

Welcome to Escapade 29

Escapade 29. *Twenty-nine*. That's at least 97 in convention years. That's Escapade 30-minus-1, and we're excited to be here in today's ever-growing world of girl power and greater representation on and off the screen.

As we remember our roots, we hope we continue to reflect the changes around us: more programming, more vids, more dancing. New activities in non-traditional spaces: bar, atrium, guest rooms. Gaming. Charging stations so you can live tweet more easily in panels and stay in touch with online friends. A place for crafty fans to share their wares on Friday morning. A fun, creatively organized art show and auction.

This year's dance party and vid show are amazing (and abundant). Long-time attendees might think it's the old days, with shows so full of vids and bonus programming. Newer fans might be intrigued to see how things were done back in the dark ages, before computer editing. If you miss Luminosity all weekend, join her and Nestra on Sunday morning for the vid review. Thank Kandy for her presentation of historical vids in the dance party break.

Though we're at the same hotel, we're making a special effort to introduce folks to various locations and function space. Take a look in "What's New" for tour times and other details.

Special welcome to attendees who are younger than the con. You'll carry fan-run conventions into the future. Special welcome to attendees who are older than the con. You blazed the trail when the world was a colder, meaner place.

Start planning now for Escapade 30, and how to help create our fan-run con for the next generation.

Convention Guidelines

Safe Space. The phrase “safe space” didn’t exist when Escapade began in 1991. We created it without a name.

The world changes, and with it our understanding, so now we spell it out: we welcome all fans regardless of orientation, preference, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, age, or ability. The Evelyn D. scholarship is available specifically for trans or questioning fans. People are here for folks with questions about themselves or about the changing world. Welcome. Create the conversation.

Inclusion. If you feel unwelcome, find a con-com member. If you feel unheard in a panel, find a con-com member. We’re committed to personal responsibility, respect, and being each other’s allies.

Photos. You need the permission of anyone you want to photograph. If someone’s badge has a red bar across the top, it means “NO PHOTOS” period. Don’t even ask. Respect the “no photos” rule.

Press. Whenever a member of the press is in attendance, it’s because they have agreed to respect our community’s rules of confidentiality and engagement. They won’t quote you without your permission. Their badge will say “PRESS”. If you like the press, welcome them. Spread the word about Escapade and your view of fandom. If you don’t, keep walking. No worries.

Consuite Food. We start the convention suite snacks with a big initial buy, as well as extremely generous gifts from people like Dail and De and Franziska and Stranger, who bring chili and barbeque and brownies and cookies to share with all of us. We’ve added hot snacks Saturday in the late afternoon. Please eat consuite food in the consuite. Never bring outside food into any function spaces. Respect the Tongs. Keep everyone safe and healthy.

What's New?

\Guided Tour & Mod Panel Thursday Evening: Tour of the convention space (7 pm Laguna) and “How to Mod” panel (7:30 Newport). Both repeat Friday after the Welcome panel.

Fan Fair: Crafty fans will be displaying (and selling) their creations. **Friday 9 am-noon Del Mar.**

Charging Stations: In each function room and the consuite, there will be a designated charging station for your devices.

Meetups: Small-group discussions (up to 6 people) in the atrium throughout the weekend. Three are scheduled, more may be added. More details at the welcome panel. Sign up in the consuite.

Food Safety in the Consuite: Tongs and more serving utensils, as well as stricter controls of which foods are kept hot or cold, help everyone stay healthy. Please be considerate of fellow fans.

Extra fandom panels: We nearly doubled the number of slots devoted to fandom-specific panels this year.

Dungeons & Dragons: Brak makes the game accessible and fun for newbies or experienced campaigners. **Friday 4-6 pm Redondo.**

Even more vids! Because we got more amazing vids than we could fit into the Saturday night vid show, we have about half an hour of bonus vids Saturday afternoon in Redondo.

Art Auction new rule: three written bids are required to send a piece to live auction for the first time ever at Escapade.

Starbucks discount. Present your con badge at the Starbucks inside the Residence Inn next door for a 10% discount on your order.

Press. On Saturday, a press fan (think of our scholar fans) with *Wired Magazine* will be enjoying the con. She is committed to our privacy requests as we continue to support the rights and freedoms of our attendees. Only those who choose to talk on the record will be quoted. Her badge will say “PRESS.” You’re free to engage or not, as you choose.

Games & Puzzles. We’ve moved the cache of games and puzzles to Redondo. Borrow and play. Return when you’re done.

What's Ongoing?

The **Zine Library**: hundreds of old-school fanzines are set up in the Consuite each year. See what the fuss was all about, or check out an old favorite for nostalgia's sake.

The **Slash Swap Meet (in Marina del Rey)** was born at Escapade almost twenty years ago. Fans drop off collectibles from fandoms they no longer love. Others find new stuff they adore, and make a donation to the Swap jar. It's generous. It's on an honor system. It's awesome, and it supports both the con and charity (ACLU).

Please be quiet and respectful of any panels in the same space.

Live Tweeting/Blogging. Share during panels; let the conversation reach the rest of your fannish world. Be sure to post quotes without the speakers' names (not even their badge names) unless you have permission. (Get volunteer hours for live tweeting your panels!)

