



Megacon Live

# Specialty Performances



Guild of Nerds

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## **Description**

Specialty performances are an opportunity for a select few longer performances to perform on the main stage during the Cosplay Masquerade. Masquerade entries are capped at 2 minutes long, but specialty performances can be up to 5 minutes. Specialty Performances will not be eligible to compete in the Cosplay Masquerade, and will go on after the competitive entries and before the winners are announced, while judges are deliberating.

Those interested in presenting a specialty performance must apply in advance. 2-3 specialty performances will be selected from the applicants for each day by the Cosplay Team.

# Rules

1. Specialty Performances are selected on an application basis. You must apply to be considered.
2. The Cosplay Team will make the specialty performance selections out of the applications submitted. There are extremely limited specialty performance slots available, and their selections are final.
3. Specialty Performances are ineligible to compete on the day of their specialty performance in the Cosplay Masquerade.
4. All performers must adhere to the convention rules in regards to dress and props.
  - 4.1. There is a 5 minute maximum limit for specialty performances. All specialty performances must be under 5 minutes in total length.
  - 4.2. Specialty performances should be safe for both performers and audience members, as well as family friendly.
5. In addition to the initial application, specialty performances must submit supporting evidence for their proposed performance to help the Cosplay Team in the selection process. Specialty performances must be structured and have a clear and executable plan for the performance.
6. Specialty Performances will go on after the cosplay masquerade and before the winners are announced. They are there to help fill the time allocated for judges to make their selections.
  - 6.1. Specialty performances may indicate which day of the show they are available to perform on, but the cosplay team will make the set order decisions. There will be 2-3 specialty performances each day depending on total time each performance takes.
7. Specialty performers agree that their photo may be taken by attendees while onstage and in the stage area. You also agree that the convention, contest team, and other subsidiaries of these entities may use your image for advertising or sponsor purposes, both onstage and backstage.