to create a cosplay performance, but felt intimidated by the prospect of building stage props? Fear no more! Resident prop-goblin Amalia will help demystify stage prop building, share their building experience, and give you tips on how to make reusable and lightweight props to elevate your performance.

Chibi, 17.30-18.30

In English



Crepe Flower Workshop

Have you seen those beautiful handmade paper flowers on Instagram? So have we! Drop by Genki Lounge and learn how to create gorgeous handmade flowers from washi paper, and maybe even create something for a loved one? It is Valentine's Day after all.

Genki Lounge, 18.00-20.00

DnD One-Shot Session: En Krigers Hånd – Minder fra en Gammel Ræv

Throw dice, defeat the odds, and maybe even have a laugh along the way, when Tabletop City opens up for a DnD one-shot session! Both veterans and newcomers are welcome as well as people who enjoy seeing the magic unfold as an audience.

Tabletop City, 17.00-21.00

Guess That Cosplay

Can you recognise a character from just their pants? Take a guess while we progressively reveal more and more of a character's cosplay. Our friends over at Kitsune Cosplay Guild will provide great entertainment at our Tsubasa scene!

Tsubasa, 19.30-20.30

In English

How to Speedrun

With AbyssToaster

Speedrunning is the art of finishing a game as fast as humanly, or inhumanly, possible. It can seem daunting and otherworldly, but the community is full of passionate gamers, ready to teach you. This is your chance to get started!

Chibi, 20.15-21.45

In English

How to Spot Bootlegs and What to Do About It

With Fakensad

Our friend throughout decades, Kaj, is once again coming to show you how to spot bootleg anime figures, what to avoid, and how to not get scammed.

Sora, 17.30-18.30

In English

Idol Festival DK

Idol Festival Denmark is a celebration of Asian idol culture in Denmark. Here, we showcase the talents of the idol fans who've signed up to dance. So please come show your support for our performers and enjoy the show! Everyone is welcome!

Sakura, 18.15-19.15

“It's Going to Be Dark Soon”: What Is So Special About Anime Cons in Poland?

Have you ever wondered what cons are like in other countries? What makes them different from e.g. Danish conventions? Many of us know there are big differences between Swedish and Danish conventions, but this year we will have a talk on some of the interesting and unique parts of Slavic cons – namely those in Poland. Drop by, and learn intriguing facts of international con life.

Sora, 21.00-22.00

In English

J-Fashion Fashion Show

J Fashion DK and Lolita Fashion DK will be hosting a fashion show with various styles of Japanese street fashion. You are invited to be inspired by all of the cute, dark, wild, and pretty styles, there's something for everyone.

Denchi, 20.00-21.30

Kilikai Kendo Showcase

Kilikai Kendo is back at J-Popcon and will yet again provide an action-packed showcase of cool kendo moves and techniques. If you have never seen a live performance of kendo, this is definitely something you do not want to miss – however, even if you are a kendo connoisseur, this thrilling showcase is guaranteed to get your blood pumping, providing an intoxicating state of excitement!

Tsubasa, 16.30-17.30

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.

Rysenstein, 20.00-00.00

Limbo

Are you our next limbo champion? The Lounge is more than good music and a place to quench your thirst for people over 18. Come and join our limbo night with a party and laughter with all kinds of cosplayers, and let us see your best JoJo pose in action! Sign up at the bar well in advance to ensure yourself a spot.

Lounge (18+), 18.30-19.30

Makeup 101

With GigiAbla

In this panel, we will cover the basics of makeup application and explore tips and tricks. There will also be a deep dive into different cosplay makeup techniques. Whether you're a beginner or looking to level up your skills, this panel welcomes all!

Chibi, 18.45-19.45

In English



Making Anime Feature Films

Meet film director and producer Anders Häger Jönson, and join in for a talk on independent filmmaking, anime nerd culture, and how to make a name for yourself in a tough and competitive industry.

Minna, 21.15-22.00

In English

Mega Yōkai Kahoot

With Bosei

Do you know lots about yōkai, the creatures of Japanese folklore? Good, you'll need to use all your knowledge in this Kahoot! You have to identify yōkai, find out what their specific powers are, what monster movie they have been portrayed in, and much more! The Kahoot is in English. There will be a small prize for the winner.

Sora, 20.15-20.45

New & Old Dragon Ball Z Dub

With Jan Tellefsen

The original Dragon Ball Z dub in Danish was a cultural phenomenon in the early 2000's. With the new Danish dub of Dragon Ball Super, the director and recurring voice of Kuririn, Jan Tellefsen, together with his fellow dubbing superstars, will take you through their journey with the magical crystal balls!

Denchi, 18.00-19.30

Opening Ceremony

Start off J-Popcon with our icon Opening Ceremony! Feel the hype, bring your friends, and start off J-Popcon 2025 in the best way possible!

Sakura, 16.30-17.30

In English

Sake Tasting (18+)

Experience the famous Japanese alcoholic drink – sake! Swing by our Lounge (18+) and treat your tastebuds to a great taste sensation. Tickets go on sale Friday and in a limited supply. Remember to bring your legitimate picture ID to get into our Lounge (18+).

Lounge (18+), 20.00-21.30

Soundtrack Quiz: 25 Years Anniversary!

Listen to some of the greatest bops from the last 25 years and iconic pieces of music from a wide selection of animes.

Chibi, 22.00-22.45

In English

Taiko no Tatsujin Tournament

Become a master of the drum and feel the rhythm, as you torture innocent drums in the fight to become the best! You'll need discipline and a hardcore will to get out on top!

Game Room, 17.00-19.00

Tekken 8 Tournament

The world is having a Tekken renaissance at the moment, and this is your chance to participate! Show all the guests who's really The King of Iron Fist!

Game Room, 19.30-23.00

The Ivanhoe Drag Show (18+)

With Ivanhoe

Experience the dualistic Ivanhoe, the eccentric cosplayer & drag queen! With more than 10 years of experience on the Danish cosplay stage and his flair for comedy, this show is sure to make the audience gasp, laugh, and cry!

Sakura, 21.45-22.45

Q&A with the DCC Judges

Meet our three DCC judges: Storm Cosplay, LevyLike, and Captain Ghostly! Ask them about their experiences and knowledge about the cosplay scene, whether it be crafting, stage performance, judging, photoshoots, you name it!

