



Griffish Isles

Conbook 2021

Greetings and thanks

Welp, I think we can all agree things have changed since the last Griffish Isles. That said, the appreciation we have for the show and our friendships to each other remain unchanged!

As you will all know the theme for this year is magic (BING BONG) and as such, we have a suitably magical guest of honour in the virtual shape of Ian Hanlin, the voice of Sunburst and many others!

Generation 4 may have ended, but I think we can all agree that the magic will carry on inside us, in the friendships we've made and the experiences we've shared along the way. This weekend we can look forward to creating many more, whether you conjure something out of bits and pieces in the art room, magically clear the room with the power of your voice in karaoke, or see your friends transform into magical and mythical creatures before your eyes in the cosplay contest!

I've squawked on long enough. Welcome to the third Griffish Isles, and embrace the magic inside!

(PS. Before anyone accuses us of trolling, we remind you that we picked this theme back in 2019 before the movie aired)



Art by Chaosmauser

Thanks

We would like to extend thanks to the venue for tolerating our madness, to BronyScot(RIP), UKPonyCon, and Hearth's Warming Con(RIP again) for their support, to UK Bronies and Pegasisisters for their friendship (and letting us steal Amethyst), to our volunteers for their hard work, and to all of you for supporting our convention!

Archmages

Hypnohooves
poneSoph
Aldersgate
Amethyst Shade
Librase

Gilded Mages

Benzafisher

ScrimmyPone

Hail them most highly

Legends of Lore (VIPs)

Patrick Rowberry
Mallow Goat
Torben Lachow
VinylRob
KeyPhob
Zarosian
Shane Stacy
JD

Nelson Carter
Robert "Zion Kraze" Weighell
VCGriffin
Quint t. W.
Kieran o'Donovan
Jace Fox (Instreak)

Apprentices (volunteers)

OldTech	JD
Tran Sketch	Simon
Cherry Sparks (Best Yak)	LapWing
Mark Hyder	Lucien
Dashie - Sunny Fan	CJ
Kit Manners	VCGriffin

Rules of Conduct

Please be aware that we may be sharing the convention space with others so please be respectful and leave them with a good impression of our community! Since the venue isn't exclusive to us it's important to keep your badge visible at all times. Only those with badges will be allowed into convention rooms, if yours is damaged please head to the registration desk for a replacement.

You cannot bring your own food and drink into the venue, but these can be purchased from the bar area.

We will not tolerate assault, harassment, or general meanness to anyone. This includes and is not limited to other attendees, volunteers, vendors, staff, or VIPs. Nobody wants to be that person. This year we have pin badges to show each person's view on closeness/hugs and these should be respected.

Only those with vendor tickets can sell at this event and only vendors/helpers will be allowed behind the tables. Please don't touch merch without asking, and respect vendors if they ask you to make space.

Children are welcome at this event and as such we ask you to be considerate toward our younger guests in your behaviour and appearance. Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult and can only stay until 7pm. If you look underage, you may be asked for ID, and please do not supply alcohol to underage attendees. Feel free to supply alcohol to Hypnohooves, though.

We love cosplay and are excited to see your creations, but please ensure your cosplay is safe and appropriate. Weapons should not be real or sharp and prop guns should have a brightly-coloured tip and not contain projectiles. If your cosplay involves body paint, please be considerate of the furniture. You may be photographed and/or videoed during the day. Photographers, please be respectful towards cosplayers and ask permission first.

Attendees will be responsible for their own belongings. If necessary, items can be left at the registration desk but anything delicious may get eaten.

Please bear in mind that Covid-19 is still about, if possible please wear a mask and maintain social distancing. We hope you stay healthy and remember the 6-2-1 rule (at least 6 hours sleep, 2 meals, 1 shower a day).

If someone is not following these rules or is acting in an inappropriate manner, please talk to someone in a blue Griffon shirt or our security guard. We want everyone to feel safe here. If you are found to have engaged in illegal activity, made someone uncomfortable, or are in a high state of intoxication you will be asked to leave the premises and your ticket will not be refunded.

If you read all of these, you have our thanks and please enjoy this free Bobbie courtesy of Beamybutt!



