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WELCOME TO ESCAPADE 35

Program Book and Schedule

This program book provides convention information like our policies, the schedule, and a map of the hotel function spaces.

A digital copy of the program book in PDF format is available online at escapadecon.net/schedule/

For a mobile-friendly view of the schedule, or to download a copy of the one-sheet schedule, please visit the site above.

Large-format schedules with updates and new events are posted on the inside of panel room doors as well as in the con suite.

Please keep in mind that meetups and DIY panels won't be added to the online schedule after the convention starts. For information about those, you'll need to keep your eye out for advertisements on the doors and check the Escapade 35 Discord for announcements.

Discord

Each convention has its own dedicated Discord server. If you haven't joined it yet, a link to the Escapade 35 Discord is available in the con suite. If you need any help with Discord, please feel free to reach out to the con suite or one of our online convention chairs (**nevertheless** or **fashes**).

Is This Your First In-Person Escapade?

If so, be sure to seek out our **Welcommittee!** It's the fannish version of a welcome wagon, helping you feel at home in a new place, answering questions, holding your hand—pretty much anything you need to make sure your Escapade experience is as good as it can possibly be.

fashes and **Grace M** make up this year's onsite Welcommittee. They'll help you with the details of the con—what to do, who to ask, how to get things if they can indeed be gotten, etc. You can meet them at the Welcome Panel on Friday morning, or you can get their attention on the Escapade 35 Discord by tagging @Welcommittee in your message.

Besides our Welcommittee, please feel free to approach the volunteers in the con suite or anyone wearing an "Ask Me Questions!" button. We are a friendly bunch, and we're here to help!

Costumes and Cosplay

Costumes and Cosplay are welcome at Escapade throughout the convention, and especially at our Friday night dance ball. Many of our attendees have cosplayed in the past, and your costumes are likely to be met with excitement and admiration! Please do keep in mind that the convention is in a hotel, and you will be passing through public spaces on the way to and from convention meeting rooms. California, especially Los Angeles, is pretty laid back about people in unusual outfits, but you might get a few stares or curious questions from non-attendees.

WELCOME TO ESCAPADE 35

A Message from the Convention's New Co-Chairs

Hi there, Escapaders,

I've been to a lot of conventions. I've been to big ones like San Diego Comic-Con and New York Comic Con. I've been to small ones like Westercon and NASFIC when it was out in Utah. I've been to Geek Girl Con and Anime Expo and Otakon and Worldcon and Yaoicon and Yuricon.

And I can say with certainty that Escapade is something special.

People ask what makes Escapade different. Well, it's the panels, with their unique parity and engagement. It's the dance, with its curated vids that change every year. It's the welcoming and well-stocked convention suite, the historic vid show, the excitement of the auction.

Above all, it's the people. Every attendee has a say in the convention, so people who become Escapade regulars have a stake in it. And it shows.

The first time I came to Escapade felt like coming home. I felt welcome. I felt wanted. And I felt like I was a part of something. These were my people. *You* are my people.

That's why I have taken on the joy and burden of becoming the new Escapade Co-Chair along with nevertheless.

It hasn't been easy this year. Our date options were limited. Costs are rising. Reservations were a problem. We updated our website. Many other things plagued us—life and death and politics and illness—and the fires that impacted the Los Angeles area days before the con was due to start worried us all.

But we've had the guidance of Megan and Charlotte every step of the way. We've had the support of you, the family we love, every time we've reached out and asked for help. We've had the help of the coolest and hardest-working staff and volunteers anywhere. With those three layers buoying us up, we can do anything. Sometimes I feel like I could fly if you asked me to.

Thank you. Thank you for being generous, for being welcoming, for being awesome. For being kinky and smart and clever and funny and for coming back every single year.

For being *here*.

I can't wait for Escapade this year. And I can't wait for Escapade *next* year, either. And every year after that.

Here's to 35 more years.

— *glynne*, Escapade Co-Chair

Hey everyone,

Ditto.

— *ner*, Escapade Co-Chair

WELCOME TO ESCAPADE 35

A Message from Escapade's Outgoing Co-Chairs

35 years. When we started this con, young and impatient with most of our lives in front of us, we never imagined it would run for 10 years. But Escapade is now in its mid-30s and most of our lives are behind us. So we're grateful and glad the convention remains valuable to its members. That the new team is so dedicated to the con's family and values. That we can—and will—be proud of the party, the people, and the love and creativity and academic thought Escapade has generated.

Every act of creation has some primary result or benefit. Conventions put people together. Escapade put a bunch of thoughtful and passionate vidders together in an environment free of awards and competition but rich with commentary and opinion. It put writers together with editors, queer people together with their slashy romantic and often highly sexually detailed interests. It put academics together with fans and other academics. It inspired attendees who have done amazing things for fandom and academia.

We're so lucky.

Our "thank you" list is as long as our attendees list, and it spans contributors like Constance Penley and Henry Jenkins and Louisa Stein, Killabeez and Rachel Sabotini and Sandy Herrold, Astolat and Snow White. We've celebrated Pros fandom and Star Trek and Star Wars, Highlander and Sentinel and every Stargate, Yaoi, Sherlock Holmes and popslash and... well. More people and fandoms than we can remember or care to name.

It is our fondest wish that Escapade continue to be a vibrant space for joy and contribution and creativity, that our old friends keep coming back, and that new friends keep joining in to carry the torch.