Tsubasa, 18.00-19.00

In English

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.

If you haven't had enough when Sora and Minna close, venture on to Rysenstein, where the murder drama will continue!

Sora & Minna, 22.15-02.00

What is Touhou?

With Touhou Sweden

The Japanese bullet hell game made by one man is taking the internet by storm, and if you're curious to find out what it's all about, our dear friends from Touhou Sweden are here to teach you everything about the Touhou lore!

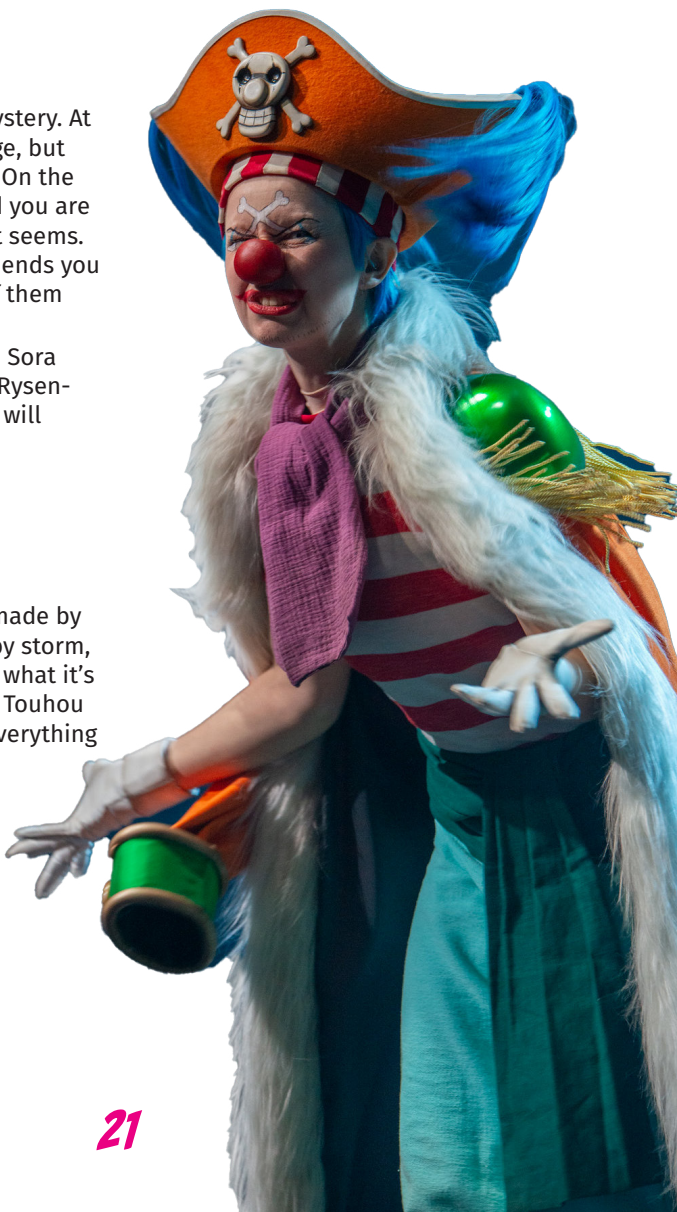
Sora, 19.00-20.00

In English

Which Light Novel Title is Fake?

Jan is our in-house quiz master, and Which Light Novel Title is Fake? is sure to get your bunny ears in a twist!

Chibi, 23.00-23.45



PROGRAMME FRIDAY

Sakura Denchi Tsubasa 2nd floor Chibi 2nd floor Sora 2nd floor Minna Game Room Lounge (18+) Other

16:00

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Opening Ceremony

Kirikai Kendo Showcase

Taiko no Tatsujin Tournament

17:00

15

Idol Festival DK

Q&A with the DCC Judges

Animation 101
W. BranFlakes

Taiko no Tatsujin Tournament

DnD One-Shot: En Krigers Hånd – Minder fra en Gammel Ræv (*Tabletop City*)

18:00

15

Idol Festival DK

New & Old Dragon Ball Z Dub
W. Jan Tellefsen

How to Spot Bootlegs and What to Do About It
W. FakeIsSad

Crepe Flower Workshop (*Genki Lounge*)

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19:00

15

Idol Festival DK

Guess That Cosplay

What is Touhou?
W. Touhou Sweden

Tekken 8 Tournament

Crepe Flower Workshop (*Genki Lounge*)

20:00

15

Anime, Manga, and Japanese Popular Culture
W. Jakob Stegelmann

J-Fashion Fashion Show

A Brief History of AMVs

Sake Tasting (18+)

Karaoke (*Ryusensteen*)

21:00

15

The Ivanhoe Drag Show (18+)
W. Ivanhoe

Cosplay Craft Jeopardy

Making Anime Feature Films

Sake Tasting (18+)

Karaoke (*Ryusensteen*)

22:00

15

The Ivanhoe Drag Show (18+)
W. Ivanhoe

Soundtrack Quiz: 25 Years Anniversary!

Werewolf (22:00-02:00)

Tekken 8 Tournament

Limbo

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17:00	15	30	45	w. Howard Wang	Nordskjold	Dai-chan	Dai-chan	Nordskjold	Family Feud Con Edition	Twister Competition	Werewolf								
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20:00	15	30	45	Danish Cosplay Championship: Livestream	Danish Cosplay Championship: Livestream	Manga or Manhwa?	Beljijka Dance Workshop	Sequel/No Sequel: 25th Anniversary	Photocard Trading: K-Pop	Dance Dance Revolution Tournament									
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Werewolf: Yokai Edition (Genki Lounge, 22.00-02.00)

Werewolf (23:15-02:00)

Werewolf (23:45-02:00)

SATURDAY

A Talk about Danmei

With Faraos Cigarer

Faraos Cigarer is inviting you to a panel talk on Danmei with a focus on the genre itself and its evolution – and subsequent rise in popularity – in recent years.

Danmei is a genre of Chinese fiction focused on romantic stories involving love and attraction between men, which corresponds to the Japanese genre of BL ('Boy's Love').

