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CONVENTION GUIDE**



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Last year, we surprised the world by announcing and running a convention in 5 short months of prep time as other bronny conventions were ending. It wasn't easy. Thanks in large part to many of you who are now coming back for a second year, we pulled it off, and we're overjoyed to be back at the Executive Vancouver Airport Hotel to welcome every creature to the little con that hoped pony still had some spunk left in it. I think we proved, it sure does!

The tropics have always had a spot in my heart. Many years ago, I lived my lifelong dream in Honolulu, Hawaii, where I worked with bottlenose dolphins as a trainer. Living in the tropics was just a bonus; to be fair, I hated the heat! If only there were a way to have the feeling, the dress code, and the easy-going lifestyle without sweating all the time?

Our theme last year was, plainly put, "Yay, we have a con again!" This year, Vanhoover Pony Expo continues with the theme "Tropical Canada" - a wacky concept and story that we think shares the spirit of the cartoon and characters that we all are here to celebrate. Princess Apricity and Princess Poutine from our beloved predecessor, BronyCAN, join us this year to share this silly story with our mascots Sunny Showers and Trail Blazer by donning aloha shirts in the middle of the Canadian winter.

Thank you to the incredible Vanhoover Pony Expo staff, the generous Alicorn and Patron supporters, The BC Anthro Events Association, and to all of you who continue to support a Brony event in Canada, and welcome back... to "Tropical" Canada!

- Aphinity

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VISITOR'S CODE OF CONDUCT



General Rating

Attendees of Vanhoover Pony Expo (VPE) should refrain from strong language, displays of violence, inappropriate dress, and depictions of illegal or age-inappropriate behaviors, both real and fictional in all public areas of the convention. Let's keep it clean out there, ponies!



Registration

Photo ID and age validation is required upon entrance to the convention. We accept government-issued ID, such as driver's licenses, passports, health care cards, etc.

Notice: We require your legal name for correct identification; however, it is not required to be on your badge.



Lost and Found

All abandoned items should be brought to the nearest convention volunteer; items will be stored in the convention operations room during the weekend. VPE will store and safeguard all lost items until January 14th, after which these items will be given to the hotel lost and found and handled based on their policies.



Alcohol and Prohibited Substances

Alcoholic beverages purchased from hotel facilities are permitted in convention space and inside the hotel. Alcoholic beverages purchased from outside of the hotel may only be consumed in a private hotel room and not in hotel hallways, lobbies, or convention space. If you appear intoxicated, you are not permitted in convention space.

Consumption of alcohol is illegal for anyone under the age of 19. Anyone found providing alcohol to minors will be removed from the event.



Smoking

Please follow all hotel policies and local laws regarding smoking in the convention space and your hotel room. Smoking is not permitted by law in all indoor public spaces, nor within six metres of an entryway, openable window or air intake. Please smoke in designated areas only.



Media Coverage and Press

All members of the press who wish to cover VPE must check in with Registration, with credentials to verify your status, in order to receive a press pass.

VPE reserves the right to grant or deny approval for all recording requests, and may retract permissions at any time.



Minors

Attendees 11 and under receive a youth pass; they must be accompanied by a parent or designated guardian 18 and older with a paid adult badge. Attendees ages 12-17 must purchase a standard pass; those 16 and under require parental consent.

Our supervised Kids events room is available and has dedicated programming just for our young attendees & guardians. Children may be left up to 2 hours if an available waiver is signed and guardians do not leave the site and agree to be reachable.



Pets and Service Animals

In following with the hotel policy, service animals are allowed for attendees that require them. VPE asks that you leave your pets at home or in the care of someone that you can trust while you are enjoying the convention.



Photography

Cameras and video recording are allowed at most panels and spaces through VPE; however, we ask that you remain aware of your surroundings while taking photos or video.

As a courtesy to others, don't forget to ask if attendees would like to be photographed or recorded!



Public Behaviour

Disruptive or unsafe behaviour will not be tolerated in any of the convention spaces, including, but not limited to: harassment, dangerous acts towards people or property, sexual conduct, illegal activities and possession of a weapon.

Violations may result in expulsion from the convention.



Weapons and Props

For the safety of attendees and staff, restrictions on weapons and props are in place for the duration of VPE.

Props that resemble weapons must be peace-bonded and be sheathed or holstered at all times.

Full details are available at the VPE operations room.



