

Midwest Furfest 2017 Schedule

📅 Thursday, November 30, 2017

🕒 3:00pm - 6:00pm

FREE Rapid HIV Testing w/ Sinai Health Systems in Directors ABC

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🕒 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Fuzzy Logic Escape Room - Thursday Late Afternoon Bookings

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 **7:00pm - 10:00pm**

Art Jam

 Hartsfield

First-come seating - but all are welcome as long as space is available!

 **7:00pm - 10:00pm**

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 **7:00pm - 12:00am**

Thursday Night BYOG (Bring Your Own Games)

 International Ballroom

 **10:00pm - 11:00pm**

MFF All Staff Meeting (Option 1)

 LAX

All MFF staff are invited to attend 1 of the 2 all-hands meetings. Option 1 - Thursday 10pm Option 2 - Friday 10am

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 **10:00pm - 2:00am**

Thursday Dance

 Grand EFGH

Shake your tails! It's time to dance! 10pm -- Sparx Traxx 11pm -- Dune 12a -- Apollo 1a -- Nevimer

 **Friday, December 01, 2017**

 **9:00am - 11:30am**

Artists Alley Sign-Up for Friday

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 **9:00am - 12:00am**

Con Suite

 Grand ABC

 **9:00am - 2:00am**

Operations

 Reagan

 **10:00am - 11:00am**

MFF All Staff Meeting (Option 2)

 LAX

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Registration

 United AB

After Registration closes, Temporary Badges good for one evening only can be obtained at Convention Operations

 **10:00am - 2:00am**

Table Top Gaming

 International Ballroom

 **10:00am - 2:00am**

Video Gaming

 London

See the separate Video Gaming Schedule in your Pocket Program for more details.

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

Opening Ceremonies

 Grand EFGH

Join us for the official start to Midwest FurFest 2017, with last minute announcements and other interesting tidbits. Let's start the convention off with a bang! ASL Interpreters will be available for those with hearing impairment.

 **11:30am - 12:30pm**

Writing 101

 Lambert

We all start somewhere, and it's no different for writing. Whether you hope to one day write the Great American Furry Novel, or just want to do better at the stories you share with friends, come and learn some of the basics of good storytelling and some of the pitfalls and common beginner mistakes to avoid.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

Hooray for Hoofers

 McCarran

Equines and other hoofed members of the furry community are welcome for a discussion about their draw to equines, their favorites, and experiences with other hoofed species.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

So It's Your First Furry Convention?

 Hartsfield

No question, it can all be a little .. crazy, for anyone's first time. We want to help you understand a little bit more about MFF, the furry convention world, and cover some specific topics such as: What to expect at a furry convention, how to behave, pitfalls to avoid, and just what the heck are all those black sketchbooks about, anyway? We'll also have some experienced folks on stage to help answer questions.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

Fursuit Handlers Panel to Success

 LAX

Alex the human teaches new handlers how to insure their success in keeping Fursuiters in tip top shape.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

Meet the Guests of Honor

 Grand EFGH

Come on by to find out all the interesting details of their work and their interests. This will be a question and answer session, so please fire up your curiosity and bring on those intriguing questions we know you have. Please welcome our 2017 Guests: LATIN VIXEN, REMY WOLF, RUSS ADAMS ASL Interpreters will be available for those with hearing impairment.

 **12:00pm - 1:30pm**

Who Wants to be a Voice Actor?

 Ohare

From Bugs Bunny to Nick Wilde, anthropomorphic characters have been talking to us from childhood to adulthood. Ever wondered what goes into bringing your favorite characters to life? Now you can join in on the fun! Join TimberPuppers (Tony Crynight), Edward Bosco (Dust: An Elysian Tail), and Malcolm/Zeke (Channel Awesome) for an hour of voice acting fun! First up will be a Q&A where you can ask about everything you want to learn about voice acting. Then you can try it yourself, by volunteering to do a live reading of professional scripts starring some fluffy characters!

 **12:00pm - 1:30pm**

Text Adventures

 Barajas

Gather round, literally, and make your way through some old school text adventures! Draggor, your host, will be subbing in for the computer, so sassy replies are to be expected from sassy commands.

 **12:00pm - 2:00pm**

Your Imagined Furry Fantasy (18+ Only!)

 Charles

Your Imagined Furry Fantasy - This light-hearted RPG-esque system was borne of frisky fantasy, silly stories of over-the-top shenanigans and inspired by popular flash games like Corruption of Champions, Trials in Tainted Space and Flexible Survival! Gameplay gives players a different perspective on the psychology behind modern-day sexuality and taboo as they adventure in a world where just about everything is over-sexualized (including combat!) to offer silly-fun and sex-positive escapades!

 **12:30pm - 1:30pm**

DIY 101: How to Self-Publish

 Lambert

So you wanna make something? Join Norman Rafferty of SanguineGames.com as he talks you through the process of taking your idea to tangible reality: Print-on-demand, crowd-funding, digital distribution, and the kitchen sink.

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Creating Real Life Furies: Could We? Should We?

 Lindbergh

Discussion of the ethics and social implications creating anthropomorphic life forms.

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Furvilla Meetup

 Mirabel

Fans of Furvilla, meet up and chat with the developers, as well as discuss the game and future updates!

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Name That RPG Tune

 Sky Harbor

Ever geek out over music from role-playing games? Finally you can use that love of music to win prizes! Come join your fellow RPG music fans for a fun-filled hour of "Name That Tune", RPG style!

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Geocaching

 Logan

Geocaching is a world wide treasure hunt game that a lot of people take part in, even furries. This will be a meet and greet between many furry geocachers from all parts of the country and/or world.

 **1:00pm - 4:00pm**

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 **1:00pm - 5:00pm**

Albedo: The Freron 6D Campaign

 International Ballroom

Enjoy sci-fi? Roleplaying? Furries? Mike Murdock will provide you your RPG needs for the convention. Albedo is a RPG Based on the Steve Gallacci's comic book Erma Felna: EDF Join the EDF as part of a team investigating a colony that went dark on the Ice-covered moon of Freron 6D and uncover why the planet went dark and why.

 **1:00pm - 7:00pm**

Artists Alley

 CC 45-47-49

Artist's Alley is a place for individual artists to offer their work, whether it be sketchbook commissions, prints, or other types of creative and unique artwork, all while having a good time! Artists Alley will be in four rooms on the International Level in Vienna, Paris, London, and Florence.

 **1:00pm - 7:00pm**

Dealers Den

 DSCC 21-34

The Dealers Den is open to the public during these hours. Dealers listings and locations, with maps, can be found at <https://www.furfest.org/dealers>

 **1:30pm - 2:30pm**

Creature Design with Guest of Honor Russ Adams

 Grand EFGH

Special Effect Artist Russ Adams talks about the process of designing creatures for film, television, and cosplay. Personal project questions welcomed. ASL Interpreters will be available for those with hearing impairment.

 **1:30pm - 3:00pm**

Character and Dialogue

 Lambert

Characters are arguably the most important element to any story. What makes characters believable, memorable, and compelling? A big part of any characters is the relationships they have with other characters, and one of the primary means of showing characters and their relationships is through dialogue. Come join us as we discuss what makes good characters and dialogue.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Con Badges 101

 Logan

A discussion type panel on how to create visually successful/appealing furry convention badges. The do's and don'ts and how to step up your game.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Furrhythmics Live!

 Ohare

We are the Furrhythmics, a furry barbershop group take you on a musical adventure through song! Coupled with light-hearted comedy, we are sure to amaze you and make you chuckle.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Birds! Photoshoot

 Seatac

Bird fursuiters, we're having a photo session just for you! We'll set up photos for the entire group, and photos for smaller groups and individuals. Stretch your wing muscles and get those feathers ready!

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Dungeons & Dragons Workshop: How To Run & Participate In An Immersive Game

 Mirabel

This is an open forum discussion about Dungeons & Dragons, both as a player and a dungeon master, and the paths we took to become better, more immersive gamers. Newbies, veterans, and everyone in between welcome! Other game systems are also welcome!

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Uni-fur-sity: Balancing the Furry Community with an Academic Career

 Midway

College students make up a significant portion of the furry fandom (roughly one-fifth, by Furry Poll 2015 data). This panel is intended to host a discussion on and for this portion. How do you balance time spent with the furry community versus time spent working towards your academics? Other specific topics will include campus and community involvement, balancing social structures, personal experiences with furry in the academic setting, time management, community outreach, and the process of finding or establishing furry student groups.