Thank you. See you at the con, now and forever.

— *Megan and Charlotte*

Escapade 35 Theme

We're starting off this year with one foot in January and one foot in our favorite penguin month of February. In honor of that, our theme this year is * **Winter** * and our dance party is **The Blue Ball(s)**. Think ice, think cold, think cuddling for warmth in a Canadian Shack! We're going to keep it chill.

Escapade 35 Charity

Los Angeles is a city that has been a good home to Escapade. We want to give back in turn and support those who've lost so much. Which is why we've designated the **California Community Foundation's Wildfire Recovery Fund** as this year's charity (www.calfund.org/funds/wildfire-recovery-fund).

NEWS & REMINDERS

News

Night Market: If you thought Thursday Night Reg couldn't get more fun, you'd be wrong. We've got a handful of folks coming to set up tables and sell their wares as part of our first Night Market—aka *Fan Faire After Dark*. Also, as a special treat, we will have snacks set up in the Quiet Room. (Don't worry, the regular Fan Faire will still happen Friday morning before the Art Show.)

The Cake is (Not?) a Lie: There will be no cake at the *hors d'oeuvres* buffet on Friday night during the dance (though there WILL be free drinks—up to \$1,500 worth!). Instead, join us for a **DESSERT BUFFET** on Saturday night during the Vid Show intermission (scheduled to start around 8:45pm). We'll have a variety of treats on offer, so bring your sweet tooth! *(To give our con suite-hearts a break and let them share the fun, the con suite will be closed during the dance and vid show. If you're avoiding temptation, stock up on healthy snacks in advance!)*

Late Night Learning: After the vid show, there will be a class in the con suite called *Theory of Cocktails*, where Franzeska will run through the general basics and advanced underpinnings of mixing cocktail drinks. Please bring something to write with if you want to take notes!

Nonstop Vids: This year, the Escapade 35 Discord will have vids available 24/7 with a non-stop streaming channel. If you need a break from panels but don't want a break from Escapade, hop into the stream and enjoy the show!

Shut Up and Take My Money: Registration for the Escapade 35.5 Online Virtual Convention and Escapade 36 In-Person Convention will be live as of the welcome panel on Friday morning. To receive the extra "Register During the Con" discount, stop by the con suite to register in person or hop online to the Escapade website. We're also rolling out monthly subscription payments to Escapade via Paypal that will let you pay your registration costs for both conventions and donate every month to the general fund.

Room Swap: The vid show rooms have been swapped this year! The loud room will be Laguna/Malibu, while the quiet vid show room will be Catalina.

Reminders

Remember, the hotel does not allow room parties. **Please do not ask hotel staff about room parties.** Ask your fellow attendees if you have questions. We repeat: ASK YOUR FELLOW ATTENDEES, show up to the welcome panel, or stop by the con suite for more information.

For your convenience, **charging stations** are set up for your devices in each function room as well as in the con suite.

CONVENTION GUIDELINES

Since we're all adults who love community and are responsible for our own behavior, our guidelines are simple. Please be sure to familiarize yourself with the rules below, as well as with our **Code of Conduct**:

<https://escapadecon.net/escapade-policies/conduct/>

Photos

You need the permission of anyone you want to photograph. If someone's badge has a red bar at the top, it means **NO PHOTOS**, period. Don't even ask.

Food

Do NOT take con food into the ballrooms; it's a violation of our contract.

Masks

Masks are no longer required in any convention space. We do require that you support people's personal choices about masks. Some members may be at risk, so let's take care of each other. The con suite has a limited supply of high-quality masks (N95, KN95, surgical). If you have extra masks, feel free to share them at the con suite.

Escapade now places air purifiers with MERV-13 filters in every convention room for your comfort and safety.

Escapade is Inclusive

We welcome all fans regardless of orientation, preference, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, age, or ability.