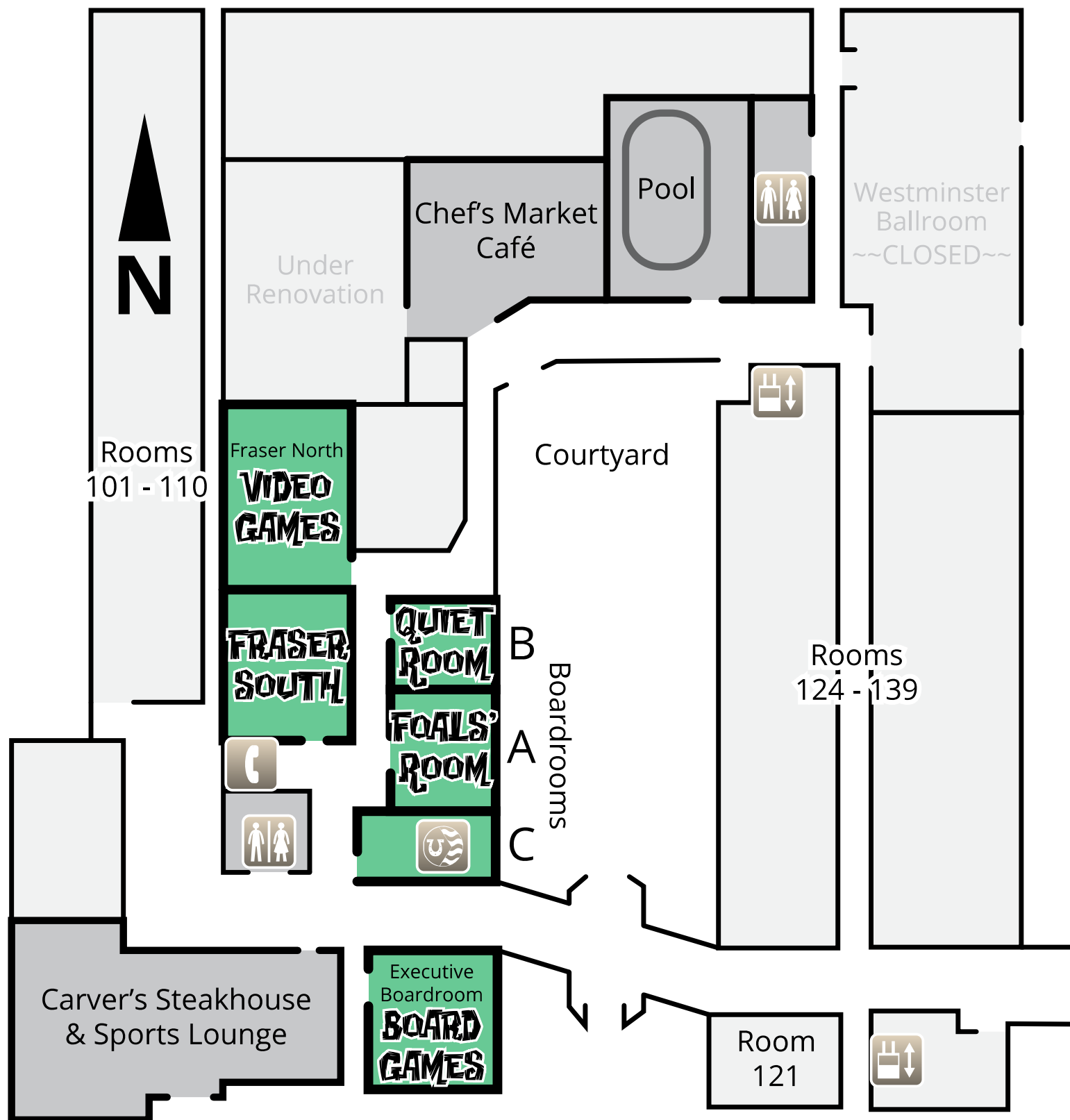
Additional Information

Policies are subject to change at any time as required.

Membership purchases are non-refundable (this does not apply to defective or missing merchandise). No refunds will be issued for attendees removed for violation of rules or laws.

If you have further questions, feel free to ask a VPE volunteer.

VENUE MAP + INFORMATION





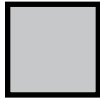
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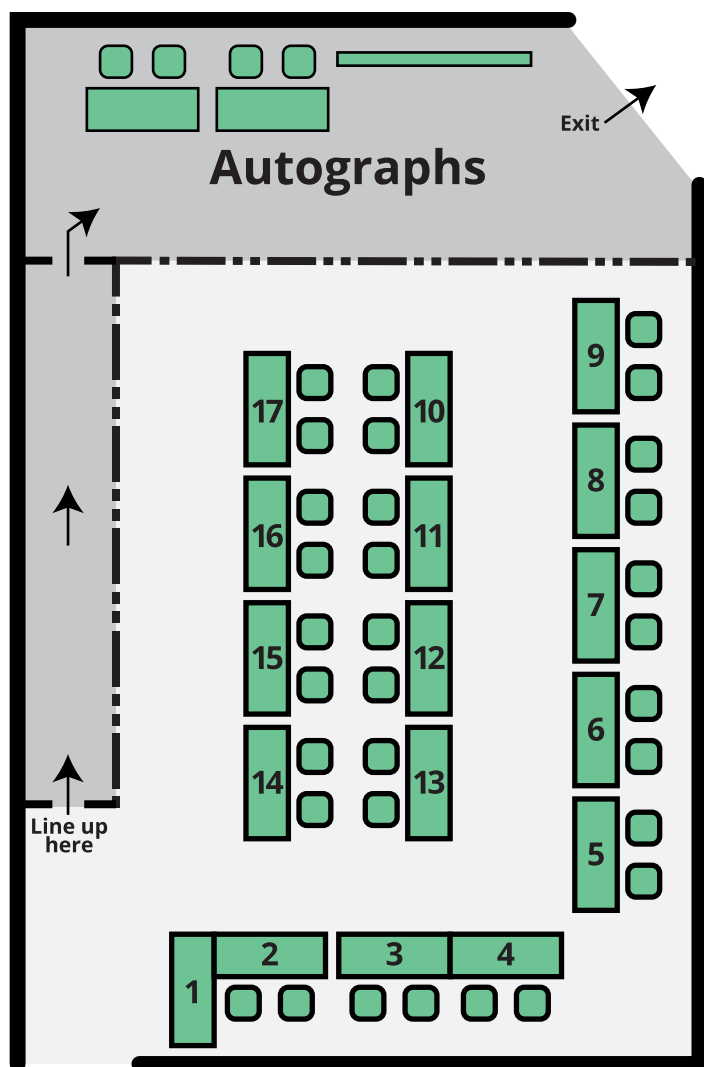
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VENDOR HALL



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The autograph schedule is available at:

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SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS



Electronic Gaming Room

Hosted by Save Point Gaming

Settle it in Smash, frag your foes or clear the most lines in our video game room! Challenge yourself or your friends with a collection of game systems, old and new. Keep an eye on our schedule for specialized game tournaments!

Fraser Room North • Friday 12:00pm - Sunday 6:00 pm

Board Gaming Room

Hosted by Bigcheese

Cards, pawns, and spinners, oh my! Relax a while with a managerie of board games--play the familiar family titles or try a new adventure in strategy and cunning. Don't forget to check out the My Little Pony Collectible Card Game from Enterplay!

Executive Boardroom • Friday 12:00pm - Sunday 6:00 pm

Foal's Room

Hosted by Misty-Chef

Leave your little ones in the care of our dedicated handlers, keeping them entertained with coloring, games, and maybe a movie or two. They might even meet one of our esteemed guests! Dropoffs are limited to two hours per day.

Boardroom A • Fri 1pm - 5pm • Sat 9am - 5pm • Sun 9am - 3pm

After-dark Vendor Hall (18+)

Hosted by Vanhoover

Put the foals to bed, folks--this shopping district is strictly for grown-ups. We're not judging anyone, but be warned - everything in this area is Not Safe for Work. Enter at your own peril. Valid badge and photo ID required for entry.

