

Sin City Anime Masquerade Rules

Registration Rules

1. Fill out the Cosplay Masquerade Application with all the requested information. Please complete as best as possible. If you have your audio and photos ready then you may email them to officialstaff@sincityanime.com.
 - a. Message header: "your name" cosplay masquerade music
 - b. Body: either include a link to download your music, a MP3 file of the audio, or communicate with the staff email to upload to our google drive folder.
2. Masquerade check in and sound check takes place on Day 2 (Nov 19th) of Sin City Anime at 10am in the Main Events hall. The Masquerade competition will take place on the same day at 4pm.
3. No real weapons of any kind are allowed. This includes airsoft guns, paintball guns, and steel weapons. Compliance with Sin City Anime weapons policy is expected. Contestants violating this rule will be immediately disqualified, as well as any other repercussions for violating weapons policy.
4. Your audio may contain any sound you deem necessary to express your performance. It should not exceed the maximum allowed stage time of 2mins.
5. We require at least 2 photos per costume from any angle of any size and at any stage of construction. This does not count as your progress pictures when being considered for craftsmanship awards. The photos are simply to prove that the cosplay exists or that work on it has begun.
6. Each entry may only appear on stage one time. Each person may only participate in one entry.
7. Each entry is limited to a maximum of 10 cosplayers per group. Aids, escorts and stage-ninjas do not count towards the group maximum but should not outnumber the group entry.

Costume Rules

1. Costumes may be from any anime, manga, comic, graphic novel or video game. Cross-overs and mixed genres are also permissible.
2. All costumes and props must be made by at least one member of the group to qualify for craftsmanship judging. Commercially acquired costume sets are still eligible for performance awards but not eligible for craftsmanship awards. Found, salvaged or heavily altered costumes and props can still be eligible for craftsmanship judging.

3. All props must conform to standard Sin City Anime Weapons Policy in the Terms and Conditions. Limited exceptions can be provided in extreme cases such as large mechas, multi-person costumes or excessively large props.
4. Costumes should be self-contained and self-sufficient. Connections to electrical sockets will not be available. Some bulky costumes will require an aid to move or see so please secure your own escort if this is indeed the case.
5. Costumes that have previously won awards from a major convention or costume contest are discouraged from entering and applications may be denied by the discretion of the Masquerade Hosts and organizers.

Performance rules

1. All Masquerade content must comply with the Sin City Anime Terms and Conditions, Las Vegas ordinances, and should not exceed the PG-13 rating. In addition to these basic guidelines, swearing and depiction of sexual acts is forbidden. Bleeps or other forms of censoring are acceptable.
2. All performances may not exceed 2 minutes. The MC narration or introduction will not count towards the performance time.
3. Microphones will not be provided on stage for contestants to use. Any audio must be pre recorded.
4. Any presentations with stunts, extreme or shocking performances must be approved by the department manager and assistant manager before the event. Failure to do so may result in disqualification. Email officialstaff@sincityanime.com for questions and concerns.
5. The use of flash powder, fireworks, lasers, electrical flashes or smoke machines are prohibited unless cleared by the department manager and assistant manager.
6. Do not leave debris on stage that cannot be quickly cleaned by stage hands in fewer than 10 seconds.
7. Interaction with the MC, judges or the audience is prohibited while on stage.
8. We ask that all entries with vocals in their performance have a recorded copy. The microphones are NOT for participant use.
9. All recordings must be into the Masquerade Director by November 12th, the week before the convention. We ask that these be in MP3 format PLEASE! You may send these via email to the Masquerade Director before Sin City Anime.