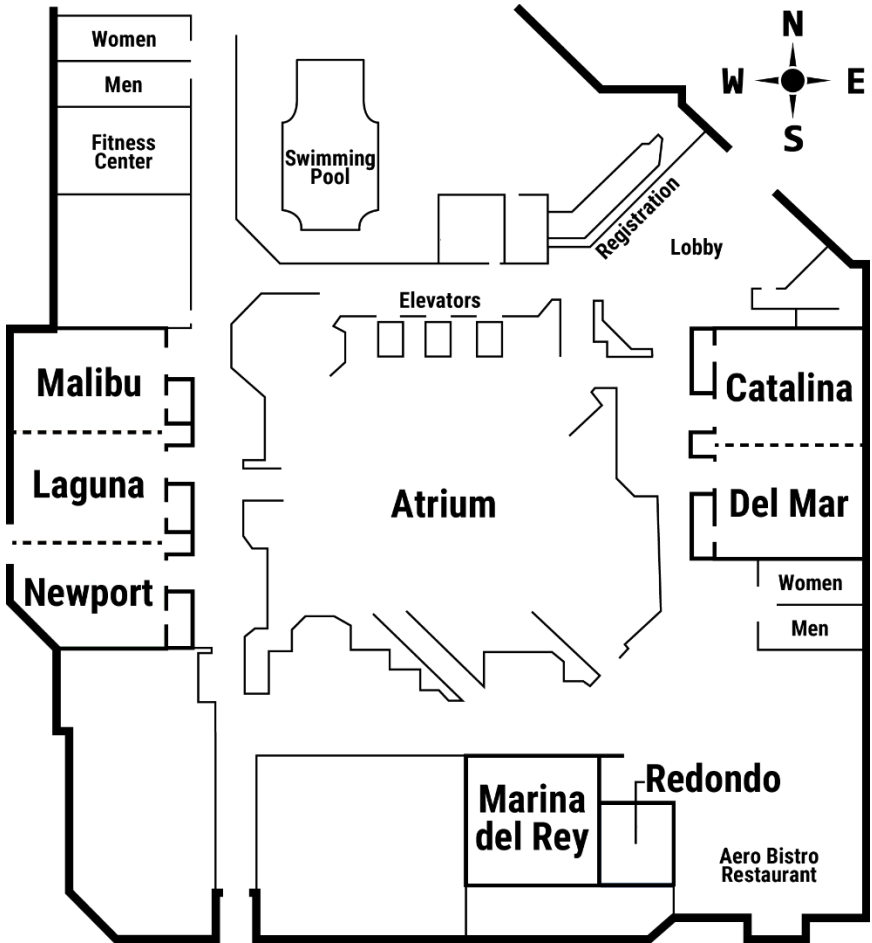
Escapade is a Safe Space

It's the practice of this century to spell out the status we unwittingly created decades ago: you're safe here. You're safe to share your passions, your questions, your opinions, your kinks, your guilty pleasures, and your treatises on fandom and fan culture. Make sure you've read the code of conduct at the link listed at the top of this page. If you feel unwelcome, unheard, or marginalized, find another attendee for support or con-com member by requesting us through the con suite. We're each other's best allies.

Escapade is Responsive

If you have a problem, let us help. Seek out **nevertheless** or **glymr** if you have problems with the panels, people, the hotel, or the schedule. You can also email alert@escapadecon.net, info@escapadecon.net, or report an issue by tagging [@concom](#) on the Discord.

MAP



A Taste of the Convention

Find the **con suite** to register, meet people, grab games and puzzles, and get information or snacks. Walk through the **art show** and bid on pieces you love. Join any of our in-person **panels**. Visit the **dealer's room** and find something great to take home. Relax in the **quiet room**. Peruse the **Slash Swap Meet** table. Hop on the **Escapade 35 Discord server** for 24/7 vid streaming, impromptu announcements, notes on missed panels, and DIY online panels. Join one of our scheduled **parties** or **games**, or find impromptu meetups in the atrium or Redondo.

Hotel guests enjoy a **full breakfast** every morning.

IMPORTANT LOCATIONS

Con Suite

📍 Room 530

The con suite is the heart and soul of Escapade. In the con suite, you can sit and talk with your friends or just curl up and relax. We'll have drinks and snacks available throughout the day so you can grab a quick bite between panels. There's a TV and HDMI cable so you can share shows with your friends (be sure to bring your own media and player). The con suite is also the place to come if you have any questions about the con.

Thursday hours: 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Friday hours: 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM and 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Saturday hours: 9:00 AM to 6:30 PM

Sunday hours: 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Quiet Room

📍 Room 529

The quiet room is for attendees to sit, lie down, rejuvenate, or do whatever they need to do to recover in zone of total silence. **Please, no talking or use of electronics in this space.** Hours for the quiet room will roughly parallel con suite hours and fluctuate as needed. The quiet room contains a camp bed, hammock, couches, chairs, and other sensory comforts.

Atrium

The atrium is the airy, well-ventilated center of the hotel where guests of Embassy Suites enjoy a free full breakfast every morning and happy hour on weekday evenings. Some of the best conversations start in the atrium before panels or continue after them.

Additional Locations

- 📍 **Catalina** Panels (Fandom). Slash Swap Meet. Vid Show (Quiet).
- 📍 **Del Mar** Art Show. Fan Faire.
- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu** Panels (Meta). Dance Party. Vid Show (Loud). Auction.
- 📍 **Newport** Dealer's Room.
- 📍 **Redondo** Small panels. Meetups.
- 📍 **Marina Del Rey** Panels (Tech/Alt). Game Night.
- 📍 **Room 528** Tea Room.

PARTIES & GAMES & MEETUPS & MORE

Parties

Parties in the hotel and on Discord run rampant. Find your way to what fits you best, or enjoy one of the scheduled events below!

Dance Party	Friday	8:00 PM to 11:00 PM	📍 Laguna/Malibu
Tea Party	Saturday	1:00 PM to 1:50 PM	📍 various
Vid Show	Saturday	8:00 PM to 10:00 PM	📍 various
Dead Dog	Sunday	4:00 PM to 7:00 PM	📍 Con Suite

Please see the [Schedule](#) section of the program book for additional information.

Games

We have a cache of games and puzzles in the con suite. Feel free to borrow them and play; just be sure to return them when you're done!

Game Night	Friday	8:30 PM	📍 Marina del Rey
They Said What!?!	Saturday	5:00 PM	📍 Marina del Rey

Please see the [Schedule](#) section of the program book for additional information.

Meetups and Unofficial Panels

Small-group meetups and unofficial panels take place in the atrium or Redondo throughout the weekend. To find out what people are planning, check out the Master Schedule in the con suite and keep your eyes open for large post-its and people with signs!