Grand Ballroom A • Friday & Saturday 9pm - 12am

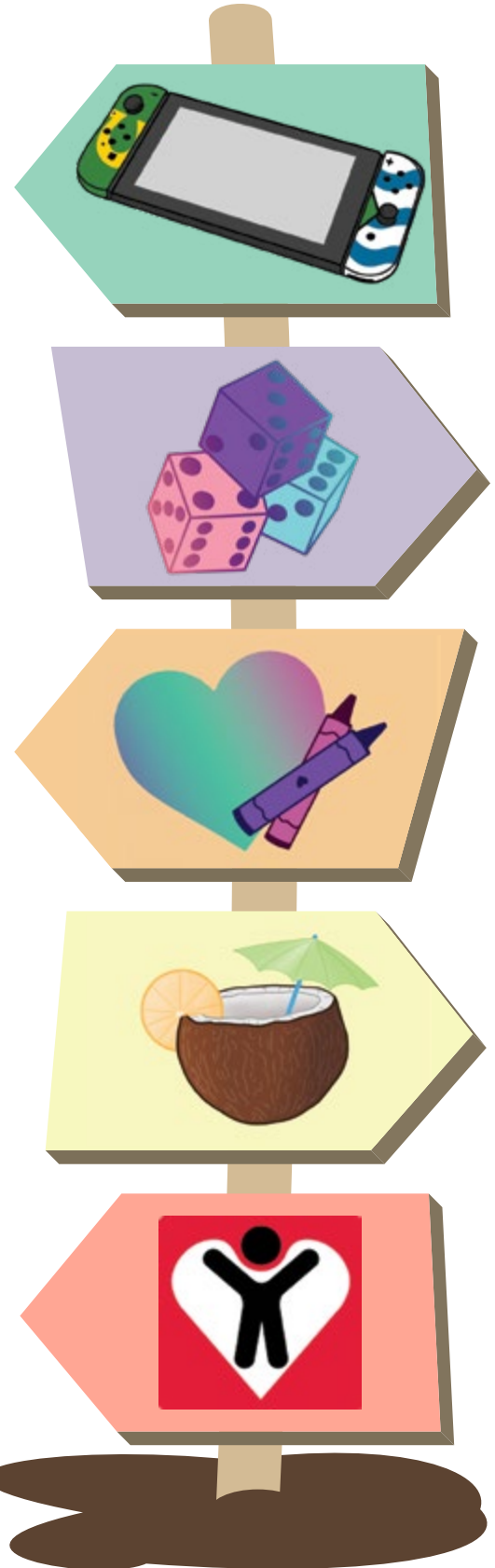
Charity Auction

Hosted by Vanhoover

Help us raise some much needed funds for orphan children through the Dave Thomas Foundation, all while getting some awesome pony swag! Bid high, bid often! It's all for the kids!

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Chiara Zanni

Voice of Daring Do



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Kelly Sheridan

Voice of Starlight Glimmer



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Ian Hanlin

Voice of Sunburst



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Brian Doe

Voice of Timber Spruce



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Tori Grant

MLP Storyboard Artist

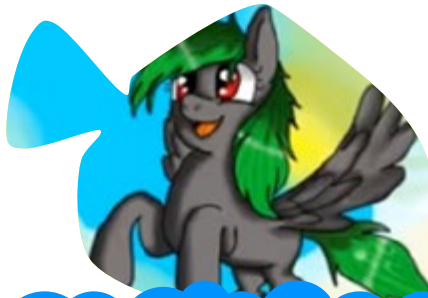
Find out more about our guests of honor at Vanhoover.ca/guests/vips
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MUSICIANS



StrachAttack

Midtempo/Glitch Hop, Bass House, Dubstep, Drum & Bass



DarkNightPrincess

Fan Music, Vocaloid & Video Game Music



Luck Rock

Pop-Punk, Alternative Rock, Acoustic



DJ JackTrade

House, possibly Trance



Strumbeat Strings

Rock, Acoustic rock, Alternative rock



loophoof

EDM with horse noises



Vinyltastic

Electro House, Bounce & Dubstep



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The airplane bucked violently, sending one of Twilight's heavier books out of the overhead compartment and across the cabin.

It missed Rarity's head by mere inches and slammed into the bulkhead, jerking the alabaster unicorn from her fitful sleep. She grimaced and focused bleary eyes on the object that had nearly taken her head off: a collection of essays written by Ptrotemy.

Rarity let out a wild growl and seized the tome with a strand of magic, and roughly crammed it back into the overhead compartment. She then turned to the books owner, who was sleeping peacefully three seats over. A pen telekinetically flung across the cabin quickly rectified that problem.

Twilight snorted as the writing utensil bounced off her skull and looked up, mumbling some sort of scientific gibberish. Then, it occurred to her that she was not, after all, in a classroom, and turned to look at the culprit. "Was there really a reason for that?"

"Yes," Rarity growled. "One of your books fell out of the compartment, and nearly hit me! Do you have any idea how much a bruise clashes with my outfits?"

Twilight yawned. "Sorry," she mumbled, having only understood enough to interpret it as a reprimand.

"Don't apologize," Rarity snapped. "Go to your bags and secure those books! It's hard enough trying to sleep without this mechanical monstrosity bucking about like some--"

The plane chose that exact moment to encounter another patch of turbulence. Rarity's complaint was cut off as her head slammed against the bulkhead, knocking the world out of focus for a moment.

"Would it really be so difficult to fly straight?" she yelled to nopony in particular. A loud snore from Rainbow Dash was her only response.

Rarity pouted, and slumped back into the uncomfortable airline seat. I only hope the beach is worth it...

Roughly nineteen hours ago...

Twilight frowned at the scroll in front of her. "Well," she said. "This...is unexpected."

"What's it say?" Spike asked, having belched the letter out in a tongue of flame not moments before. "How 'come I never get to read these things?"

"It's not what the letter says," Twilight said, shaking her head. "It's what's included! The princess is sending all six of us down south for, as she put it, 'some well overdue relaxation.' I'm not objecting, but..."

Spike grinned. "Down south? Like...how far down south? Tropics south?"

Twilight held her face carefully neutral and rolled up the scroll, and the six tickets tucked inside. The dragon's face fell. "Not tropics south?"

The unicorn allowed a wide grin to split her face. "I'm going to have to see Rarity about a swimsuit."

"Aww, yeah!" Spike yelled, punching the air. "Awesome! Just in time, too. I'm getting sick of winter."