Entrance
from street

Hotel
Reception

Mane
Theatre

Registration
+ front desk

Hotel lobby

Key



These areas are full of fun things, or corridors that lead you to fun things



You should not be in these areas. There is nothing fun here.

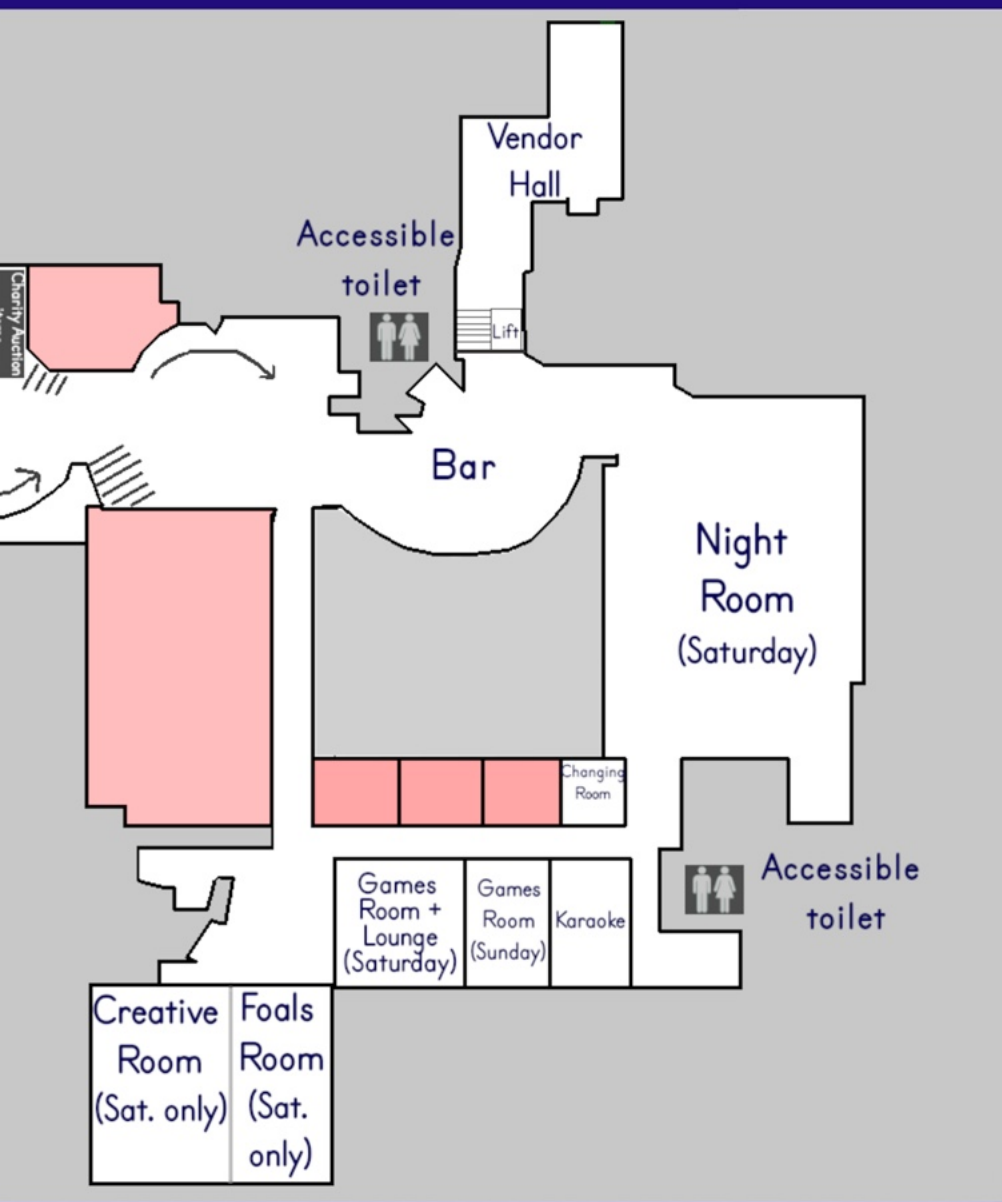


Access Slope



Stairs

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Saturday Schedule

	Mane Theatre	Creative Room	Foals' Activities	Vendors' Hall	Games Room	Noisy Room
10:00				VIP-only shopping		
10:30	Opening Ceremony					
11:00	History of MLP	Violet Rose Making Plushies	Friendship Games			
11:30						
12:00	Transport Panel with Zen and Ace				Buck Legacy	
12:30						
13:00	MLP and Gothic Media	Stormblaze Art Storm	Pony Bingo	Vendors have wares, if you have coin		MLP Karaoke (and other songs too)
13:30						
14:00	Cosplay Competition	Chaos Mauser			Games and chill	
14:30		MGS Ponies Painting				
15:00	Jan Hanlin Interview	Bad OC Contest	Craft a Pony		Tails of Equestria	
15:30						
16:00	Charity Auction					
16:30						
17:00	Designated break period for you to eat some food, rehydrate, catch up with friends, or whatever. Reminder that ponies who are not rested enough and fall asleep in con spaces will be drawn on in sharpie before being woken. Thank you, and pony on!					
17:30						
18:00	Pub Quiz					
18:30						

Saturday Evening

All the evening's events take place in the Pioneer Room

19:00 Blackened Blue

20:00 Coltastrophe

21:00 BassPon3

22:00 Prince Whateverererer

23:00 Tipsy people creating a plushie stack all the way to the moon. And maybe karaoke.

Midnight: End

Sunday Schedule

	Mane Theatre	Vendors' Hall	Doodle corner (in Vendor Hall)	Noisy Room	Games Room
09:30					
10:00		Vendors have wares, if you have coin		MLP Karaoke (and other songs too)	How to play CCG
10:30			Art Competition		Collectable Card Game Tournament
11:00					
11:30					
12:00	Music Panel		Free doodling and lounge		Miscellaneous games
12:30					
13:00	Reskell - Furies and Bronies				
13:30					
14:00	Ian Hanlin - Scriptreading				
14:30	Singalong				
15:00	Closing Ceremony				
15:30					
16:00					



These are the trophies that are up for grabs if you win a cosplay contest category!

