

Saturday, February 17th

Comics! Comics! Comics! (Room 103AB)

11:00am – 12:00pm

Geeks Got Your Back

Anti-harassment has become a hot topic within the geek community over the last several years. Whether it is anti-harassment policies or grassroots awareness (such as Cosplay Is Not Consent), more and more geeks are looking for ways to make the geek community a better place to everyone. Come join us as we discuss ways in which we can all just be a little more excellent to each other.

12:00pm - 1:00pm

King of the Jungle: Don McGregor Spotlight

Acclaimed writer Don McGregor, whose groundbreaking work on Black Panther including titles such as JUNGLE ACTION lead to him be one of the inspirations for the current hit Marvel movie. McGregor makes a rare West Coast appearance as LBCE's first ever Guest of Honor". This spotlight panel explores more than just his Panther work, including SABRE (one of the first-ever graphic novels), RAGAMUFFINS, DETECTIVES, INC., ZORRO, JAMES BOND, and NATHANIEL DUSK!

1:00pm- 2:00pm

Fanbase Press Presents: The Impact of Latinx Creators and Readers on Comics

QUINCE is a 15-issue comics series (being released in English and Spanish) about a teenager who discovers she has superpowers at her quinceañera. COMADRES Y COMICS is a podcast hosted by three Latina women hoping to highlight the role that Latinos have in the comic book industry as creators, consumers, and fans. Join QUINCE creator Sebastian Kadlecik and COMADRES Y COMICS hosts Kristen Parraz, Sara Bazan, and Jennifer Lopez; and journalist/creator Jennifer de Guzman for a discussion and Q&A session moderated by Barbra Dillon (Fanbase Press Editor-in-Chief).

2:00pm – 3:00pm

Juicy Ink: Tori Gedvillas Spotlight

An independent illustrator who loves to spread happiness and inspire future artists through her work, Tori Gedvillas has published over 150 videos to YouTube, and amassed a following of over 240,000 on Instagram and 160,000 on YouTube. Working across a wide variety of mediums, Tori uses YouTube and Instagram to share her work and the joy her art-school education has brought her. Discover this unique talent in Tori's first Long Beach appearance.

3:00pm – 4:00pm

We Are HUMANOIDS: A 20th Anniversary Celebration

Legendary publisher Humanoids comes to Long Beach Comic Expo for the first time ever! Kick off the 20th anniversary celebration of Humanoids' first publication in the U.S. and learn about the exciting plans we have for the future. New imprints! New creators! New Year! All attendees will be entered into an exclusive raffle for a chance to win free Limited Hardcover editions of some of the hottest Humanoids titles. Moebius? Jodorowsky? How can you resist? The panel will also feature a portfolio review for aspiring creators. Ask yourself...are you a "Humanoid"?

4:00pm – 5:00pm

Shelfing Yourself – Adventures in Self-publishing

Join comics entrepreneurs Buddy Scalera, Dean Haspiel, Barbara Randall Kesel and Neo Edmund for an insider's view of the joys and perils of making your own books!

5:00pm – 6:00pm

Fanbase Press Presents: Swords, Sandals, Sorcery, and Other Worlds in Comics

A look at the "sword and sandal" genre of stories (once called "peplums") that was a huge part of popular culture in the 1950s and '60s – inspired by Ancient Greek and Roman mythologies – and has been reinvigorated in the modern day by the addition of sorcery and other-worldly settings. Fanbase Press Editorials Manager Michele Brittany is joined by creators and experts to discuss the history of the genre and explore its legacy in stories that entertain comic book readers today.

6:00pm – 7:00pm

Modern Horror: Stories that Go Bump in the Night

For over half a century, horror comics have told smart, scary, darkly witty stories by some of the best creators in the business. Now some of those creators – including Guest of Honor Don McGregor, HIGH MOON's David Gallaher and Steve Ellis, writer Shannon Eric Denton (THE X-FILES), and novelist/screenwriter Matt Wallace – take part in a ghastly discussion of a genre that includes ATTACK ON TITAN, THE WALKING DEAD, HELLBOY, and more! It might just give you nightmares! Parental discretion is advised.

SATURDAY PROGRAMMING

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Main Stage (Room 104A)

10:00am – 11:00am

STRANGER THINGS' Joe Keery VIP Event

An exclusive Q&A event with Long Beach Comic Expo special guest Joe Keery (STRANGER THINGS).

VIP ticket required

11:00am – 12:00pm

Cosplay Comedy

Cosplay Comedy is a unique comedy show where stand-ups perform their sets in costume and in-character! See your favorite heroes and villains say all the hilarious things you WISH they'd say in pulp and on the screen. Quite possibly the nerdiest and most distinctive comedy show in LA! Featuring some of the geekiest comics from the Los Angeles comedy scene!

