

ANIME IN NORTHWEST OHIO PRESENTS:

ANIMARATHON XV



Letter from our NEW Mascot



Hello, I am Floopsie!!! I am a pink alpaca who helps the BGSU Anime Club and Animarathon!!! This year is my first Animarathon and I am so happy to be a new mascot in addition to their old ones. You can find me on the pre-registration shirts, on the front of the cover of this book, and maybe even on Facebook if you look hard enough! I hope you stay safe and enjoy your time here at Animarathon this year! Also, I like frogs.



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Want to help by
Volunteering
Find one of our officers or
go to the Reg Desk to find
out how!!!

BGSU CLUBS AT ANIMARATHON

Anime in Northwest Ohio

Anime in Northwest Ohio a.k.a ANO is the wonderful BGSU Organization that has put on this wonderful con every year for 15 years. This is a strictly volunteered based convention and the executive board are who puts it all together. We also have weekly meetings on Fridays where we play games and watch 4 main animes for that semester. If you are looking for a college to go to in the future perhaps then look no further than BGSU!! I mean we have a convention and that pretty awesome.

GAMING SOCIETY

Description: To provide a fun, relaxing, and non-threatening environment for people to hang out and play their favorite games.

They are the ones that mainly provide out games for Animarathon. They will be with Erie Retrocade on the 3rd floor from 9:00am -11:59pm.

They meet every Friday at the Union 3rd floor from 6:00pm to 11:00pm.
Happy they are here again to provide everyone with gaming fun

G.A.M.E

The Game and Anime Music Ensemble is a group originally founded by Ronnie Hill in 2007, and is located in Bowling Green State University's Kreischer Arts Village Learning Community. We are dedicated to performing video game and anime music, often at conventions around Ohio as well as various BGSU events! They are here to perform again!!!

WHERE: Multipurpose room
TIME: 1:00am to 4:00pm

We are happy to have them here again!!!

TAIKO

Kaze No Daichi Taiko is Bowling Green State University's premier semi-pro Japanese taiko group, performing a style of group drumming known as kumi daiko. They will be performing for us here in the Cafeteria during the early afternoon. Check them out!!

TIME: 9:00am-11:00pm
Happy to have them here!!!

Japanese club

The Japanese Club is one of the multicultural student organizations. It is to promote Japanese language and culture, and friendship among those who study Japanese. The club meets every other week to talk and learn about Japan and things related to Japan. One topic is given for each meeting, such as the tea ceremony, flower arrangement, origami, cooking, martial arts.

TIME: 1:00pm-2:30pm
Where: Room 314

EVENTS



Kawaii Kafe!!! CUTE MAID CAFE!!!

The maids are waiting to serve you today!!!

TIME: 1pm-4pm

WHERE: In the lounge near the dealers room, across from the cosplay competition sign-ups

Sandwiches, Sushi, Cake, and Drinks
VEG and Gltuen-Free Options too

Dealers and Artist Room

Located in our Main Ballroom here @BGSU

Opens 10:00 am for Pre-reg guests and 11:00am for General crowd.

Only one Enterance and Exit. So please repect volunteers and listen to their instructions.



Manga Library

Never had an opportunity to enjoy manga before?
Are you a manga aficionado looking for a rare manga volume?
The Manga Library has what you're looking for!
Take a break by reading some manga inout well stacked libray!

Where: Room 318

TIME: 9:00am-10:00pm

Raffle

WANT COOL PRIZES!!!!

Would you like to win a **Nitendo SWITCH???**

WELL, we have a RAFFLE of different prizes of different genres from Shojo to 18+.
GUESS WHAT?? Grand Prize is a Nitendo SWITCH!!!

\$1-1 ticket

\$4-5 tickets

Grand Prize Ticket-\$5 per ticket

Mystery Box- 50c ticket

RAFFLE PULLING TIME: 9:00 pm-10:00 pm

WHERE: Stage in Cafiterea near The REST



EVENTS



Cosplay Competition

Have a awesome cosplay and want to show it off? Want to see awesome cosplay?? Well come to the cosplay competition!!!

You can still regestor if you would like at the room across from the Kawaii Kafe and near the Dealers Room

Competition is 5:00pm-6:00pm and Rehersal for it is at 4:30pm.
In the Muli purpose room.

Ghost in Blue

Listen to some great J-Rock/Anime music preformed by Ghost In Blue!

Ghost In Blue will be preforming in the Multipurpose Room from 7:00PM to 8:30PM.