Want to create your own in-person meetup or unofficial panel? You can schedule Redondo by writing your event name into the large Master Schedule in the con suite to claim the time, then writing it into the large-format schedules posted on the panel room doors. Alternatively, you can hold your meetup in the atrium anytime.

Promote your event by grabbing some of our giant, neon post-its from the con suite and posting them on each panel room door. You can also pick up a sign and stand from the con suite to invite others to join your event. And don't forget to mention it on the Escapade 35 Discord! Make sure you're clear that it's an in-person meetup, and specify where and when it will take place.

DIY Online Panels

Escapade 35 is an in-person convention, but we're happy to provide a space for anyone to host their own online "DIY" panels during the con. Keep an eye on the Escapade 35 Discord to learn where and when these virtual panels will be taking place. Please note that Escapade staff will NOT be providing tech support for these DIY online panels; these are strictly *Do-It-Yourself* in every aspect. Want to create your own online DIY panel? Instructions are in place on the Discord for how to set up your panel online.

ART & MERCHANDISE

Art Show and Auction

Enjoy all the eye candy, share your appreciation with onsite kudos (the artists appreciate the feedback), and bid on art you'd like to take home. Art sold at Escapade supports creative fan artists, the convention, and the con charity.

Art requires **THREE** written bids to go to live auction. Bid early and often, and be vigilant to make sure that the art you want goes home with you!

Plan to attend the Art Auction on Sunday morning after breakfast. Our runners put on a great show—as do our bidders! Surprise items are often included in the auction. You never know what you might find!

Your bid is your promise to pay. All winning bids (silent or voice) must be paid for on Sunday morning directly after the Art Auction. You will be able to collect any pieces you won at this time. If you can't be there to pay for and collect your art, please let Art Show staff know in advance so they can make alternative arrangements for payment and collection.

Art Show	Friday	2:00 PM to 8:00 PM	📍 Del Mar
	Saturday	9:00 AM to 7:00 PM	📍 Del Mar
Art Auction	Sunday	9:30 AM to 11:00 AM	📍 Laguna/Malibu

Dealer's Room

📍 Newport

Visit the Dealer's Room to find that special something! From zines to posters to jewelry to books, this space is guaranteed to have fannish paraphernalia of all sorts. And the people are as interesting as the items they show and sell, so please say hello to everyone and thank them for supporting the con!

Friday hours:	3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Saturday hours:	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Sunday hours:	10:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Slash Swap Meet

📍 Catalina

The Slash Swap Meet was born at Escapade over 20 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 or via Ko-Fi. It's generous. It's on an honor system. It's awesome. *And* it supports both the convention and the con charity.

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

Scheduled Events

Night Market	Thursday	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	📍 Con Suite
Fan Faire	Friday	8:30 AM to 10:30 AM	📍 Del Mar

Please see the *Schedule* section of the program book for additional information.

THE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY

7:00 PM ----- 📍 **Con Suite**

Early Registration. Join us the evening before the con from 7:00 to 9:00 PM for early registration and orientation. Pick up your badge and other con materials, meet some people, and enjoy this year's Night Market (below).

👤 Misti

7:00 PM ----- 📍 **Con Suite**

Night Market. Join us the evening before the con, where fans like you will be selling their exotic wares from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Don't miss out!

👤 nevertheless

FRIDAY

8:30 AM ----- 📍 **Del Mar**

Fan Faire. From 8:30 to 10:30 AM, fans like you will be selling their crafty creations. Don't miss it—you might find something amazing!

👤 Mildly Wicked

11:00 AM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Welcome to Escapade. Opening ceremonies! Join us in welcoming back old friends and new attendees, as well as helping choose the Wildcard and Wayback panels!

👤 glymr and nevertheless

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Time-Travel Fix-It. Canon ended all wrong, so fanfic provides a solution! Some are strong on restarts from the beginning; others return to a key spot in the middle. Some focus on fixing the same couple of events; some are all over in what or how much they fix. What kinds of time-travel fix-its do you like? What's boring? How is it different across different fandoms?

👤 Elf Herself and killabeez

THERE'S MORE 12:00 PM PROGRAMMING ON THE NEXT PAGE! ➔

THE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
Star Trek: Trekking On with Strange New Worlds, Discovery, Lower Decks. We're here, we're queer, we're talking TOS through Lower Decks through Discovery and Prodigy. And while we're at it, let's discuss the Kirk/Spock relationship in Strange New Worlds. How is it the same or different from TOS? What is the next season going to bring us?
👤 sprocket and Janna (scrivenette)

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Language Learning for Fandom: How Do You Say That? Let's discuss resources and tips for learning various languages for fandom purposes, as well as a basic introduction to pronunciation of Mandarin Chinese, Japanese, and possibly other languages.
👤 Franzeska and yaurens

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
Wildcard Panel. Voted on during opening ceremonies, what is the newest thing that everyone's talking about?
👤 TBD

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
Eastern Media Novels: Beyond Seven Seas. What translations are coming out?
👤 Sam (lunarriviera)

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
There's Too Much Fic To Filter (Or Is There?). Can't find what you're looking for on AO3? Learn the secret search operators to find That One Fic.
👤 Elf Herself

Previously Overheard at Escapade:
*"Mom will be so mad if I tell her
my laptop broke because it was hit by a dick."*

THE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

2:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Comfort Media. When things are looking dark, what media do you turn to? Old favorites? New escapes and distractions? And how and why does that media help you—does it give you hope, a break, nostalgia, or does it model new possibilities? Let's talk meta but also share/rec our favorite comfort shows, films, or even fanworks that help us get through.

