



Welcome to Memory Lane!

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Con Hours

Ceremonies Friday: 1-2:30pm Sunday: 5-7pm **Registration** Thursday: 3-8pm Friday: 10am-3pm Saturday: 10am-1pm **Con Operations** Friday: 8am-1am Saturday: 8am-1am Sunday: 8am-7pm

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Vendor Hall

Friday: 11am-6pm Saturday: 10am-6pm Sunday: 10am-3:30pm

AD Vendor Hall

Friday & Saturday: 10pm-12am

Autographs

Friday: 4-6pm Saturday: 4:30-6pm Sunday: 1-2:30pm

Charity Auction

Submissions open until Saturday at 6:30pm Sunday: 2:00-4:30pm

The Story So Far...

Throughout the years, our intrepid heroes Golden Gates, Silver Span, and Copper Chip had adventures all across the city. They fought nefarious villains and made friends in the hopes of creating a better tomorrow for their home of San Franciscolt. However, these changes had disrupted a certain changeling hive...

Baroness Blaze and her changelings faced off against the three siblings and, in a chaotic battle, an evacuation pod was launched into space carrying our three heroes! The three have been on a perilous mission to return home and return their city to its rightful state once and for all. In the meantime, the city has been left to reminisce on the good old days of Silver Span's wily puns, Copper Chip's technical achievements, and Golden Gate's helpful guidance.

This year, join us as we take a trip down Memory Lane...

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Welcome to BABSCon!

I am so happy to have you back with us after the past few years. It's certainly been a journey since our first event in April 2014. We've missed out on seeing each other for a few years during this time – but now all of us are back and excited to welcome you to this year's BABSCon!

But, it's no thanks to me – it's thanks to all of you, our amazing attendees, artists, vendors, guests – that support us with registrations, sponsorships, merch purchases, and most importantly, by simply coming and being here for the convention. That is the reason everybody on staff works so hard to put on an unforgettable event, and why we are so mission-driven to bring all of YOU an extraordinary experience for just this small amount of time in April. Without YOU, our wonderful attendees, we would cease to exist. It's a fact that I hold very near and dear to my chest. YOU are the reason we have a convention. YOU make us everything we are today. YOU are the very heart of the con that keeps it going.

I also want to thank our incredible team of staff members who work hundreds of hours before, during, and after BABSCon to plan, create, and bring to fruition their ideas, dreams, and wishes. Our shared goal is to make your experience the best it can be – no matter who you are or what you look like. After all, our staff are con attendees just like you – who work to better and improve BABSCon for us all.

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Truthfully, I do very little as the chair – no – that credit goes first to our attendees, who support, attend, and bring life to BABSCon...and second, to every single one of BABSCon's staff members who work tirelessly to bring all of our shared dreams to life.

And so, with that I say, welcome! Welcome every single one of you to BABSCon 2023. I invite you with open arms to come and enjoy our little slice of life for just a few days. I invite you to go and make friends, experiences, and memories that last a lifetime.

> Your humble servant, Stephen

About Our Charity

Since 2014, Trans Lifeline has been providing community based support to the LGBTQIA+ community. Envisioning a world where trans people of all ages, ethnicities and fiscal backgrounds can have care, economic security and most of all, connection, Trans Lifeline dedicates themselves to giving anyone under the trans umbrella peer to peer support through their multiple hotline services and microgrants.

Their main hotline – run by trained volunteers under the trans and nonbinary umbrella – provides confidential support to any trans or trans questioning person, whether in crisis or not, in both the US & Canada. For those who want to support their trans loved one, Trans Lifeline also has a Family and Friends hotline that can help educate people on how to provide support to their trans loved one and trans community.

Outside of their hotline services, Trans Lifeline has given relief to the fiscally challenged members of the trans community with their Microgrant programs, covering the fees that come with wanting to update their legal documents (such as state IDs, passports, birth certificates, etc), as well as their 'Inside Advocacy' grant that gives mutual aid to trans folks that are or have been incarcerated. Partnering with other organizations, Trans Lifeline also has their Trans Migrant Partnership Program, providing direct services to trans migrants, to which they were able to distribute nearly \$41,000 dollars (disbursed in \$1000 microgrants respectively) in 2021 alone to support immigration costs, updating names and/or gender markers on said immigration documents, and legal fees during the immigration and asylum processes.

Through multiple, community based channels, Trans Lifeline is striving to bring a safer community to all who fall under the trans umbrella, advocating for those who have been wrongfully disenfranchised or discriminated against for who they are, where they come from, or what they can or can't do.

Learn more at TransLifeline.org



To Further Support Our Charity, be sure to stop by the Charity Auction! Sun. 2:00-4:30pm, Mane Hall

Come see Charity in the Sequoia B Room on the Atrium level for Charity Donations and our Silent Auction! We will be accepting Donations on Friday and Saturday!



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Our Code of Conduct

By purchasing a badge to BABSCon 2023 and participating in this event, you are agreeing to follow the rules outlined here and on our website.

General Rules

Please be respectful to Attendees, Guests of Honor, Community Guests, Cosplayers, Musicians, Press, Hyatt Regency SFO Staff, and Convention Staff.

BABSCon is a convention suitable for all ages. As such, excessive use of profanity is prohibited in convention areas.

Appropriate clothing, as defined in our General Dress Code, must be worn while in public areas. In other words: naked is not a costume.