 **2:00pm - 3:30pm**

MFF Hockey

 The Edge - John Street Ice Rink (545 John St, Bensenville, IL 60106)

If you fancy some time away from main MFF happenings and enjoy hockey, come over to The Edge John Street ice rink (10 min away) and see furry hockey players battle for supremacy on the ice. Will it be the canines, felines, hoofers, or foxes that come out on top? There will be a 60 min scrimmage followed by on ice hockey skills in fursuits to close out the session.

 **2:00pm - 4:00pm**

Fursuit Price Is Right

 DFW

This is the fursuiter version of the price is right where fursuiters are asked to come on down to contestants row, winner plays a pricing game and goes on to the showcase showdown and the winner of which goes on to the showcase and the one fursuiter that has won the most in cash and prizes wins a badge commission.

 **2:00pm - 4:00pm**

Bingo!!

 McCarran

Back for a second year, it's bingo night ! Come and play a few games and win some cool prizes!

 **2:00pm - 4:00pm**

Comparative Anatomy

 Sky Harbor

Curious about the anatomy and physiology of domestic and exotic species? Interested in learning how nature has evolved predators and prey to excel in their ecological niche? Learn about the animal kingdom's perfection and hypothetical anthropomorphic adaptations from a veterinarian and one of the fandom's brightest artists.

 **2:00pm - 4:00pm**

Spirituality Roundtable

 LAX

Come meet the Spirituality panelists. We'll answer your questions about our other panels and be open for general discussion.

 **2:00pm - 5:00pm**

Ironclaw Intro Game

 International Ballroom

Generate characters and learn how to play the current version of IronClaw Anthropomorphic Fantasy RPG! A short adventure will be run after character generation to introduce the system! Up to 6 players.

 **2:30pm - 3:30pm**

Greymuzzle Meet Up

 Lindbergh

A gathering of older furs, military furs, as well as those who have been in the fandom for a while. All are welcome to attend!

 **2:30pm - 5:00pm**

FVS Rehearsal #1

 Rosemont

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

TN Furs, and More - Meet and Greet

 John Wayne

A Meet and Greet for furs in TN and surrounding states. Do you live in TN or surrounding states? Are you moving to TN? Ever come TN or plan to visit? Come join us, make some new friends, and learn about meets/events that are held (or will be) in different parts of TN! We will also be taking suggestions on meets and events to have in the future!

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Mushroom Kingdom

 Florence

Nintendo enthusiasts unite! Bring your 3ds console (or perhaps even that shiny new Nintendo Switch) for an hour of swapping tips and tricks and multiplayer fun.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Neopets

 International Ballroom

Do you remember Neopets when you got to feed and take care of your virtual pet and explore the world of Neopia? Join in to meet other fellow Neopet fans to draw or color in our templates. All ages are welcome so come on over and hang out, chat or just reminisce about your good old Neopet days.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Meet the Charity

 Hartsfield

The Chicagoland Rescue Intervention and Support Program ("CRISP") is a coalition of eight animal welfare groups that serve Chicagoland. CRISP's purpose is to keep animals out of the overcrowded city shelter in Chicago. To do that CRISP offers distraught owners surrendering their pets alternatives through financial support for veterinary care, supplies, behavior training and other means to help them keep their pets. If pets cannot be kept with their families CRISP works to network them to find rescue immediately so they do not have to enter the shelter. Since inception in May 2016 CRISP has kept over 800 animals out of the city shelter.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Biology Discussion

 Logan

Meet with real life biologists (we do exist!) to greet one another or get geeky about biology. If you're thinking about a career in biology, come ask questions!

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Plot and Conflict

 Lambert

No matter how good your characters are, you'll need interesting things for them to do, or events they must react to. What makes for a compelling, perhaps riveting plot? One of the key elements in any plot is conflict. In this panel we discuss some of the different plots and types of conflict that can drive a story and keep your readers wondering what happens next.

 **3:00pm - 8:00pm**

Fursuit Photoshoot

 LaGuardia

Work that tail! Stop on by and mug for our camera, and get some wonderful fursuit pictures to remember the con by!

 **4:00pm - 5:00pm**

Science, Tech., Engr., & Medicine Meet & Greet

 John Wayne

A chance for anyone who works, studies, or is just interested in the science, technology, engineering, and medical fields to get together, find mutual interests, and network. Twitter group: @Sci_Furs

 **4:00pm - 5:00pm**

Speaking with the News Media 101

 Lindbergh

The news media is a part of everyone's life in one way or another, and no question, furry is a topic of interest from time to time. Learn some best practices and tips from a folks who have done a lot of work with the press, and why its so important to make sure that we're directing inquiries to the right convention leadership; regardless of which convention you're attending.

 **4:00pm - 5:00pm**

Shiny Sponsor Reception

 Ventana

Midwest FurFest is pleased to welcome our Super Shiny Sponsors to a special reception in Ventanas, the breathtaking venue at the very top of the Hyatt! Meet this year's Guests of Honor, enjoy a drink and a light snack, and mingle with your fellow Shiny Sponsors. To get to Ventanas, press the button marked 'V' on any Lobby elevator.

 **4:00pm - 5:00pm**

Trans 101

 Midway

What does trans mean? What are the right words to say, and how do you know? These questions are becoming more important as time passes. Help us answer these and other questions!

 **4:00pm - 5:30pm**

Xephyr!

 Grand EFGH

"...Xephyr! This is one of the best rocking pop songs I heard all year. From anyone! It's called Moist. The new CD is called Vicious Instinct!" - DJ Lee Eckley - 94.9 The Rock Xephyr is a four piece alternative rock band from Toronto, Ontario. They are raw, energetic and ready to blow any audience member away. The group consists of Lionel Greson on guitar and vocals, Zakk Scott on lead guitars, Jacob Stellato on bass and Tyler Twigger on drums. This is the band of Clumzy, Turi and Cobalt. The band is currently in the studio recording two singles. They will be independently released on national radio in the fall. Two music videos are also in the works.

 **4:00pm - 5:30pm**

Setting and World Building

 Lambert

Stories can take place in a lot of different places and time periods, whether it's someplace in our modern world, a setting from our history, a futuristic alien society, or a magical world of fantasy. Join us as we discuss the possibilities and the pitfalls, the challenges and rewards of creating or choosing a setting where your characters live and their stories play out.

 **4:00pm - 6:00pm**

Mass Effect: Unity

 Charles

Mass Effect: Unity - Although not quite pony-related, this is one of many other systems being crafted by SteelTheWarrior that, due to massive special requests, we'll be bringing for you to enjoy! Play as almost any race and class combination imaginable in this fast-paced, heavy-action setting that takes place during the events of the third Mass Effect game!

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Art Show

 DSCC 44-46

Bidding closes at 7pm!

 **4:30pm - 5:30pm**

Fursuit Safety

 LAX

Come and pick up some tips and tricks on how to stay safe while fursuiting at a convention and in the public to help make sure you have as much fun as possible while fursuiting.

 **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

Character Design

 Logan

This will be a panel to teach people how to design characters that convey a message and look aesthetically pleasing. Whether these characters are for stories, or to be used as fursonas, this panel will help you make a design that leaves a mark.

 **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

So You Want To Perform at the FVS - or Any Other Amateur Performance Venue

 McCarran

A panel of how to get involved in the MFF Furry Variety Show or any other similar type show. How to create something more than standing on stage to music to be of interest to the audience and ways to start out having never done such before. I do performances with puppets, but the ideas I have pertain to fursuiters as well. Depending on interest input on ideas is welcome and others may participate in something that could be done on stage as trial performance that would be the start of creation of an act.

 **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

The World of Tyria: Guild Wars 2

 Mirabel

For over five years, Guild Wars 2 has been the premier non-subscription fee MMO. And while it may have humans (both large and normal), elf-alias plant people, and know-it-all runts, it also has half-tiger minotaurs, bear people, bird people, frog people, rat people, ape-people, and at least one dragon that's not out to end the world. Join members of [DOOR] and [Fur] as we talk about what we like about the game, our thoughts on the upcoming expansion, and why we're still playing after all this time.

 **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

Pagan Furs: Who Are We?

 Sky Harbor

The word "Pagan" has been thrown around a lot in the past, and it's come to mean different things. Come join us for a discussion about who Pagans are, what we do, and why it works for us.

 **5:00pm - 7:30pm**

If I Fits, I Sits - Critters in Boxes

 DFW

Come and enjoy a room packed full of boxes to play in! Fursuits and non-suiters welcome!

 **5:00pm - 10:00pm**

MFF Poker Tournament - Satellite

 John Wayne

Come one, come all to the incredible Midwest FurFest Poker Tournament. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a beginner, you will be able to compete for bragging rights and some cool prizes. The tournament will follow the standard casino style. Sign up for one of three satellite tournaments throughout the FurFest weekend. The top 3 players of each satellite tournament will move on to the final 9 player tournament on Sunday. Admission is totally free.