Scholarships recognize vidders; grand hostesses of Escapade; and fans who are non-binary, transgender or questioning. They bring fans to the convention, and help reduce the cost of membership for students, new attendees, or any fan in need. Thanks to everyone who donated to the Scholarship Fund. Be sure to say "hi" to Seperis and Luminosity, our primary recipients this year.

Fundraising. Continuing the conversation from the Escapade Review last year, we all want to reduce cost as a barrier to entry to Escapade. Come to the Fundraising panel Saturday at noon to brainstorm. Thanks everyone who's donated a raffle prize, art, or fannish labor (we're looking at you, Lum) to the auction, or who donated directly to the Convention Fund.

Resources

Schedule Online (with links to download the Program Book and one-sheet schedule) has a mobile-friendly view. You can sign up for the few remaining DIY slots, too: escapadecon.net/schedule/

Large-format schedules are posted on the inside of panel room doors, and in the Consuite. Pick up a sign in the Consuite to promote your DIY panel onsite!

Who to Ask What

Misti is mistress of the convention suite. She organizes volunteers, food, donations, and the zine library. You can see if the consuite is available for a party, use the spare room for fandom pimping. On Sunday, her team will be around to pre-reg you for Escapade 30.

Naked Bee is the art show maven. She organizes the displays while she runs the art show and auction. She welcomes the awesome art show volunteers, and wears beautiful clothes.

Ken manages the dealer's room and Orphan Sales table, and will talk Trek, Hannibal, Twin Peaks, and anything fannish. Visit Ken and the dealer's room, because the people there are as interesting as the items they have to show and sell.

Megan will help you if you have problems with panels, people, the hotel, or the schedule. **Charlotte** will do the same, or direct you to Megan. ☺

Melina, Franzeska, Jo, Killa, and Kandy prepared the Friday night dance party vid show, the Saturday night premiere and Saturday afternoon bonus reel, and the vid historical on Friday. Thank them for their hard work curating and compiling the brainchildren of our creative vidders!

ride_4ever is Escapade's one-woman welcommittee. Say hello if you've been chatting online. She'll help you with any details of the con—what to do, who to ask, how to get something you want if it can be gotten, and how to register for next year.

Who Else Made Escapade Happen

Acknowledge pre-con work by Dail, Aral, Kris, Elanor Graves, Constance Penley, Snow, other generous underwriters of the scholarships and the convention, and all of the people whose names we forgot.

Say “thanks” to anyone you encounter volunteering this weekend; they make the convention work (and amazing).

Locations

Suite 430/431: Consuite, with registration; volunteer check-in; other fans; the fanzine library; snacks and sometimes hearty food; a room with a TV and HDMI cable set up so you can pimp shows to new (or old) friends; etc. Bring your own media and player.

Catalina – Dealer Room

Del Mar – Art Show and Fan Fair

Laguna/Malibu – Meta panels, Dance Party, Vid Show, Auction

Marina del Rey – Fandom panels, Game Night, Swap Meet, Vid Annex

Newport – Meta & Fandom, Friday Night Party

Redondo – Tech/Alt/Vid, Games and Puzzles

Atrium – Meetups and more. That huge central open space in the hotel that makes some of us think of Ceres Station from *The Expanse*. It's the place for breakfast and happy hour (free to hotel guests), meetups, and where some of the best conversations start before panels or continue after them.

Pick up a sign and stand from the Consuite to (not so subtly) invite others to join your conversations, games, or activities.

Art Show

Enjoy all the eye candy in Del Mar. Share your appreciation with onsite kudos for (the artists appreciate the feedback), and bid on art you'd like to take home.

Historically, one bid made the art yours, and two sent it to auction. This year, art requires THREE BIDS to go to auction. Be aware, be safe, and check to make sure the art you want goes home with you! Your bid is your promise to pay. Art sold at Escapade supports creative fan artists, the convention, and the con charity (ACLU).

Plan to attend the art auction on Sunday morning after breakfast. Shoshanna is an *amazing* auctioneer, and she and our runners ~~dress provocatively~~ put on a great show.

Thursday/Friday Programming

Thursday

7:00 pm

Early Registration

Convention Suite. #escapadecon #reg

Guided Tour

Megan Kent

Laguna/Malibu

New to Escapade, or new to this hotel, or just want a walkthrough to give yourself ideas on how to spend the convention? This is a walking tour pointing out the event rooms, consuite, art show and dealer room, and various aspects of the hotel. #escapadecon #tour

7:30 pm – How to Mod an Escapade Panel

Tree Wishes

Newport

Considering moderating and aren't sure how? Showed up at a panel and the mod didn't, and it was going to be canceled if someone doesn't step up? Modded something and it went flat, and you're not sure why? Let's talk about how to start a panel and keep people engaged. First-time moderators strongly encouraged to attend. #escapadecon #HowToMod

Friday

9:00 am – Fan Fair

Barbana

Del Mar

Fan Fair! Fanfare? Fair Fans? FanFair!! New to at Escapade 2019: crafty fans bring their creative output to show (and sell).

#escapadecon #fanfair

11:00 am – Welcome to Escapade

Megan Kent, Charlotte C. Hill

Laguna/Malibu

Start the convention at the Welcome panel. Meet the concom, the scholarship recipients, and a room full of your new best friends.