Smoking of tobacco products, use of e-cigarettes, and use of other vapor producing devices are allowed only in designated smoking areas.

Public consumption of alcohol is prohibited outside of designated areas on Hyatt Regency SFO grounds.

All Hyatt Regency SFO Policies, Burlingame Ordinances, California State Laws, and Federal Laws of The United States of America must be adhered to at all times.

Partaking of Medical and Recreational Service Animals Marijuana is allowed only in the designated smoking areas by Hyatt Regency SFO Policy.

Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied at all times by a parent or legal guardian.

While the majority of BABSCon's events and panels are suitable for all ages, access to some events and panels may be restricted due to content or other considerations. All attendees present at a limited access event or panel must meet admittance requirements.

Failure to comply will result in the attendee being removed from the event.

Service Animals and Emotional Support Animals are not pets, they are working animals. Therefore, there are some simple Rules of Conduct that we expect our attendees to follow:

Please do not pet, call, reach for, offer treats to, or otherwise distract these working animals.

If you wish to compliment the handler on their animal, please direct the compliment to the handler, and not to the animal.

Please remind your Foals, and Friends, that these animals are working. No matter how cute they are; these working animals are not available to be interacted with, unless the handler gives the initial offer.

Have any questions or concerns?

Con Ops can be reached by phone at 321-BABSCON (321 - 222 - 7266)

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Vendors

Friday

Sponsors: 10:30-11am General 11am-6pm

DO	S.Bombard Art
DI	fannytastical and Rocket-
	LawnChair
D2	EMB Media LLC
D3	Haywaiian Horse Productions
El	Mme. Huffen-Bustle's Steam Couture
E2	Viw's Art
E3	Corey's Corner
E4	Retro Virus Witches
E5	Sky Railroad
E6	My Little Ties
E7	Screwy Embroidery
F1	Gobiraptor
F2	TheRealAkiNeko
F3-4	InkKey Studios
F5-6	Sophie Scruggs Art
G1-2	Lucky Pony Tattoo
G3	Luximus
G4-5	more than one tree
НО	Lytlethelemur
HI	Dawnfire's Art
H2-3	Twisted-Sketch
H4	CaliCreature
H5	Limeythecheetah
H6	Moonbeam Designs
H7	Way2Weird Productions LLC
H8	Mad Munchkin Art
H9	Techycutie
H10	Red Palette Art

H11 Ponies by RubioWolf

Hours of Operation: Saturday

Sponsors: 9:30-10am General 10am-6pm

Sunday

Sponsors: 9:30-10am General 10am-3:30pm

H12	Thom Zahler
H13	
H14	Tony Fleecs
H15	justynegurleyart
	Baron Engel
H16	Violet Rose Stitches & Sews
H17-18	Boiler3 & Sweet Cream
H19	Taurson's Cafe
H20-21	Sugar Star Designs
H22	Deirdre's Dabbles
H23	RimiPlushies
H24	Hibiscus Stitch
H25-26	MidnightPremiere
H27-28	CosmicKeyframe Productions
Hoo	Rabbitasaur Creatives
J1-2	Choco Pony Flags and Art
J3	Variety Custom Guitars
J4	Lightning Bliss
J5	Epic Loot
J6-7	Waffle Wishes
K1	Darth Rush Custom Arts
K2	Gleamy Dreams
K3	Shottsy Arts LLC
LI	Wintre Arts
L2	SoftPauxs
L3	Ponyfinder
L4	Haphazard Hatters
L5-6	FristART
	Guest of Honor
	Community Guest



After Dark Vendors

Hours of Operation: Friday & Saturday Sponsors: 9:30-10pm General 10pm-12am

- Al Deirdre's Dabbles
- A2-3 Choco Pony Flags and Art
- A4 InkKey Studios
- A5 Viw's Art
- A6 Boiler3 & Sweetcream
- A7 Limey
- A8 Plum Wine Crafts
- A9 Kyokimute
- A10 Sky Railroad
- All RatofDrawn
- Al2 Bed Bound & Beyond

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- B7-8 Twisted-Sketch

Katrina Salisbury Yona the Yak

In addition to voicing the most excitable of the Student Six, Yona the Yak, on My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic, Katrina Salisbury has used her considerable talents for characters including Nico Niyama on Kiznaiver, Inmate 43B Subterranean Summer, on Tooth and Tail, and Angela on Tobot.



Sarah-Nicole Robles Luz Noceda

Sarah-Nicole Robles got her BFA in Acting at Carnegie Mellon before moving to LA. She is currently voicing Luz Noceda for Disney's The Owl House. She can also be heard on Nickelodeon's Billy Dilley's Super-Duper Dreamworks' Boss Baby: Back in Business, Disney's Star Darlings (developed and story-edited by MLP's own Amy Keating Rogers!), incarnations and accompanying and Olaf's Frozen Adventure. On camera she can also be seen on episodes of NCIS LA and Grey's Anatomy.



Charlotte Fullerton Writer

Charlotte (Fullerton) McDuffie is a Writer who is beloved by MLP fans for her episodes of Hasbro's My Little Pony: Friendship Is Magic, especially her Emmynominated song, "May the Best Pet Win!" She is also well-known for her many contributions to Cartoon Network's enormously successful Ben 10 franchise, as a Writer of its multiple TV series' videogames, chapter books, and comics.