👤 Lola

2:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

MCU: Maybe It Won't Hurt Me This Time. Will shows like Agatha All Along improve Phase 4 enough to save the MCU from itself?

👤 Airawyn and yaurens

2:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

It's All in the Research. A lot goes into writing, and your research should reflect the work you put into your writing.

👤 bella (librarialien) and DarkDanc3r

3:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Don't Go Where I Can't Follow. Or maybe, if you can't beat 'em, join 'em! Feeling left behind as fandom stampedes to some media type or property that's just not for you? Let's discuss where people are going and how to get into those fandoms...or find something else active instead.

👤 Doctor Beth

3:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

Star Wars: A Light Side, A Dark Side, Binding the Universe Not Included. What is Star Wars canon these days? Which parts of Legends do you still miss? What unexpected good Star Wars has Disney rolled out lately?

👤 sprocket

THERE'S MORE 3:00 PM PROGRAMMING ON THE NEXT PAGE! 

THE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

3:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

Fanbinding: The Old, The New, and The Pricey. We've come full circle: Paper fanfic is now the exotic novelty version. And people are willing to pay ridiculous amounts for their favorite fics as paperbacks—sometimes without the consent of the author. We'll look into *Manacled* and *All the Young Dudes*, and how those relate to the ethical practices of fanbinding with permission, or at least, not for profit.

👤 Elf Herself and Janna (scrivenette)

4:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Are You an OTP Fan or Do You See Multiple Possibilities? Which characters have you moved away from the OTP in order to explore new connections, and which characters can you only see as part of an OTP (Kirk/Spock, Rodney/John, Jim/Blair)? Come and present your arguments for OTPs or for exploring brave new worlds.

👤 Teresa and Tayrin

4:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

Agatha All Along and Along and Along. *Agatha All Along* presented a group of middle-aged women and one teen on a quest for power. Oh, and *Agatha's* ex-girlfriend is Death. How awesome? And how will this fit in the larger MCU?

👤 Airawyn and Nora Bombay

4:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

What's Up with BlueSky (and Decentralized Social Network)? What is BlueSky and how is it different from (or similar to) platforms like Tumblr, Twitter, or LiveJournal/Dreamwidth? And how is it different from other efforts to create decentralized social platforms like Mastodon? But most importantly, can fandom use it, and should it?

👤 Ms. Boba

Previously Overheard at Escapade:

"Y'know, you can really feel the difference with an inch."

THE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

5:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
Where My Ladies At? Where are the good femslash ships these days?

👤 glymr

5:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
Professionals: First Times. When? How? Why? Where? Yeah, I want all the details!

👤 krisser and kat-byrd

5:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Calibre – FanFicFare. Learn how to download fanfiction directly into Calibre, create custom columns for warnings, genres, challenges, pairings and more! If there is time, we can also go over how to generate your own custom covers per fandom.

👤 Amalthia

8:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
Friday Night Dance Party. Come dance Friday night away from 8:00 to 11:00 PM with a curated list of fan-made music videos and a special menu of mock- and cocktails. This year's theme: Winter Ball! Brrr!!! Are you turning blue yet? Bring your wildest outfits, your coolest costumes, your dancing shoes, and your pearls to clutch while you enjoy Escapade's annual dance/costume/vid party!

👤 Franzeska

8:30 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Game Night – Party Alternative Activity. If you need a bit of a break from the dancing Friday night, join us for some gaming fun in the game room. We are friendly and casual. Feel free to bring games of your own.

👤 Grace M (DaughterOfElros) and Nelle (lovelokest)

Previously Overheard at Escapade:

"I want to know which monsters to fuck and which ones to eat."

THE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

9:00 AM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Monster Non-f*cking. A tumblr post asked: *what's with all the monsterfucking? what if I want monster RELATIONSHIPS? Monster HAND-HOLDING with INTENSE LOOKS?* (and then someone added a pic of Guillermo del Toro pointing up at the words.) What's it like to date outside your species? How does it change a relationship when the biology is very different? What kind of social problems will the couple face?

👤 glymr

9:00 AM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

Supernatural: Thursday Nights Will Always Be Spooky. Two brothers on a road trip, saving people, hunting things. We make friends along the way, they all die. What's your favorite monster? What's the dumbest lore? All pairings welcome, even that one.

👤 fashes

9:00 AM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

The Fujoshi Guide to Web Development – Building a Fandom from Scratch. Come hear about our adventures attempting to build a “slash fandom” from first principles (for a good cause), and let's talk about what makes fandoms and ships stick! Project website: www.fujoweb.dev

👤 Ms. Boba

10:00 AM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Frankencanon. Comics/manga, anime/donghua/cartoon, live-action, 80s cartoon vs recent cartoon, audio drama, video game, pre-Crisis vs post-Crisis vs post-Crisis II...what does it do to fandom when canon has a broad range of clashing source material? What elements are considered “always true” even if they didn't happen in all versions, and what's considered drop-able? Do you like frankencanon fics or prefer ones that stick to a single source?