"We all are, Spike," Twilight said, glancing at the thermometer and shaking her head. Three degrees. That's Ponyville for you.

"I have to find the girls and tell them the good news," Twilight said.

"All right!" Spike replied. "I'll get started packing. What do you think I should take?"

Twilight's smile cracked. "Well...we were only given six tickets."

"Yeah?" Spike said. "So?" A moment later, he finally thought to do the math, and his face fell right off his head and shattered on the floor. "But..."

"It's not because we don't want to take you," Twilight said quietly. "It's because we can't. Celestia said in the letter that they wouldn't allow a dragon, baby or not, on the plane."

"That's stupid," Spike grunted, kicking at the floor.

"Cheer up," Twilight said, forcing a grin. "You've got the library to yourself for a week. No bedtime, no research..."

Even the prospect of a week's worth of freedom didn't lift the dragon's mood.

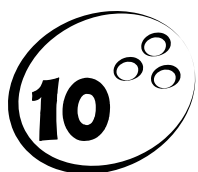
"I'm sorry," the unicorn said. "If there was anything I could do..."

Spike forced a smile. "I'm over it. Is there anything you want me to pack?"

"Spike, I can--"

"You mentioned that Ptrotemaic essay collection..."

Twilight sighed. "Yes. If you could pack that, it'd be great."



"My, my," Rarity said, admiring the ticket. "The princess is certainly in a generous mood today."

"Generous?" Rainbow Dash scoffed, flitting through the air in her excitement. "That's an understatement. D'you have any idea what it costs to fly anywhere?"

Rarity frowned. "Well...I'm not particularly knowledgeable about this flight thing, but I can imagine..."

"I showed you the hangar in Cloudsdale, remember? They were building some kind of flying thing? Powered by unicorn magic and everything. Well, that's what we're taking. It's the first of its kind!"

Applejack cast her pegasus friend a sidelong look. "If Ah didn't know better, you're more excited 'bout flying on that thing than goin' down south."

Dash waved a hoof dismissively. "Okay, sure. I mean the tropics are cool and all. Lots of updrafts, volcanoes and all that...but this plane is the first of its kind! I don't even know how Celestia herself got tickets on it!"

Twilight allowed herself a small smile. "So...I take it you're in?"

She was met by a chorus of agreement from her five friends, although Applejack's was a tad more subdued. Twilight frowned. "Something wrong, Applejack?"

Applejack chuckled and scratched on the floor with a hoof. "Uh, RD? D'you reckon that...this plane thing...will it move around a whole lot?"

"Well...there's turbulence and all that, and flying things tend to wobble a bit...well, not me, obviously, but..."

"Ponyfeathers," Applejack moaned.

"What's the problem?" Dash started. Then it suddenly occurred to her, and she winced in sympathy. "Oh, yeah. That."

"What's 'that?'" Twilight asked.

Applejack looked away, blushing slightly. "Well...me an' things that buck around a bunch...we don't really mix."

"I took her on a roller coaster once, a few years before you got here," Dash said, wincing at the memory. "She was puking her guts out after the first drop. Took me forever to get in out of my mane."

Rarity shuddered. "Did we really need to know that?"

Pinkie Pie cocked her head, confused. "What? You get sick on roller coasters? But that doesn't make sense. Roller coasters are supposed to be fun, and getting sick's no fun at all, so how can you get sick while having fun? Unless..." She gasped. "You're allergic to fun? That's terrible! How can you-"

"Pinkie!" Twilight snapped. "She's not allergic to fun! It's motion sickness!"

"Oooohhh..." the pink earth pony said, as if it were the most obvious thing in the world.

"So," Rarity said, in an obvious attempt to change the topic. "Has Spike packed his things yet? I imagine we'd want to get to Cloudsdale early, and Pinkie's balloon takes a while to inflate..."

Now it was Twilight's turn to wince. "Uh...Spike's not coming. They...wouldn't let him on the plane."

Rarity's hoof flew to her mouth. "Oh, the poor dear! He'll be alone for a week!"

"I know, but there's nothing we can do. Now, we are running on a tight schedule here, so Pinkie, could you get your balloon ready? The rest of you run home and pack. Meet back here in about half an hour."

There was another chorus of "Sure's," "All right's" and one "Okie-dokie-lokie," and the five ponies filed out the door, several actually quivering in anticipation. It looked like Twilight wasn't the only one sick of the cold winter temperatures.

Rainbow Dash snuck a concerned glance at Applejack over the seats behind her. The earth pony was still sleeping soundly, even as the plane bucked around her.

The cyan pegasus leaned back into her seat, sighing in relief. As much as she hated having to punch her friend's lights out, it was better than having her retching the entire time. Unconsciousness, at least by her knowledge, was the best cure for nausea. Hopefully, she wouldn't remember what had happened, or wonder what the source of the bruise on her chin was. She took a quick glance around the plane, absently noticing that she was the only one still awake. Even Rarity had managed to get back to sleep, something that never ceased to astound her. How such an uptight pony could ever relax enough to sleep simply boggled the mind.

Dash jumped slightly as the plane tilted toward the ground. The pitch of the propellers outside changed as well, becoming deeper and throatier. Her friends began to wake, their slumber disturbed by the change in pitch. Applejack, fortunately, remained unconscious.

The pegasus snuck another worried glance at her friend. Maybe I hit her too hard...

Pinkie, of course, leapt straight awake in a moment. "Ooh, is Applejack still asleep?" she said. "That might make things tricky. She's got all the snacks!"

Twilight yawned and shook her head. "Well, we're almost there. We're descending, right?"



Dash glanced out the window and did some rapid calculations in her head. Not that she would ever admit doing that kind of thing. "I'm guessing we'll be on the ground in twenty minutes or so. Maybe we can try waking Applejack up before then."

"I could've just put her to sleep with a spell," Twilight reminded her.

Dash shrugged. "Yeah, well...let's call it payback for cleaning me out at our last poker night."

The lavender unicorn sighed, sparking her horn to life. "Well, at least let me wake her up before you decide to do it your way."

"A bit of ice water never hurt anypony..."

Twilight ignored her and focused the spell on Applejack, releasing it with a flash of light.

The earth pony stirred, and lifted her head off the seat. "What..." she mumbled. "We're...still on the plane?"