 **6:00pm - 7:00pm**

CG Rendering on the Cheap

 Logan

CG rendering, once only the province of big studios, is now a very affordable hobby, and not hard to learn. This presentation will demonstrate software that can be used to create very satisfying art without breaking the budget. Basic techniques of CG rendering will be covered.

 **6:00pm - 7:00pm**

How to Volunteer to Help MFF

 Midway

Are you interested in helping out with Furfest through volunteering your time for a convention that you love? Come to this panel to get insights from our long time staff members and our former convention chairpeople.

 **6:00pm - 7:00pm**

Intro to Improv Workshop

 Lindbergh

Get prepped to put your best foot forward for the improv show by learning some basic improv skills! Get your yes and on, and learn some other skills too, then put them to use in a few games.

 **6:00pm - 7:00pm**

Otherworld Stories with Alkali & Crew

 LAX

D&D is one heck of a game! Well we have a fur that has been playing D&D in the forest with 100s of other people for years at our very con! Come on out to this panel and hear about all the times he got his ass kicked. Join us for the stories and find out how you can get involved in this all to real game!

 **6:00pm - 7:00pm**

Skunks Don't Stink

 Hartsfield

Skunks, show yourselves! Skunkie Meet & Greet for all those stinkers that haven't had their butts turned into rugs! Come and meet the other Mephits at the con. If you have a suit, wear it; we'll have a photoshoot after the panel.

 **6:00pm - 7:00pm**

Fun with Animal Crossing

 Mirabel

Join us and other fans of the popular game series for discussion, games, and even prizes!

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 **6:00pm - 9:00pm**

Fursuit Dance Competition - Prelims

 Rosemont

Are you the best dancer in the fandom? Do you have it takes to shake a tail feather? Come prove that you've got the moves to take you to the top of MFF's Annual Fursuit Dance Competition! Fursuiters/dancers will compete against one another for a chance to perform on the main ballroom's stage at the Finals!

 **6:00pm - 10:00pm**

The OutZone

 International Ballroom

Like giant Robots? War? Roleplaying? Furies? Mike Murdock has you covered for the convention. Using the MekTon Roleplaying system that is easy to learn and to create a character. In the Shexecarro Star System 3 factions are at war with each other for off-world resources after there homeworld exhausted the remaining resources. Join the Val-Stein Mercenary company to complete missions on the Mars-like world of Keolara.

 **6:30pm - 7:30pm**

Piano Rock with Matthew Ebel

 Grand EFGH

Piano-rocker (and part-time bird) Matthew Ebel returns to MFF's main stage for a rare "unplugged" piano performance. Guest appearances by Fox Amooore and Pepper Coyote! Come enjoy songs about robots, love, ninjas, and more from a professional songwriter who's been Guest of Honor at multiple Furry conventions.

 **6:30pm - 7:30pm**

Scene and Story Structure

 Lambert

Ever had a story idea in which you knew where you wanted to go but not how to get there? Or you have some pieces but aren't sure how they fit together? Or maybe it's a question of keeping the reader interested along the way. This panel will cover approaches to structuring your story, concepts like scene and sequel, pacing, and how to get elements of a story to fit together well.

 **7:00pm - 8:00pm**

Comic Creation

 Logan

Story, characterization, format, promotion and monetization of comics.

 **7:00pm - 8:00pm**

Fursuits and How to Airbrush, with GoH Latin Vixen

 Ohare

In this panel, Latin Vixen will be providing her first-hand knowledge and experience as a professional fursuit maker for more than a decade to teach the audience the art of using airbrushing techniques in the crafting of fursuits.

 **7:00pm - 8:00pm**

Ingress / Pokemon GO Meet & Greet

 Tech Center

Meet & Greet for GPS based Niantic gamers. Want to join Pogo Raids this weekend at con? We'll be setting up a chat to keep in contact during the weekend! Share some stories about capturing portals or catching them all this past year while wandering the world while staring at your phone.

 **7:00pm - 8:30pm**

Therianthropy

 Sky Harbor

How often do you feel your tail, wings, horns, or other parts, even if they aren't physical? Join us for discussion and camaraderie!

 **7:00pm - 9:00pm**

OneShot Plus Furies Perform Giant Dread

 LAX

Dread is a horror game that uses a Jenga tower instead of dice to determine success. If the tower falls you die. Join James D'Amato of the One Shot Podcast Network as he navigates treacherous waters with a crew of furry performers/improv artists who will try (in vain) to avoid meeting horrible ends.

 **7:00pm - 9:00pm**

Transfurs

 McCarran

Furry --- human, body --- soul, male --- female. Is life one, the other, or somewhere in between? Join us for a discussion about the shades of gray, how they affect our spirit, and our every day lives.

 **7:00pm - 10:00pm**

Fuzzy Logic Escape Room - Friday Evening Bookings

 Narita

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 **7:00pm - 11:00pm**

IronClaw: What's Mine is Mine

 International Ballroom

Simple job. Property has been stolen and you've been hired to track the thieves down and get that property back. The tracking part should be easy, as the scoundrels have gone hiding in an old mine. All we have to do is root them out and return the stolen goods. No problem, right? 3 - 8 Players expected.

 **7:00pm - 12:00am**

Marvel vs Capcom: Infinite

 London

Single Elimination - Up to 64 players. First place gets a prize (To be Determined.) All characters will be available if possible, if a character releases the weekend of the convention, they will not be available for tournament play. Sign ups will start in the morning, please come in and sign up early.

 **7:30pm - 8:30pm**

GameDev: The Panelling

 Midway

Want to learn how to break into the video game industry? Join four video game industry professionals as they banter, talk about their own personal journeys and answer your questions. If you're interested in GameDev, start here!

 **7:30pm - 8:30pm**

RAWR: A Furry Writing Workshop

 Lambert

Did you know there's an annual five-day workshop just for furry writers? That's what RAWR, the Regional Anthropomorphic Writers Retreat is. Come listen in and ask questions as two of the organizers present an overview.

 **7:30pm - 9:00pm**

Fox and PepperCoyote

 Grand EFGH

Foxes and Peppers live in concert: Come join Fox Amooore and Pepper Coyote as they bring you live songs from Fox's newest studio album "The Dreamcatcher," Pepper's new album "Muh," and their collab album "Hashtag." Over an hour of live music and entertainment!

 **8:00pm - 9:00pm**

Art as a Business

 Hartsfield

A streamlined look at making a living creating artwork. We'll discuss what it takes to craft a career as an artist in the fandom, from work ethic and good habits, to social media exploits, pricing, etiquette, promotion & exposure.

 **8:00pm - 9:00pm**

Extreme Digital Painting!

 Logan

I will be digitally painting live, answering questions about art and explaining my own process in Photoshop. Helpful for all skill levels!

 **8:00pm - 9:00pm**

Furry Language

 DFW

It's furry charades with a twist! Whether you're in suit, partial, or just street clothes, you can let your fur do the talking on Furry Language! Based on TV's "Body Language," teams of two use pantomime to convey clues to furry-themed puzzles. (Fursuiters are advised that every player will have a speaking role at some point in the game.)

 **8:00pm - 10:00pm**

Lupus in Tabula

 Heathrow

Welcome to the peaceful town of Tabula, where the wine runs like water and the blood runs like Usain Bolt. It's a thrilling game for 8 to several dozen players. Werewolves stalk the village at night, feasting upon the innocent villagers until the village finally figures out Ted from accounting happens to be a werewolf.

 **8:00pm - 10:00pm**

■kami: The Tales Behind the Tail

 Tech Center

This weekend has been about Grimm's fairy tales, But what about fairy tales a little farther east? Watch, listen, and learn as Yume Kitsune and Tikikata follow Amaterasu (from the cult classic video game ■kami) throughout Nippon, and discuss her adventures. See the game in a new light, as we talk about the myths and folklore that went into the game. Hear about different concepts and designs that went into ■kami. And discover a new perspective for some well known characters.

 **8:30pm - 9:30pm**

Actually Writing That (Adult) Story

 Lambert

You've been to panels on world-building, character development, even how to run the business side of being a writer. But now it's time to actually write a story. At this panel, we'll have an in-depth look at putting sentences together, figuring out story flow, and (by the time we're done) actually have a 3-page story done. Learn the craft by doing the craft. 18+ ONLY

 **9:00pm - 10:00pm**

Cards vs. Humanity Charity Event

 Ohare

Who is the worst person at the con? There is one sure fire way to find out! Join us for a charity event unlike any other. Free to enjoy, but donation required to get your paws on a black card, or a bigger blacker card.