Events

Opening Ceremony - 10:30 Saturday - Mane Theatre

You should probably turn up to this, there's a lot of important information such as which direction to run in if there's a fire and there might be real unicorns!*

*unicorns not guaranteed

History of MLP - 11:00 Saturday - Mane Theatre

Did you know My Little Pony dates back nearly thirty years? Resident smartypants Bexi talks us through the history of the show and toy line.

BUCK Legacy - 11:00 Saturday - Games Room

Now, this is a throwback! Pick a pony and go dungeon-crawling in this card game.

Violet Rose - Making Plushies - 11:00 Saturday - Creative Room

In this workshop you can make your own beanies, all the materials are provided! Violet Rose has been making plushies for years and can answer any plushie-making questions you have.

Friendship Games - 11:00 Saturday - Foals Room

Some of you who were at BronyScot 2019 might be wondering how Librase is allowed to run this again. The answer is blackmail. Play games such as unicorn hoop toss (with real unicorn*) and more!

*unicorns not guaranteed

Transport Ponies - 12:00 Saturday - Mane Theatre

Resident train/plane ponies Zen and Ace are here to give you tips on how to travel to meets and conventions for the best price and give you all the information and advice you need.

Pony Bingo - 13:00 Saturday - Foals Room

Is it really a convention if there's no bingo? Bexi presents this MLP-themed version. Try to get a full house!

MLP and Gothic Media - 13:00 Saturday - Mane Theatre

What's the link between ponies and the world of Gothic? We have no idea, but luckily Dr Pony is here to educate us. And yes, this will be on the test.

Art Storm - 13:00 Saturday - Creative Room

StormBlaze brings her drawing challenges to the stage!

Cosplay Competition - 14:00 - Mane Theatre

Cosplay is a magic of its own, in which humans enter the magic mirror portal and appear as your favourite characters! Remember to sign up first at the front desk!

Ian Hanlin Interview - 15:00 - Mane Theatre

We have Ian Hanlin (Sunburst) with us through the magic of the internet, and we're going to ask him some questions. You can ask him some questions too!