"We'll be landing in a few minutes," Twilight said. "Just relax. You've been out this whole time."

Applejack glanced at Rainbow Dash, her eyes narrowing. Her hoof drifted up and rubbed a sore spot on her jaw. "You hit me."

Dash shrugged. "Had to knock you out somehow."

"You coulda had Twilight cast a spell, or something."

The plane suddenly jerked, and her face immediately lost most of its colour. A moment later, she was retching into a sickbag, while the others backed off nervously. "Why the hay didn't you wait until we'd landed?" Applejack moaned, wiping her mouth.

Twilight winced. "I...didn't think of that."

"Hey, look on the bright side," Dash said. "When you're not puking, you can get a pegasus-eye view of the Mareibbean!"

"Great," Applejack muttered, swallowing.

"Hey! Everypony!" Pinkie exclaimed. "We're passing through the clouds! We'll be able to see the ground soon!"

The six friends immediately crowded around the windows, eyes sparkling in anticipation. For a long moment, all they could see were thick, obscuring clouds... then the plane suddenly emerged, lending them an unobstructed view of the landscape.

"It's so beau-" Rarity started. She cut off halfway through her sentence, jaw dropping halfway to the floor. Then she rubbed her eyes, as if they were playing some cruel prank on her.

But they weren't. The others were wearing similar expressions of shock and dismay. "Please tell me this is some kind of joke," Rainbow Dash whimpered.

Instead of a lush tropical paradise, they gazed out on a frozen expanse of snow and ice, broken occasionally by thick, untamed forest. "This can't be right," Rarity said, her fantasies of sunning on the beach melting away. "I'm dreaming, aren't I? Somepony please pinch me, and wake me up from this nightmare."

Dash rolled her eyes and smacked her hindquarters with a hoof, making the unicorn yelp in pain and surprise. "You're not dreaming. Somepony screwed up."

"Um..." Fluttershy said quietly. "We should probably... get back to the seats. Just...we're landing, so..."

"Good point," Dash said. "All right, back to the seats. The landing could be rough. We'll worry about where we are later, okay?"

A sudden scuffling sound broke out from one of the overhead compartments. "We're here?" a voice said. "Awesome!"

Twilight looked up. "What the-"

Spike forced his head out of the bag and grinned at her. "What? You thought I'd actually stay behind?"

"I thought that bag was heavy," Twilight said, chuckling. "Well, there's nothing to be done about it now."

The baby dragon dropped down and stretched. "Ah, man. That feels good. So, what were you saying about someone messing up?"

"Take a look out the window," Dash said, buckling herself into her seat.

Spike's eyes widened. "It's a horde of zombie ponies, isn't it? I knew it would happen some day! All right, we can still stop this. Twilight, I need a crowbar and a machete-"

"There's no zombie ponies, Spike," Twilight sighed. "You've got to stop reading those books. Anyway, well... we're not in the Mareibbean."

Spike frowned, and stretched up to the window. "We're not? Then where-"

He froze as he saw the snow-covered ground a few hundred metres below the plane. "Snow?" he said weakly.

Twilight quickly seized him with her magic as the plane touched down with a gentle bump. Thankfully, the landing was a gentle one. Spike kept staring out the window the entire time, lost for words.

"I feel sick," he finally announced when Twilight put him down.

The unicorn walked over and gently patted his back. "Just keep breathing. It'll all be—"

Spike's cheeks bulged, and he belched out a tongue of green flame, which morphed into a closed scroll. Twilight immediately forgot about the dragon's nausea and grabbed the letter, reading it quickly.

Dear Twilight, it read.

I have no guarantee that this will reach you, but knowing Spike, he probably smuggled himself into your luggage.

I must apologize, but there's been a terrible mix-up. I have no idea who is responsible, but you've somehow been sent north instead of south, to Caneighda.

"Caneighda?" Twilight squeaked. She'd never been there, but had heard enough tales of the frozen wasteland to deter her from ever considering it.

I've arranged for you and your friends to stay with the Maples, who run a sap farm not far from where you landed. They know to expect you, and have prepared accommodations. However, they agreed to do so only on the condition that you help on the farm for the duration of your stay.

Rest assured, I will firmly discipline whoever is responsible for this. Unfortunately, the Cloudsdale Air Authority has denied my request to fly you straight where you should be until the next flight comes in, which won't be for another week.

Please be patient. While cold, this country holds many wonders of its own.

Princess Celestia.

Twilight flung the letter down in disgust. "Caneighda," she spat. "Who was the genius that sent us here?"

Pinkie Pie perked up. "Caneighda? That's where we are? Don't they make maple syrup here?"

Twilight sighed. "Yes, Pinkie Pie. They're known for it. They're also known for being ridiculously cold."

"Well, duh!" Pinkie exclaimed, pointing out the window. "I mean, you can't have this much snow if it's warm! How silly would that be?"

Everypony with the exception of Pinkie Pie jumped when a beige earth pony flung the airplane door wide and poked his head in, a wide smile plastered on his face. "Good morning! Welcome to Caneighda! Bit colder than what you're used to, eh?"

Twilight frowned, taking in his wide-brimmed hat and red jacket. "Who are you?"

The pony stood proudly to attention. "Officer Border Check of the Royal Caneighdian Mounted Police, at your service! But you can just call me Check, eh?"

He gestured outside. "Don't be shy! Our proud nation awaits! Let's get oot and about, eh?"

Spike took a few steps closer, grinning. "A Mountie? I've heard of you guys! Is that hat actually part of the uniform?"

Check's grin slipped slightly. "Yes it is. Could one of you please tell me what a baby dragon's doing on the plane? Could set the thing on fire, eh?"

"He smuggled himself in my luggage," Twilight explained. "I'm just as surprised as you."

Check's grin returned just a quickly. "Well, nothing to be done about it, eh?"

"Just like there's nothing to be done about being stuck here," Rarity said icily.

The Mountie paused for a moment. "Wait. You're that lot who's not supposed to be here! Probably expecting some Mareibbean resort, eh? Well don't worry. The Maples already arrived with a carriage. Really nice folk. You'll like them, eh?"

Twilight shivered. The door had been open for some time now, and the cabin temperature was dropping rapidly. "Excellent. Let's go."