 **9:00pm - 10:00pm**

Scene Furies: Return to the Black Parade

 Sky Harbor

Do your parents not understand you? Are you still bitter that My Chemical Romance split up? Did you never really grow out of your scene "phase?" Then this is where you belong! Come and join the black parade. (A purely comedic panel.)

 **9:00pm - 10:00pm**

Meditation Methods

 Midway

Ever wanted to unlock latent mental abilities, connect to your spiritual self, or even have a simple and effective way to relax after a stressful day? Come join Farran to learn some basic meditation methods that can help you achieve all of these things!

 **9:00pm - 10:30pm**

Furry Psychology

 Lindbergh

Join our panel of psychologists and psychologists-in-training to talk about all sorts of fun and furry topics from the lens of psychology. Come enjoy our professionally trained team's perspectives on topics such as what might motivate people to enjoy roleplaying or fursuiting, gender and sexuality, and more. And remember: Being furry is not a diagnosis!

 **9:00pm - 11:00pm**

Furoticon - How-to-Play and Tournaments - 18+ ONLY

 Paris

Come learn how to play Furoticon, one of the hottest games in the fandom! Demo decks are available for anyone who wants to play. Feeling competitive? Participate in a tournament! Stop by the Tail Kiss Studio dealer table to learn more and get your cards! 18+ ONLY

 **9:30pm - 10:30pm**

A Bad Fanfiction Reading

 Lambert

Have you ever wanted to hear a bunch of furries attempt to drunkenly voice act through your favorite TERRIBLE fan fiction? Well do we have a treat for you! Join our panelists and guests as we attempt to brave the best of the worst. 18+ ONLY

 **10:00pm - 11:00pm**

WTF, with GoH Russ Adams

 Hartsfield

Russ sounds off about some of the more frustrating and degrading moments working in the industry.

 **10:00pm - 11:30pm**

Sketchbook Swap

 John Wayne

A fun way to give and get art in a casual setting! Bring your sketchbook, swap it for someone else's, and draw something you think they'd like. Keep swapping for as long as you'd like, then retrieve your sketchbook when you're done.

 **10:00pm - 11:30pm**

I Comedy Better When I've Had a Few (For Charity)! With Alkali Bismuth and Boozy Badger!

 Rosemont

I have no idea what is going to happen at this charity event, but it is for a good cause. Show up, throw some money into the hat and enjoy the show. And for those of you that asked for this on twitter: I hope you're happy.

 **10:00pm - 11:30pm**

Boundfox Presents: Beginning Rope Work

 DFW

Rope work is a versatile and inexpensive skill to learn when getting into bondage or kinky play. This will be a hands-on workshop with Martini, Aevin, and Yonoa to discuss safety along with basic knots and ties including the mental side of rope bondage. You and a partner will learn knots such as the overhand, square, and larks head while incorporating them into specialized ties for bondage. Any experience level from beginner to expert are invited to attend and learn. If you don't have a partner, you'll might be able to find one at the panel to learn with. Nudity is not allowed during this panel. You must be 18 or older. Please bring at least one 15 to 30 foot length of rope to the class, but if you don't have any there will be 30 foot lengths provided to use along with safety gear. 18+ ONLY

 **10:00pm - 11:30pm**

Raise the Ruff, Pup 101

 LAX

Come hang with VAC Pack as we scratch the surface of Puppy Play. We will cover the basics of human animal role-play, gear, headspace, safety, toys, treats, as well as answer any questions you have. It doesn't matter how you identify, everyone is welcome. 18+ ONLY

 **10:00pm - 12:00am**

Femme Fursuit Photo Shoot

 Seatac

"Do you have a feminine fursuit? Want our photographer to bring out your best? Join our photo shoot for group and individual shots with a selection of poses and props. Cute and innocent, butch and powerful, curvy, round, or lithe -- all shapes, styles, and sizes are welcome. (this event is for fursuiters and handlers only)"

 **10:00pm - 1:00am**

Fuzzy Logic Escape Room - Friday Late Night Bookings

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 **10:00pm - 2:00am**

Friday Dance

 Grand EFGH

Shake your tails! Its time to dance! 10p -- Swedish Dog Mafia 12a -- Curl Talk 1a -- Rocco Jackal

 **11:30pm - 12:30am**

MFF Puppy Meet and Greet

 Ohare

Puppies, pets and trainers! Join the Chicago Puppy Patrol for a pup and pet meet and greet. 18+ ONLY

 **Saturday, December 02, 2017**

 **12:00am - 2:00am**

Albedo - "Albedo After Dark" (18+ Only)

 Charles

Albedo: Platinum Catalyst - The tabletop game inspired by and dedicated to the epic, sci-fi militaristic comic universe that Steve Gallacc created, which was actually a major influence in the initial coming-together of the Furry Fandom! Does your unit have the wit, grit and spit in order to overcome the invading Independent Lapine Republic forces that have come with xenocentric means of universal domination?

 **12:00am - 2:00am**

Whose Lion is it Anyway?

 Rosemont

Based off the popular TV show "Whose Line is it Anyway," this is everyone's chance to get up on stage and improvise with their fellow furs! A completely interactive panel, Whose Lion will feature such games as: Questions Only, Whose Line, Party Quirks, and even World's Worst. Hosted by Alkali, this panel is sure to be a good time for all; so come on out, get up on stage, and show everyone how quick your wit is. Panel is 18+, and may not be suitable for minors. People with a heart condition should not have a heart attack during this panel as we will think you are acting. Panel has been known to cause uproarious laughter, fits of giggling, and diarrhea. See you there! 18+ ONLY

 **9:00am - 12:00pm**

FVS Rehearsal #2

 Rosemont

 **9:00am - 7:00pm**

Art Show

 DSCC 44-46

 **9:00am - 12:00am**

Con Suite

 Grand ABC

 **9:00am - 2:00am**

Operations

 Reagan

 **10:00am - 11:00am**

Making Anthropomorphism Relevant in Your Story

 Lambert

One of the common recommendations for writers is to make certain that your characters are more than "Humans with Fur". From the clothing that your characters wear to the technology they use, we explore how technology and society would be different for denizens of our stories, and perhaps how that difference can be used to further the story we want to tell while still not leaving the reader in the cold.

 **10:00am - 11:30am**

Sponsor Brunch

 Grand EFGH

 **10:00am - 1:00pm**

Dragonstorm

 International Ballroom

It's back! Bring your Dragonstorm character to play in an exciting adventure in the world of Grandillar, or generate a new character to start a brand new life of adventure as a shapeshifter! (Materials provided if you don't have a character already). Up to 6 players.

 **10:00am - 1:00pm**

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 **10:00am - 2:00pm**

Arkham Horror

 International Ballroom

Let's bust out 40 pounds of tokens and 4,783 cards and pretend we're in 1920s land where we must save the town of Arkham from impending tentacle doom. This is a cooperative, RPG board game for up to about 8 players. I'll teach you how to play if you're new, and game won't take all night, promise.

 **10:00am - 3:00pm**

MFF Poker Tournament - Satellite

 JFK

Come one, come all to the incredible Midwest FurFest Poker Tournament. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a beginner, you will be able to compete for bragging rights and some cool prizes. The tournament will follow the standard casino style. Sign up for one of three satellite tournaments throughout the FurFest weekend. The top 3 players of each satellite tournament will move on to the final 9 player tournament on Sunday. Admission is totally free.

 **10:00am - 6:00pm**

Artists Alley

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Artist's Alley is a place for individual artists to offer their work, whether it be sketchbook commissions, prints, or other types of creative and unique artwork, all while having a good time! Artists Alley will be in four rooms on the International Level in Vienna, Paris, London, and Florence.

 **10:00am - 6:00pm**

Dealers Den

 DSCC 21-34

The Dealers Den is open to the public during these hours. Dealers listings and locations, with maps, can be found at <https://www.furfest.org/dealers>

 **10:00am - 6:00pm**

Registration

 United AB

After Registration closes, Temporary Badges good for one evening only can be obtained at Convention Operations

 **10:00am - 2:00am**

Table Top Gaming

 International Ballroom

General Gaming - See separate Gaming Schedule in your Pocket-Program for more details.

 **10:00am - 2:00am**

Video Gaming

 London

See the separate Video Gaming Schedule in your Pocket Program for more details.

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

The Blind Side

 Logan

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be blind? Come join Citrine as he shows you the interesting aspects of being a blind furry in a sighted world. Don't be shy, bring your questions!

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

How to Foam a Fursuit Head, with GoH Latin Vixen

 Ohare

In this panel, Latin Vixen will provide an introduction to the audience in the techniques used for carving your very own fursuit head!

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

To Suit or Not Suit in Public? That is the Question.