Find out what's new at Escapade this year. Also, pick the Wildcard and Wayback panels. #escapadecon #welcome

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Captain America/MCU: The End of the Line

gwyneth rhys

Marina del Rey

Captain America fandom has taken a lot of hits lately: we didn't even get a real third Cap movie, the Cap Family barely existed in Infinity War, and the end of Chris Evans's contract means Steve Rogers as we know him has left the building after A4. A lot of fans are convinced Steve will be killed off. Will Cap fandom wither and die the way most closed canons do, or will things like the Bucky and Sam streaming series and the comics help keep it alive in some form? Can we keep the Cap love alive? #escapadecon #Cap

Meetup: Topic TBD

Atrium

Sign up in the consuite. #escapadecon #Meetup

1:00 pm

Fandom Happiness

Saklani

Laguna/Malibu

Need a pick-me-up? Come share the things making you happy in fandom right now. A 100% squee oasis. #escapadecon #happines

Sentinels, Sentinels Everywhere

Teresa, Tayrin, Kris KrisserCI5

Marina del Rey

Sentinels fusions and cross-overs. Let's talk about the original show and how the concept lives on in almost every other TV show and Movie verse. Why does it integrate so well and are there any universes that it doesn't? How has the concept changed, grown, but it is still so easily recognizable? Is it because a major part of the

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world building is done and recognizable? Or that it's such a great spring board that the places it can take you to seem limitless?
#escapadecon #TheSentinel

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3-Minute Pimp Vid

Luminosity, Lola

Redondo

Forget telling: Show us your canon with a vid or clip! (3-5 minutes each.) #escapadecon #PimpVid

2:00 pm

Identity Imposter Syndrome: Am I Queer Enough?

glymr, ChelleToo, Charlotte C. Hill

Laguna/Malibu

Do slash fans and writers have the right to call themselves 'queer'? Historically, slash fans have often self-identified as part of the queer community. But is simply being a fan of slash 'enough' to call oneself queer in today's (ironically) more tolerant environment? #escapadecon #Imposter

Venom: Mainstreaming Tentacle Fucking

Calysta Rose

Marina del Rey

Venom and Eddie prowling the streets, looking for bad guys to eat, first comes screams, then comes blood, next comes Venom railing Eddie; like on a cellular level, it's fucking wild and hot like burning. Bring your love for tentacles and all-consuming love & sex! #escapadecon #Venom

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Queer Eye Love

Raine Wynd

Newport

Let's talk about the new show, the old show, the awesomeness that we now have 10 gay guys willing to talk fashion, decorating, cooking, style, and life, and what we'd love to see happen next.

Possible spoilers for the new season. #escapadecon #QueerEye

Lend Me Your Ears: Vids and Music

Lola

Redondo

Have you ever discovered a song or musician because of a fanvid? Do you have thoughts on what music works and doesn't with fan vids? Let's talk about all the ways in which different types of music can work in vids, and look at some vids that work with music in awesome or surprising ways. Plus maybe there will be a little singing along... #escapadecon #VidsAndMusic

3:00 pm

What if the End is Not Enough?

Saklani

Laguna/Malibu

What happens when your favorite show, book series, or cinematic universe ends but the ending sucks? What if its abruptly cancelled with things unresolved? What if the writers make a decision so heinous, everyone jumps ship? There's no denying fandom knows how to fill these voids with fic and art, but how do fans deal with it when the thing we love is suddenly over? Let's talk fandom depression and how to deal. #escapadecon #EndIsNotEnough

Shipping on Ships: Age of Sail Fandoms

Dorinda, Thevetia, Keiko Kirin

Marina del Rey

Fandoms in the period and setting usually called the "Age of Sail": Black Sails, Horatio Hornblower, Master and Commander, the Aubrey/Maturin books, Pirates of the Caribbean, The Terror, and more. What are your likes and dislikes? Other canon recs? Tropes and approaches? What are the biggest pleasures and challenges of writing, reading, vidding, etc., Age of Sail, and how do you handle

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them? And how does it compare with handling other historical fandom settings? #escapadecon #AgeOfSail

DCU: The good, bad, and sexy parts of their expanded universe

Tree Wishes

Newport

A fun recap of DCU fandom and the shows, movies, and comics that inspired it. #escapadecon #DCU

Pegging! A Delightful Intro.

fashes ilia

Redondo

Have you wanted to bend over your boyfriend and have your way with his sweet ass? Come learn how! Panel will feature on depth info for first timers on anatomy & techniques plus how to entice nervous first timers. #escapadecon #Pegging

4:00 pm

Yay Well-Written Female Characters, but...

Calysta Rose, Stranger

Laguna/Malibu

Do stray well-written female roles on shows screw up m-slashing possibilities? How can we work around them without denigrating or erasing them: OT3, amicable break-ups, etc? We can talk about the history of working around canon het love interests too. #escapadecon #FemaleCharacters

My Hero Academia: Who's on Top?

glymr

Marina del Rey

What's not to love about My Hero Academia? The storytelling is emotionally resonant, yet fun! It's got a huge cast of characters, and you'll fall in love with every single one of them. The shipping possibilities are endless! See why this mega-popular superhero show is inspiring massive amounts of fanart and fanfiction among a talented new generation of fans and find your favorite "top hero!" #escapadecon #MyHeroAcademia

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Pros: The Bus at the End of the Tunnel

Cindy, Kris Krissler

Newport

The clue bus has come and gone. Who gets on first? Falls off the first step? Or gets run over by the darn thing? Let's talk.