Sora, 13.00-14.00

A Talk about Love Hotels

With FakelsSad

Kaj returns once again to talk about Love Hotels and the evolution in Japanese society. Hosted in our Lounge (18+), you'll be able to gain a fascinating insight and peek into a part of Japanese society not always being talked about publicly, all the while enjoying alcoholic beverages as you see fit.

Lounge (18+), 14.00-15.00

In English

Aikido

Come and see the Danish Aikido club, Københavns Aikido Klub, make a performance of their great skill and discipline. Aikido is a modern Japanese martial arts and something that's a sight to behold.

Tsubasa, 11.15-12.15

AMV Showcase

Animated Music Videos are a cornerstone of Japanese online pop culture, and something that has been innovative in essence. Now you can come and see some newly made AMVs, and see who's the best!

Sora, 14.15-15.00

Anime Friending Game

Anime Dating Game is as old as anime conventions and something that stands the test of time. This year, it has leveled up and is now focused on not just flirting and romance, but finding new besties! Come and show off how your character would approach a new connection, and see how other cosplayers would make new friends!

Denchi, 12.45-13.45

In English

Asuka Combo Show-off!

With Sofia Stunts

One of the coolest people to ever walk on Danish ground will show off realistic combos from the smash hit game: Tekken! Asuka Kazama is a fan favourite from the series and also one of Sofia's. Get ready to see dramatic over the top Aikido in action!

Tsubasa, 10.30-11.00

In English

Auction

This is your chance! See what anime treasures and relics from a forgotten time are being put up for sale, and get ready to raise your hand to bid – because there will be heat! The perfect chance to walk home with something unique, or experience the ecstatic hype at the scene! A ‘sport’, both for players and audience.

Denchi, 10.30-12.30

Back to Basics – LEDs!

With Vince’s Cosplay Corner

Would you like to make your cosplay more alive, but don’t know where to start? Perhaps you already know the basics, but still need inspiration? Back to Basics is a panel for you, seeking to add more light and life to your cosplay! Everything from where the battery can sit in your cosplay to how you solder as well as a small insight into what it can develop into!

Chibi, 14.00-15.00

Beer Tasting (18+)

Come to our Lounge (18+) and try tasting a spellbinding selection of Japanese beers, and see if you fall in love with a new bottle! Tickets go on sale Saturday and in a limited supply. Remember to bring legitimate picture ID to get into our Lounge (18+).

Lounge (18+), 16.00-17.30

Belgijka Dance Workshop

The traditional Eastern European tradition of Belgijka Dancing has been a fixture of anime conventions in Eastern Europe – and now you can try it here! Warm up your dance muscles and get ready to try something completely out of the ordinary!

Tsubasa, 21.00-22.00

In English



Capsule Monsters: The Secret Stories Behind Pokémon

With Jacob Bechmann

Experience a side of Pokémon that you've never seen before. Our resident Pokémon aficionado will take you through some of the esoteric, hidden parts of the making of the first generation of Pokémon that has roots all the way up until today. Get ready to have your Pokémind blown, and see Pokémon in a whole new light!

Minna, 15.15-16.15

Cards against Cosplay

Experience Cards Against Humanity – with a cosplay twist. The Kitsune Cosplay Guild will host it in our Lounge (18+) with a guarantee for laughs. Remember to bring legitimate picture ID to get into our Lounge (18+).

Lounge (18+), 11.30-12.30

In English

Cosplay Catwalk

Come enjoy a parade of cosplays! At J-Popcon's Cosplay Catwalk, all costumes are welcome, both homemade and purchased, and all the participants are ready to show off their creativity, so come by and cheer for them when we celebrate the art form of cosplay!

Sakura, 11.30-13.00

Coloured Contact Lenses 101

Coloured contacts can add the final touch to a cosplay, but how do you ensure that the contact lenses you buy online are actually safe to use? Come and listen to this panel, and learn how to keep your tongue straight when shopping for lenses online, how to safely use them, and what you should do if or when you encounter a mishap.

Minna, 14.00-15.00

Comics 101

With Line Nordskjold

Would you like to draw comics but don't know where to start? Join the workshop and let comic book artist Line Nordskjold give you tips and tricks on how to plan and draw a simple comic strip. The workshop will be a mix of presentation and drawing. You don't need to be good at drawing – you simply need to want to try!

Sora, 19.00-20.00

Critical Role Cosplay Meet-up & Quiz

Critical Role is to RPG nerds what anime is to ... well, also nerds. Another meet-up first, one of our Critical Role aficionados is hosting a meet-up along with a quiz! Pop by for some medieval funsies!

Genki Lounge, 15.15-16.15

Dance Dance Revolution Tournament

MORE MUSIC! MORE DANCE! Experience the smash hit game on the kitsch and quirky gamepads that took Japan and the world by storm decades ago.

Game Room, 21.15-23.00

Danish Cosplay Championship

The biggest cosplayshow and contest on Danish soil! This show blows everybody away year after year, and for our 25th anniversary, we'll expect nothing less. Get ready to sit on the edge of your seat, because this is a heaven for cosplayers! Read more on page 46.

Sakura, 19.30-20.45

In English

Danish Cosplay Championship: Livestream

Swing by the two stages in Øksenhallen, Denchi and Tsubasa, to see the DCC being streamed live from our Sakura stage! Get ready to feel the hype and anticipation!

Denchi & Tsubasa, 19.30-20.45

Danish Cosplay Championship Award Ceremony

Come see the second part of the Danish Cosplay Championship, where we'll reveal the winners and who'll be going to represent Denmark in our international compet

Sakura, 21.15-22.00

In English

DnD One-Shot Session: En Krigers Hånd – Minder fra en Gammel Ræv

Throw dice, defeat the odds, and maybe even have a laugh along the way, when Tabletop City opens up for a DnD one-shot session! Both veterans and newcomers are welcome as well as people who enjoy seeing the magic unfold as an audience.

Tabletop City, 10.00-14.00 & 15.00-19.00



Drawing Workshop with Fred Tornager

With Fred Tornager

The Danish mangaka Fred Tornager is hosting a drawing workshop for anyone with a mangaka dream hidden within them. Fred has made a Nordic manga about the Nordic gods, Gunhild, which is published in the web magazine, Saturday Brunch.