Erie Retrocade/Video Game/Tabletop

Yern for the old days of retro gaming? Erie Retrocade from Erie Pensylvania is an interactive gaming museum, and will be visiting Animarathon XV!

Experience a multitude of classic games and systems!

BGSU's very own Gaming Society will be helping provide a game room! Enjoy the best of cutting edge modern gaming!

Retrocade and Gameing Society is in room 308 and Third floor rooms adjacnet is open from 9AM to Midnight.

Animarathon Rave

Wanna still party put the dealer have all gone to bed after a long successful day??? Dance the night away as the convention draws to a close! Featuring DJ Marson, Adinga, and Haji.

The rave will be in the Ballroom from 9:00PM to Midnight.



PANELS

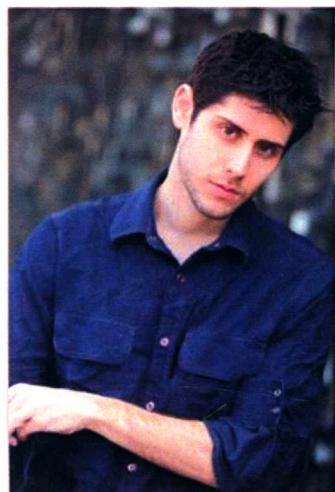
TIME	BALLROOM	MULTIPURPOSE	ROOM 207	ROOM 208	ROOM 314
9:00 AM				Anime Music That ROCKS!	
9:30 AM			The Panel Panel		
10:00 AM	Dealers Room Artist's Alley (Pre-Reg Only)			Miyazaki is God! (or close to it)	So You Wanna Cosplay Sewing Hacks Edition
10:30 AM					
11:00 AM			Anime Jeopardy	Anime Karaoke	Touhou Teatime
11:30 AM					
12:00 PM					Worst (And Funniest!) Dubbed Theme Songs
12:30 PM			Pokemon Trading Card Game Panel	Ask The Oran High School Host Club!	Fire Emblem 101 The Children Are Our Future
1:00 PM					
1:30 PM	Dealer's Room & Artist's Alley		Ni♥Hana A K-pop & J-pop Dance Party	So You Want To Work In Japan	Can You Beat the Punderdome?
2:00 PM		Game And Anime Music Ensemble			
2:30 PM					
3:00 PM				Let's Be Honest Fire Emblem Fates	
3:30 PM			Ni♥Hana Game Show		
4:00 PM				What a Beautiful Buwang Jojo's Bizarre Adventure Ask & Discussion Panel	
4:30 PM		Cosplay Rehearsal	Ni♥Hana Sexy Dance Party		
5:00 PM					
5:30 PM		Cosplay Masquerade		Truth or Dare A Nation!	All My Friends Are Dead An Attack On Titan Panel
6:00 PM					
6:30 PM			Video Gaming Memories From Old to New School	Post Suburb Shenanigans (Homestuck)	
7:00 PM					
7:30 PM		Ghost In Blue	Sir Snooty's Panel Against Humanity! -18+ ID Required-	Blood and Guts A Berserk Panel -18+ ID Required-	The History of Middle Earth
8:00 PM				Shrekology The Science Behind Shrek -18+ ID Required-	Hipster Problems 2.0
8:30 PM					
9:00 PM		Raffle		A Black Kid's Adventure Through Anime! -18+ ID Required-	Order In The Court! A Phoenix Wright Retrospect
9:30 PM					
10:00 PM	Rave		All Tied Up -18+ ID Required-	Deadpool Hour -18+ ID Required-	Sir Snooty's Anime Dating Game! -18+ ID Required-
10:30 PM					
11:00 PM				Waifusm and You An Informational Panel -18+ ID Required-	
11:30 PM					