G.M. Berrow Writer

Gillian "GM" Berrow has been a fixture of the My Little Pony world since early in Generation 4, during which she wrote almost all the chapter books, plus writing several episodes of Friendship is Magic, Equestria Girls, and Pony Life (the last of which she also story edited).But she's really upped her game in Generation 5 by co-writing the screenplay for the movie, A New Generation, and developing the MLP Make Your Mark series for Netflix. She's also written for Lauren Faust's DC Super Hero Girls, Rescue Heroes, and more!



Autograph Hours for Katrina, Sarah-Nicole, Charlotte, and G.M.: Friday: 4-6pm

Saturday: 4:30-6pm Sunday: 1-2:30pm Located in Cypress C on the Atrium Level





Tony Fleecs IDW Comic Artist

Tony Fleecs is a prolific and critically-acclaimed writer whose work has sold hundreds of thousands of copies in the United States and has been translated and reprinted all over the world. We know him for his work on all the IDW My Little Pony titles, but writer outside them as well. his creator-owned books include Stray Dogs, Local Man, Time Shopper, and Jeff Steinberg: Champion of Earth. You've also seen Tony's art on some of your favorite titles like Star Wars, Rick & Morty, Avengers, Spider-Man, Batman, TMNT, and Transformers.

Thom Zahler **IDW Comic Artist**

While we all know Thom Zahler for bringing back Flutterbat, turning the Mane Six evil, and chronicling the Pinkie & Cheese love story in the IDW My Little Pony comics, he's a prolific comic book creator and animation He created the Harvey and Ringo award-nominated Love and Capes (recently with new volumes "Home for the Holidays" and "In the Time of Covid"), Cupid's Arrows, Warning Label, Long Distance, and the time-traveling wine comic Time and Vine. He's also written for Disney XD's Ultimate Spider-Man and Knights of the Zodiac.

Come find Tony and Thom in the Vendor Hall at tables H12 and H13!





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Community Guests



Aki Neko

Voltie

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CosmicKeyframe Productions

Gabe Gentile



Krisstofer O'Brien



NEIGHhem 2023 Saturday

<u>Friday</u>

MelodyBrony7:00-7:40pm
BlackenedBlue
Pinkaboo
Namii
BlueBrony 9:30-10:10pm
Vale & FLO10:15-10:40
Rock Fox10:45-11:40
Vinyltastic 11:45-12:25
MCMIAG 12:30-1:15

PrinceWhateverer	.7:00-7:55pm
Pinkaboo	.8:00-8:15pm
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SOUND BANDIT	8:45-9:25pm
Коа	.9:30-10:25pm
ТСВ	-10:30-11:10
Eurobeat Brony	11:15-12:10
John Kenza	12:15-1:15



Special Events

TICKETED EVENTS

Galloping at the Gala 101

Friday, 6:00pm - 7:00pm, Special Events Room Price: \$10

For BABSCon 2023, we would like to present a workshop intro to Social Dance. The instructor for this workshop will be Firewing from the Martial Bronies, a college junior working on a Minor in Ballroom Dance and Garlictato, a 10-year ballet veteran with 3 years of professional experience in the field. Attendees will have the opportunity to get a mild workout while learning the basics of a social ballroom dance style and enjoy a friendly social activity. No prior dance experience is required for this workshop at all. Bring your special somepony and learn something together or come on your own for a good time.

The workshop will be a roughly one-hour event where attendees will be taught the basics of East Coast Swing, a casual and versatile ballroom dance that can be applied to most upbeat songs with a four count beat.

Martial Brony Workshop

Sunday, 1pm-2pm, Special Events Room Price: \$20

Join the Martial Bronies in a hooves-on martial art workshop! Get a good workout, learn some cool moves, and enjoy a social occasion. No martial art experience required!

PAINTING AND PONIES

Sunday, 4:30pm-6pm, Special Events Room Price: \$25

In this ticketed guided painting session, community guest CosmicKeyframe, joined by IDW Cover Artist Sophie Scruggs, will guide participants in a hands-on acrylic painting class, teaching simple but effective methods to create a wonderful painting based on our convention's wonderful theme! All supplies (paint, brushes, easels, and canvas) are provided, as well as snacks and drinks. You get to learn a new relaxing hobby, and get to come home with your own one of a kind con memory!



Mare Fair 2023 presented by Weedhorse Friday and Saturday, 9pm-1am They may be crude, but they're not tasteless! A party themed around the fandom's newest convention - Mare Fair. An excited atmosphere with yummy booze infused slushies, snacks, and music. MARESMARESMARES. Room 2070



Friday and Saturday, 10pm-1am After you've rocked your socks off at NEIGHHEM come and join The Musicians for a drink in our Musician themed Party Room.

Room 2079



Imperial Star Empire of Alameda & Contra Costa County

Friday and Saturday, 10pm-1am Dreams, nightmares, and memories all mingle and mix. Come frolic and mix with the denizens of these realms. Enjoy the bevy of nourishment and refreshments they offer. Who knows? You may answer the riddles correctly and take something of value home with you.