#escapadecon #TheProfessionals

Dungeons & Dragons: Learn by Doing

Brak

Redondo

D&D is experiencing a surge of popularity, but getting started can be daunting. Sometimes the best way to learn is to jump right in. Join Brak as he walks you through a fantasy adventure for beginners (experienced players are welcome too!). Choose from a pre-generated character, or hit Brak up any time before the panel to create your own adventurer. Supplies provided. All you need is your imagination! #escapadecon #LearnDandD

5:00 pm

Social Network of Our Own (SNO3?)

Elf

Laguna/Malibu

Between FOSTA/SESTA, Article 13, Facebook's new "don't mention that sex exists" policy, and the Tumblrpocalypse, is it time for our own fannish social site? Or are Dreamwidth and Pillowfort enough? bit.ly/2BmBSR3 is a Google doc with feature discussions. #escapadecon #SNO3

Star Trek and tropes, where it all started

Teresa, Tayrin

Marina del Rey

When I think of the Star Trek fandom I think hurt/comfort, pon farr, and bonding fics. This is like the original fandom of Sex Pollen and Aliens Made Us Do It fic! What new tropes are becoming popular in this fandom? Anything you love/hate? Did the reboot movies bring in their own tropes or are we just rewriting the same old stories? Recs welcome. #escapadecon #TrekTropes

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Fantastic Bits and Where To Find Them

MlleMusketeer

Newport

If there's one thing we've learned from *The Shape of Water* and the *Venom* fandom, it's that the only better thing than a nice smutfic is a nice monster smutfic. But how to handle the nookie? Fortunately, the natural world provides bountiful inspiration for nonhuman (and bizarre) genitalia. Join us for a discussion of how this can benefit your favorite monsters (and their partners too).

#escapadecon #FantasticBits

6:00 pm – Deadpool: The Hotel Bar is Classier than Sister Margaret's

Franzeska

Atrium

Come to the *Deadpool* panel, or as the hotel calls it, "happy hour". You bring the fic recs. We'll bring the gummy baby hands.

#escapadecon #Deadpool

8:00 pm – Friday Night Dance Party

Franzeska, Jandy Fong

Laguna/Malibu/Newport

Features Franzi's curated collection of dance-able vids, a half-time show of classic vids from *Kandy*, appetizers, cake, and a cash bar.

Also, a quiet(er) room for socializing. #escapadecon #DanceParty

Game Night – Slash and More!

KatBear

Marina/Redondo

Take a break from the dance, bring your fannish games and prepare for hilarity (we'll have some games on hand to get us going). #escapadecon #GameNight

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9:00 am

Reboots, do they work?

Tree Wishes

Laguna/Malibu

Has the industry run out of ideas? In the last few years a lot of shows are getting re-worked: MacGyver, Magnum P.I., Man from UNCLE, and Star Trek just to name a few. What makes a great reboot vs. a terrible one? What are you looking forward to? What are you dreading? #escapadecon #Reboots

Dresden Files: Peace Talks: NOT a Political Panel

glymr

Marina del Rey

Will the next book be out by the time Escapade starts? Who knows? Who cares? We don't need the next installment to enjoy our favorite pairings and characters! Join us for discussion and squee about Harry, Billy, Michael Carpenter, Thomas, Kincaid, Murphy, Molly, and of course Gentleman Johnny's green eyes! #escapadecon #DresdenFiles

Miss Fisher's Movie and Spinoff

Saklani

Newport

1920s era detective with sass and style, Miss Fisher delights in book and TV. What could be better? A full length film! Let's dish the dirt on this sexy broad. #escapadecon #MissFisher

Orville: Sci/Fi to Watch

Snow, Kris KrissierCI5

Redondo

Discuss this show in the context of its relationship with Classic Trek, especially if you accept the premise that certain eps were the equivalents of modern day morality plays. #escapadecon #Orville

10:00 am

Fandom: Is There A Safe Space for Concrit?

Sally, Jen

Laguna/Malibu

Readers of fanfic are generally encouraged to approach commenting in the spirit of "if you can't say anything positive, then don't say anything at all." But what if a writer wants to improve? In

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this panel, we will talk about whether there is a space in fandom for writers to get constructive criticism, as well as how to give constructive criticism if it is desired. #escapadecon #Concrit

Marvel: Tony Stark - genius, billionaire, playboy, philanthropist

Teresa, Tayrin

Marina del Rey

Let's talk about the man MCU seems to blame for all the evils in the world. Why does he get blamed for everything? Does his wealth mean he is held to different (higher) standards? I am all about the Tony Love but the movies seem to want to wallow in Tony whump. He is a fascinating character to explore and examine in the movies and how he has been developed, marginalized, villainized, victimized, and celebrated. Come share fic that fixes some of things that drive you crazy. #escapadecon #TonyStark

The fall of tumblr

Lola, aerialiste

Newport

Fans have always looked for a good place to build communities on line. Recent events with Tumblr and other platforms like Facebook are restricting our gathering places and even blocking and purging our self-made content. How are people dealing with this? Fandom will survive, but where? Come discuss the problems and options out there. #escapadecon #tumblr

AO3 But For Fanart and Fanvids

Elf

Redondo

AO3 has been great for fic, we need safe harbors for art and vids too. Let's talk about it! #escapadecon #AO3forArtVids

