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#### I DO NOT SELL CRT CANDY CABS TO THE PUBLIC, PLEASE DO NOT ASK.

INQUIRIES THROUGH EMAIL WILL BE IGNORED. It is archaic and horribly suited to these type of sales. For more direct inquiries, please do so through the Facebook page.

For inquiries with regards to inquiries and ordering cabinets in Australia, please contact <u>Blue Spring Express</u>. My listed inventory is generally for import to the US. Other regions are serviced on an extreme case-by-case basis only.

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#### Introduction:

Hey everyone, I'm Cereth a.k.a. Kenchan a.k.a. David, founder and owner of Game Saru, the largest independent importer and distributor of Japanese arcade machines and related goods in the world. I have for a long time been an enthusiast in the hobby, and my goal with the company is to provide a more in-touch import service for these goods to my fellows in the community, and to provide rental services for Japanese arcade machines to various events. This thread serves to fulfill the former of the two.

Over the last five years, I've built up everything I feel necessary to provide a better overall service in importing these goods to North America. I want to make sure all games purchased meet the requirements of a buyer. I generally try to get photos of the cabinets to show the cosmetic and monitor condition, as well as information about specifics where necessary, and will work one-on-one with you to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

If you would like to ask for anything that is not listed, please refer to "Special Requests". For any information on payment policies, rules, about the process, please refer to "Information, Rules, & Policies".

#### **Order Status:**

Container costs are back to normal, but the exchange rate is tanking, so any price drops may be on a case-by-case basis. It is incredibly difficult to estimate future pricing in this volatile market. There is a lot of volume moving still and I am pretty overloaded, but generally any time estimates I give are accurate within a one month variance.

I AM CLOSED TO ALL NON-STANDARD REQUESTS. Anything not listed or not common for import is not being handled right now. The mental strain of what I've built has finally crushed my spirit, and I need time to heal my mind. I am not ordering B1/B2 frames, TAITO benches, or stools, and currently not taking waitlist. I am tired. I will not hold cabs for people unless there are extenuating circumstances that lead to it being beneficial; all cabs are sold first-come first-served. I may open back up in May, but the level of damage I'm feeling, I might extend it until 2024. I want to still be here a year from now, so life needs to be a priority over all other things. I am sorry.

Up until now I've been able to provide accurate general, if not somewhat broad arrival estimates and keep them consistently. Right now every single step of the process is experiencing delays. Some background: currently the US is exporting less, but importing more from Asian countries. As a result, there are a lot of empty containers in the US and not enough in Asia to fill goods with. As a result, empty containers are being shipped out of the US so that enough empties are in Asia to load. With lots of empties here in the US, yards are getting overfull from it, causing incoming containers to be delayed for unloading while stuff is getting cleared out. Additionally, since so much is getting imported, it's harder for trucking companies to book a time to get into the yard to clear out incoming stuff, just making the yards even busier. Adding to all that, there's a shortage of truckers right now. All of this leads to ships being stuck in the harbor unable to even dock to unload because yards are too busy/full. That leads to delays unloading, delays getting stuff out of the yard. Those ships are now only getting back to Asia a week or two late, setting everything even farther back. The whole mess leads to major increases in shipping cost, difficulty getting empty containers, difficulty booking a slot, etc. It started getting bad at the end of 2020, and has only continued to compound on itself since. Expect fluctuations of up to 1 month on all timing estimates.

## **Machines For Sale (Available Now):**

<u>CardConnect</u> - \$3,000 - There is no support or card stock for these, not really recommended but putting it here in case anyone's interested in discussing <u>G-BALANCE</u> - \$800 - I'm pretty sure I had someone interested but can't remember rn, inquire if interested

Grigio - \$2,000 - NAMCO's current HD cab

<u>Groove Coaster</u> - \$2,000 - All Groove Coasters have significant monitor burn now, expect monitor to die in 5 minutes or 5 years (very common problem)

**Gundam EXVS 2 XBoost** - \$9,000 - Price for a set of 4+1 satellite/terminal, Grigios.

No online network support at the moment, needs an RPi offline server to boot, completely playable but no profile

**Noir** - \$1,000 - 2 available

PRas 3 - \$1,750 - Includes ALLS

**STAR WARS Battle Pod** - \$10,000

<u>Starwing Paradox</u> - \$4,500 - A few available, no network support yet, tutorial only **The BishiBashi** - \$3,750 - Pictures at request

**Synchronica** - \$3,500 - There is network support for this now

<u>Vewlix Diamond Black</u> - \$2,500 - Liquidating back stock of 15 units, expect possible broken levelers (normal problem), no acrylic marquee, PM to discuss

<u>Vewlix Diamond Orange</u> - \$2,250 - Liquidating back stock of 15 units, expect possible broken levelers (normal problem), no acrylic marquee, PM to discuss

## **Cabinets For Sale (Incoming Containers):**

These all have an expected arrival date in May/June/July 2023.