Room 2096

ROOM PARTIES

Klingon Black Hole

THE Black Hole - A Klingon Recreational Outpost

Friday and Saturday, 8pm-1am Today is a good day to drink! If you little ponies think you're tough enough to go hoofto-toe with a battle-hardened warrior, come meet the crew of the IKV Bloodlust & Midnight Dagger at "THE Black Hole - A Klingon Recreational Outpost." Room 2063



Friday and Saturday, 10pm-1am WEST COAST REPRESENT! Our pals from EFNW are hosting a chill and open room party for everypony to stop by and have some fun. Come through and have a drink with a con that knows how to party. Room 2080



Berrytube

Friday and Saturday, 9pm-1am The Bar at the edge of the fandom. Ponies, Booze, and Friends.

Room 2062



Old Good; New Bad Friday and Saturday, 8pm-1am Do you remember? Babscon remembers. Menu by Ike Room 2071

Friday Schedule

Opening Ceremonies

11:00am-1:00pm, Mane Hall

Learn To Play

12:00pm-1:00pm, Copper Chip's CCG Learn to play the official Collectible Card Game, and get a prize just for participating (while supplies last)! No prior gaming experience needed! It takes about 20 minutes, so stop by! Foals welcome, but age 6+ recommended.

ROM Hacks and Homebrew Showcase

12:00pm-3:00pm, Button's Arcade They're your favorite games, but with a twist! From Smash 64 with more characters and stages, to Shadow in Sonic 1, to ponies jumpin' and shootin' like Mega Man! Come have a look at the games that add some extra spice to our collection! All on original hardware with no emulation!

How to Play: Ticket to Ride

12:30pm-1:30pm, Trixie's Tabletop

Behind the Actor's Stable

1:00pm-2:00pm, Mane Hall Join Katrina Salisbury and community legend Dustykatt for a classical interview in which they will run through questions great and small, silly and serious, and more!

How To Make Friends at Pony Cons

1:00pm-2:00pm, Solar Hall

Pony cons are great! But, alas, ever so short. Make the magic live on all year long with new friends~ This is a meet 'n' greet and a presentation to make sure everyone is making magic happen all con long!

Pony Show Trivia

1:00pm-2:30pm, Hall of Magic Grab some friends and test your knowledge of pony! Each round will have a theme and consist of ten questions, from Friendship is Magic; G5, comics, Equestria Girls, fanmade content, and other non-canonical material will not be covered. Co-hosted with Krystal Sparkle.

ACLP Films' SFM Animation 101

1:30pm-2:30pm, Lunar Hall

AC, the Animator of ACLP Films, will present you with how editing pony videos on Source Filmmaker helps the brony community. This panel talks about how to use Source Filmmaker (SFM) and how you can animate and render it to show the world your talents and skills.

Community Guest Hangout

2:00pm-4:00pm, Renegade Stage Artists, animators, cosplayers, and Klingons. Come say hi to our community guests, snag a few pictures, and get the lowdown on all the cool events they have planned for the con.

Adventure Pauper

2:00pm-5:00pm, Copper Chip's CCG Sick of getting hit with the Staff of Sacanas and BLuna breathing down your neck? Bring a deck with no Rares, Super-Rares or Ultra-Rare cards and join us for this pauper tournament for the common and uncommon pony! Adventure format otherwise. This will be run as a Tier 1 event; Tournament Floor rules will be in effect. Prizes will be awarded based on match record. \$5 entry fee.

Drawing4Exposure: Now in Technicolor

2:30pm-4:00pm, Mane Hall The ultimate face-off continues. The audience will show no mercy. Join Tony Fleecs, Thom Zahler, ChocoPony, Trees, and MidPrem as we face our greatest artistic challenge yet: Free requests.

MLP Discord Jelly Bean Challenge

3:00pm-4:00pm, Lunar Hall

A game where guests from the audience eat jelly beans that have a 50/50 chance of being either something tasty or something nasty. First place and second place both get a prize! Hosted by Watchponies.

EG Studios Animation Showcase

3:00pm-4:00pm, Solar Hall Join EG Studios as he showcases world

premiere future animation content and behind the scenes footage of the process. He will also show exclusive content of upcoming releases including discussions of a passion project he's been secretly developing since 2017.

Pinkie's Circus School

3:00pm-4:00pm, Hall of Magic Come learn circus skills with Circus James. The west coast's #1 (and only) MLP convention circus arts instructor. You can learn scarf juggling, feather balancing, contact juggling, plate spinning, and bean bag juggling. Along with hearing stories about what it's like working for a circus. All levels of skill are welcome!

How to Play: Trogdor

4:00-5:00pm, Trixie's Tabletop

Galloping at the Gala 101

4:00pm-5:00pm, Special Events Room The workshop will be a roughly one-hour event where attendees will be taught the basics of East Coast Swing. See the Special Events Page for more information.

Cosplay Chess

4:30pm-6:00pm, Lunar Hall

Do you have a cosplay and wanna have some fun? Then this is for you! Cosplay Chess is when a large group of cosplayers (32 max) form two teams and then act as chess pieces on a giant board on the floor directed by a team captain, Princess Deadpool or Looney Turtle. The two captains will strategize and the pieces will battle for glory on the board!

Martial Bronies: Generations

4:30pm-5:30pm, Hall of Magic Martial Bronies returns for BABSCon 2023. The last few years have been hard for the fandom with the end of the fourth generation of MLP, the mixed reception of the fifth generation, and a pandemic that placed the convention scene on hiatus. Join us in a conversation about why that is and what we can do about it. Live exhibition included!