Minna, 10.30-12.30

Dubbing Minor Roles

With Daniel Lenz

Daniel Lenz is a Danish voice actor, dubber, and editing & backroom technician. Enjoy his panel on how it is to be a part of bigger productions, but not always cast as a lead or main character – all voices matter, even Third Person on the Back Row!

Denchi, 18.15-19.15

Family Feud Con Edition

Come join Kitsune Cosplay Guild as they put together a J-Popcon edition of Family Feud! See if you can guess the answers, or if you're completely off the mark.

Minna, 17.45-19.15

Film Screening: "Places that Were Anime to Me"

Swedish filmmaker Anders Häger Jönson has produced this feature length film on otaku life and the evolution of nerd culture in the early 2000s. First shown at NärCon Summer 2024, you can now come watch the Danish premiere screening of this psychedelic take on anime and nerd culture.

Sora, 21.30-23.00

In English

Greek Mythology Quiz

Who killed the Calydonian boars, and who is Hestia's father? A quiz for all of us/those who went through a 'Greek Mythology' phase as teenagers, hosted by Kitsune Cosplay Guild.

Chibi, 12.45-13.45

Guess That Character

Meet new and old friends. A mingling event with a twist, guaranteed to make conversation flow!

Chibi, 19.15-20.15

Hatsune Miku: Project Diva Tournament

The cyber idol Hatsune Miku will allure us into her palace, where you'll be tested in your rhythm of the classic Vocaloid songs! If you are fond of the Japanese digital idols, you'll have to try your luck at this tournament.

Game Room, 11.00-13.00

How to Play Touhou

With Touhou Sweden

The classic Japanese franchise, Touhou, has become a behemoth in Japanese popular culture. So big, that it can be easy to forget the time where it was mostly a bullet hell franchise. Here, our friends at Touhou Sweden will show you how to play, how to get good, and what to avoid when you're trying to conquer these intense games.

Chibi, 17.45-18.45

In English

Interview and Q&A

With Sofia Stunts

The coolest girl on the internet, Sofia Stunts, is here to talk about how it is to be a stuntman, gymnast, and geek with a capital G. Sofia shows combos from different video games and fighting games to a level of perfection that is unmatched, and with over 300.000 followers on Instagram, there will be plenty of things to talk about!

Tsubasa, 12.45-14.15

Interview with Fred Tornager

Come and hear one of the newest Danish mangakas talk about their journey and works. Fred Tornager is ready to share their voice and tell you all you want to know about being a young mangaka, raised on Falster.

Chibi, 15.15-16.15

Interview with Line Nordskjold

Meet Line Nordskjold – a Danish artist with a passion for Japan! Besides being a frequent artist at our Artist Alley, she also has a bachelor degree in Japanology and has been living in Japan, while working for the Danish embassy in Tokyo. She'll be telling you about all that and so much more in this interview!

Chibi, 16.30-17.30

Jujutsu Kaisen Meet-up & Quiz

Jujutsu Kaisen is one of the newer trending shows, and what better way to get some pictures with Sukuna, Maki, or Daddy Gojo?

Genki Lounge, 12.30-13.30

Just Dance Tournament

Get together and bring on your best moves, because in this tournament you'll have to be able to move your body to win it all!

Game Room, 18.00-21.00

K-Pop Random Play Dance

With Fusion

Finally, the dance group Fusion is back, back, 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 the night away!

Denchi, 14.00-16.00

K-Pop Quiz

With Fusion

The Danish K-Pop dance troupe, Fusion, is joining us with a bang of a K-Pop quiz, where you can show off your knowledge of the Korean music phenomenon.

Sora, 11.45-12.45

In English

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.

Rysenstein, 10.00-01.00

Kendama Workshop

Kendama is a popular Japanese wooden toy, and this year, we have Isaac from Kendama Denmark dropping by and showing us how to use kendama, tips and tricks to become better at mastering it, and how you can make your own.

Sora, 15.15-16.15

Life as an Anime Voice Actor

With Howard Wang

Learn about the daily work of an anime voice actor, what hurdles you have to overcome, and how to succeed in the field. Having worked on series like Pokémon, D. Gray-Man, CardCaptor Sakura, and many more, Howard Wang is a well rounded dubber who has a lot of experience to share!

Tsubasa, 17.30-18.30

In English

Manga Cover Quiz

Do you recognise the manga from just the cover? Can you tell from just a description which manga is being referred to? Then join this cover quiz, and test your expert level skills and knowledge.

Sora, 10.30-11.30

Manga or Manhwa?

Do you know if your favourite anime was written in Japanese or Korean at first? This quiz is all about the source material, and guessing if the series is manga or manhwa. So why not test your knowledge while you are at J-Popcon? You might discover a new series in the process.

Denchi, 21.00-21.45

Mega Ninja Kahoot

With Bosei

Test your knowledge of all things ninja related! When was the first written account of ninjas? What is the origin of their hand signals? And exactly how many whack ninja-anime exist?! Join us to learn more about ninjas and more importantly defeat your friends. The Kahoot is in English. There will be a small prize for the winner.

Tsubasa, 18.45-19.15



One Piece Sealed

Join our One Piece Sealed tournament! You keep all the products you receive. We have a maximum of 32 participants, but half will only be available to book on the day. The event itself is free.

Tabletop City, 11.00-15.00

Otaku Quiz

Test your general knowledge on manga, anime, and Japanese culture!

Chibi, 22.30-23.15

Photocard Trading: K-Pop

Got duplicates? Looking for your bias or bias wrecker? Visit the photocard trading table to trade and complete your collection! Bring your cards, meet fellow fans, and find the perfect match for your binder!

Sora, 20.45-21.15

Publish Your Comic

Comic creator Luxiva talks about how to publish your comics, traditional and digital, self-published or with a publisher. What are the pros and cons and which option is the right one for you – come and find out!

Minna, 12.45-13.45

Q&A

With BranFlakes

Come and ask all your questions about the hit show Helluva Boss, Hazbin Hotel, or anything else that the animator BranFlakes might know! Get a window directly into the creator's mind, and a chance for a personal dialogue.