<u>Battle Conductor</u> - \$1,250 - Very limited support at the moment, still in progress <u>Blanc</u> - \$800 - These all used to be Dragonball Zenkai Battle Royale, no PCB included, cab does not have a JVSIO, currently working in collaboration with exA to design a drop-in kit

**Bombergirl** - \$3,500 - This is a tentative listing, may not sell, PM if interested (again, quite unlikely I'm selling at this juncture)

Dance Rush - \$11,000

<u>Groove Coaster</u> - \$2,000 - All Groove Coasters have significant monitor burn now, expect monitor to die in 5 minutes or 5 years (very common problem)

Gundam EXVS 2 XBoost - \$11,000 - Price for a set of 4+1 satellite/terminal, Grigios.

No online network support at the moment, needs an RPi offline server to boot, completely playable but no profile

<u>Initial D: The Arcade</u> - \$10,000 - Becoming more available, price is for a pair Lindbergh (Junk Cabinet) - \$650 - LCD was checked/working, but the condition is poor

<u>Love Live</u> - \$1,750 - These work offline with limited song list/difficulty unlocks, network support in progress, preference given to people taking a terminal with it (terminal is \$1,000)

Noir HD - \$1,100 - Either originally Tekken 7 or Gundam EXVS 2 cabinets, no PCB, please inquire if wanting any PCB with these

<u>PASELI Charge Station</u> - \$600 - Can come with or without stand, shipping with stand will be much more expensive, while without can be sent FedEx, 8 available

<u>Vewlix F/FC</u> - \$1,500 - ask for info, I'll be looking over these individually with you <u>WACCA</u> - \$2,900 - Price stable. There is currently near full private network support. Cabs may or may not come with keychip, but it is not necessary to operate on private network. This is normally waitlist, but my remaining waitlist is for a later date, so there is a limited number available for order with no wait

# **Cabinets For Sale (Future Containers)**

Flexible to load into containers starting June if fully paid for. These probably wouldn't come until December.

**Battle Conductor** - \$1,250 - Very limited support at the moment, still in progress **beatmanialIDX** - \$3,000 - There will probably be a few lined up, price is for a working current hardware cab, some example photos

**BishiBashi Channel** - \$1,500 - This was long overdue for a pricing restructure, price with no top/side cardboard POPs, please ask for complete

DISSIDIA: Final Fantasy - \$1,000 - No network support, tutorial only, but working on an adapter to run console on the cabinet

Fate/Grand Order Arcade - \$2,000 - Very basic support (boot ONLY), NO card stock available (project in progress)

GITADORA (Black SD) - \$6,000/pair - Will NOT sell DrumMania separately, if you insist on asking, III take \$6,000 for JUST the drum side, these come as a pair and I'm really tired of 90% of requests being "sell me DM only"

GITADORA (White) - \$7,000/pair - Will NOT sell DrumMania separately, if you insist on asking, III take \$6,000 for JUST the drum side, these come as a pair and I'm really tired of 90% of requests being "sell me DM only"

Grigio - \$2,000 - NAMCO's current HD cab

<u>Kancolle Arcade</u> - \$2,000 - Very basic support (boot/guest play ONLY), NO card stock available (project in progress)

<u>Gundam EXVS 2 XBoost</u> - \$11,000/8,000 - Price for a set of 4+1 satellite/terminal, either Grigio or Noir sets. No online network support at the moment, needs an RPi offline server to boot, completely playable but no profile

<u>Initial D: The Arcade</u> - \$10,000 - Becoming more available, price is for a pair Mario & Sonic at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games - ASK - Getting a pair for restoration Mario Kart Arcade GP 2 - \$8,000/pair

Noir HD - \$1,100 - Either originally Tekken 7 or Gundam EXVS 2 cabinets, no PCB, please inquire if wanting any PCB with these

Nostalgia - \$1,750

PRas 3 - \$1,500 - Includes ALLS

SCOTTO - \$4,500 - May not be available

<u>Sound Voltex</u> - \$1,750 - Priced AS-IS, they all work, but I'm not picking over condition for people

Thrill Drive 3 - ASK - Undecided on selling this, does not have header Toy's March - \$2,500 - No photo yet, very rare old BEMANI title Wani Wani Panic - \$2,000 - Two Wani 1, one Wani 2

#### Ask/Waitlist

These sell fast, are hard to get, or some combination of factors, thus I have to keep a waitlist for them.