11:00 am

The Panel is Quicker than the Eye: Con Artist Fandoms

Dorinda

Laguna/Malibu

Con artist fandoms! Grifters and heists! The Ocean's movies, Leverage, The Sting, Hustle, and more. What do you like (and dislike) about them? Any canon questions or recs? Fave types of

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fanworks? Research tips? What do you like to write? Are grifter characters bad guys or good guys or...? Tuck an ace up your sleeve; let's talk about all things con-artisty! #escapadecon #ConArtistFan

She-Ra: Sapphic Paradise

Calysta Rose

Marina del Rey

With multiple well-written female characters (several of whom are overtly queer coded) there is no shortage of shipping options. Glimmer and Adora start as adversaries and become best friends. Catra and Adora have a long, intense history that means they can't just stop caring despite themselves. And that's just two of the possibilities! Come talk about your faves! #escapadecon #SheRa

Recs, Recs, and More Recs

Nev, Saklani

Newport

Do you have some stories that you think everyone should read? An archive with the best stuff? A web site that has the best fan art or vids? Join us and share your fandom, pairing, trope, or character internet treasures. Bring the best of what you have found on the web. (We may combine recs panels) #escapadecon #RecsRecsRecs

Polyamorous Crafting

Lizbetann

Redondo

Some people stick to one craft, one hobby. That ain't us. Our love is too broad, too varied, to be limited to one true craft. We dabble in fibers, cast in resin or pewter, or get paint on everything we touch (and we touch A LOT). Come join us as we celebrate our myriad endeavors while puzzling over why we never have enough time, money, or storage space. #escapadecon #PolyCrafting

Noon

Is the Fannish Gift Economy Passe?

k8 paintedmaypole, Aral, Megan Kent

Laguna/Malibu

One component of the recent AO3 wank involved the idea that fanfiction authors should be allowed to solicit financial compensation through their fanwork pages. The idea of fandom as

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a gift economy has shaped fan activity and fandom communities for decades, and has been used as part of a justification for fanfiction's legality. But fan artists have also routinely sought compensation for their work during that same period of time, and the internet has only made that easier. Will more and more fanfiction writers also begin writing for commission, or setting up financial support subscriptions? Is the idea of the fannish gift economy becoming passé? #escapadecon #GiftEconomy

Holmes, Holmes, and More Holmes

Jen Marina del Rey
Let's talk Sherlock Holmes fandom from ACD to the latest urban fantasy. #escapadecon #Holmes

Mag 7: Magnificent AUs

Kris KrisslerCI5 , Cindy Newport
What makes the Magnificent 7 TV show so ripe for AUs? Not to mention the pairings! Seven men equals lots of opportunity for slashy goodness in any place and time. What are your favorites? #escapadecon #Mag7

Fundraising Options

Tree Wishes Redondo
Escapade is having trouble making enough money to survive. If we don't want raise the membership fee 25% (and we don't), what would we prefer instead? What kind of scholarship options would encourage more of us to donate, and what other fundraisers could we have? #escapadecon #Fundraising

1:00 pm

Why Do They Hate Us This Week?

aerialiste, Seperis Laguna/Malibu
Slash was accused of being "unrealistic" and "perverting the characters," and anyone interested was probably mentally unstable. Later, BDSM was the black sheep fannish trope. The current big drama is "underage" pairings. For those who've seen all the

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variations of "only a DEPRAVED PERVERT would be interested in THOSE stories," how do we explain that "I want to read/write this" doesn't make us evil predators? Should we even try? (Please do not blog this panel.)

Detroit: Become Horny

glymr

Marina del Rey

In the future, androids have taken on every task, from menial labor to construction to sex work. But what happens when the machines become self-aware and begin to fight for their freedom? Come join us for a video tour of "Detroit: Become Human", a cinematic masterpiece for the PS4, including an introduction to a wildly popular May/December buddy cop slash pairing you're going to love! #escapadecon #Detroit

Shadowhunters: The Glory of Malec

Tenaya, Keiko Kirin

Newport

How did a ridiculous, teen urban fantasy genre show based on novels by Cassie Clare end up giving us such a great slow burn depiction of a relatively healthy, emotionally mature gay relationship? Let's talk about why Magnus and Alec's relationship is so damn satisfying, let's talk about the wonder of Magnus Bane and Harry Shum Jr.'s portrayal of him, let's talk about fic recs, and let's speculate about the final 10 episodes, which begin airing the weekend of the con. #escapadecon #Shadowhunters

Fandom Dating Game

Charlotte C. Hill

Redondo

One lovely bachelorette. Three eligible mystery bachelors. Will you be going home with the new fandom of your dreams or a nightmare date? Fandom pimping as a hilarious spectator sport! #escapadecon #DatingGame

Meetup: Topic TBD

Atrium

Sign up in the consuite. #escapadecon #Meetup

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2:00 pm

Archetypes and the men who embody them

Teresa, Tayrin, Luminosity

Laguna/Malibu

Archetypes & why are we drawn to them- Star Trek, The Sentinel, Stargate SG-1, Atlantis, NCIS, Pros, and so many more. All of these shows that we slash have characters that fall into archetypal pairings e.g. soldier/scientist, cop buddies, brain/brawn... you get the idea. What is it about these pairings that pull us in? Are these archetypes why these fandoms have such a long shelf life? Come and bring your own archetypes to share and add to the pot.