Pinkie's Party Games Night

5:00pm-11:00pm, Button's Arcade It's an extravaganza of games capable of hosting 4 or more players each! We even have a LAN setup for Mario Kart Double Dash! Grab as many friends as you can! The more, the merrier!

Friday Schedule, cont.

Crack Memory!

4:30pm-5:30pm, Solar Hall

Do you know ponies? Do you have a CRACK memory? You don't know what that means? Well, you'll find out all three at this interactive game show! Three contestants get randomly selected from the audience and have to draw three characters from everyone's favorite horse program for a chance at fantastic prizes! Time gets shorter and shorter each round, so there is chaos to be had for some amazing prizes! Drawing skills are NOT required, but a cracked memory is!

Open Play & Trade

5:30pm-8:00pm, Copper Chip's CCG

GM Berrow: From Book to Script!

5:30pm-6:30pm, Solar Hall GM Berrow is a veteran amongst the pony world and today is your day to learn about her technicolor journey through the Generation 4 books all the way to telling her tales in The Next Generation! Hosted by CosmicKeyframe, GM will have some stories you don't want to miss!

Do You Wanna Voice Act?

6:00pm-7:00pm, Hall of Magic Have you always wondered how it is to voice act like the ponies we know and love but never knew where to start? This will be a panel for those that have never tried voice acting before. So, bring a friend and grab your phone to take notes! There will be equipment advice and dos and don'ts to help you get started!

Cons Before and After Bronies - 80 Years of Convention History

6:30pm-7:30pm, Lunar Hall

The fan convention scene can be traced back to the late 1930s which laid the template for the brony cons of the modern era. But did you know the brony fandom also made big strides in how modern cons changed? Join us for a look at over 80 years of sci-fi, comic, anime, and furry cons, at their room parties and their evolution, leading up to the first BronyCon through to the virtual cons of the pandemic era.

How to Play: Prance 6:30pm-8:30pm, Trixie's Tabletop

Barnyard Rumble at BABS Preliminaries

7:00pm-10:00pm, Button's Arcade It's BABSCon's annual Them's Fightin' Herds Tournament! Compete for prizes, glory, and a chance to compete in the finals on the main stage of the con this Sunday afternoon! The winner gets a trophy. Yes, really.

NEIGHhem

7:00pm-3:00am, Mane Hall See the NEIGHhem Page for more information.

Blending Into the Background: Being a Background Artist in Animation

7:30pm-8:30pm, Solar Hall One of the unsung heroes of the animation world is being in the background -- or, making the background, rather. Join Helluva Boss artist Justyne Gurley as they talk about the trials and tribulations of being a freelance artist, from art school to working for one of the biggest independent animated series on Youtube!

Equestria at War

8:30pm-10:00pm, Lunar Hall Equestria at War is a mod for the game Hearts of Iron IV. Centered around the Great War - a conflict between the changeling army of Queen Chrysalis and the Equestrians under Princess Celestia. We'll be going through the basics of the mod as well as an inside look into unreleased content.

How to Play: Red Dragon Inn

8:30pm-11:00pm, Trixie's Tabletop

Cube Draft

8:30pm-11:30pm, Copper Chip's CCG Made famous by I8Pages, this event is just like booster draft, but with a carefully curated set of cards instead of packs; no constructed deck needed! 35-minute Swiss rounds. This will be run as a Tier 1 event; Tournament Floor Rules will be in effect. All necessary materials will be provided. Free entry.

Toasty Writers (18+)

8:30pm-10:00pm, Hall of Magic In which our writer Guests of Honor get a little "toasty" and tell wild, outrageous, and embarrassing stories from their lives. This panel is always bonkers and always full so get there early! No recording or photos, 18+ only.

Kintsugi: Unicycling with Bling

9:00pm-10:00pm, Solar Hall

When something gets broken, why hide it? Celebrate an item's history with the art of golden joinery that is Kintsugi! Join Silver Quill for a look at an art form that takes the broken and makes it something new and special.

"Borny Dating" (18+)

10:30pm-11:30pm, Hall of Magic A discussion of everyone's two favorite subjects within the brony community. Come see the comedic wisdom of the dynamics of dating within the brony community and how you can find that special somepony.

Horse Famous: After Dark (18+)

10:30pm-12:00am, Lunar Hall Join some of the fandom's silliest pony folk for some late night Q&A where they can talk about subjects that are off limits while the fillies are up. Naughty words and cider inbound! Horse emoji. Fire emoji. Eggplant emoji.

Epic or Cringe (18+)

10:30pm-11:30pm, Solar Hall Is it epic or is it cringe? We rate moments in Brony history to determine if it's Epic or Cringe. Prepare for trouble, and make it double. A Brony meme review.

Friday Night Toonami

11:00pm-1:00am, Button's Arcade Are you ready to go back to your childhood weeknights? Button's Arcade will be screening classic anime and action cartoons, cheesy English dubs and all.

Mares! (18+)

Saturday, 12:00am-1:00am, Hall of Magic This is the panel where we discuss mares. All mares are welcome. Defend or promote your mare. We know mares. Enjoy the mares.