Chibi, 10.30-11.30

In English

Sequel/No Sequel: 25th Anniversary

Come and see if your anime knowledge is on top and ask yourself: “Did this show really have a sequel, or was I just making it up?” For better or for worse, now it’s the time to show your worth!

Chibi, 20.30-21.15

Speedrun

With ThaRixer

Experience that Danish speedrunning legend, ThaRixer, when he’ll speedrun a surprise game at J-Popcon! ThaRixer has international fame, with his almost 200.000 YouTube subscribers and multiple achievements in the speedrunning community, he’s a force to be reckoned with.

Denchi, 16.15-18.00

In English

Speedrun: Sonic DX

Experience the classic, first full 3D Sonic Game that has set the standard for all Sonic games to come! With the ‘Sonic Boom’ that we’re seeing in 2025, this speedrun is a blast to the past – a radical past!

Minna, 19.45-21.45

In English

Speedrun: Touhou: Dai-chan

See the speedrun of a Touhou game, which is different from the classic bullet hells. It’s going to be fun, intense, and focused.

Minna, 16.30-17.15

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament

You can probably find your favourite video game character among the roster of SSBU! Swing by and kick some butt or see the spectacle unfold as a viewer.

Game Room, 13.00-17.30

Throwback Awards Ceremony

Enjoy this blast from the past pause show while the judges choose the winners of this year’s Danish Cosplay Championship, when we take a trip down a cosplay memory lane – and award some winners based on who you voted for earlier this week!

Sakura, 20.45-21.15

Tinuviel Gundam Meet-up

As something new, we are hosting select fandom meet-ups, which are free to join for all. Swing by and meet other Gundam enthusiasts. Come meet other Gundam nerds and pose for group pictures.

Sora, 17.45-18.45

In English

Toploader Decorating

Unleash your creativity and make a toploader as unique as your idol! Use stickers, washi tape, and other decorations to personalise your favourites. Bring your own supplies or use ours, available while they last!

Sora, 16.30-17.30



Travelling Adventures with Torii Travels!

Torii Travels are experts in travelling from Denmark to Japan. They've tried it before and have loads of great tips, tricks, and important bits of information, for everyone that's looking to visit the land of the rising sun.

Chibi, 11.45-12.30

Twister Competition

Come enjoy a festive Saturday evening with Twister! Our Lounge (18+) is clearing the dancefloor, making room for the biggest and baddest Twister competition! Grab your friends – or yourself – and see who is flexible enough to become Twister Champion of J-Popcon 2025! Make sure to grab a spot and sign up with the bar staff before the competition starts.

Lounge (18+), 18.15-19.15

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.

If you haven't had enough when Sora and Minna close, venture on to Rysenstein, where the murder drama will continue!

Sora, 23.45-02.00, Minna 23.15-02.00

Werewolf: Yōkai Edition

Hydra Event are hosting their take on Werewolf, redesigned with a Japanese yōkai theme. It's the premiere of this take, so be the first to experience it!

Genki Lounge & Tabletop City, 22.00-02.00

Which Light Novel Title is Fake?

Jan is our in-house quiz master, and 'Which Light Novel Title is Fake?' is sure to get your bunny ears

Chibi, 21.30-22.30

Whisky Tasting (18+)

Back again this year, the Lounge (18+) is yet again home to an exclusive tasting event with the finest selection of Japanese whiskies. Tickets go on sale Saturday and in a limited supply. Remember to bring legitimate picture ID to get into our Lounge (18+).

Lounge (18+), 20.00-21.30

In English

Working in the Video Game Industry

With Howard Wang

Learn from one of the current superstars in the video game industry, Howard Wang, about working as a voice actor for characters in video games. With game series like Rain Code, Dragon Ball Z, and Fire Emblem under his belt, and more than 10 years of experience in the video game voice acting field, this is a must-see for anyone interested in this world!

Tsubasa, 16.15-17.15

In English

Working on Hellaverse

With BranFlakes

Learn everything that your heart desires about the hit web series, Helluva Boss! BranFlakes will talk about all his experience on the show, how it feels to be an animator, and how everything comes together.

Tsubasa, 14.45-15.45

In English

SUNDAY

Anime Friending Game

Anime Dating Game is as old as anime conventions and something that stands the test of time. This year, it has leveled up and is now focused on not just flirting and romance, but finding new besties! Come and show off how your character would approach a new connection, and see how other cosplayers would make new friends!

Tsubasa, 12.00-13.00

In English

Closing Ceremony

We know, it's sad. This will be the last event of J-Popcon 2025. We'll send you off, back into the real world, and enjoy that this will mark the ending of J-Popcon 2025. We can't really fathom that it's been 25 years since we began, so we might get a little bit emotional. Come and end J-Popcon with a bang together with us!

Sakura, 16.00-17.00

In English

Cosplay Armour & Props: The Art of Crafting

With Captain Ghostly

Join us to discover the art of crafting in this exciting and educational panel/workshop combo. It doesn't matter if you are a beginner or experienced foamsmith, this workshop will give you invaluable insights and tips to develop your skills. Each attendee will receive free materials to create their own unique item to take home.

Minna, 11.45-12.45

In English

Dissecting a Cosplay Performance

With LevyLike

Watch Levy perform, but that's not all: She will tell you how to build your own performance! This masterclass discusses the different aspects of cosplay performances – from start to finish.

Minna, 13.00-14.00

In English

DnD One-Shot Session

Throw dice, defeat the odds, and maybe even have a laugh along the way, when Tabletop City opens up for a DnD one-shot session! Both veterans and newcomers are welcome as well as people who enjoy seeing the magic unfold as an audience.

Tabletop City, 10.00-14.00



Dukkehjørnets Panel

Meet the duo consisting of two hobbyist ladies who provide an introduction to doll customising for everyone; whether it be Japanese BJDs and vinyl dolls to toy-line dolls like Monster High. Listen in and learn how to make tiny cosplays or original characters that you can display on your bookcase at home.

Chibi, 14.00-15.00

Herning Ungdomshold: Dance Act

We all know how it feels to be an aspiring cosplayer and weeb-in-the-making, and a lot of us remember how we started out as very shy teenagers, dipping our toes in cosplay and the art of performing. This year, Herning Ungdomshold is showcasing their performance, a performance they have worked on for a long, long time – they are determined to show that cosplay is also a team sport, and one you can enjoy doing alone-but-together.