Tales of Equestria - 15:00 Saturday - Games Room

Want to go on an adventure with your friends? Make your character, roll the dice, and see what happens!

Events

Chaos Mauser - Metal Gear Pony - 14:00 Saturday - Creative Room

This is a traditional drawing/painting workshop in which Chaosmauser shows you his technique to make art in the style of Hideo Kojima. If you like the Metal Gear series of games, you should be here.

Craft A Pony - 15:00 Saturday - Foals Room

Now, this is real magic. Can you transform some paint and a model into your own pony? There will be mess. The hotel will be finding it in the carpet for years as a permanent reminder of us.

Bad OC Contest - 15:00 Saturday - Creative Room

Patrick Rowberry presents the Bad OC Contest, in which you compete to make the best worst (yes we know that doesn't make sense) original character. Come and see the edgiest monstrosities in ponydom.

Charity Auction - 16:00 Saturday - Mane Theatre

Buy exclusive MLP items donated by artists and fans alike! Who knows, there's always a chance that someone will bring in a real unicorn* or imported Equestrian treasure for you to buy.

*unicorns not guaranteed

Pub Quiz - 18:00 Saturday - Mane Theatre

It's not in a pub, but that doesn't mean the questions aren't difficult. Lib made more anagrams :D.

Sunday

Musician Panel - 12:00 Sunday - Mane Theatre

The musicians planned this, so we don't know what's going to happen. Tips for aspiring musicians? Anecdotes from their time in the fandom? Sitting around eating hot wings? Nobody knows, but fun is guaranteed*.

*guarantees not unicorned

Art Competition - 10:30 Sunday - Vendor Room Doodle Corner

Work your magic on paper! Materials available in the Creative Room, hand your finished art in to a Griffon.

Collectable card game tutorial and tournament - 10:00 Sunday - Sunday Games Room

Learn how to play pony card game. Play pony card game. Win pony card game prizes.

Reskell - Brony and Furry fandoms - 13:00 Sunday - Mane Theatre

Reskell is a veteran of both fandoms and can tell you all you need to know. How are they different? How do they overlap? Why is there a candycorn-coloured goat running around and can I hug it? All these questions and more will be answered!

Script Reading Panel - 14:00 Sunday - Mane Theatre

We're talking to Ian Hanlin again, and this time we'll be doing a script reading. Maybe you can join in too?