Use Your Words with Taylor & Co. (+18)

Saturday, 12am-1:30am, Solar Hall Get ready to play the sister version of Jackbox "Use Your Words" with Taylor and his crew for an after dark session. From quoting movie subtitles, newspaper headlines and filling in the blank answers that are sure to give you a good laugh. Come join in the craziness with this bunch. Friday Schedule Special

Mane Hall (Grand ABCD)	Solar Hall (Grand F)	Lunar Hall (Grand E)	Hall of Magic (Grand G)	Special Events Vendor H (Boardroom (Regency IV) ABC)	alls	Autographs (Cypress C)	Button's Arcade (Sequoia A)	Copper Chip's CCG (Sandpebble (AB)	Trixie's Cutie Mark Tabletop Clubhouse (Sandpebble (Sandpebble Renegade CD) E) (Cypress A)	Cutie Mark Clubhouse (Sandpebble E)	_	Room Parties (Floor 2
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Saturday Schedule

Saturday Morning Cartoons!

9:00am-10:30am, Mane Hall

It's 9:00 AM on a Saturday. You're sitting in front of the tube, pajamas on, and a bowl of cereal at the ready. It's time to catch up on the latest adventures of your childhood idols. Want to feel like a kid again? Then join us in the Mane Hall for 90 minutes of classic cartoons.

Pony Archival & You

10:00*am*-11:00*am*, Hall of Magic Come learn about the importance of saving the crystal ponies with their history. A panel that takes an increasingly deeper dive into preserving fandom history, media, and what you can do to help. Come and save some ponies!

Ponyville Schoolhouse

10:00am-11:00am, Lunar Hall Welcome to the Ponyville Schoolhouse! Today we will be doing a Q&A to get to know all of us students of the Ponyville Schoolhouse. As you know, I, Diamond Tiara, am the greatest of all, along with my bestie Silverspoon! We will also be doing some activities. some games and win some prizes! Stay tuned at the end of this panel, there will be a raffle!

Animation Across Equestria

10:00*am*-11:00*am*, Solar Hall Come and join the fun! In this panel, we will be featuring brony animators of all different kinds! Big, small, and popular, they are all welcome to show their works, answer your questions, and maybe even show off some sneak peeks! This is a rare opportunity to interact with some of the talented artists in the MLP fandom, so don't miss out!

Team Sealed

10:00*am*-11:00*am*, Copper Chips' CCG Bring two friends or make two new ones in this semi-cooperative event where each team of three players gets 16 packs to build three decks, then splits up to play one-on-one against another team of three players. This will be run as a Tier 1 event; Tournament Floor rules will be in effect. Prizes will be awarded based on match record. \$20 entry fee per player.

How Comic Books Are REALLY Made!

11:00am-12:00pm, Mane Hall

"Our amazing comic pairing of Tony Fleecs & Thom Zahler are joined by Dustykatt for an hour long discussion of the process of making...drumroll please...COMICS! Come learn about comics from start to finish!"

My Little Pony Meets AI: A Look at the Intersection of AI and Fandom

11:30am-12:30pm, Lunar Hall Join us for a discussion of the intersection of AI and the My Little Pony fandom. We will cover the history of AI-generated pony content, from early text-to-speech and image generation projects to the recent interest in models like Stable Diffusion. We will provide an overview of how these models work and will discuss the legal and ethical implications of this technology.

Guest of Honor Sponsor Luncheon 11:30am-1:30pm, Atrium

Friendship Across the Language Barrier: ESL in the MLP Brony Fandom

11:30am-12:30pm, Hall of Magic Host LunaBrony, the CEO of 'Las Noticias MLP' and other guests are here to highlight Spanish language MLP content and what it's like to be ESL (English as a Second Language) in the fandom. Come swap stories and discover a whole new world of pony!

How to Play: Battle for Greyport

12:00pm-1:00pm, Trixie's Tabletop

Cosplay Walk

12:00pm-1:30pm, Mane Hall Feeling cute? Come strut your stuff on Mane Stage for the 2023 Babscon Cosplay Walk. Hosted by Step2Harmony.

PonyTube: New Faces of Content Creators 12:30pm-1:30pm

This panel features the new faces of My Little Pony YouTubers that have entered the scene. Join as they detail their various experiences when building a YouTube channel in the modern MLP fandom, and offer great advice for those who want to start and expand their own channels (Q&A to follow). Be sure to come and ask any questions you have, too!

That OTHER Mario Movie

1:00pm-3:00pm, Button's Arcade Why go to the theater to watch that new Mario Bros movie, when you can join us in Button's Arcade to experience the original in all its 1993 Dennis Hopper as Bowser glory?

Pony Suiting

1:00pm-2:00pm, Hall of Magic Pony Suiting or How I Learned To Stay Warm. Ever had a question for a pony suiter? Want to find out exactly how much fun it is? Just want to meet pony suiters? Come on down and step on up!

Sarah-Nicole Robles: Talk to the Glyph, Witch!

1:30pm-2:30pm, Mane Hall Join the official voice of Luz and learn about the ins and outs of voice acting, the journey from Boss Baby to Owl House, and how to train your demon.

Cons & Co. Across The Pond!

1:30pm-3:00pm, Lunar Hall Curious to how conventions are on the other side of the world, and what they have to offer? Then, join Flitterkriz, as she tells you all about international pony conventions!

Cosplay Basics

2:00pm-3:00pm, Solar Hall

Do you cosplay? Do you want to cosplay but don't know where to start? Come pick our brains as we info dump everything we have learned in our decade plus of cosplaying! Ask us any questions you may have or bring your own knowledge to the table and maybe teach us something! Makeup, wig, crafting, budget tips and more!

