

# **COSTUME CONTEST FOR PITTSBURGH COMICON**

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Please check with the Judges in advance, for any questions on the guidelines for what you can or cannot do while on “stage” during the Costume Contest.

**Alienated Productions** is running the Costume Contest and heading up the judging.

They can be found at the following locations for questions and registration during the Con:

- **The Alienated Productions booth (E137/E127).**
- **The Information/Registration booth** (close to the Alienated Productions booth).
- **The Saturday panel about the Costume Contest.**

### **Here are some general rules that should be followed:**

- ***All rules of behavior stated for the Con in general apply at all times.***
- Live steel weapons can only be “unsheathed” for a contestant’s “stage performance” or for photos in a designated area. Keep it safe – we don’t want anyone to get hurt.
- **Presentations on stage should be two (2) minutes or less, in general.**
  - *Consult with the Judges in advance if you feel you have a legitimate reason to need more presentation time than that.*
- No open flames or explosive devices.
- **Please keep your costume and performance “appropriate” for a mass audience.** That means nothing beyond “PG-13” please - no nudity and remember, *there are kids present.*
- No course / inappropriate language.
- We encourage you to engage the Judges and audience in your introduction/entrance or performance in a positive and entertaining way.
  - *(Note: **This year’s guest judges will all be “super-villains” ...and there will be a special light-hearted “prize” category for “best bribe” to the contestant that most excels in “pandering” to the guest judges. This is all intended to be in good spirit and entertainment for the audience...so feel free to be as creative and fun as possible!**)*
- Likewise, we encourage all participants and the audience to clap, cheer, and be supportive of all contestants.
- **Most importantly, HAVE FUN!!!**

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REGISTRATION FORM – TO BE FILLED OUT BY EVERY CONTESTANT**

**CONTESTANT #** \_\_\_\_\_ (field for internal use only)

**GROUP # (if any)** \_\_\_\_\_ (field for internal use only)

**Note: All Contestants must also read and sign the PERMISSION / RELEASE FORM  
in order to participate in the Costume Contest!!!**

**AGE GROUP ( Check one ):**

Check	Age Category	State your Age
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>KIDS</b> (age 12 and under)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>TEENS</b> (ages 13 through 17)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ADULTS</b> (ages 18+)	

**DO YOU WANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THESE CONTEST CATEGORIES?**

*(Check all that apply):*

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ANIME / MANGA</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>GROUP</b> (list a Group Name on the line below)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>STAR WARS</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>MOVIE / TV</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>SPECIAL AWARD for BEST “BRIBE”</b> (Sponsored by Alienated Productions)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>(Other Sponsored category by:)</i>

**COSTUME SOURCE: ( Where did your character come from ? – check all that apply )**

Check	Source	List / Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Comic Book</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Cartoon</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>TV / Movie</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Literature</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Original Design / Concept</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Other</b>	

**COSTUME DESIGNER: ( Check one and complete )**

Check	Source	List / Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I made this costume myself</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Someone made it for me</b>	
	<i>...Who made it? à</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I bought this costume</b>	
	<i>...Where did you get it from à</i>	

**PARTICIPANT’S NAME:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
LAST NAME

**\*\*\*CHARACTER’S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please also provide a “phonetic spelling:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* If you have source photos or other reference materials you would like to provide, please attach.**