PANELS

TIME	ROOM 315	ROOM 316	MANGA LIBRARY	GAMING QUADRENT	ANIMARATHON OPS
9:00 AM					
9:30 AM					
10:00 AM	A History of Fighting Games				
10:30 AM					
11:00 AM		Welcome to Cosplay			
11:30 AM					
12:00 PM	Cartoon Nostalgia Trivia	Fate/Stay Home			
12:30 PM					
1:00 PM	Nerd Speed Dating 1 -18+ ID Required-	BGSU Japanese Club Panels (TBA)			
1:30 PM					
2:00 PM	Nerd Speed Dating 2 -18+ ID Required-	Ask a Paladin			
2:30 PM		A Voltron Q&A			
3:00 PM	Nerd Speed Dating 3 -18+ ID Required-				
3:30 PM		Kimono 101	Manga Library		
4:00 PM				Gaming Quadrant & Retrocade	
4:30 PM	So You Wanna Play Volleyball? A Haikyuu Ask Panel!	His Butler Animarathon			
5:00 PM					Animarathon Operations & Help Desk & Coat Room
5:30 PM	Play Bad Dress Up Games with Mary -18+ ID Required-	Name That Anime! Magical Girls and Idols Edition			
6:00 PM					
6:30 PM		The World of Vocaloid and UTAU			
7:00 PM	The Dating Game!				
7:30 PM					
8:00 PM	The Gang's All Here! A Super Mario Odyssey Theory	GPM's Mirverse is Hell Live! Romance is (not) Optional			
8:30 PM					
9:00 PM	Mystery Anime Theater 8999 -18+ ID Required-	The Ins and Outs of Yaoi -18+ ID Required-			
9:30 PM					
10:00 PM					
10:30 PM					
11:00 PM					
11:30 PM					
			Everyone	Teen	Adult with ID

Visit animarathon.com for detailed information on panels! *Masquerade Rehearsal is in the Green Room.
Note: Coat Room, and Convention Operations are open from 9AM-Midnight.

SPECIAL GUESTS



Ben Diskin

He is Nuhmbah One!

Ben Diskin is a voice actor from Los Angeles. He's been in the VO industry for over 25 years and has voiced a multitude of characters in video games, anime, and western animation.

Known for JoJo's Bizarre Adventures as Joseph Joestar, Sailor Moon as Gurio Umino, Naruto as Sai. Video Games as Kingdom Hearts as Young Xehanort, Fire Emblem Fates as Jakob, Saizo, and Hayato. Western Animation Codename Kids Next Door as Numbah One and Numbah Two, Hey Arnold! as Eugene

DIRK MANNING



Macabre Maestro:Dirk Manning

Dirk Manning is best known as the writer/creator of comic series such as Nightmare World, and Tales of Mr. Rhee.

Don't let Dirk's penchant for writing horror comics and his tongue-in-cheek publicity photo with the black hat and scarf fool you, as he's a very amicable and approachable creator who's known as one of the "must visit" creators in Artist Alley across the convention circuit. Whether you're a fan of well-executed horror or an aspiring creator looking for advice regarding how to "break-in" to the comic industry, your experience at the convention won't be complete without stopping by Dirk Manning's table to chat with him and become familiar with his work.

When not on the road Dirk lives on the Internet and can be found online at www.DirkManning.com.



GeePM

Who is GeePM?

Coming from a 8-Year background of game Live-Streaming, Games Repainted member GeePM hails from humble Northwest Ohio.

Staring Roles

Best known for his "Miiverse is Hell", "Roblox is Hell" and "Games Repainted" series, he's an energetic friendly and patented "Soft Buff Boy" who's goal is to help make you smile at least once during streaming!

Miiverse is Hell Live!

Be sure to check out GeePM's "Miiverse is Hell Live!" panel and join in on the weird, and strange mysteries of the Miiverse!

SPECIAL GUESTS



Champion Cosplayer: Sheikahchica Cosplay

Going by the name Sheikahchica Cosplay, Lindsay has been cosplaying since 2009, with 65+ costumes (including variations) under her belt. She has been featured on numerous websites, and most recently appeared in the Women VS. Cosplay 2017 calendar as Catwoman. She is an artist, writer, and gamer, previously writing for the former Examiner.com as their Cleveland Girl Gamer Examiner. She currently works with the Tangent Bound Network.

One of Lindsay's biggest passions is giving back through costuming, raising funds for charity and volunteering through the 501st Legion, the Rebel Legion, Heroes Alliance, and the Columbus and Cleveland Ghostbusters. Lindsay Believes that CASUEplay is about the impact you leave behind-encouraging others to follow their



Charitable Cosplayer: Blitzkrieg Cosplay

Andrew is a writer/cosplayer from central Ohio who goes by the name Blitzkrieg Cosplay. He's been costuming and attending conventions since 2013. Often times he attends cons on behalf of The Tangent-Bound Network as one of their official con correspondents, giving reviews on their flagship show, The Tangent-Bound Podcast.

His main passion is giving back through his cosplay or, causeplay. Through his membership with the Heroes Alliance, Rebel Legion, 501st Legion and Columbus Ghostbusters. Andrew supports wonderful causes such as Make a Wish and Autism Speaks. He is a big believer in cosplay equality and believes that cosplay is about having fun and exploring one's self through creativity and imagination.