 Lindbergh

Fursuiting out in public can be a scary thing. You are interacting with people who might not quite understand what we do. Come find out how to do public fursuiting safely while still educating the public and having a fun time!

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

Raising Pygmy Goats

 McCarran

Goats are often an incredibly under-appreciated species but can be amazingly unique companions to work with. Come learn about what it takes to raise pygmy goats, what you can expect from them as a pet, and some of the fun experiences we have had with them over the past three years in the land of Goatopia!

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

New Release Reading

 Lambert

Come relax and listen as furry writers read selections from new and forthcoming works.

 **11:00am - 1:00pm**

Creative Avian Anatomy

 Sky Harbor

Aetus is an avian veterinarian and digital artist and will present avian anatomy tailored for creative expression. Photos and drawings will be used to explain real anatomy, how it compares to humans, and how the two might look when blended together.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

Reconnecting with Nature

 Logan

In a fast paced, electric world we find ourselves stressed, unfocused and magnifying things that just don't matter! Ever find yourself gazing happily out a window at a tree or staring at a burning fire for hours? Sounds like your in need of some Vitamin N (Nature). We will discuss the dire importance of nature to the body and soul of a well rounded being.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

Overcoming Fandom Cliches in your Writing

 Lambert

A discussion of tropes specific to the fandom, what's old hat and cliché, and what you can do about it if you plan on using them. A lot of the tropes were either established in the 90s and are old hat to greymuzzles but younger writers don't know about them, or are constantly recycled by new authors. Things like "The six origins of furry species" "Humans oppressing the furies" "A post-human world where the humans were all evil but now there's only furies" and so on.

 **12:00pm - 2:00pm**

Sonic: Freedom Fighters

 Charles

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Hoofer Meet and Greet

 John Wayne

Meet up and discussion for those with hooved mammal fursonas and fursuits. EX: horses, ponies, deer, giraffe, etc

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Military Furs

 Lindbergh

Are you currently serving in the military or have served before then come on down and have some fun as we can hang out and tell stories, and yes you can bring your family with you.

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Sergals: The World of Vilous

 Logan

What exactly is a sergal? Where do they come from? Come join members of the official Vilous Team for a discussion on sergals! Learn about the history of sergals, other Vilous races, and the sci-fi world they inhabit. A casual meet & greet will follow, so if you are yourself a sergal, come say hi!

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Furry Game Industry Meet & Greet -- CANCELLED

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 **1:00pm - 3:00pm**

Secondary Fursuit Lounge (During the Menagerie)

 Rosemont

To help give performers some additional space to hydrate and cool-down, during the Menagerie, the Rosemont ballroom will have water stations and space to relax. The main Fursuit Lounge (Grand C), will also be open during this time. Please, no photography inside the Rosemont Ballroom during the Menagerie. And please, no photography at all inside the main Fursuit Lounge.

 **1:00pm - 3:00pm**

Furry Pictionary

 McCarran

The classic drawing game with a furry twist! A 100% audience participation panel as we work our way through 100 rounds of Pictionary, drawing things from categories such as Animal Sayings, Fandom Terms, Animal Species, and Furies in the Media. The bigger the audience, the better the game will be, so please join us!

 **1:00pm - 3:00pm**

Fursuit Menagerie

 Grand EFGH

Come on down to the main ballroom for a chance to meet other fursuiters, take group photos, and ham it up for the crowd! Starting at 1:00pm and running until 3pm, the FurFest Fursuit Menagerie is a great place to show off your costumes and mingle with attendees. We'll have some light game-like activities, background music and group-photo areas setup. We'll also have additional water stations available in the Rosemont Ballroom during the Menagerie (no photos in this room, please).

 **1:00pm - 4:00pm**

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 **1:00pm - 5:00pm**

Albedo: The Freron 6D Campaign

 International Ballroom

Enjoy sci-fi? Roleplaying? Furries? Mike Murdock will provide you your RPG needs for the convention. Albedo is a RPG Based on the Steve Gallacci's comic book Erma Felna: EDF. Join the EDF as part of a team investigating a colony that went dark on the Ice-covered moon of Freron 6D and uncover why the planet went dark and why.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Convention War Stories

 LAX

Come out and see what happens behind the closed doors of conventions. Sit back and listen to the stories that you were never meant to find out about from our panel of convention staff and board members. Enjoy the stories and find out why that cop was shaking his head well laughing.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Cryptocurrency for Furry Artists and Commissioners

 Logan

Stories of artists or commissioners being ripped off because of fraudulent disputes are often abuzz on social media. The most popular payment mechanisms can be extremely hostile at the worst possible moment, and this can directly affect artists' livelihood. Free yourself of this hassle by accepting payment via cryptocurrencies, such as Bitcoin or Zcash.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Surviving Reality, with GoH Russ Adams

 Midway

In this panel, Russ adams discusses the misconceptions of life on a reality show. This panel is based on his book, currently in presale, Surviving Reality: This Is Not That Show.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Furries in RPGs: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly

 Sky Harbor

Host of the ONE SHOT podcast discusses furries in tabletop role playing games. taking a look at furry representation in the RPG hobby over the decades, and highlighting a few examples of games that heavily feature anthro characters.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Science Fiction and Fantasy

 Lambert

Space and time travel. Swords and sorcery. As we explore the realms of science fiction and fantasy there are many worlds to explore and to play in as we create our stories, whether they be epic quests filled with wonder, exploring uncharted places, or clawing out an existence in a dystopian wasteland. Come sit with us as we discuss how to weave tales that include elements of science, magic, or some combination of the two.

 **2:00pm - 3:30pm**

Instagram Furs Meetup

 DFW

A meeting ground for those who thrive using the social media platform, Instagram, or for those who would just like to meet some familiar faces.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Cutthroat Artist

 Hartsfield

Four artists will take each other on in a series of timed art challenges. Each round, someone is eliminated by our judge until a winner is crowned! The twist? The artists can bid on sabotages that they can inflict on their competitors and the judge has no idea what the sabotage(s) were.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Becoming a Better Roleplayer

 Sky Harbor

From long form to short form, to tabletop and anything in-between, roleplay is a popular way of expressing ourselves and bringing our fursonas or other characters to life. There's no guidelines or instruction manuals, so many people are left to their own devices to figure it out. This panel aims to help get you past the 'hi' or 'waves' and offer tips and tricks that will help you improve no matter the type of roleplay you do. The focus will be on written roleplay and how to include furry in it, but will also include tabletop RP.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Super Password Plus

 LAX

The game of secret words! You and our celebrity guests team up to give the right clue to get your partner to say the secret word. Each of the five passwords in a round are clues to a larger puzzle. Alkali also hates this game, need I say more.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

What It Takes to Write: Process, Discipline, and Lifestyle

 Lambert

Writing can be very rewarding, but it takes time and discipline. How often have you heard someone say they can't find the time to write, or can't get their mind working in the right direction? As with any worthwhile goal, there are obstacles to be overcome and processes to be learned. In this panel we talk about how writers write, and the writer's lifestyle.

 **3:00pm - 4:30pm**

Adding Useless Electronic Bullshit to Your Fursuit

 John Wayne

Want to make your fursuit look around or make its ears wiggle? Maybe you're a dragon and you'd like to really breathe smoke? Or just add a boat load of LED lights to your stuff? Firr will show you how!

 **3:00pm - 4:30pm**

Games and Charity with Furs For Life

 Ohare

Like games and entertainment? Want to help others in need? Come meet members of our team and fellow furs, as we chat about our experiences in charity and entertainment, and play games, too! Learn how to get involved in the group to help others in need, or just have fun socializing with the furs who make it happen.

 **3:00pm - 6:00pm**

My Little Pony: Friendship is Ironclaw

 International Ballroom

Weather or not? - Wait, wasn't today's weather supposed to be light rain, and not this storm? Is someone messing with the weather? Could it be that stranger that has been hanging around lately? Up to 6 players.

 **3:30pm - 5:30pm**

Creative Blocks & Problem-Solving — How To Get Unstuck

 McCarran

What's keeping you from working on or completing that Really Cool Thing you want to do? Having difficulty making progress or planning projects? Daunting technical issues have you stumped? Come hear some motivating and inspiring stories about the philosophies of constructive problem solving from a veteran of the professional special-effects industry. Presentation to be followed by Q&A session.

 **4:00pm - 5:00pm**

Fursuit Life Drawing Session

 DFW

Bring your pencils! Bring your paper! Be prepared to fill your sketchbook with drawings of fullsuiters frozen in place, just for you! Any medium is fair game, but keep in mind that poses will change frequently. Life drawing is an artistic practice that all levels of artist can benefit from. There is arguably no better way to master drawing anatomy!