Plushie Meetup

2:00pm-3:30pm, Renegade Stage

The ULTIMATE Pony Watcher

2:30pm-3:30pm, Hall of Magic A quiz show that has guests from the convention compete in an "everyone vs the quiz" style show where you have to answer increasingly difficult questions about MLP Trivia. With a last-one-standing winner and a prize.

Saturday Schedule, cont.

Adventure Main Event

3:00pm-7:00pm, Copper Chip's CCG Adventure may be the newest format, but the The age old debates: Did Flim or Flam do competition is intense: with cards from Equestrian Odysseys and newer sets legal for play, it's anypony's game! Bring your best constructed deck and face the competition! This will be run as a Tier 1 event; Tournament Prizes will be awarded based on match record. \$5 entry fee.

BABSCon 2023 Martial Hoovesdown 3:30-pm-4:30pm, Mane Hall

Witness a 'friendly bout' between two expert brony combatants with fight analysis by KataH epetai-Heck'Ler the Klingon Warrior, shout-ing by Yona the Yak, and MCing by resident cool kid Cosmic Keyframe.

How to Play: Trogdor

4:00pm-5:00pm, Trixie's Tabletop

SETTLE IT AT BABS!! Preliminaries

4:00pm-8:00pm, Button's Arcade It's BABSCon's annual Super Smash Bros Ultimate Tournament! Think you have what it takes to be the 7th different champion? Settle the score! The finalists will compete on the main stage of the con on Sunday afternoon!

Tell Your Tale with Taylor & Co 4:00pm-4:30pm, Hall of Magic

Villain Reformations Anonymous

4:30pm-5:30pm, Solar Hall Hi, my name is...and I am a villain. Hundreds of MLP villains (allegedly) have visited Equestria's Villain Reformations Anonymous seeking to end their evil ways. And we need your help! This interactive panel uses silly word games and audience roleplaying to help guide your favorite pony villains on the path to reformation!

PAINTING AND PONIES - TICKETED PAINTING EXPERIENCE

4:30-6:00pm, Special Events Room In this ticketed guided painting session, community guest CosmicKeyframe, joined by IDW Cover Artist Sophie Scruggs, will guide participants in a hands-on acrylic painting class!

See the Special Events Page for more information.

Smash or Pass Debate Club (18+)

6:00pm-7:00pm, Lunar Hall

anything wrong, who is best pony, and the biggest question: Smash, or Pass? In this after dark experience, audience members will be selected as our debate club members, and will have to make their cases for their audience submitted smash or pass subjects. Our fellow "debate club members" will decide which side reigns supreme! Who will be on the chopping block? It's after dark baby, we're gonna get rude and crude!

After the Fact Live! The Cutie Mark Chronicles

6:00pm-7:00pm, Hall of Magic It's the story of how each member of the Mane Six earned their cutie mark and how a bond formed between future heroines. Join Silver Quill for a look at each pony's journey of self-discovery and how they relate to the concept of the Hero's Journey. Q&A to follow the presentation with plenty of ridiculousness along the way!

Creating Transformative Arts

6:30pm-7:30pm, Solar Hall

Creating transformative fanwork not only helps you legally, but part of a long cultural heritage. Learn the history of fanfiction, philosophies of writers like Alan Moore and Michael Moorcock, legal cases involving publishing fanfiction, why throughout history creating such works has given birth to new genres, and tips for improving your own fanworks.

How to Play: Red Dragon Inn

6:30pm-8:30pm, Trixie's Tabletop

NEIGHhem

7:00pm-3:00am, Mane Hall See the NEIGHhem Page for more information.

The Owl House Finale: Viewing & Q&A w/ Sarah Nicole-Robles

7:00pm-8:30pm, Renegade Stage All great things must come to an end, but we can at least all share it together! Join Sarah Nicole-Robles for the series finale of "The Owl House", followed by a Q&A** with Sarah herself!

**Crying is not a question

The Importance of Staying Creative

8:00pm-9:00pm, Solar Hall

How important is creativity not just in the MLP fandom but in everyday life? In this Panel, Mad Munchkin chats about how important it is to 'stay creative' in everything you do, and that even if you don't think you are a creative person, you are actually always creating without even realizing it. Come along and discuss the topic of creativity and how important it is to you!

Survival Horror Night

8:00pm-10:00pm, Button's Arcade Turn down the lights and turn up the chills and thrills! Survival Horror Games make their triumphant and ghoulish return to Button's Arcade! Featuring timeless classics, indie hits, and even a functioning PokéPasta cartridge on original hardware!

Drawing4Exposure

8:30pm-10:00pm, Lunar Hall A panel of starving artists. A bloodthirsty crowd. Free requests... MidnightPremiere and the Dootz Crew challenge the audience in a desperate battle of wills! Participation will guarantee you the chance to win art!

My Little Dating Game (18+)

8:30pm-10:00pm, Hall of Magic Hello new students, welcome to Harmony Academy! You've just started your semester and quickly someone catches your eye, you want to try and win their heart, but you don't know how. Well lucky for you, you can compete for their love in the My Little Dating Game! Do you have what it takes to win your special somepony's affection, or will it be stolen by another?