👤 Elf Herself and Kadymae Devilc

THERE'S MORE 10:00 AM PROGRAMMING ON THE NEXT PAGE! ➔

THE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

10:00 AM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
The Expanse: Like a Fucking Valkyrie. We read the last three books of The Expanse series and we are going to have feelings about it.
👤 sprocket

10:00 AM ----- 📍 **Redondo**
Arts, Crafts, and Conspiracies. Come make stylish tin hats and talk about your conspiracy theories.
👤 Umber

11:00 AM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
Rec All the C-dramas. Gone are the days when it was all about Guardian and The Untamed. Sadly, gone also are the days when we had full-on danmei adaptations. But there are many wonderful c-dramas out there, with high drama, angsty bromance, multidimensional characters, political intrigue, epic (or cursed) weddings, and beautiful actors (not to mention the artful spitting of blood). What do you look for in a c-drama? Pimp your favorites, old and new! And bonus points for sharing fan works.
👤 Sam (lunarriviera)

11:00 AM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
Interview with the Vampire: Gay Divorced Vampire Drama. Let's talk about the queer divorcee vampires being insane, horny, and violent at each other on AMC's Interview with the Vampire!
👤 killabeez

11:00 AM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Fandom Hipsters. You've probably never heard of my fandom, and now I'm going to pimp it to you.
👤 sprocket

Previously Overheard at Escapade:

*"Doesn't he die in the movie?"
"Oh, yeah. He dies like, 7 or 9 times."*

THE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Things That Shock Fannish People and Why We Love Them. Bully to love interest? May/December relationships? Schrödinger's incest? What suggests the kids aren't all right to us lawn-protecting over-21s?

👤 Kadymae Devilc

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

The Untamed/MDZS: We Need More Porn of Wen Ning. What is there left to talk about in this fandom? Let's find out!

👤 Airawyn and nevertheless

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

Fan Video is Dead, Long Live Fan Video! Does the traditional form of vidding persist, or is it becoming a lost art form? Short form fan edits are everywhere—do they share qualities with more traditional old-school full-length vids? Do you watch short form edits and have you come to appreciate them? Have you even tried to make them/would you like to try? If so, how would approaching short form edits differ from conceptualizing a full fan vid? And/or do you think it's a matter of time before full length fanvids re-emerge as a predominant form?

👤 Lola

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Big Dumb Hot Cops and Effete Possibly Sociopathic Genius

Consultants. This classic pairing continues to appear in media, drawing fannish attention and appreciation across decades, genres, and cultures. Come talk about your favorite instances, from recalling beloved standards (Sherlock Holmes, due South, Merlin, SGA) to sharing newer incarnations (Bones, Psych, Under the Skin, Guardian, SCI Mystery, The First Shot). How does this crime procedural paradigm expand to fit different kinds of narratives?

👤 Sam (lunarriviera)

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THE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

Arcane. Arcane season 2 is out. What do we think about the relationships between Vi, Caitlyn, and Jinx? How do we feel about the ending? And what, if anything, comes next?

👤 Drea and Greenygal

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

Where Did the Comments Go? Discord, apparently. Apparently, people are gushing about fics on Discord and not leaving any feedback where the story is posted. This sucks for writers. Come talk about solutions to encourage readers to leave comments for writers before the writers fuck off to other fandoms with better commenters.

👤 Amalthia

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Other**

Tea Party. Take an elegant break for tea and snacks. Join Franzeska in Room 528 for the classic Escapade tea party experience. For those who prefer their tea in more open spaces, Amphisbaena will be hosting in the atrium corner by Laguna/Malibu/Newport.

👤 Franzeska and Amphisbaena

2:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Do Old Flames Burn Brighter? What shows or pairings do you keep the flames burning for even though the show disappeared in the rearview mirror a long time past? What keeps pulling you back? Did you even leave in the first place? How do you keep the fires hot and find others to help fan the flames? Come discuss the fandoms you never wanted to let go of.

👤 Teresa and Tayrin

2:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

Guardian: Going Down to Dixing Again. What are you writing, drawing, recommending, and loving about Guardian in 2025?

👤 Greenygal and glymr

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THE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

2:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Vidding 101. Basics for vidding newbies and those who want to get into vidding but don't know where to begin.
👤 Lola

3:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
Principles of Crystallization. What makes a fandom form? Is it some property of canon? Is it random chance?
👤 Lola

3:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
M/M: What's Up in English Language BL? M/M romance novels, original English language BL webnovels, the Original Works section on AO3: wherever you look, there's more and more original m/m content in English. What have you been enjoying lately? Where do we find the good stuff?
👤 Lisa Weston and Kristina Busse

3:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Classic Fanvid Analysis. We'll review 3 or 4 popular fanvids—watch each one, and then discuss how it was made, what makes it work, why these scenes out of canon—and then compare all of them as a group. (Panelists to choose vids in advance.)
👤 killabeez and Airawyn

4:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
How to Keep Hope. What can we do to support and nurture each other in a political landscape full of hate, bigotry, and willful ignorance? What have you found that gives you strength and hope? What activities have you decided to avoid for a while? What fanworks have you turned to for inspiration and comfort? We're in this together—let's find ways to encourage and help each other.
👤 yaarens and Janna (scrivenette)

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THE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

4:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
due South: For reasons that do not need exploring at this juncture.

Discuss Hot and Hotter, and which Ray is which.

👤 Greenygal and sprocket

4:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Pegging and Butt Stuff! A Delightfully In-Depth Intro. Have you ever

wanted to bend over your boyfriend and have your way with his sweet ass?

Come learn how! Are you new to butt stuff and want to learn some basics?