 **4:00pm - 5:00pm**

Editing and Revising

 Lambert

So you've written a story. Good for you! But chances are there are problems you might not have seen, parts that don't flow well or need to be fleshed out better, inconsistencies and continuity errors. Here we talk about the process of editing and fixing those problems. We also discuss finding others to help edit and improve your stories, as well as editing others' stories to help them improve theirs.

 **4:00pm - 5:30pm**

Celebrity Whose Lion is it Anyway?

 Rosemont

Come out and see some of the funniest people in the fandom performing in Improv games. This 100% off the cuff event will go to support our charity, so come one come all and see some of your favorite funny furs make fools of themselves. As with any Improv event, audience participation is bound to happen.

 **4:00pm - 5:30pm**

Introducing Tarot

 Logan

You've always been curious to know about Tarot cards as a form of divination. Here's your chance to find out what it's all about and how to get started on your own.

 **4:00pm - 6:00pm**

Fursuit Dance Comp - Group Practice

 LAX

Please visit <https://www.furfest.org/single-post/2017/11/07/Fursuit-Dance-Competition-Group-Choreography-Sign-Ups> for more information on and the sign up sheet for participating in the opening number of the Furfest Dance Competition!

 **4:00pm - 6:00pm**

<https://www.furfest.org/single-post/2017/11/07/Fursuit-Dance-Competition-Group-Choreography-Sign-Ups>

 LAX

 **4:00pm - 7:00pm**

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Fursuit Photoshoot

 LaGuardia

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 **4:30pm - 5:30pm**

Non-Fiction Writing, with GoH Russ Adams

 Hartsfield

Russ talks about the ins and outs of writing, publishing, and marketing books.

 **4:30pm - 6:00pm**

The Neo-Futurists: The Infinite Wrench

 Grand EFGH

We are proud to welcome back one of the most talked-about events from last year's Midwest FurFest. The NeoFuturists are one of the most innovative theater groups in Chicago, and are the creators of the long-running play 'Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind'. 'The Infinite Wrench' is a rollicking, exciting, hilarious, thought-provoking, and at times interactive attempt to perform 30 plays in 60 minutes. The NeoFuturists will be preparing a performance specially tailored to Midwest FurFest and furry fandom; you don't want to miss it! 18+ ONLY

 **4:30pm - 6:30pm**

MacGyver Fursuit Challenge!

 Ohare

What happens when a fursuit builder is put in a room and given a short time to build a partial to escape a Turkish Prison? CAN THEY DO IT?!?!?! Come find out! (NOTE: This is not a fursuit construction panel – this is just entertainment!)

 **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

Artists Alley Sign-Up for Sunday

 CC 45-47-49

 **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

Get Published

 Lambert

Are you ready to see your name in print? It's not enough to write the great American furry novel; you'll need to get someone to publish it. In this panel we discuss what it takes to get your stories, long and short, in front of editors and publishers who will help your story find an audience, and how to work with them to get published.

 **5:00pm - 7:00pm**

Video Furs

 Sky Harbor

Come join us and learn how to make videos for any media platform! This is an interactive panel where Furs can collaborate with each other and participate in making short skits!

 **5:00pm - 10:00pm**

MFF Poker Tournament - Satellite

 John Wayne

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 **6:00pm - 7:00pm**

Tools and Technology

 Lambert

We've come a long way since the days of typewriters and submitting hardcopies by regular mail. Writers nowadays have word processors and various online tools at their disposal, and the submission process is almost always online. There are also many options for making your work available to your fans, including those who prefer e-books.

 **6:00pm - 8:00pm**

Two Rooms and a Boom

 Gatwick

Intrigue, lies, deceit, and occasional bouts of improv! This fun new party game for all kinds of players is incredibly quick to learn, and takes only a few minutes to play. If you like party games like Mafia/Lupus, then this is worth checking out.

 **6:00pm - 10:00pm**

The OutZone

 International Ballroom

Like giant Robots? War? Roleplaying? Furrries? Mike Murdock has you covered for the convention. Using the MekTon Roleplaying system that is easy to learn and to create a character. In the Shexecarro Star System 3 factions are at war with each other for off-world resources after there homeworld exhausted the remaining resources. Join the Val-Stein Mercenary company to complete missions on the Mars-like world of Keolara.

 **7:00pm - 8:00pm**

The 3 Headed Monster

 Hartsfield

Three 20 minute stand up shows combined into one! The Three Headed Monster is back once again to prove to themselves that stage fright can be overcome by persistence, practice and tequila.

 **7:00pm - 8:00pm**

Fifty Shades of Purple: Asexuality in the Furry Fandom

 Midway

FSOP is back for a second year at MFF! Here, we discuss the Black and Purple of asexuality and the many facets of this orientation. Meet fellow ACEs, get some answers, and learn more things!

 **7:00pm - 8:30pm**

Inflatable Furs

 DFW

This is an open forum for inflatable furs to show off their toys and have fursuiters get their photos with them.

 **7:00pm - 9:00pm**

Furry Variety Show

 Rosemont

The FVS is a non-competitive variety show. It's a bit of Vaudeville, and sort of like the Muppet Show. Come by and watch your fellow furs show their talents. If you want to be in the show and have an act, come to the first rehearsal. If you want to be in the show but don't have an act, join us and we'll try to add you to an existing act. We prefer to have our performers contact us several weeks before the con, but we will take performers as late as Friday evening. The basic rules are a three minute time limit, not TOO adult content, and some sort of tie in to furry. Our show is Saturday evening. We have TWO rehearsals (Friday Afternoon and Saturday Morning). The MFF Furry Variety Show also welcomes video content in the show if submitted in advance. See the web page for more details.

 **7:00pm - 9:30pm**

Floor Wars

 Grand EFGH

Last-Fur-One is back again with Floor Wars, hosting its 6th edition at Midwest Furfest! Come and watch the fiercest dancers in the fandom battle in teams and individually to prove who's on top.

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 **7:00pm - 10:00pm**

Your Imagined Furry Fantasy (18+ Only)

 Charles

Your Imagined Furry Fantasy - This light-hearted RPG-esque system was borne of frisky fantasy, silly stories of over-the-top shenanigans and inspired by popular flash games like Corruption of Champions, Trials in Tainted Space and Flexible Survival! Gameplay gives players a different perspective on the psychology behind modern-day sexuality and taboo as they adventure in a world where just about everything is over-sexualized (including combat!) to offer silly-fun and sex-positive escapades!

 **7:30pm - 9:00pm**

Furry Speed Mingle

 LAX

New to the Furry world, or just want to make some new friends? Come down to Furry Speed Mingle! This is a great way to meet new furs and alleviate the stress. Furry Speed Mingle is set up like speed dating, you and another fur are paired together, talk for a little bit, and then switch to the next fur. It gives you a chance to meet new furs and leave out the awkward silence!

 8:00pm - 9:00pm

So You Want to Be a Con Artist?

 Lindbergh

In the last half decade the halls of Artists Alleys at cons across the nation have quadrupled in size, with more and more artists finding a stable profession vending their art and wares. Would you like join the game? Which cons to apply for? How to set up a booth for best visibility? What artwork sells the best? Whether you are a veteran vendor or want to start selling your own art, join us for a discussion about the tips and trade of being a causal or full time convention artist. Learn what displays work the best, how to interact with customers, and tips to surviving your first vending con.

 8:00pm - 9:00pm

Dragget Show Live

 Hartsfield

Join Xander the Dragon, Alkali the Ferret, and a special guest or 2. These guys record a podcast LIVE AT MFF! Come watch as they talk about anything and everything and nothing. 18+ because Alkali will be there. Come for the panel, and stay for the "turn off your cameras and recording devices, lets tell you something stupid about Alkali for charity" story. Once again, 18+.

 8:00pm - 9:00pm

Leopardy!

 Sky Harbor

A furry take on the classic TV game show. Come test your trivia knowledge on all things furry and furry-related. But remember to always answer in the form of a question!

 8:00pm - 9:00pm

Horror

 Lambert

Slimy things slithering in the dark. Blade wielding maniacs with a supernatural flair. Monsters and hauntings. If any or all of these things just made you giddy, then come and talk horror writing with us. Weâ€™ll explore subgenres, crossovers with other genres, and that most important of all, how to make your readers afraid.

 8:00pm - 9:30pm

Angel Dragon Meet and Greet

 Ohare

Panel for the Species Dutch Angel dragons. Come meet the community and more!

 8:00pm - 11:00pm

Lupus in Tabula

 Heathrow

Join a convention classic as a member of a village with a werewolf problem. Assuming you're not a werewolf, can you help identify them before they eat everyone in the village?