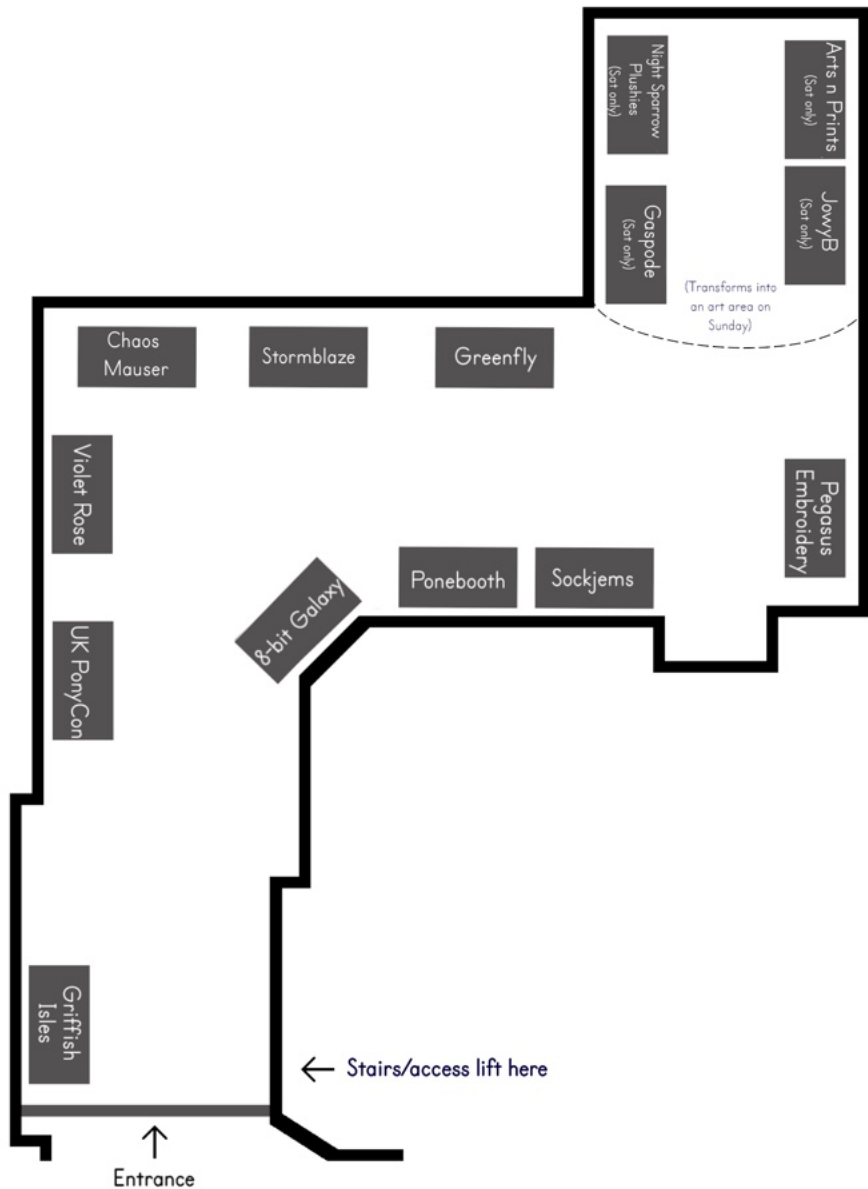
Singalong - 15:00 Sunday - Mane Theatre

Nobody escapes the pony music. Nobody. So you may as well give it your best!

Closing Ceremony - 15:30 Sunday - Mane Theatre

Contest winners and other announcements, and we say goodbye to another GI.

Vendor Map



Vendors

UK PonyCon

Created all the way back in 2004 by fans for fans, UK PonyCon is the biggest My Little Pony convention in the UK and caters to fans of all generations (even G3.5, if any exist). Universally loved by pony fans of all ages.

Sockjems

An incredible variety of handmade fashion and accessories, including mini dakimakuras drawn by Ponebooth! Get your handbags, facemasks, ita bags to show off your badges and ponify your things.

Ponebooth

Stickers, charms, prints, badges and a number of cute little things! We love PB's art style, the amount of character in her drawings, and the sheer range of characters she has available!

Chaos Mauser

Chaos is what happens when you mash together east, west, vapourwave, gothy stuff, David Bowie, memes, games, and occasionally tanks together. Whatever it is, it's good art.

StormBlaze

StormBlaze has been an artist and pony fan for many years and her marker pen drawings take centre stage! She's particularly talented at drawing retrowave, punk, and now dakimakura art so if that's something you're interested in have a chat with her.

Greenfly

Greenfly draws cartoony MLP art in both the usual size print and as smaller A6 tokens, perfect if you haven't got a lot of wall space. Also, ask him about his recently completed artwork of over 400 MLP characters in one drawing!

Night Sparrow Plushies (Sat only)

Giant plushies for the best hugs! What more do you need? These went very quickly last time.

Torben Goldmund's Art N Prints (Sat only)

Torben prints ponies on things. Want a new bag? Blanket? Wallet? Mousemat? There's a vast selection to choose from, and if you can't find what you want you can probably have it made for you.

Pegasus Embroidery

Cute small plushies, dog tags, and dice bags, oh my!

Violet Rose

Teeny tiny adorable plushies with sleepy eyes and happy smiles that need homes! Violet can also take commissions for custom ponies. In the past she's created anthromorphic pony plushies that can stand, a plushie that stores drinks, and little beanies so don't be afraid to give her a challenge!

8-bit Galaxy

Stickers and prints of the cutest kind and very high quality! You'll want to check them out if you're a fan of chibi ponies.

Gaspode (Sat only)

Custom ponies from generations 1-4, in addition to official MLP merch! Gaspode's work is beautiful, precise, and colourful.

Jowy B (Sat only)

If your imagination made pictures, they would look like this. Colourful art with beautiful backgrounds and characters.