The moment she stepped outside, she instantly regretted her zeal. "How cold is it?" she managed through chattering teeth. I didn't even think it was possible to get this cold!

"It's about fifteen below," Check said, seemingly unfazed by the chill.

Twilight gaped. "Fifteen below? As in fifteen below zero? As in two-hundred fifty-eight Kelvin?"

"It's cold. I get it. But to be honest, this is nothing. A month ago, if you spat somewhere, it'd freeze before it hit the ground!"

A claw of despair tightened around Twilight's heart. What've we gotten ourselves into?

You'll find out by reading the full story at www.fimfiction.net/story/12149/eh



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Friday, January 10

A Song of Alicorns and Rainbooms: How to Write an Epic Fanfic

Hosted by GaryOak

Do you have a big idea that simply won't fit into a few dozen, or even a few hundred pages? Are you stuck in the middle of your magnum opus? Accomplished fan-authors GaryOak and vren55 share their advice and experience on writing all things of epic proportions, surmounting Writer's Block, and actually finishing projects.

Art Jam

Hosted by Boo

Welcome to the Art Jam! Come hang out with other artists as we doodle and hang out. Join a table and make some friends as we draw together. There will be timed prompts if you are up for a little challenge. Pencils and paper will be provided, all you need is yourself!

Art of the Dress

Hosted by TwinkiePon

Want to get into cosplay but unsure how to start? Not sure cosplay is for you? Of course it is! TwinkiePon believes anyone can cosplay and that means you! Come join her for this introduction to cosplay to find out how to pick that perfect character, that perfect outfit and wig and show up at your next convention looking fabulous!

Best MLP Character Tournament

Hosted by Luck Rock

It's time we finally answer the fandom-long question? Who is the best character from MLP:FiM? It's up to you to decide in this 64-character, March Madness-style tournament where there can only be one best pony!

Bottom of the Barrel Fics (18+)

Hosted by Combo Breaker

Come listen to the worst of the worst while we do our best voices!

Brony Fandom History

Hosted by Chocolate Pony

Simul, long time con staffer and fandom cosplayer, and Choco, fandom artist and published historian, in a humorous manner ad lib the entire history of the Brony fandom from Hasbro hiring Lauren Faust to Derpygate, from Las Pegasus Unicorn to Friendship is Witchcraft, Equestria Daily to Horse News. This fun panel goes into a brief history of bronies, where we come from, what we have accomplished, and what is to come. Let's look back on 10 years of the Brony fandom.

Brony Feud

Hosted by Aphinity

A fun game show with two audience-selected teams playing against each other, trying to guess the most popular answers to brony-themed questions. We're playing two games of the feud!



Yes, I paid \$20 just to put my OC in the conbook.

Totally worth it.



@SuperPonyBolt

Content Creator Summit

Hosted by Twaifu

The C2 Summit is a place for content creators of all types (and all skill levels) to come together and discuss the creative side of the fandom in an open forum. Come on in, chill out, talk about horses, and have fun in a PG-13 environment with other creators looking to socialize and network. Want to get started on making your own content? Maybe you just want to make some new friends? Come make your mark in the Sunny Trails Sketchbook and get started today!

Fifty Shades of Neigh: Darker (18+)

Hosted by GaryOak

Friendship is Magic, yes, but sometimes, Friendship is Benefits. Come on down and hear the after dark writing advice we can't tell you at the all-ages panels.

Hula Hula

Hosted by Princess Apricity

Learn about the history and art of the hula dance and construct your own paper hula skirts (supplies limited)! Beginners welcome!

Horse Play: Sunny Snowbanks Edition

Hosted by Smilin' Jack

Horse Play, the panel of pony related improv returns for its second year at Vanhoover. Volunteers will be able to play in and enjoy a wide variety of theater sports games some of which have continued to evolve and change over the years. We hope to see you all there to experience and share many laughs with us.

Jackbox with the Musicians (18+)

Hosted by Bolt the Super-Pony
Come play Jackbox games with the musicians of Vanhoover 2020!

Managing a Fandom Website

Hosted by Joey
Ever wondered what it's like to manage a fansite? Interested in creating your own? Learn from the staff of Derpibooru what it takes to get a site off the ground and keep it running!

Foals' Friday Movie Time

Hosted by Misty-Chef
Foals and Parents are welcome to join our host in the Foals' Room to enjoy some movie time! The movie will be a secret until you arrive!

The Brony Fandom: Where Do We Go From Here?

Hosted by Smilin' Jack
The Brony fandom celebrated its final episode of Gen 4 this year. Without a show currently going for it, our community faces an interesting predicament. Where do we go from here? This panel allows for an open discussion of this topic to help us continue to build a thriving community to share our interests.

Thicc (Hyper) Ponies! (18+)

Hosted by Loonie Skies/Modern Balloonie
A hyper panel where we talk about absurdly thicc ponies, also (Maybe) draw them! Meet with people with similar interests!

Vanhoover Attendee Meet and Greet

Hosted by Smilin' Jack
Having trouble meeting people at cons or simply looking to flaunt your already amazing social skills? Vanhoover's got you. Come here and try your hand at meeting new and interesting people. The more, the merrier.

Vanhoover Musicians Q&A

Hosted by Bolt the Super-Pony
Come meet your Vanhoover 2020 musicians as they talk and answer your questions on anything from "how do you make the beats?" to "who is best pony?!"

Welcoming Ceremonies

Hosted by Vanhoover
Come and be welcomed to our Con in the best way we know how.

The Vanhoover Voice - AUDITIONS!

Hosted by InvisiBrony
Do YOU have what it takes to achieve vocal victory? Come and audition for one of the eight spots in The Vanhoover Voice! This is a judged singing competition with some prizes for those who come out on top and FIRST prize is a free 3-day Pass to VanHoover 2021! Please keep in mind that your performances are going to be judged by real people and while we're not going to be a Meanie like Simon Cowell we are going to be honest in our judgements so please BE PREPARED for criticism and take it all in stride. Most of all be sure to have fun!

Saturday, January 11

An Intro to Kink - Concepts and Safety

Hosted by Silvershock
Are you interested in trying out kink, but you're not sure where to start? Are you curious as to what BDSM entails? This panel will walk you through the basics of BDSM, how to get in as a beginner, and how to stay safe.