 **8:00pm - 12:00am**

Ironclaw: What's Yours is Mine

 International Ballroom

Simple job. Property has been stolen and you've been hired to track the thieves down and get that property back. The tracking part should be easy, as the scoundrels have gone hiding in an old mine. All we have to do is root them out and return the stolen goods. No problem, right? 3 - 8 Players expected.

 **9:00pm - 10:00pm**

Text Adventures After Dark

 Mirabel

Gather round, literally, and make your way through some old school text adventures! Draggor, your host, will be subbing in for the computer, so sassy replies are to be expected from sassy commands. This after dark version features a much sassier host!

 **9:00pm - 10:30pm**

Erotica: Adult Writing

 Lambert

It's time to turn up the heat in your story! In this panel we discuss adult writing, covering not only the basics, but also such matters as the difference between romance, erotica, and porn, how much detail to provide and how to pace your scenes, and how these enticing elements can work together with the plot, characterization, and setting. 18 and above only; badges/IDs will be checked at the door. 18+ ONLY

 **9:00pm - 11:00pm**

Furoticon - How-to-play and Tournaments - 18+ ONLY

 Paris

Come learn how to play Furoticon, one of the hottest games in the fandom! Demo decks are available for anyone who wants to play. Feeling competitive? Participate in a tournament! Stop by the Tail Kiss Studio dealer table to learn more and get your cards! 18+ ONLY

 **9:30pm - 11:30pm**

Jackbox After Dark

 Hartsfield

"Do you like to press buttons on your phone or tablet? Are you always making witty remarks at inopportune times? Do you like fun and overly verbose panel descriptions? Then boy have we got the panel for you. It's Jackbox, a series of multi-player audio-video games that let you channel your inner smart ass for the delight of all. We'll be playing a lot of Quiplash and possibly Drawful or other games depending on how long we have. There may even be famous fuzzy guest panelists. Audience members will be selected to play against said panelists, and everyone will be able to affect & be involved in the games! Come show us what an underappreciated comic genius you are. See you there!"

 **10:00pm - 11:30pm**

Fursuit Charades

 LAX

How much CAN you say, without really saying anything? Join us for all the fun and find out! Fursuiters are highly encouraged for this event!

 **10:00pm - 11:30pm**

Japanese Rope Bondage 101: Playing With Just One Rope

 DFW

Japanese Rope Bondage (aka Kinbaku/Shibari) can seem imposing. It's often extremely complex, intricate and beautiful; not something that you can learn in an hour and not something you'd necessarily want to *play* with outside of a photo shoot. In this class, I aim to show you a different side of Japanese bondage. With a single rope and just a couple of simple building blocks, I'll show you how to play with your partner, taking them through a wide range of sensations - from gentle and caressing all the way to rough and controlling. The class will cover safety and there will be time for some Q&A. This is a hands on class - rope will be available for the first 15 couples that need it and you're encouraged to bring your own (26-33 feet/8-10 meters, natural fiber rope [cotton, hemp, jute]) 18+ ONLY

 **10:00pm - 11:30pm**

No Bones About It, Pup 102

 Ohare

So, you have a handle on the basics of puppy play but are barking for more? Pawsome. Come join VAC Pack as we dig deeper into headspace, relationship dynamics, collars, training and other puppy play topics. Your barks will guide the discussion. It doesn't matter how you identify, everyone is welcome. Come with your ears perked and ready to learn. 18+ ONLY

 **10:00pm - 12:00am**

Fox and PepperCoyote - After Dark

 Rosemont

Foxes and Peppers After Dark: Fox Amooore and Pepper Coyote bringing you live music, shenanigans, and Scottish swearing. Celebrate Fox's 60th Furry Convention with him by bringing him booze and donating to this years charity! 18+ ONLY

 **10:00pm - 12:00am**

Comparative Anatomy 18+

 McCarran

Leave your taboos at the door! This panel is a tryst of fantasy and the unrestricted truth. Have a look at the mystery, wonder, and intimate details of reproduction in the animal kingdom as well as theoretical anthropomorphic creatures. 18+ ONLY

 **10:00pm - 12:00am**

Open and Polyamorous Furry Relationships 101

 Midway

Are you in a relationship, but thinking of adding an additional mate? Have you considered an open relationship, but weren't sure what that would mean for your existing relationship? Are you single, and considering dating a couple, or joining up with an existing pack? Come to Non-monogamous Furry Relationships 101, where you will learn how to practice non-monogamy ethically, with the full enthusiastic consent of all parties involved. Topics covered will include non-violent communication strategies, conflict resolution, ethical compromise, radical honesty, informed consent, safer sex practices, relationship structures (traditional monogamy, "monogamish" relationships, open relationships, polyamory, and relationship anarchy), personal boundaries, relationship rules, handling rejection, and how and when to say no. Presentation to be followed by Q&A.

 **10:00pm - 12:00am**

TransFurs AD

 Sky Harbor

We all know there are things we just can't say at any point. This goes double when dealing with all those pesky body parts. Come join us for a discussion of the every day issues, with a more adult tone. 18+ ONLY

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Saturday Dance

 Grand EFGH

Shake your tails! Its time to dance! 10p -- Haku 11p -- TekFox 12a -- Foxsky 1a -- Treetz

 **10:30pm - 11:30pm**

Erotica: Kinks and More

 Lambert

Adult writing isn't always plain vanilla. Some of us like to explore different, odd, and unusual desires. Come join us as we talk about the challenges and rewards of writing about the strange, secret and sometimes taboo worlds of kinks and fetishes. 18 and above only; badges/IDs will be checked at the door.

 **11:00pm - 1:00am**

Albedo - "Albedo After Dark 2" (18+ Only!)

 Charles

Albedo: Platinum Catalyst - The tabletop game inspired by and dedicated to the epic, sci-fi militaristic comic universe that Steve Gallacc created, which was actually a major influence in the initial coming-together of the Furry Fandom! Does your unit have the wit, grit and spit in order to overcome the invading Independent Lapine Republic forces that have come with xenocentric means of universal domination?

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 **9:00am - 5:00pm**

Con Suite

 Grand ABC

 **9:00am - 9:00pm**

Operations

 Reagan

 **9:30am - 10:30am**

Art Auction

 Rosemont

Don't let those people who slightly upped your written bid walk away with that fabulous art! Show them who's got what it takes and knows what it's really worth! Besides, the auctioneers are always a hoot!

 **10:00am - 11:00am**

Absent Friends and Family

 Lambert

Unfortunately, there are members of the furry fandom who sadly can no longer join us at our conventions, or in our lives. We take this time to open up space to remember those that we have lost in recent years, including well loved former MFF staff.

 **10:00am - 11:00am**

Aviation Furs

 Seatac

Meet and greet for all aviation furs! From student to airline, mechanics, controllers, RC and sim enthusiasts, all are welcome!

 **10:00am - 11:30am**

Christian Furs Fellowship

 Hartsfield

Come meet other Christians in the fandom and learn about some ways to grow in your faith. Will include open discussion. All are welcome!

 **10:00am - 11:30am**

Fox Hunt

 Logan

Learn how to use radio direction finding techniques and put them to the test to find the "fox" transmitter roaming around the con! A stationary fox will be deployed to help demonstrate the idea to beginners, as well as a moving fox to provide a challenge to both new and the experienced. Those with their own VHF/UHF receivers or scanners are recommended to bring those to use themselves or as part of a team, although no equipment or experience is necessary to participate.

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Registration

 United AB

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 **10:00am - 3:00pm**

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Artists Alley

 CC 45-47-49

Artist's Alley is a place for individual artists to offer their work, whether it be sketchbook commissions, prints, or other types of creative and unique artwork, all while having a good time! Artists Alley will be in four rooms on the International Level in Vienna, Paris, London, and Florence.

 **10:00am - 4:00pm**

Dealers Den

 DSCC 21-34

The Dealers Den is open to the public during these hours. Dealers listings and locations, with maps, can be found at <https://www.furfest.org/dealers>

 **10:00am - 6:00pm**

Table Top Gaming

 International Ballroom

General Gaming - See separate Gaming Schedule in your Pocket-Program for more details.

 **10:00am - 6:00pm**

Video Gaming

 London

See the separate Video Gaming Schedule in your Pocket Program for more details.

 **10:30am - 11:00am**

Outdoor and Recreation Furs

 Sky Harbor

Meetup for the outdoor recreation enthusiast including hiking, camping, mountaineering, skiing, biking, watersports, etc. This is an opportunity to meet others, plan potential future excursions, and exchange stories from the outdoors!

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

Fursuit Jerseys Photoshoot

 Conference Center Foyer

A Midwest FurFest tradition continues with this year's Fursuit Jerseys Photoshoot. Sports fans, get your fursuits and jerseys on and show the love for your favorite teams! We'll have some big group shots, and smaller group and individual shots for those who want them. Sports equipment (balls, sticks, etc.) is welcome!