12:00pm – 1:00pm

Bat in the Sun Presents!

Take part in a live Q&A with the cast and crew of Bat in the Sun as they talk about upcoming projects including SUPER POWER BEAT DOWN and NINJAK VS. THE VALIANT UNIVERSE!

1:00pm – 2:00pm

Plus-Size Cosplay: Helpful Do's and Don'ts

Learn about proper costume fitting, design, and styles for plus-sized cosplayers, including poses that better work for plus-size people and how to flash up designs and costumes to hide embarrassing areas. We'll be talking about the overall cosplay designs for all types of larger-sized cosplayers.

2:00pm – 3:00pm

Rise of the On-Screen Black Super-Hero

Are BLACK PANTHER and BLACK LIGHTNING the new normal or just a momentary trend? And what about other races and ethnicities and the "white washing" seen in recent superhero and science-fiction movies? Join writers Matt Wayne (CANNON BUSTERS), Evan Narcisse (RISE OF THE BLACK PANTHER, io9), and Marc Bernardin (CASTLE ROCK, co-host of FATMAN ON BATMAN) in a thought-provoking panel led by journalist Jennifer de Guzman.

3:00pm- 4:00pm

Andrea Romano: Director of a Thousand Voices

An interactive panel with legendary voice and casting director Andrea Romano, an eight-time Emmy Award winner whose decades-long career includes BATMAN: THE ANIMATED SERIES, THE LEGEND OF KORRA, JUSTICE LEAGUE UNLIMITED, TEEN TITANS, PINKY AND THE BRAIN, and more!

4:00pm – 5:00pm

Ask Mark Waid EVERYTHING

More than just a trivia panel, more than just a spotlight... or is it both? Award-winning comics writer Mark Waid (ARCHIE, AVENGERS, CAPTAIN AMERICA, KINGDOM COME, THE FLASH, SUPERMAN: BIRTHRIGHT, and more) will answer any question, from obscure Silver Age Superman trivia to "where do you get your ideas?"

5:00pm – 6:00pm

Am I Allowed To Like ANYTHING? Loving What You Love in the Golden Age of Geek

For fans of superheroes, science fiction, animation, and cosplay, it's a golden age. But hand-in-hand with geek domination of the popular arts has come a very hostile environment for being openly enthusiastic about your favorite things. You thought JUSTICE LEAGUE was better than THOR: RAGNAROK? Can't wait to see a Quentin Tarantino STAR TREK? Like Superman better without the red shorts? Join comics creators and fellow fans for a guilt-free celebration of the things LBCE and its attendees love most.

7:00pm

Cosplay Contest!

Saturday, February 17th**GeekFest Film Festival (Room 101A)****11:00am – 12:00pm****Program 1: Fan Films**

Rogue Bounty
 Star Wars: Generations
 Stranger Things: The Story of Henry and Dale
 Stealth & Silence
 The Distant Echo: A Star Wars Fan Film
 Von Doom

12:00pm – 1:00pm**Program 2: Geek Girls ROCK**

Curl up and Dye
 Wonder Woman Revealed
 Fight Like a Girl
 Protectress
 Black Widow: Origins

1:00pm – 2:00pm**Meet the GeekFest Filmmakers**

Panelists: Valerie Perez (Wonder Woman Revealed), Arturo Vargas (Aero:Origins), Justin Zagri (Severus Snape and the Marauders), Brittany Joyner (Stranger Things: The Story of Henry and Dale), Sean Monguso (Black Widow Origins), Brittany Cox (Chronception), Rob Hampton (Super 8 Daze)
 Get Inspired and learn from indie filmmakers, their tips and tricks on making genre indie films.

2:00pm – 3:00pm**Program 3: Animated Geek**

Crypto Force Alpha
 The Jovian Project
 Aero : Origins
 Multiplex 10

3:00pm – 4:00pm**Program 4: Potter v Potter**

Lily Evans and the Stroke of Midnight
 Severus Snape and the Marauders

4:00pm – 6:00pm**Program 5: SciFi**

The Tinmanator
 Enter the Fringe
 Visage
 Chronoception
 Yesterday Last Year

Space Expo (Room 102AB)**12:00pm – 1:00pm****JPL Workshop**

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3:00pm – 4:00pm**Rocketry 101 with Virgin Orbit**

Learn about what it takes to send something into space with the very rocket engineers working at Virgin Orbit to build LauncherOne, a revolutionary new small-satellite launch vehicle.

5:00pm – 5:30pm**R2D2 Races and Demos**

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