Coloring with the Princess

Hosted by Misty-Chef
Princess Poutine has been away for a while, and wants to get some colouring done! Join her for your chance to show off your best artwork!

Create your own Lei

Hosted by Misty-Chef
Come one, come all and get in the tropical spirit by crafting your very own Lei!

Cutie Parade

Hosted by Misty-Chef
Do you like to dress up? Show off your stuff on this tour / walk around the convention! Everyone is welcome!



DarkNightPrincess's On The Spot Voice Impression Script Reading

Hosted by DarkNightPrincess
Watch DarkNightPrincess read an entire "My Little Pony" episode on the spot, using her fandom voice impressions of every single one of the "My Little Pony" characters.

Equestrian Idol

Hosted by Selfie Snapshots
Do you like to sing Pony Karaoke? Do you wanna show everypony your awesome Karaoke skills?! Do you think you have what it takes to be the next "Princess of a karaoke"? If so, then come join Equestrian Idol! 16 players (first come first serve) will battle in a score based 1v1 single elimination tournament to claim the title of Princess. Equestrian Idol uses My Little Karaoke, and will have a 1000+ song list.

Foals' Saturday Movie Time

Hosted by Misty-Chef
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Horse Play: Wet Snow Edition (18+)

Hosted by Smilin' Jack
Enjoy Horse Play but find yourself censoring yourself for fear of the Chair personally booting you out? Not a problem. We have the same great improv run by experts and performed by volunteers, but with naughty words. Words I can't put in a panel description but words you can say and hear when you attend.

How they're Made: Cosplay

Hosted by Princess Poutine
Have you ever wanted to dress up as a horse? Or a dragon, or changeling, or anyone or anything? Come learn how at this panel, hosted by the VPE mascots! (Or rather, their cosplayers. They'll be out-of-character for this panel.)

How to Role Play 101

Hosted by Shadow Stroke
Welcome students to Roleplay 101. Today's lesson, learning the basics and how-to's of online roleplay. Our aim is educate our students so that they be successful in their future endeavors and avoid the pitfalls therein. Consider this your acceptance letter. Class is now in session!

Ice Cream Social

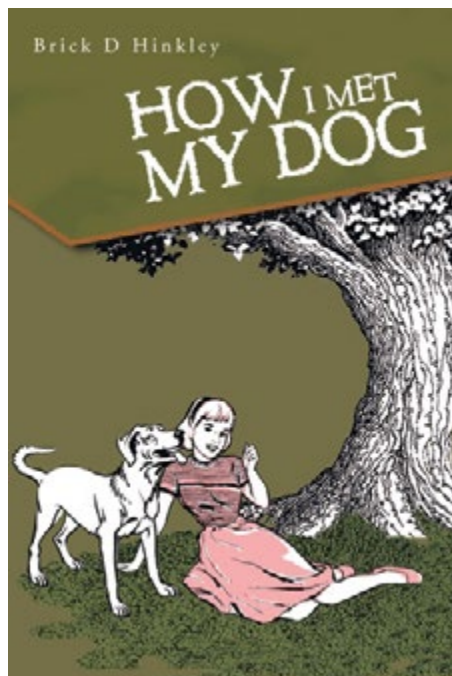
Hosted by Vanhoover
(Requires paid ticket) Come and socialize over some ice cream! Meet friends! Overindulge!

Let's Talk Adoption

Hosted by Silvershock
A lot of people think "adoption" is a dirty word. Because Vanhoover is raising money for an adoption charity this year, previous adoptee Silvershock has come along to set the record straight. Come hear about how adoption works, how adoption is mistreated in media, and why you should consider it.

Luna Live

Hosted by KenzieM
Have you ever wanted to see Princess Luna sing live? Now you can. In this interactive live performance your princess of the night will be singing all your favourite fandom songs and interacting with you.



Mario Party Tournament

Hosted by Trophy Hunter
Test your luck! Compete for glory in a 2 round tournament of Mario Party. Games will be 10 turns on a random board of a random game of Mario Party 4-7. Seating is limited.

Noir Pony Project: A Beginning (18+)

Hosted by YourAverageJoe
The Noir Pony Project is coming to you live to help you enter their world. Join them and learn all there is to know about Noir Ponies.

Plush Hospital

Hosted by Tiny Equine
Has your plush been injured? Loose head, wobbly wings, detached horn, or separated tail? Please bring it by and we'll do what we can to repair your plush while teaching you how it's done!

Plushie Piles

Hosted by Delfynx
A meetup for pony plush enthusiasts of all walks of life! Want to show off a few, a lot, or even ALL the plushies you own? Want to take pictures of them? Feel free to join our pile of pretty picture perfect photogenic boopable plushies! Please remember to ask for permission before picking up another person's plush.

Ponies Everyone Disagrees With You On

Hosted by RailPony
Not everyone enjoys fandom favorites and not everyone hates to be controversial. Come and discuss your opinions on anything pony—be it episodes, comics, fan fictions, etc. Reviewers, analysts and reactors are especially encouraged to join us! Based on the panel by Doug Walker (Nostalgia Critic/Channel Awesome)

Storyboarding these Ponies

Hosted by Tori Grant
Come talk about the storyboard process for My Little Pony!! Tori will talk about taking a script and turning it into visuals. Come talk about the behind the scenes and ask some questions about the animation industry.

Suited for Success

Hosted by TwinkiePon

So, you've been in the cosplay game for a little while and want to take it to the next level. Have no fear, TwinkiePon has you covered in Suited for Success - an intermediate cosplay panel that will show you more advanced techniques of wig styling, prosthetic work, props and body paint to really make your next project shine!

The Story of Pony Fanfiction

Hosted by vren55

There are a LOT of very good pony fanfictions that have had an incredible influence on the fandom. Author vren55 is going to quickly tell you the story of pony fanfiction. some of its major works and trends, and highlight how canon and fan interpretations interact in some weird and interesting ways. Writers old and new and audience members are all welcome if they want to know about why some stories suddenly became so popular, and how new stories can break barriers.

Trivia Trot

Hosted by Fisherpon

Who's the biggest Twilight Sparkle among us? Come and face off head-to-head against your fellow bronies in a fun game of (mostly) MLP trivia! Teams are randomized, but rule 13.2 says new players can join anytime, so come on down and see if you can win it all!