#escapadecon #Archetypes

Marvel: Into the Spiderverse: the Spiderman Movie We All Deserve

Emile St. Claire, Raine Wynd

Marina del Rey

The dazzling animated feature has finally given us Miles Morales and has arrived to almost universal acclaim. Many of us have grown weary of the endless Spiderman reboots, so what is it about this movie that we love so much? #escapadecon #Spiderverse

Star Wars: One with the Force

KatBear, Neth Smiley

Newport

How strong is the Force with you these days? What turns you on about the Star Wars universe, old or new? What's happening in fandom? Let's also look forward - Chapter 9, Mandalorian, etc. What do we want to see or not in the future? Do we believe the Force is strong with Disney? #escapadecon #StarWars

Pitch a Vid Bunny, Find a Vid Beta

Lola

Redondo

Have an idea for a fanvid you'd love to see happen? Come with concept, song, source ideas, characters--share your bunnies, find some cheerleaders, brainstorm together. For newbie & experienced vidders alike, all welcome! #escapadecon #VidBunny

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Art Show Gallery Crawl

Naked Bee

Del Mar

Join us for a group stroll through the Art Show to talk about the art. Criticism and squee welcome! #escapadecon #GalleryCrawl

3:00 pm

Come Time Travel with Me: 1964 with Galactic Journey

glymr, Galactic Journey

Laguna/Malibu

Blast back fifty-five years and experience the world of fandom and beyond. Twilight Zone? Check. The Outer Limits? Absolutely. My Favorite Martian? Slashalicious. JFK/LBJ? Anything's possible. This is the panel you loved last year, and a whole lot has happened in the last 365 days. So come learn about the SF/F books and films, the music and politics, and much more! Prizes will be given... #escapadecon #TimeTravel

Marvel: Thorki On Main

Calysta Rose, CatalenaMara

Marina del Rey

Thor: Ragnarok has seriously revitalized this pairing/fandom output and participation. Do you love these two brother fuckers in whatever form they come? Join us in talking about them and their complicated & compelling relationship. Tell us about your fave stories, authors, & artists! #escapadecon #Thorki

Wildcard Panel

TBD

Newport

Space for the up-to-the-minute conversation that bubbled up after panel suggestion closes. Hot topic is nominated and selected during the Welcome to Escapade panel. #escapadecon #Wildcard

Fannish Pictionary

Neth Smiley

Redondo

No, we don't *just* spend the whole time drawing dicks. Prize: an Escapade penguin mug for the person who guesses the most. #escapadecon #Pictionary

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Fannish Wine Tasting

Franzeska, ride_4ever, Kadymae DevilC

Other

Bring your ID and your Magic Mike feels and learn about the sociology and history of wine.

#escapadecon #FanWineTasting

4:00 pm

Fandom Post-Slash?

Megan Kent, k8 paintedmaypole

Laguna/Malibu

In an era of "ships" and #pairing #tags on Tumblr and AO3, has the "slash" label lost its meaning? Same-gender pairings are as popular as ever and fans still ID pairings with a virgule between the names, but how many fans still call m/m and f/f slash or femslash? How many fans identify as "slashers?" Het and slash were opposing binaries which few fans crossed. Are these barriers breaking down? What purpose has the term "slash" served? Has fandom moved past it and, if so, what does that mean? #escapadecon #PostSlash

The Exorcist is ours now, what shall we do with it?

Dorinda, Keiko Kirin

Marina del Rey

Hey, who wants to talk about The Exorcist (TV)? I know it got cancelled, but that just means now no one can ruin it! Are you into ensemble expansions, conspiracy shenanigans, or even more intense passionate Marcus/Tomas? (And/or Marcus/Peter? And how does having canon m/m there affect your approach to Marcus/Tomas?) Also: Marcus and Tomas: screwed up characters or MOST screwed up characters? How so amazing yet also so fucked up? #escapadecon #Exorcist

The Magicians! Yay! Panel!

Seperis, Jen

Newport

Teleporting bunnies, cancer puppy, the great cock of the darkling woods... The Magicians is dark, weird, queer, and much adored by its fans. What does your Magicians fandom look like? Do you watch it? Ship it? Read it? Vid it? Something else? How are you a fan of this series? What's your entry point into this franchise? Do

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you prefer the books or the TV show? And, what do you think will happen in season four?! #escapadecon #Magicians

Sex Toys

Elf, fashes ilia

Redondo

Very few fics include sex toys with a couple, unless it's part of a BDSM scene. We see a lot of masturbation with toys, but IRL, couples also use these! Bring pictures or actual sex toys that you're willing to show off, and let's talk about how they could make an appearance in fic. #escapadecon #SexToys

5:00 pm

The End of the Megafandom?

Tree Wishes, Megan Kent

Laguna/Malibu

Used to be there were those juggernaut fandoms that just ate up everyone. Who remembers when Master/Apprentice hit? Or when everyone was writing Sherlock AUs? What are your thoughts? Will there ever be another Harry Potter? #escapadecon #Megafandom

Marvel: MCU Phase 4 - The Death of Everything We Held Dear?

Raine Wynd

Marina del Rey

This is the MCU Phase 4 rumors, confirmations, speculation, what do we want to see in phase 4 panel. Come prepared to talk Captain Marvel, Spiderman: Far from Home, Avengers: Endgame, and all that's in the next phase of the MCU. *Spoilers of course* #escapadecon #Phase4

Wayback Panel

TBD

Newport

One of two "wildcard" panels that we select as a group at the Escapade Welcome Panel, the Wayback Machine pulls a topic from Escapade a decade ago that still has relevance today. #escapadecon #Wayback

Saturday Programming

Even More Vids!