Charity

This year, the charity we are supporting is the Only Foals and Horses Sanctuary (before you ask, yes it was because of the name). Located in Oswaldtwistle in Lancashire, the sanctuary aims to care for abandoned and neglected equines. Their "Groom2Grow" initiative allows people to take part in equine therapy sessions with their family of rescued horses, benefitting both people (through increased confidence and self-esteem) and horses (through being cared for).



Only Foals and Horses requires donations to keep their sanctuary running, and care for all the equines they take in. Proceeds from the auction and any profits from the convention will go toward the charity. Below you can see a few pieces that will be available.

Only Foals and Horses is available online at <http://onlyfoalsandhorses.org.uk/>



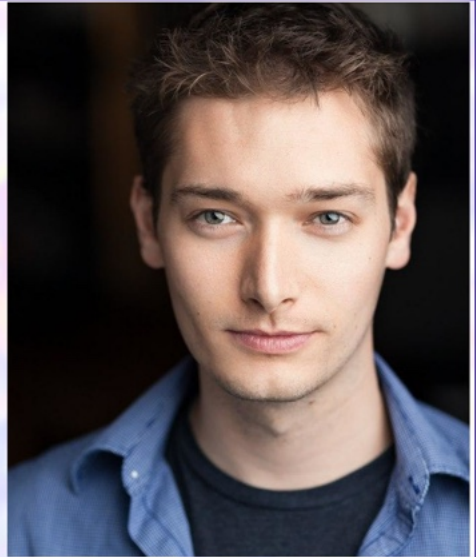
Art by StormBlaze (left), Reskell (top right) and Chaos Mauser (bottom right).

Guest

Ian Hanlin

Ian is best known in the MLP fandom for playing Sunburst, but he also plays the mayor of Sunny Skies, the Goth pony from the episode where Fluttershy looked after Rarity's boutique, and various changelings (actually, being a changeling would explain how he can play so many characters). In his other lives he is Larry Parker from Far Cry 5, Lance Richmond in LEGO Nexo Knights and Acronix in Ninjago. Most importantly, he has an adorable dog he posts pictures of on Twitter (@IanStuartHanlin).

Ian will be with us virtually through calls, and during that time he will be taking part in panels on both days: a Q&A and a scriptreading panel you can join in with!



Nester

Nester is Ian's dog. He probably won't even be appearing but can we take a moment to appreciate the goodness of this boy? Thank you.

Scavenger Hunt



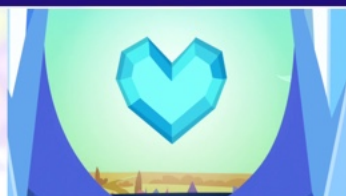
EEA Medallion



Pearl of Transformation



Bewitching Bell



Crystal Heart



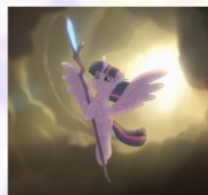
Key of Unfettered Entrance



Power Ponies comic



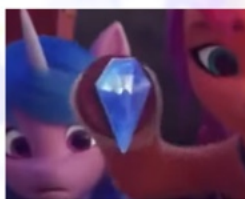
Alicorn Amulet



Staff of Sacanas



Elements of Harmony



Unicorn Crystal



Earth Pony Crystal



Pegasus Crystal



Scattered around the convention you'll find these magical artifacts, write down the letter you see with them and when rearranged they will give you the answer to this question:

Where does Bobbie go on holiday?

If you think you have the right answer, show it to the front desk and if you're one of the first you'll get a wonderful* prize!

*prize may be less than wonderful

Other stuff

Badges

You can pick one of these up from the front desk to show others what kind of interaction you're comfortable with



This means you should give this person a good amount of space and not touch them. If someone is wearing a mask and you can't see their badge, you can assume they're this.

You can help people wearing this by keeping a seat between you in panels and wearing a mask if you can.



For people who are a bit cautious but are happy for you can get a bit closer like sitting next to them. Still, please don't hug this person or lick them or whatever.



This person's happy to interact with you however you want and accept hugs

Griffish Isles Merch

These are available by the front desk too! (Flag not included)



Limited supplies of:

- T-Shirts
- Facemasks
- Scarves
- Handbags
- Messenger bags
- Pin badges

We might sell off one of the volunteers too, let's see how things go