Do you want butt sex info for your fic? Come join us! *Panel will feature in-depth info on anatomy & techniques, plus how to entice nervous first timers.*

👤 fashes

5:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Personal Fannish Websites. What types of personal fandom websites have existed throughout the online ages? Characters and ship shrines, art galleries, quizzes...and what else? What new types of websites would be fun to see? Any websites you miss?

👤 Ms. Boba and Elf Herself

5:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

Wicked: Pink Goes Good with Green. We're all shipping it, right?

👤 nevertheless and Grace M (DaughterofElros)

5:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

They Said What!?! Doctor Beth and Kandy name the fandom and the episode, then show a slashy/out of context picture. The player picks which of four quotes matches that scene. This will be followed by a presentation of rare 35mm film clips of your favorite shows.

👤 Kandy Fong and Doctor Beth

Previously Overheard at Escapade:

"When I go home, we're telling people my contribution to Escapade was blowing a giant dick on the dance floor for an hour."

THE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

8:00 PM ----- 📍 see options below

Escapade Vid Show. Saturday night wouldn't be complete without the annual Escapade songvid show! Join us from 8:00 to 10:00 PM in your choice of the Loud Room (conversation cool; sing-alongs known to occur) or the Quiet Room (attentive atmosphere; more focused) to see what awesome new vids everyone's been making. *Note: Vids will also stream on Discord after 8pm and be available to watch later on Vimeo.*

Loud Vid Show Room ----- 📍 Laguna/Malibu

Quiet Vid Show Room ----- 📍 Catalina

10:45 PM ----- 📍 Con Suite

Theory of Cocktails. After the vid show, Franzeska will run through the general basics and advanced underpinnings of mixing cocktail drinks. Please bring something to write with if you want to take notes!

👤 Franzeska

MY NOTES:

THE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

9:30 AM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
Escapade Art and Charity Auction. Don't miss the fun and excitement as arts, crafts, and even food are auctioned off! We'll also be choosing the winners of the raffle at this time, so make sure you're there!

👤 Gideon Marcus

11:00 AM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
Wayback Panel. Voted on during opening ceremonies, which panel will we revisit from 10 years ago?

👤 TBD

11:00 AM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**
Vid Review. If watching the Escapade vid show isn't enough, come dig into why a vid did or didn't work, analyze technique, and basically geek out over vids with us!

👤 Franzeska and Lola

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**
Internet as a Double-Edged Sword: Is Disappointment Inevitable in an Open Fandom? Thanks in large part to the internet, the speed and immediacy of fandom has skyrocketed in recent years. Streaming platforms allow us to watch and rewatch episodes endlessly, and fan communities and fanworks proliferate overnight. But in the hiatus between seasons, discussion and discourse can lead to headcanons and divisions, and when the next season arrives, it may bear little relationship to what fans wanted or expected to see. We'll talk about some examples of this phenomenon, as well as whether there is anything to be done about it.

👤 Jen (snycock)

12:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**
DC Comics: Should Be Making This Movie. DC comics, failing to make the movie of your dreams! Tell us what they should be doing.

👤 Greenygal

THE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Past Its Best By Date: When Should Shows Stop? We're all familiar with the first-season show that ends on a cliffhanger that doesn't get renewed, as well as the one that goes on far too long. Is there a best by date for television shows, an optimum number of seasons or episodes for peak creativity and storytelling?

👤 Jen (snycock)

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Catalina**

Deadpool and Wolverine: Healing Factor Your Way to New Kinks.

This movie had all the chemistry, made all the money, and starred all the characters nobody was expecting. How do we feel about this finale to the Fox-verse? Does it portend anything for the MCU? And how much are we shipping the leads?

👤 Greenygal

1:00 PM ----- 📍 **Marina del Rey**

Foods of Fandom. Come share your favorite fannish recipe, whether it's a food from your canon or a meta joke on fandom in general.

👤 Franzeska

2:00 PM ----- 📍 **Laguna/Malibu**

Closing Panel and Escapade Review. Your chance to discuss what we did well and what we could do better next time. Come and say goodbye!

👤 TBD

4:00 PM ----- 📍 **Con Suite**

Dead Dog Party. It's the last space open, and the last con space people gather to finish off the food and beverages, continue the conversations, register for next year, and say goodbye. Once all the panel rooms are packed up, take a load off and relax!

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF ESCAPADE 35!

THANK YOU

Escapade would not exist without **Charlotte C. Hill** (*Easy Chair*) and **Megan Kent** (*Wingback Chair*), who started the convention in a car between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara, California, way back in the 1900s. They continue to share their wisdom with **nevertheless** (*Ottoman Chair*), **glymr** (*Director's Chair*), and **fashes** (*Chaise Lounge Chair*) in the hopes that Escapade will endure long into the future. It's difficult to encapsulate all that they do, but between them, Escapade's five chairs coordinate registration, contracts, finances, schedules, and so much more. Bottom line? They are passionate about their work and unbelievably kind, patient, and supportive of the rest of their team.