Tsubasa, 10.15-11.45

Hong Kong: The Cheaper Alternative to Japan?

Travelling to Japan is a big wish for multiple people that dwell in Japanese pop culture. But other countries in Asia also have a lot to offer. Come and hear about the wonders of Hong Kong and see if that's your next travelling destination!

Minna, 14.15-15.15

In English

Imperfectly Perfect Makeup

With Storm Cosplay

Do you want to take your cosplay makeup looks to the next level, but don't know where to start? Combining his knowledge of both beauty and post-mortem makeup, Storm will teach you how to add life and detail to your makeup.

Chibi, 10.30-11.30

In English

J-Popcon's Cosplayshow & Craftsmanship Competition

Our very own 'Søndagsshow' and craftsmanship competition is something that every cosplayer should be looking forward to watching! We Danes have a flair for comedy and extravaganza, both the cosplayshow and craftsmanship competition will be an explosive affair. Read more on page 46.

Sakura, 14.30-16.00

J-Popcon's Cosplayshow & Craftsmanship Competition: Livestream

Swing by the two stages in Øksenhallen, Denchi and Tsubasa, to see the JCS being streamed live from our Sakura stage! Get ready to feel the hype and anticipation!

Denchi & Tsubasa, 14.30-16.00

K-Pop Music Bingo

Come and join us for K-Pop Music Bingo! Match the songs, fill your card, and get the chance to win awesome prizes while doing what every K-Pop fan loves most: listening to K-Pop!

Denchi, 13.30-14.30

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.

Rysenstein, 10.00-16.00

Learn to Play Pokémon TCG

We're once again seeing a big Pokémon-
mania, with no signs of stopping any
time soon! If you want to learn how
to play with some of the world's most
expensive cardboards, swing by Tabletop
City and see if you have what it takes to
become a Pokémon Master!

Tabletop City, 10.00-11.00

Lidya Combo Showcase!

With Sofia Stunts

For the second time at J-Popcon 2025,
Sofia Stunts will make a showcase of
combos that to most would seem like
magic! Come and see her fight like Lidya
from Tekken. It'll be a sight to behold!

Denchi, 11.00-11.30

In English

Mahjong Intro

With Riichi

Mahjong originates in China and has ex-
isted for more than 150 years. The game
is pretty, but can be difficult to figure out
on your own. That's why Riichi is ready to
teach you how to play and show you all
the tips and tricks.

Chibi, 11.45-13.45

In English

Mario Kart Tournament

Get going and get drifting! Mario and
pals are ready to break some traffic rules
– all in the name of glory! We hope that
you're fresh and awake, because you'll
need all your focus to win!

Game Room, 11.00-13.30

One Piece Sealed

Join our One Piece Sealed tournament!
You keep all the products you receive.
We have a maximum of 32 participants,
but half will only be available to book on
the day. The event itself is free.

Tabletop City, 11.00-15.00

Q&A

With Lasse Vestergaard

Lasse Vestergaard has been part of
the Danish anime community for more
than a decade and is no stranger to
the Danish anime convention scene.
The famous YouTuber with more than
170.000 subscribers is a powerhouse
in the Danish YouTube scene, and here
he'll tell you about his journey with
anime, gaming, and answer a lot of your
questions!

Denchi, 11.45-13.15

Tools for All Game Masters!

With Eventyrkompasset

Would you like to become a better game
master in your tabletop role-playing
game? Then you should swing by Even-
tyrkompasset during J-Popcon 2025. This
new tool is system neutral and focuses
on the role part of role-playing. We en-
courage both new and experienced game
masters to swing by.

Sora, 10.30-12.30

Voice Acting and BL/Danmei

With Howard Wang

You can't have an anime convention
without just a little BL, and Howard
Wang is here to tell you how things are
turning out – from the other side of the
fandom. As a voice actor of both BL &
Danmei media, he'll take you through his
side of the story, and tell you about his
journey through both BL & Danmei.

Denchi, 13.15-14.15

In English

Who's That Fighter!?

Do you remember the name of those you fight with? If so, this quiz might be the easiest thing to do. The quiz master will show you a picture and give you four names. And then you will have to find the right one.

Minna, 15.30-16.30

Who's That Character?!

And no, it's not PIKACHU! But can you guess who's behind the silhouettes? This will truly test if you have an eye for details. Bring some friends, and see if you can come out on top.

Chibi, 15.15-16.00

In English

Working as an Animator

With BranFlakes

Most of us have dreamed about working in the studio making anime, and if anyone would love to know more about this path, BranFlakes is here to give out all the answers! Learn all about how to be an animator, what it takes, and how it is behind the scenes. This will be golden, for anyone curious.

Minna, 10.30-11.30

In English

Yu-Gi-Oh! Tournament

With Asmodee

It's time to d-d-d-duel!! Grab your best Yu-Gi-Oh! deck, and swing by Tabletop (Battle) City, and see who's the real King of Games! With our great friends at Asmodee here, we're sure that it'll be a blast!

Tabletop City, 11.45-16.45

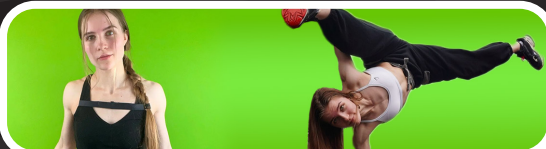


VIPS AT J-POP CON



**JAKOB
STEGELMANN**

Jakob Stegelmann is an icon when it comes to presenting pop culture of all kinds in Denmark, also the Japanese! He's a writer, lecturer, editor, film critic, and tv host, and a lot of us especially know him as the host of Troldspejlet, where he has reviewed films, tv series, games, and much more for us nerds since 1989. He has also been in charge of beloved series such as Disney Sjøv, which he edited since the beginning in 1991, he was among the producers of the legendary animated movie "Valhalla", and you have been able to experience him as a host of a number of concerts at DR Symfoniorkester and Copenhell, among others. With Troldspejlet and everything in between, Stegelmann has created a universe and community that began as underground, but today, it has spread and become an essential part of our cultural usage and understanding – and we cannot thank him enough!