At Animarathon XV Blitzkreg Cosplay will be selling prints for the charity FAST, which benefits Angelman Syndrome



Creative Cosplayer: Caroline Krunchy

Carilone is a graphic designer and wedding photographer from central Ohio. She's been in the convention circuit for a decade, and making her own costumes for the last seven years.

In college, while attending as a full-time student and varsity swimmer, she also found the time to open up her own business in cosplay and prop commissions.

The convention scene was where she found a place to hone her talents and passion that now makes her the person she is today. In addition, to attending conventions, she also helps staff many others in mid-west, including the cosplay department at Matsuricon, the photosuite at Otakon, and many others. She not only believes in Cosplay is Not Consent and Cosplay Equality, but also Create Don't Compete.

Cosplay was where she found her confidence, creative outlet and loving friends. She hopes the community will be a safe haven for all other cosplayers.

KAWAII KAFE MENU

MENU

~Main Entrees~ Chibi Veggie Wraps*^

Moe Meat Sandwiches* (Ham and Turkey)

Inari ^

California Roll ^

Vegetable Roll ^

Vegetable Combo Roll ^

~Drinks~ Ice Cold Lemonade

Hot Herbed Tea

Ice Cold Water

~Desserts~ Strawberry Fudge Cake

Raspberry Fudge Cake

* Indicates a vegetarian dish.

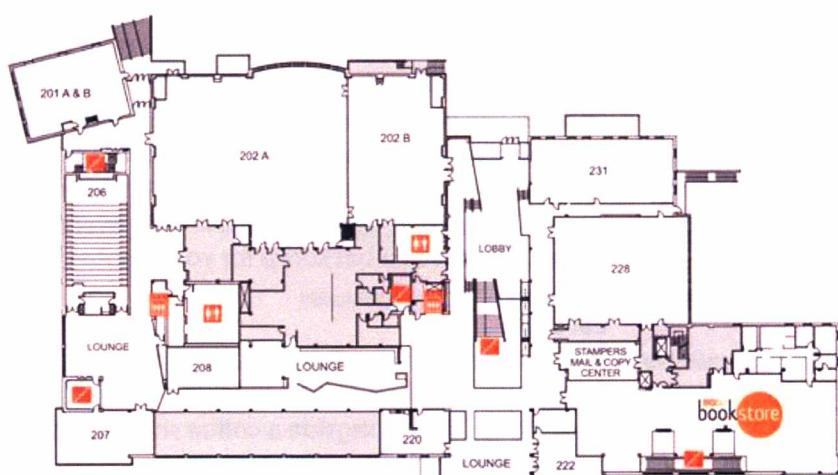
^ Indicates a gluten free option on request.



MAP of Student Union

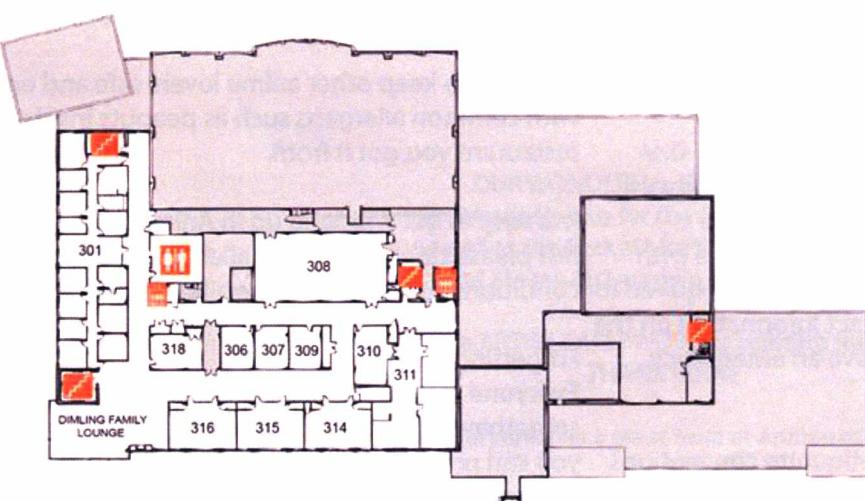


1st Floor



2nd Floor

Note they have not updated the 2nd floor.
There is now seating space where the Bookstore was



3rd Floor

4th floor is OFF LIMITS to Con-Goers
STAFF ONLY

Policies and Guidelines

Getting Ready

Congratulations on your decision to attend an Anime Convention! It's important that you get lots of sleep the night before, shower in the morning, use deodorant, and eat a big hearty breakfast before coming to Animarathon.