Dail (*Hailing All Frequencies*), with the help of fashes, handles Escapade email and news, posting reliably and promptly. **Elf Herself** (*Appointed District Representative of the Southern California Summer Court Pro Tempore*) is our most prolific panel proposer and reliable researcher. **Franzeska** (*Lupercalian Liaison*) curates the Friday Night Dance Party vid show, creates the accompanying menu of mock- and cocktails, and hosts the traditional Escapade Tea Party experience. **Grace M** (*Con Suite Con Artist*) is hosting Game Night this year and is part of our Escapade 35 Welcomittee. She also makes the Best Buttons! **feochadn** (*Eldritch Vid Hunter*) manages, curates, and compiles the Saturday Night Vid Show. **Ken** (*Dealer's Room Duke*) coordinates with the dealers, sets up and watches the Orphan Sales table, and keeps the dealer's room a warm and welcoming place to visit. **killabeez** (*Miracle Monitor*) makes the convention website work and is always ready to offer her expertise and support. **krisser** (*Agent Kris*) braves LA traffic to make sure the con suite is supplied. **Misti** (*Con Suite Maven*) makes the con suite a fun place to hang out, providing snack food and a friendly atmosphere, while also coordinating logistics during the con weekend. **Mildly Wicked** (*Art Show Batman*) and **Umbur** (*Art Show Sidekick*) are co-running the Art Show this year, making Escapade more beautiful and sexy one art piece at a time. **sprocket** (*Doer of Things*) is our gopher extraordinaire, always ready to do what's needed. **Vex Verlain** (*Valkyrie of Virtuals*) updates the site, creates graphics, deals with Google Forms, and formats documents like this program book. **Aaronantium** (*The Eternal Vidsitor*) is unfailingly helpful with tech both online and off, and our resident guru on all things anime. **yaurens** (*Technological Terror*) is our onsite tech genius who handles setting up all the technical aspects to meet Escapade's audio/visual needs.

JadedWarrior created the program book covers for Escapade 35.

Escapade wouldn't be possible without all of our volunteers, artists, vidders, dealers, patrons, and attendees. **Thank you for being part of Escapade.**

SUPPORT THE CONVENTION

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Monthly Subscriptions

Starting in 2025, Escapade is offering subscription models for fans to pay monthly contributions to support the convention and cover the cost of their registration for both the In-Person and Online conventions. We have five tiers of monthly payments to choose from at this time. To find out more about our monthly subscription tiers, please visit the link at the top of this page.

Reserve Your Room

Reserving your room under the **Escapade Room Rate** is good for you and good for the convention. It gets you a lot of great negotiated concessions. We can often negotiate concessions on hotel incidental holds, parking costs, room rates, and other invisible perks. It's also good for the convention because your reservation counts towards the number of nights we're required to provide the hotel. Reserving your room as early as you can—*if you can*—makes a big difference. Keep an eye on your inbox or on our social media to find out when next year's rooms are available for booking.

Invite Everyone You Know

Invite your friends to Escapade. Invite acquaintances to Escapade. Invite total strangers to Escapade. Talking about how much you love the convention on other Discords is a great way to get people interested. Reach out to people and spread the word on social media sites. It's free and it helps the con. Not sure what to say? Our **Press Kit** can help! Find it by visiting the link above.

Donate Your Skills and Time

Another great non-monetary way to contribute to Escapade is by offering fannish items and services to the auction. If you've never missed a deadline on an exchange and can write fic, create vids, make art, record podfics, or have some other skill you're willing to share, please reach out to us at info@escapadecon.net. Your work may help the convention survive.

Financial Contributions

Any amount helps; there is no donation that is too small, and of course there is no amount that is too big! Donations can be made online or via check.

LIST OF ATTENDEES

Escapade 35		*scholarship recipient
- Airawyn	- Greenygal	- Montager (Monty)
- Alex*	- gwyneth rhys	- Moth*
- Amalthia	- hafital	- ms-boba
- Amedia	- Henry Jenkins	- Namuh
- Barbara	- ivy	- Nelle (lovelokest)
- bella (libraralien)	- Jan Levine	- Neth
- Carrie J*	- Janna (scrivenette)*	- nevertheless
- Casey Coffee*	- Jen (snycock)	- Nola Frame-Gray
- Cath Siebert	- Kadymae Devilc	- Nora Bombay
- Cesperanza	- Kandy Fong*	- Nymtheriel
- Charlotte C. Hill	- kat-byrd	- Oracle
- Chelsea D*	- Katherine T*	- Pinky
- Christie Young	- Ken Dase	- rache
- Claire	- Kerguelen*	- Regina F
- Constance Penley	- kerithwyn	- Robin Winter
- Dail	- Kiki	- Sally Lombrozo
- DarkDanc3r*	- killabeez	- Sam H*
- David	- krisser	- Sam (lunarriviera)*
- diannelamerc	- Kristina Busse	- Sapphire_Dance
- Doctor Beth*	- Lilly Lu	- Seperis
- Drea	- Lisa Weston	- shaila.reddy
- Eileen	- Lizbetann	- soo
- Elf Herself	- Lola	- Spider-Kid
- Ellie*	- Lorelei	- sprocket
- Emile St. Claire	- Lou A	- STRANGER
- fashes	- Marnie Strom	- Sue Toorans
- FJBryan	- Mazal HaMidbar*	- Tangerine
- foxwrapped	- Megan Kent	- Tayrin
- Franzeska	- Melina	- Teresa
- Gideon Marcus	- melody.hubertus	- trudi.hemmons
- glymr	- Mildly Wicked	- Umber
- Grace M	- Misti	- yaaurens*
(DaughterofElros)	- MMcat	- zeldahime

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