Vanhoover Limbo Championship

Hosted by Sunny Showers

How low can YOU go? (If you've never limbo'd before, we'll teach you.)



A promotional poster for the Everfree Northwest 2020 convention. The background is a gradient of purple and pink. At the top left, the text "August 7th-9th" is written in a stylized, bubbly font. In the center, "Everfree NORTHWEST 2020" is prominently displayed. To the right, there is a cartoon illustration of a pegasus with a green and blue mane. Below the main title, a dark purple rounded rectangle contains the text "Seattle's My Little Pony Fan Convention!" in a bold, blue font. Underneath that, in a cursive script, it says "Now at the Hyatt Regency Bellevue". Below the rectangle, the names "Nicole Oliver, Tabitha St. Germain & more coming soon!" are listed. At the bottom, there are social media links: "Everfreenw.com", a Twitter icon followed by "@EverfreeNW", a Facebook icon followed by "EverfreeNW", and a yellow squiggle icon.

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VIPs Beyond the Horse (18+)

Hosted by Vanhoover

When the sun goes down in the tropical paradise, even our special guests like to cut loose... Join us for an hour of VIP mayhem and see what happens when the truth really comes out! ***ABSOLUTELY NO AUDIO OR VIDEO RECORDING ALLOWED!***

Voice Acting Q&A

Hosted by Vanhoover

Meet the face behind the voice of some of your favourite ponies! Learn about voice acting, working on the show, and more! Live audience questions are welcome! Kids get priority!

What is a Furry and why you ARE one

Hosted by Aphinity

Ever wondered about other fandoms that you, as a Brony, could fit in? Learn about an open and expressive fandom and how you just might already qualify as part of it.

Sunday, January 12

Break into Voice Acting

Hosted by Michael Coleman

Learn all about how to break into voice acting from a professional with over a decade of experience in the industry.

Cartoons and Cereal

Hosted by Vanhoover

It's an early weekend morning—you've just woken up and are craving something sweet to start your day. We've got you covered with a selection of delicious cereals and a collection of animation from across the community. Treat all your senses to a superb breakfast!

Charity Auction

Hosted by Vanhoover

Help us raise some much needed funds for orphan children through the Dave Thomas Foundation, all while getting some awesome pony swag! Bid high, bid often! It's all for the kids! Please note, all bids are binding, so please do not bid unless you plan to pay immediately after the auction!

Closing Ceremonies

Hosted by Vanhoover

Goodbye, it was fun, Let us send you off in style, or at least as styleisly as we can.

Cosplay Contest

Hosted by Keke Goegebuer

Time to show off your cosplays in this contest! Show off your hard work to an audience for the chance to win prizes. Judges consist of cosplayers and hosted by Selfie Pony. Foals are welcome too!

Feedback!

Hosted by Vanhoover

What did we do right? Wrong? Come tell us at the feedback panel and help make 2021 even better!

Giddy-up Let's Go!

Hosted by TwinkiePon

Want to go to multiple conventions? Worried about how many others might be there? Unsure what to pack? Unsure what to expect. Not to worry - TwinkiePon has you covered. Join her as she discusses how to pick the perfect convention for you, the best travel advice to get there safely and comfortably and how to have the best time once you arrive!

Lets talk Current Fashion!

Hosted by Sugar

Bronies are often criticized for lacking fashion sense. That doesn't mean we can't change that! While there's nothing wrong with having your own style, sometimes it helps to know the modern trends around the rest of the world. Let's learn together!

Luau Party

Hosted by Misty-Chef

Grabs your leis and grass skirts and join us for an old-fashioned Luau Party!

Meet the Mascots

Hosted by Princess Apricity

Ever wondered what life is like when your sister is gravy and fries incarnate? What about the day-to-day activities of BC's representative rain-lover? What ever happened to the moose? Come find out at this Q&A session with all four of our mascots: Princesses Apricity and Poutine, as well as Trail Blazer and Sunny Showers! Stick around afterwards if you'd like pictures with them too!

MLP Jeopardy

Hosted by TJPones

A simple fun round of MLP Trivia set in the style of popular gameshow Jeopardy! Come down to watch or for a chance to participate for a candy prize!

NERF WAR

Hosted by Vanhoover

Join the princesses and our own con mascots as we fight to decide the age old question: PINEAPPLE ON PIZZA?!

The Lover's Stone: LIVE

Hosted by KenzieM

KenzieM (formerly KenzieVA) hosting a live reading of parts of episode 6 as well as showing exclusive sneak peaks.

The Vanhoover Voice

Hosted by InvisiBrony

Hello Fillies and Gentlecolts! It's time to get musical with the pinnacle of pony singing competitions as we invite you all to show off your stuff and compete for first place against your fellow fans! Even if you're not a singing star you can come on down and support your favorites as they vie for victory! This is one show you surely don't want to miss.

VIP Script Reading

Hosted by Vanhoover

Our Voice Acting and VIP guests perform a classic script live for you to enjoy!



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How to bid during a live auction:

- You must have your badge with you, as your badge name and number are noted when you win an item.
- A full description and visual of the item will be stated before bidding starts, so listen closely!
- Once the opening bid has been announced, raise your hand if you are interested.
- If multiple people show interest, the bid amount will be raised by \$5. This will continue until there is only one hand remaining up.
- If you wish to increase the bid by more than \$5, raise your hand and in a loud, clear voice state your bid.

If you have won the item:

- If your bid is the winning bid, a runner will go up to you to get your name and badge number to save with your won item. Please keep your hand raised so the runner has an easier time finding you.
- After that info has been taken down, you may either stay and continue watching or bidding during the auction.
- If you would like to leave with your item after winning it, you may head up to the cashier to pay and pick up your prize.

Located in Columbus, Ohio, the Dave Thomas Foundation is North America's only national nonprofit charity dedicated solely to finding permanent homes for the more than 150,000 children waiting in foster care. Created by Wendy's founder Dave Thomas, who was adopted.

The Foundation raises money to provide free educational resources, promote awareness, assist policymakers and employers, and support adoption professionals and agencies throughout the United States and Canada. Signature programs of the Foundation include Wendy's Wonderful Kids, a network of adoption recruiters throughout North America focused exclusively on North America's longest-waiting children; and Adoption-Friendly Workplace, tools and expert guidance for companies and parents to help support adoption benefits like financial reimbursement and paid leave.

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