**CHUNITHM** - \$3,250 - Prices are rising, this is on waitlist now

**Dance Rush** - \$11,000 - High demand, low supply, resulting high price <u>jubeat</u> - \$1,750 - Availability currently EXTREMELY limited, cabs currently come with NO POPs/festo art, only new generic marquee

ONGEKI - I am only ordering these at request for now, but they should be available <u>Taiko no Tatsujin HD</u> - \$7,000 - Running Green offline software, none left, not expecting more

<u>WACCA</u> - \$3,000 - Price went up, not down, with network support ending. There is currently near full private network support. Cabs may or may not come with keychip, but it is not necessary to operate on private network

### **Kits & Parts For Sale:**

**NAMCO System 357C** \$350 Shipped - These are Gundam EXVS or Tekken Tag 2, let me know if you are looking for any particular games

NAMCO System ES3 \$300 Shipped - These are Tekken 7 FR, let me know if you are looking for any particular games **PENDING CHECK OF STOCK** 

NAMCO BNA1 \$400 Shipped - If you have a use for these, I WILL NOT HELP WITH GUNDAM EXVS 2 HOME SETUPS PENDING CHECK OF STOCK

TAITO Type X3 \$300 Shipped

SEGA RingEdge ASK - There is a build of the multi for this, just 2 or so games not supported (Blade Arcus and DOA iirc), also useful to replace bad RingEdges in dedicated games

SEGA RingEdge 2 \$250 Shipped - Can help prepare in advance for APM2 or Niko Multi **PENDING CHECK OF STOCK** 

**Aime Card** \$6 up to 9, \$5 10-49, \$4 50+ - Limited supply available, max order 50 BanaPass Card \$6 up to 9, \$5 10-49, \$4 50+ - Limited supply available, max order 50 eAmuse Card \$6 up to 9, \$5 10-49, \$4 50+ - Limited supply available, max order 50 NESiCA Card \$6 up to 9, \$5 10-49, \$4 50+ - Limited supply available, max order 50

**B1 Poster Frame\*\*\*** \$42 - Orders closed B2 Poster Frame\*\*\* \$42 - Orders closed

TAITO 43cm Stool\* \$105 - NOT TAKING ORDERS/WAITLIST, INDEFINITE TAITO 48cm Stool\* \$105 - NOT TAKING ORDERS/WAITLIST, INDEFINITE TAITO Bench\*\* \$400 - orders permanently closed due to cost/poor FedEx handling

# exA Arcadia Store Sign \$750 - Price shipped in the US

- \* These are recommended in batches of 3-5, there's little to no difference in shipping cost ordering fewer. These can be stacked on a cabinet to save shipping cost.
- \*\* I only order these at special request. If you are buying a cabinet, it will only cost around \$25 to add it to the freight shipment. Otherwise, I will only personally deliver these on my normal delivery routes (see 7th post) or ship FedEx (got the rates lower, but still around \$140). In the case of FedEx, be prepared to lose all insurance claims, they have proven themselves tenaciously against accepting ANY fault.
- \*\*\* Recommend ordering these in quantities of 6-10. Any less is a very large cost per frame, I have no way to lower this cost to you. I will also pack with delivery routes (see 7th post) and on cabs when possible.

## **Special Requests:**

If you have interest in ANY large items, be it parts, cabinets, etc., don't hesitate to ask. However, I have restrictions on Yahoo! Japan auctions and candy cabinets (see below). otherwise, I am happy to give you information on pricing and availability of everything, as well as find what you are looking for. I love to talk, maybe too much. Feel free to reach out! I'm most easily reached on Facebook Messenger (David Rocovits or Game Saru) and Discord (PM ME ELSEWHERE FIRST), or send me a PM on one of the forums.