Late Night Community Guest Twilight Sparkle's Secret Shipfic Folder (18+) 8:30pm-11pm, Trixie's Tabletop

Jackbox After Dark with Taylor and Friends (18+)

10:00pm-12:00am, Button's Arcade Everyone loves a good game of Jackbox late at night during a convention; what happens when you put eight people with eight different personalities together in one room? It's sure to be a good time. Come join Taylor and his crew for some fun and craziness!

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Saturday/Sunday Schedule

Sketchbook Swap

10:30pm-11:30pm, Lunar Hall Prepare your sketchbook and pencil, print out your OC references, and be prepared to draw and trade with our artist community! Featuring commentary by Taurson, Baron Engel, and MidnightPremiere.

Las Pegasus Unicon: An Earthy Misadventure

10:30pm-11:30pm, Hall of Magic Join in for a 10th anniversary special for the 'Best. Con. Ever.' I'll be sharing my experiences as an attendee-turned-volunteer during one of the most controversial weekends we've had as a fandom.

Dressed to Confess: Cosplay Stories (18+)

11:00pm-12:00am, Solar Hall Have a story to tell as a cosplayer? A moment that changed your entire convention? Want to share it with others? Now is your chance so come on over to Cosplay Stories!

Anything Goes - Drawing From a Hat (GONE WILD)

Sunday, 12:00am-1:00am, Lunar Hall It has been a long day, now it's time to PLAY! Join CosmicKeyframe and other brony artists as we're given terrible ideas to make even more terrible drawings!

My Little Match Game (+18)

Sunday, 12:00am-1:00am, Hall of Magic A classic game show from the early 70's and 80's "Match Game" is getting ponified where contestants must match panelists answers exactly, it's after hours so expect the unexpected when it comes to fun and a bit over the edge answers from our group of stars from the fandom.

Sunday

Brony Church: Easter Mass

10:00*am*-11:00*am*, Mane Hall Ever wonder why adults watch My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic? Why a convention of us would still gather after 10 years? Do you need to understand why you yourself watch a show intended for girls ages 6-10? Let's talk about it!

Top Cut

10:00am-11:00am, Copper Chip's CCG Watch as the top placing players from the Swiss rounds square off in longer, best-ofthree matches, and only the winner advances! Participation by invitation; spectators always welcome!

Art of the Dress

11:00am-12:00pm, Mane Hall Don't you know a sketch in time saves nine? Join our classically trained artists Baron Engel, ChocoPony, Justyne Gurley, and MidnightPremiere as they take on still life drawing challenges. Bring a sketchbook or volunteer to be our model! Featuring Cosplay Guests Step2Harmony and Princess Cadance.

Brony Twitch Streaming 101

11:00am-12:00pm, Solar Hall Are you wanting to become a Brony Twitch streamer? Do you want to broadcast your amazing content to viewers online? Then this panel is for you! This panel will be about how to engage with viewers, use overlays, use equipment, etc. We will also answer questions regarding streaming content.

SFM Ponies Nostalgia

11:00am-12:30pm, Hall of Magic Come on in to chill and have the positive vibes and watch some of the random oldest and most notable SFM Ponies animations that were made by the legendary SFM animators from the year that Source Filmmaker added the SFM pony models. All SFM Ponies videos from 2013 to the present.

Easter Egg Hunt

11:30am-12:00pm, Atrium Why are we doing this? It's Easter, of course! You have to find ALL the eggs.

Ponies and Music with Charlotte Fullerton

11:30am-12:30pm, Lunar Hall Ever wanted to write an Emmy-worthy song? Join writer Charlotte Fullerton for a discussion on a writing career, the dynamics of a fun episode, and writing music for My Little Pony.

Tournament: Red Dragon Inn

11:30am-2:00pm, Trixie's Tabletop

The Mane Event (Smash and Them's Fightin' Herds Tournament Finals)

12:30pm-1:30pm, Mane Hall

The finalists of the Them's Fightin' Herds and Smash Ultimate tournaments duke it out one last time on the main stage to see who will take home the gold! Four contenders enter, but only two will hoist the trophies!

I Need Answers

12:30pm-1:30pm, Solar Hall Compete in pony trivia for prizes! Use your personal mobile device to respond to a variety of questions in this interactive panel.

Martial Bronies Workshop

1:00pm-2:00pm, Special Events Room Join the Martial Bronies in a hooves-on martial art workshop! Get a good workout, learn some cool moves, and enjoy a social occasion. No martial art experience required!

See the Special Events Page for more information.

Pony Mad Libs

1:00pm-2:00pm, Lunar Hall Let's play the fill in the blank short story game, Mad Libs! However there will be a twist. The paragraphs are about a pony, written by yours truly

Pony Life is Magic

1:00pm-2:00pm, Hall of Magic It's time for a good ol' friendly riff session with Taylor and some very close friends as they take you on a journey into the realm that is known as "Pony Life." Come on by, watch a few episodes, and have a few laughs along the way!

Charity Auction

2:00pm-4:30pm, Mane Hall Join DustyKatt & CosmicKeyframe on Mane Stage, as they auction off items generously donated by your fellow attendees (and our honorable guests) to raise money for this years charity: TransLifeline! -- Check our charity page for details!

Closing Ceremonies

5:00pm-6:30pm, Mane Hall





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With the community's help and support, we managed to raise enough funds to regain a strong footing for the new year. We look forward to putting on another strong year as your Bay Area Brony Convention!

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