SOFIA STUNTS

Meet Sofia Stunts! A Danish stunt woman, gymnast, and martial artist is coming to J-Popcon 2025! With her more than 300.000 followers on Instagram, she has shown the world that otherworldly combos from fighting games might not be completely impossible to achieve in real life! Maybe you have already seen her in some of her viral videos on Instagram, TikTok and YouTube? She jumps, kicks, and flips her way through insanely beautiful, pinpointed choreographies, mimicking the moves from famous fighting games such as Tekken and Mortal Kombat. Sofia is dedicated to her art, pouring hours of hard work into her passion while maintaining a strong online presence – did you know she has a Twitch-stream? Very cool! She has already made the internet completely spellbound (us included), and now she'll do the same here.



HOWARD WANG

Howard Wang is a voice actor and video game developer. Howard has lent his voice to characters like Xie Lian in Heaven Official's Blessing, Langa Hasegawa in SK8 the Infinity, Luka in Honkai: Star Rail, Narciso Anasui in Jojo's Bizarre Adventure: Stone Ocean, Kenshin Himura in Rurouni Kenshin (2023), Hajime Kokonoi in Tokyo Revengers, Tsutomu Goshiki and Rintaro Suna in Haikyuu!, Haruichi Izumo in Kaiju No. 8, Sandalphon in the Granblue Fantasy franchise, Louis James Moriarty in Moriarty the Patriot, Shihai Kuroiro/Vantadark in My Hero Academia, Piers and Darumaka in Pokémon Ultimate Journeys, Abel Walker in Mashle, Whitley Schnee in RWBY, Pelleas in Fire Emblem Heroes, Tatsuya Himuro in Kuroko's Basketball, Wakiya Murasaki in Beyblade Burst Surge, Vinsmoke Ichiji in One Piece, Hikari in Octopath Traveler II, Aaron Wei in Trails Through Daybreak, Yomi Hellsmile in Master Detective Archives: Rain Code, and many more!

Howard is also a VTuber! He streams a variety of games under the name Dust XinXue.

As a video game developer, Howard got his degree in game design and has worked as a VO Audio Designer for VALORANT at Riot Games and SUPERVIVE at Theocracy Games. When all of the things mentioned above aren't keeping him busy, Howard enjoys cooking, whaling in gacha games, and trying to get his cat to love him.



BRANFLAKES

Bryan Salter (known online as BranFlakes) is an artist and animator from the United States. Over the past several years, he's built an impressive portfolio, but you may know him best as a prominent member of SpindleHorse Toons, the production company for Helluva Boss and Hazbin Hotel. He's currently working as an animation lead for upcoming episodes of Helluva Boss, and he can hardly wait for you all to see what the team has been creating. Bryan's passion for his craft comes mainly from his love of anime series like Gurren Lagann and Evangelion, and he's a passionately outspoken fan of the Sonic the Hedgehog video game series. Bryan hopes to entertain and inform you all about what it's like to be a part of the Hellaverse, and he's thrilled to be here!



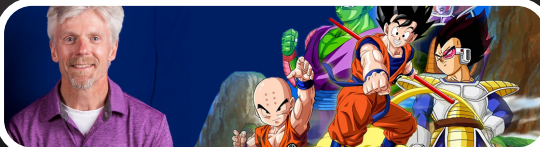
EMBANI

EmBani is a London based illustrator and animator currently animating at SpindleHorse Toons, where he has worked on Hazbin Hotel and Helluva Boss. He has gained his following mostly through fan-works of his favourite characters, which are mostly cool ladies.



DANIEL LENZ

Daniel is a Danish voice actor known for Dragon Ball Super, Paw Patrol, Thomas Tog, and several other titles. This year, he will be joining J-Popcon to talk about his work as both an editing technician on different productions as well as his dubbing work. Daniel will provide an exclusive peek into what it is like being cast for smaller roles, what the process is like when dubbing multiple roles in one scene, as well as talk about his experience working in the backroom – this guy is someone you do not want to miss!



JAN TELLEFSEN

Danish voice actor and director, who's behind the Danish edition of Digimon and the Danish voice for Krillin in Dragon Ball and Sonic in Sonic X. Besides these achievements, Jan also has a band, Klaus & Servants! Jan's voice is phenomenal and he has acted in a giant catalogue of animation films.





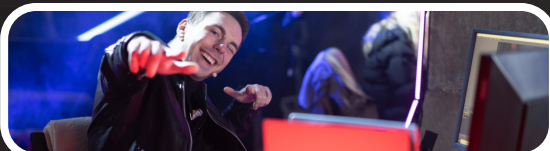
JADEN VARGEN

Jaden is a Spanish-Swedish freelance artist working with both traditional and digital methods. He creates multimedia art, comics, and graphic designs. He aspires to create pieces that tell stories of love, joy, comfort, and acceptance, whether through colour, composition, or expression. This year's design of BatteryBoy and WingGirl was created by him.



BXTH STUDIO

BXTH Studio sells an assortment of hand printed lino prints, often inspired by Our Flag Means Death, What We Do in the Shadows, and Good Omens. On top of that they have a big assortment of stickers, also mostly fandom based, and wooden pins. Find them at B16 in Artist Alley.



LASSE VESTERGAARD

Lasse Vestergaard is a Danish YouTuber with more than a decade of experience! He has more than 150.000 subscribers and a dedicated following! He is also no stranger to the Danish convention scene and has been an avid guest at conventions like SVS, Genki, and yours truly – J-Popcon.



THARIXER

ThaRixer is a Danish speedrunner and content creator with over 17.000.000 views on YouTube and 26.000 followers on Twitch. He creates documentaries about speedrunning and its history, and streams his own speedruns. He holds world records in several games, but is best known for his world records in Jak 3, where he holds the title in three categories!



Attack on Titan

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THE LAST ATTACK

ONLY IN THEATRES

MOONCAT KARAOKE



MoonCat Karaoke returns once again – now in a building of their own! Over at Rysensteen Gymnasium, you can enjoy their karaoke in an open shared room where you queue songs to sing. From anime and cartoons to musicals and K-Pop, there's something for any nerd!

If you want to check out their song list, scan the QR code and get inspired to sing your heart out.