Redondo

More amazing vids were submitted for the Saturday night vid show than we could fit in the time allotted. Come see the vids that didn't fit. #escapadecon #MoreVids

Title	Vidder Name(s)	Fandom
Just Dance	Mithborien	Captain America
No Trace	AurumCalendula	Star Trek: Discovery
Brooklyn (We Go Hard)	shirasade	Shadowhunters
Gods & Monsters	Mithborien	Thor
All Goes Wrong	kat-byrd	Starsky & Hutch
Hurricane	Killa	12 Monkeys
I Shall Rise	AurumCalendula	The Mummy (2017)
Legacy	Loki (secretlytodream)	MCU
Congratulations	starlady	Star Wars

6:00 pm

Fandom Heals my Trauma

fashes ilia

Newport

I would like to chat with you about how fandom can act as a healing agent for our past wounds and hurt. I was raped. Fandom support and fanfic helped me see sex as pleasurable again.

This panel is intended to be an open discussion where we can share and learn from each other. I used to moderate a PTSD peer support group, so I will be very focused on creating a safe space for all of us where we don't criticize each other or negatively compare our experiences. (Please do not blog this panel.)

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Everything But Actually Writing: Dealing With Writer's Block, Editing Woes, Hostile Feedback, and How You're Writing the Worst Fic Ever (Hint: You're Not)

aerialiste, Seperis

Redondo

It could be your first fic or your fiftieth, it doesn't even matter. We've all been there, are there, and will be again. Share your strategies for dealing with writer's block, the grueling editing process, the darlings you just can't kill no matter how much your beta begged, the scene that just won't work, the existential terror when you're ready to post, the flames that you can't get over, and the fear that nothing you write is ever going to be good enough. #escapadecon #WritingWoes

8:00 pm – Escapade Songvid Show

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Featuring new and nearly new vids from a variety of fandoms, the Escapade vid show is not to be missed. Choose your viewing environment: on the big screen in Laguna/Malibu (quiet and attentive atmosphere), or the Annex in Marina del Rey (chat and commentary welcome). #escapadecon #SongvidShow

Vid Show Annex: Marina del Rey

Vids, perverse bedtime stories, more vids, and chilling out. Bring your jammies and your filthy mind. #escapadecon #SongvidShow

10:30 pm – The After Party

Franzeska

Convention Suite

Vids, perverse bedtime stories, more vids, and chilling out. Bring your jammies and your filthy mind. #escapadecon #AfterParty

Sunday Programming

9:30 am – Escapade Art & Charity Auction

Naked Bee

Laguna/Malibu

It's fun, exciting, and sexy (and that's before the artwork)! This is your last chance to take home a lovely bit of crafts or artwork, win those prizes, and support artists, our charity, and the con.

#escapadecon #Auction

10:30 am Meetup: Topic TBD

Atrium

Sign up in the consuite. #escapadecon #Meetup

11:00 am – Vid Review

Marina del Rey

Rehash the Saturday night vid show with a room full of fans.

#escapadecon #VidReview

Noon

Feels Like Fanfic

Calysta Rose

Laguna/Malibu

Some movies, tv shows, & books feel like fanfic in the good way. Come share ones that fit that feel for you and discuss what makes it feel like fanfic. (Ex: To All The Boys I've Loved Before - fake dating trope done to perfection) #escapadecon #FeelsLikeFic

Dr Who: Still Alive and Definitely Kicking

KatBear

Newport

Whoohooo! New Doctor! New companions! New stories! What excites you about season 11? What do you like or not about what they've done with the Doctor? Is this your new favorite Dr or do you have fond memories of others? Share your squees and hopes for the future. #escapadecon #DrWho

AO3 Tips and Tricks

Elf

Redondo

How to make the most of your AO3 experience: user scripts, formatting tricks, etc. Come share what you know or learn something new. #escapadecon #AO3Tips

1:00 pm

Representation Matters But Purity Wank Sucks

k8 paintedmaypole, Aral

Laguna/Malibu

The months of discussion during Racefail 2009 helped fandom come to a more nuanced understanding of the politics of representation. We know representation matters, we argue continually for better representation of marginalized identities in our tv shows and movies because we know that the images and stories we consume do affect us and do impact society. But calls to ban underage fic and redefining it as "pedophilia" are the worst kind of purity wank. So can we have a more nuanced conversation about underage and age differences and power imbalances that doesn't rely on denying that art can possibly affect us personally or affect society politically? #escapadecon #PurityWank

Harry Potter a second look

Teresa, Tayrin

Marina del Rey

As the later books came out did you go back and reread the earlier books? Did certain events take on a completely different meaning or make a greater impact? Did info about the series given after the final book by Rowling alter your views? Did characters you loved, hated, saw as 'light' or 'dark', stay that way or radically change? Did reading fics change how you saw the series? Revisit and explore Harry Potter with a wiser, older, jaded or maybe a fresh look. #escapadecon #HarryPotter