### **About Yahoo! Japan:**

I offer the service of bidding/buying on Yahoo! Japan for large items not easily sent through the mail (e.g. arcade cabinets, large parts). I have a limited number of such orders I can do per container, and as such, this service is ONLY offered to close friends/colleagues and regular customers. If you do not know me or have not worked with/spoken with me before, I will deny any request you make. For those who qualify, there will be a premium of \$300 or 20% (whichever is higher) on top of all finishing costs, domestic and international shipping. Additionally, auctions will be accepted at my personal discretion for any number of reasons. In rare cases I cannot meet the above policy in extenuating circumstances. Please understand that there are some items I can't help with!

### **About Candy Cabinets:**

Same as above, this is ONLY for close friends/colleagues and regular customers. If you are not one of the above, I WILL IMMEDIATELY BAN YOU FROM ALL

FUTURE BUSINESS. DO NOT trifle with me about this. The vast majority of requests are people asking for candy cabs, and 99% of those go unfulfilled. It takes up an excessive amount of time to process, has a pitiful profit margin, and there aren't even enough cabinets to service the MOST basic of needs, much less picky condition requests and high failure rates due to age and CRTs. I can't even meet the demands of my closest colleagues, much less the general public.

#### **General Rare Cabinet Notes:**

Please understand that some games are simply unreasonable to find. I may say as much if you ask me. Some I will refuse all requests firmly, some I will suggest wait times up to a few years. I mean it when I say this, please don't push it if I warn you not to. Listed here is regularly asked for cabinets that have near zero chance of turning up.

**DO NOT ASK AT ALL** 

Egret 29"

Egret II

Really, any non-SEGA candy cab, which most people shouldn't be asking me for anyway

Egret II

All other candy cabinets

Egret II

Egret II

maimai DX - DON'T ASK. DO NOT. SERIOUSLY. HARD CLOSE ON SALES/WAITLIST, INDEFINITE, NO EXCEPTIONS

**VERY hard to buy** 

**ANY older Initial D** 

beatmaniaIIDX Lightning Model

**Sound Voltex Valkyrie Model** 

Gold DDR

**Most DDR** 

**ANY Pump It Up** 

**MUSECA** 

maimai Finale

Information, Rules, & Policies

#### **About Payments:**

I generally accept all payments Venmo Friends & Family, Zelle, and wire transfer for larger transactions. Due to exhaustion dealing with PayPal/buyers, I

**will ONLY** accept Goods & Services, fees paid by the buyer, and only in extenuating circumstances with some explicit agreements made.

# **About Shipment/Delivery:**

All items unless mentioned ship from my warehouse in Reno, NV. I ship via STI, through Michelle Bianchi. It is safe to assume a normal sized cabinet ranging from a Vewlix to a roughly 3' x 3' cabinet will cost around \$450-\$500, two such cabinets to add around \$25-\$50, and something larger like a beatmaniaIIDX to cost around \$650-\$900. My estimates are usually pretty accurate.

I will also do semi-frequent delivery trips to SoCal, Bay Area, and VERY infrequently, up to Seattle or out towards Salt Lake/Denver. You can expect prices for that around \$300-350, or something reasonable for 2+ cabs. I used to deliver free if something coincides with a con, but this courtesy has been abused and only caused people to expect things for free, so I am no longer doing it free, for any reason. I will deliver smaller items like poster frames and stools on these trips. This is good if you only want one or two of them, as I won't have the hard restrictions that FedEx does.

Please note that for these personal deliveries, DO NOT expect a to-the-hour arrival time a week in advance. That is ludicrous. Areas like LA are HUGE, with 15 different ways a truck could be severely delayed. There is a disturbingly common expectation that arranging such deliveries with 15+ stops and enormous variance in stock coming in, loading time, departure time, freeway problems, longer stops, etc, that someone will be provided with specific delivery times, much less even an accurate day. This has become an ever-increasing expectation, and I want to cut off that expectation for good. We offer these deliveries as a service beyond normal operation. We understand that people's schedules need to be worked around, but that's just not how all this works. Please respect the effort that goes into making them viable at all in the first place.

#### **About Cancellations/Problems**

Depending on circumstances, I can handle order cancellations. Refunds will only be paid when I find a new buyer for the goods cancelled. In case of problems with an order, I will back the purchase to the best of my ability, including but not limited to repairs, replacements, and involvement on insurance claims. Please understand however that there is only so much I can do.