 **11:00am - 12:00pm**

Transformation

 LAX

Polymorph spells, species-altering viruses, and the beast within. Come sit in on this panel where we discuss a genre where furies have something to explore not often seen in other genres: the transformation story.

 **11:00am - 12:30pm**

FursOfColor Social

 McCarran

This is a panel that are for POC (People of Color) and their allies to come, meet one another, and talk about things concerning our current affairs in the fandom.

 **11:00am - 1:00pm**

Charity Auction

 Rosemont

Check out the wonderful donated artwork and other amazing donated items up for auction in our Charity Auction Gallery at furfest.org/charity. The auction will begin promptly at 11am cst on Sunday. The best of the best, our Charity Auction Featured Items, will be up for action at 12:30pm cst during the event. Outbid your buddies and grab the best stuff! Win your favorite auction items and know that your good taste is helping this year's charity, Chicagoland Rescue Intervention and Support Program (CRISP)! Please read up on CRISP's accomplishments in providing a shelter alternative in the Chicagoland area at furfest.org/charity. Every great item that you covet and win at auction is a donation that will support CRISP's efforts to help pets and families! For more information about the Midwest Furfest Charity Auction such as how to donate an auction item, or how to bid on an auction item, please see the FAQ available at furfest.org/charity.

 **11:00am - 3:00pm**

Ironclaw: The Prince's Whim 3

 International Ballroom

The prince is unable to go on his annual adventure outing with his favorite people. He has instead invited you to the Capital to assist with court intrigue that is deeper than normal. Can rogues who normally deal with ruffians in the outlying provinces handle the niceties of the Imperial Court? 3 - 8 Players expected.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

So You Want to be a Mascot

 Lindbergh

Fursuiting and Mascoting aren't that different. This will be how to apply what you know to what you don't know about the ends and outs of being a mascot.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

Autism in the Furry Fandom: An Overview

 Midway

Many people with autism spectrum disorders attend furry conventions, and belong to the furry fandom. Listen to an individual with autism as he discusses the reasons why autistic people enjoy the furry fandom, the issues autistic people can face at furry conventions, and how the furry fandom can be more understanding of autistic people in the fandom.

 **12:00pm - 1:00pm**

Your Story Is Not a Movie

 Lambert

There are storytelling techniques that work in the visual medium but hurt the written one. In this panel we contrast and compare the strengths of the different narrative methods. Based on the "Fangs and Fonts" episode entitled "Your Book Is Not a Movie".

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 LaGuardia

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 **12:00pm - 5:00pm**

Art Show (Pickup and Checkout)

 DSCC 44-46

 **12:30pm - 1:30pm**

Midwest Furry Fandom, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting

 Seatac

The annual meeting for the Board of Directors for Midwest Furry Fandom, Inc., the parent corporation of Midwest FurFest. This meeting is open to the public! Please note that this meeting is intended for corporate, not convention, business. Issues with the convention itself should be brought to the feedback session at Closing Ceremonies.

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Birds Meetup

 McCarran

A meetup for the feathered individuals at the convention! Whether you're all bird, part bird, like birds, or just a friend of a bird, feel free to stop by for this meetup!

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Scribble 'N Bits

 Sky Harbor

"It was a dark and stormy night," except then it wasn't. We're furries; we can do better than Paul Clifford! Come join the game where ,with your smartphone, you compose the next line of the story, and we all vote which line we like the best.

 **1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Journalism and NonFiction Writing in Furry

 Lambert

You see all these panels around this one? They're awesome and informative! Now what if they put all that awesome information into writing so you could take it anywhere you wanted? Join us as he goes over non-fiction and its underestimated importance in the furry fandom. Whether it's covering the latest in fandom events and news, or creating how to guides. We go over the principals of writing technically to better convey your ideas to a general audience.

 **1:00pm - 2:30pm**

3D Printing Your Next Furry Project

 Logan

Want to 3D print your next (furry) project, but don't know what or how to get started? Here we will walk you through the basics of 3D printers, using 3D printers, and some basic 3D modeling. Some exciting applications such as creating keychains, and even fursuit heads will be explored in this session. (A 3D printer WILL be present at this presentation)

 **1:00pm - 3:00pm**

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Old School Gamers Meet up

 Capital

Meet and Greet for old school gamers on Furaffinity.

 **1:00pm - 5:00pm**

The OutZone

 International Ballroom

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 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Commissioning Etiquette

 Hartsfield

Do and don'ts of commissioning art or suits. How behavior can effect the seller. Warning signs of scam artists.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Photography With TsudoDog

 Lindbergh

Explore photography with Tsudo, from taking better images to working with Lightroom in order to process raw files. Learn the basics of flash photography and overcoming the challenges of shooting within a convention space.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

YouTube Furs - Ep.2 - Getting Fuzzier

 Seatac

Welcome back to the world of Furry Youtube and online video! Returning again this year because we had a lot of fun last time. Are you a viewer, a creator, or someone who wishes to jump into the scene? Then drop in and meet up with other curious folks and veterans of video making. Learn from some who've been in the game for a while, meet some content makers, ask questions, and share some of what you do. There's a lot of great content being created by furs, and we are eager to foster a community of fuzzy creators. So come on by and hit record!

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

The Pyramid

 Sky Harbor

A game show where you and a celebrity guest compete to conquer the Pyramid! The game consists of listing things loudly until your teammate says the thing you're describing.

 **2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Patreon and Commission Writing

 Lambert

Commissions are a scary practice; you are opening yourself up for someone to buy directly from you. You are saying your work is worth money. And... That's scary. This panel helps to make that less scary, as well as to give tips and tricks on how to stay working and to make sure that you make yourself marketable, and get repeat customers.

 **2:00pm - 4:00pm**

Mass Effect: Unity

 Charles

Mass Effect: Unity - Although not quite pony-related, this is one of many other systems being crafted by SteelTheWarrior that, due to massive special requests, we'll be bringing for you to enjoy! Play as almost any race and class combination imaginable in this fast-paced, heavy-action setting that takes place during the events of the third Mass Effect game!

 **2:00pm - 4:00pm**

Fursuit Dance Competition

 Grand EFGH

The time has come to see who's got the best moves and who can shake their tails the best! All attendees are welcome to come witness the finalists of MFF's Annual Fursuit Dance Competition show off their performances for dance supremacy to determine who will be declared this year's best fursuit dancer! ASL Interpreters will be available for those with hearing impairment.

 **3:00pm - 4:00pm**

Westerns and Historical Fiction

 Lambert

Six-guns and saddlebags. Gaslights and finery. Outlaws and sheriffs. If you suddenly want to hit the dusty trail, then this panel is for you. Weâ€™ll be talking largely about westerns, but covering a few other aspects of general historical fiction as well. Come to discuss intersections with other genres and how to get the most out of research time to add verisimilitude to your story.

 **3:00pm - 5:00pm**

Fursuit Games

 Rosemont

Come join us for a fun and exciting event where you romp around in fursuit, entertain yourself and others, and play silly games in order to find who is the best fursuiter! This event is open to all who want to participate or spectate! This is a great opportunity to get exposure to your costumes, to see fursuiters play games, and take lots of pictures!

 **4:00pm - 6:00pm**

Albedo - "The End"

 Charles

Albedo: Platinum Catalyst - The tabletop game inspired by and dedicated to the epic, sci-fi militaristic comic universe that Steve Gallacc created, which was actually a major influence in the initial coming-together of the Furry Fandom! Does your unit have the wit, grit and spit in order to overcome the invading Independent Lapine Republic forces that have come with xenocentric means of universal domination?

 **5:00pm - 6:00pm**

Closing Ceremonies

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Where did the weekend go? At the Closing Ceremonies for Midwest FurFest 2017, we'll let you in on anything you may have missed. We'll also be recognizing all of the talented winners of various contests held throughout the convention. And, at the end, we'll have a feedback/Q+A session to help improve Midwest FurFest for next year. ASL Interpreters will be available for those with hearing impairment.

 **6:00pm - 11:00pm**

BYOG Tabletop Gaming until 11 PM

 International Ballroom

 **7:00pm - 10:00pm**

Staff Appreciation Dinner

 Rosemont

All badged staff members are welcome to attend this very special 'Thank You' dinner on Sunday evening, in the Rosemont Ballroom. Thank you for all your hard work!!

 **9:00pm - 12:00am**

Dead Dog Dance

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Cap off your con experience and wipe away those blues at the Dead Dog Dance! 9p -- Toby 9:45p -- Mesmerist 10:30p -- Runetooth 11:15p -- Skroy