If you're bringing any electronics with you bringing your own charger will guarantee you'll be able to keep using them well into the night! Most Smart Phones won't last through Animarathon, especially if you're taking photographs or video with them so don't forget it!

Transfer photos on your camera or cell phone to your computer before Animarathon! You'll need the storage space for all the pictures you'll want to take!

If you're driving by car, make sure to fill up your tank with enough gas before you start your trip! Pushing your car in should not shake the trees. Most of the time the effect is not as dramatic as the photographer wants it to be, and shaking the blossoms off makes hurts the Cherry Blossom festival later in the year which is celebrated by our local Japanese & Japanese language education community.

If you're paying in cash, you would be our hero if you came with exact change. Not only does this get you to the con faster, it makes the volunteers happier than you could imagine.

Getting your badge

If you preregistered you'll want to get into the preregistration line. Otherwise you'll want to get in the general registration line.

If you have a smartphone you should consider visiting the Animarathon website and looking at the schedule. Create reminders for any events or panels that you don't want to miss.

Alternatively when you get your schedule, you should get out a pen and mark the panels and events you would like to attend for sure.

Once you get your badge, make sure to grab a lanyard and wear it at all times. Animarathon can't issue replacement badges, so please treat your badge with care. It is recommended that for any guest, and required for children guests, to write your contact information on the back, just in case it is lost or you have an emergency.

Convention Etiquette

When everyone observes proper etiquette conventions are a lot more enjoyable!

In general just being nice and courteous to people is all you really need. If you follow the Animarathon Rules, you

Taking Photos

You will almost certainly see a cosplay or some other cool thing that you'll want to take a picture of. Animarathon encourages you to bring a camera and take as many pictures as you want with subject permission. Most people will be happy to have their picture taken, and many will even pose for you if you ask them too. That said, if someone doesn't want their photograph taken, respect their wishes.

When taking photos, look around for things that might make interesting backgrounds or other ways to enhance the picture. Don't forget that distance from your subject and perspective makes a difference!

It may be tempting to shake the sakura blossoms off the cherry trees outside for your photoshoot, but you really should not shake the trees. Most of the time the effect is not as dramatic as the photographer wants it to be, and shaking the blossoms off makes hurts the Cherry Blossom festival later in the year which is celebrated by our local Japanese & Japanese language education community. Please help share Japanese culture with everyone, and leave the trees as a backdrop for your photos only

Eat Up!

There are plenty of options to eat on campus, including Animarathon's Kawaii Kafé. There is also the Falcon's Nest on the first floor, alongside a coffee shop and the Black Swamp Pub.

A soda-pop, energy drink, or coffee can give you the caffeine you crave, but don't forget to drink water and stay hydrated too! A good strategy is to reuse a clean soda-pop bottle as a water bottle if you forgot to bring one.

Please help keep other anime lovers safe and enjoy food with common allergens such as peanuts inside the restaurant you got it from.

It is easy to get wrapped up in Animarathon excitement, but please don't forget any allergies or other medical conditions you might have while ordering food.

Forgetting Things

Everyone forgets things, so don't feel bad if you forgot something. Chances are it's not the end of the world, and you can probably find a replacement from another guest. Failing that Falcon Outfitters on the first floor of the venue carries most basic items you might want including deodorant, toiletries, and cell phone chargers for most major manufacturers. If it is after 5:00PM and Falcon Outfitters has closed, there are some nearby convenience

Special Thanks

Anime in Northwest Ohio would like to thank the Student Union Staff for helping us as a Student Organization be able to make this happen every year.

Also, would like to Thank the other Organizations and Clubs that make this con great. G.A.M.E, Gaming Society, Taiko, and Japanese Club. We all represent different things but we all work so well together to make this con great every year.

To the Fabulous Artist, that helped me (Haylie) make this program and badges. THANK YOU. I wouldn't have been able to do it without you. I maybe a Digital Art major but with laying out this program I wouldn't have been able to pull off all the work you all did for me.

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For the CUTE CHIBIS

AND
OUR WONDERFUL CLUB MEMEBER
Chi Breithner-Nwizuz for the Cover Art and Back art
As well as the Back art for the T-shirts this year
And Kirsten McLaughlin for the Front Art

My last minute ARTIST CARLYWOW for coloring the cover for me
THANK YOU!!!

Hope everyone has a great time at Animarathon XV!!

-Treasurer, Volunterr Programmer, and Program Desginer
Haylie Hager

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