Fully Grown Adult Women and the Other Women Who Love Them

Stranger, Barbana, MilleMusketeer

Newport

We have been blessed recently with some deliciously femslashy films and tv shows featuring rich subtext (and even occasionally text!) between women who are grown ass adults. Movies like the Ghostbusters reboot, The Heat, Ocean's 8, and Widows gave us interesting, complex relationship dynamics among middle-aged women. Shows like Sabrina the Teenage Witch have older female characters that are spawning active femslash fandoms. Who are

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your current favorite grown ass adult femslash pairings? What shows or movies should we be watching? #escapadecon #Femslash

Fannish Tea Party

Franzeska

Other

Bring your fandom-themed teas and your funniest mugs. We'll bring cucumber sandwiches. Pinkies out! #escapadecon #TeaParty

2:00 pm – Escapade Review

Laguna/Malibu

We close the convention each year with a frank conversation about what did or didn't work, and how to make things better next year. Everyone's input is welcome. Also feel free to submit comments on the paper or online comments form. #escapadecon #EscReview

4:00 pm – Dead Dog Party

Convention Suite

No dogs were harmed in the planning of this party. It's just your last chance to hang out with your new (or old) best friends. Bring any spare munchies, and fill out a comments form while the con is still fresh in your mind. #escapadecon #DeadDogParty

5:00 pm – Meetup: Oscars

Atrium

Gather to watch or mock in good company. #escapadecon #Oscars

Vid Shows

Enjoy four different kinds of vid viewings this year:

- Friday night party: dancing, drinking, and dress-up (optional)
- Look-back at rarely seen vids (Friday night party intermission)
- Saturday night vid show (main and overflow rooms)
- Saturday afternoon bonus reel of submissions we simply couldn't fit in Saturday night's event (5pm, Redondo)

Tweet about the vids you love (and what you love about them), so vidders who aren't in the room to hear your applause can know what you think. #escapadecon #SongvidShow

Saturday Night Vid Show

Title	Vidder Name(s)	Fandom
Lift	cupidsbow	Ocean's 8
Turn the Lights Off	Naked Bee	Buzzfeed Unsolved
Watch Me Rise	Anoel	The Good Wife
Heartlines	bonibaru	Guardian (Chinese Web Drama)
deep blue sea	Destina	Sherlock Holmes (Guy Ritchie Movies)
Melodrama	Mithborien	Guardians of the Galaxy
Blue on Black	elipie	DCEU
City of Roses	Lola	Miss Kobayashi's Dragon Maid
Fire and the Flood	kat-byrd	The Professionals
Since I Met You	Franzeska	Detroit: Become Human
Bridges Burn	Jill, Kathy, Kay	Rejseholdet
Wild Ones	gwyneth & killa	Captain America
INTERMISSION		
Dream	gwyneth	Multi
I Still Do	Nestra	God's Own Country
Heartbeat Song	Killa	Dumplin'
Red Rain	Loki (secretlytodream)	Merlin
Space Girl	AurumCalendula	Multifandom
Under the Ivy	Lola	Revolutionary Girl Utena
Dirty World	Luminosity	due South
Cold	glymr	Detroit Become Human
Shadowhunters Opening Credits (Buffy-style)	shirasade	Shadowhunters
Information Travels Faster	starlady	Sherlock Holmes (Downey movies)
Say Geronimo	Sholio	Black Panther
After the Storm	Trelkez	The Magicians
Timber	Killa	MCU

Attendee List

Adrian	Ellie Graves	Lisa Weston
Adrienne	Emile St. Claire	Liz Keough
aerialiste	Eva	Lizbetann
Airawyn	fashes ilia	Lola
Alexis Lothian	Franzeska	Louis Elver Warren
Ali	Galactic Journey	Gray
Amedia	Galetoo	Luminosity
Aral	Geoviki	Marnie Strom
Barbana	Gloriana	Mary Alice
Beck_Liz	glymr	Megan Kent
Brak	gwyneth rhys	Melina
Calysta Rose	ivy	Melusine Anjou
Catalena Mara	Jan Levine	Meri
Catherine	Jane Mailander	Michelle
Von Xlorp	Jane (aka sinead)	Michelle
Charlotte C. Hill	Jen	FishieMishie
ChelleToo	Jessie (iesika)	Misti
Chris	Jill	MlleMusketeer
Christie	Jim Rondeau	Morgan Dawn
Cindy	Joanna	Muriel Perun
Colleen	(foxwrapped)	Naked Bee
(Pole Dancer)	Joyce Muskat	Namuh
Commodore Marie	k8 paintedmaypole	Natalie
Constance Penley	Kadymae DevilC	Nestra
CordeliaV	kandy fong	Neth Smiley
Cynthia	Kat	Nev
Dail	KatBear	Nola Frame-Gray
Danni	Kathryn E	Nora Bombay
Delibby	Keiko Kirin	Pir8fancier
Diannelamerc	Ken Dase	Polly Bevil
Doctor Beth	kerithwyn	rache
Dorinda	Kris-KrisserCI5	Raine Wynd
Eileen	Kristina Busse	ride_4ever
Elayna	Laurie Penny	Saklani
Elf	Lezlie	Sally

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Seperis	Sue Toorans	Tree Wishes
Sheryl Adsit	Tangerine	Trudi
Shoshanna	taselby	Trudy
shrift	Tayrin	
sian1359	Tenaya	Non-attending:
Snow	Teresa	Andrea
Stranger	Thevetia	Electra (starlady)

Notes