**MoonCat
Karaoke**



Online Song list

COSPLAYSHOWS

Danish Cosplay Championship

Sakura

Saturday 19.30–22.00

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: Extreme Cosplay Gathering in France, International Cosplay League in Spain, Cosplay World Masters in Portugal, 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, which all the contestants have spent months preparing.

J-Popcon's Cosplayshow

Sakura

Sunday 14.30–15.30

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's Craftsmanship Competition

Sakura

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. They will compete to represent Denmark at Tournament of Champions in Austria and International Cosplay League in Spain. You can look forward to seeing the many beautiful costumes presented in a full-blown fashion show.





International qualifications

Extreme Cosplay Gathering (ECG) is the biggest cosplay championship in Europe, where cosplayers from 19 countries in Europe, the Americas, and Oceania compete in a joint solo and group category during the big finale at Japan Expo in Paris, France. The competition's primary focus are the visually beautiful and impressive acts.

With both an act-based duo category and a craft-based solo category, **International Cosplay League (ICL)** is our only qualification with a selection during both Saturday and Sunday. At the grand finale at Japan Weekend Madrid, Spain, 13 countries compete for the prize. The act-based duo category is based 60 % on performance, 40 % on craftsmanship, while the craft-based solo category is solely based on the craftsmanship and will only consist of a catwalk. The duo will be selected during on Saturday, the solo during our craftsmanship competition on Sunday.

Tournament of Championships (ToC) is a fully craft-based competition – it is all about the cosplay, its details, its techniques. It took place for the first time in 2023 at YuniCon in Schwechat, Austria, and 13 countries participate in the competition. Our finalist will be chosen during our craftsmanship competition on Sunday.

Cosplay World Masters (CWM) is the only international competition taking place in Portugal. This solo qualification is based on both the act as well as the cosplay and its accuracy, and 11 countries compete for the title of Cosplay Master. The finale takes place at Iberanime, Lisboa.

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, the United States, Italy, and France joined as well. Focus is equally on craftsmanship and acting. It takes place at NärCon in Linköping, Sweden.

SATURDAY JUDGES



STORM COSPLAY & MAKE-UP

Nationality: Belgium

Pronouns: He/him

Occupation: Freelance makeup artist and student

Cosplayer since 2015, crafter since 2017



[instagram.com/stormscosplays](https://www.instagram.com/stormscosplays)



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LEVYLIKE

Nationality: Dutch

Pronouns: She/her

Occupation: Account manager

Has cosplayed for 12 years



[instagram.com/levylike](https://www.instagram.com/levylike)



[facebook.com/LevyCosplay](https://www.facebook.com/LevyCosplay)



[tiktok.com/@levylike](https://www.tiktok.com/@levylike)



CAPTAIN GHOSTLY

Nationality: Belgium

Pronouns: He/him

Occupation: Professional cosplayer at
CosplayShop.be, Commercial Manager

Has cosplayed for 14 years



[instagram.com/captainghostly](https://www.instagram.com/captainghostly)

SUNDAY JUDGES



VINCE'S COSPLAY CORNER

Nationality: Danish

Pronouns: He/him

Occupation: BA in Leisure, pastry student

Has cosplayed for 11 years



[instagram.com/vinces_cosplay_corner](https://www.instagram.com/vinces_cosplay_corner)



AMALIA COSPLAY

Nationality: Danish

Pronouns: They/them

Occupation: Special school teacher

Has cosplayed for 10 years



[instagram.com/amaliacosplay](https://www.instagram.com/amaliacosplay)



GIGIABLA

Nationality: Danish

Pronouns: She/her

Occupation: Studying marketing economics

Has cosplayed for 12 years



[instagram.com/gigi.abla](https://www.instagram.com/gigi.abla)



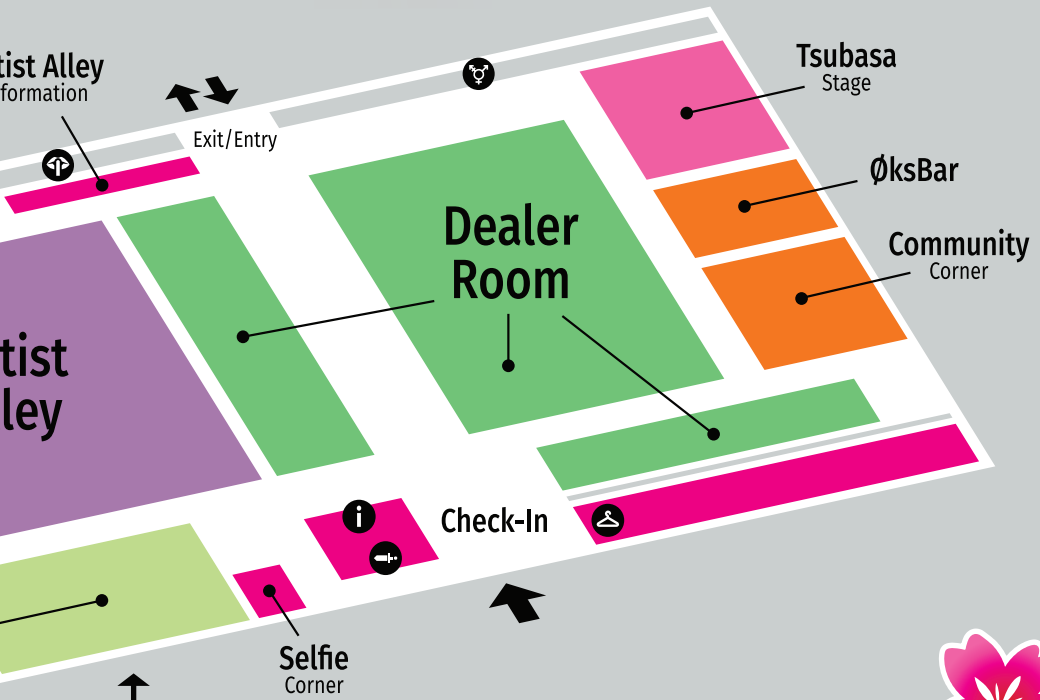
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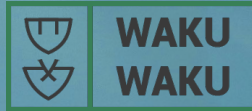
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