

## Guest Policy

As a startup convention, we must unfortunately limit the number of guests we can accept. We will try and accept a sampling from all the categories below. Some guests may be accepted as panelists instead. You do not need to be a guest or panelist to participate a panel or events.

**Author Guests** - Must have at least one novel/short story published by a major publishing house or be a regular writer/editor/publisher for a major magazine (major being defined as something someone purchases a subscription for or can buy at a bookseller) or a writer for major comic publisher (Dark Horse, DC, Marvel) or Gaming Company.

**Self-Published Author Guests** - We accept these on a case by case basis, at the committee's discretion. You may qualify as a Panelist.

**Independent Comics Artists, Web comics Artists** - We accept these on a case by case basis, at the committee's discretion. You may qualify as a Panelist.

**Science and Technology Guest**- We accept these guests based on their expertise in the field of science and technology. It can be authors, specialists in paranormal sciences, NASA scientists, experts in Robotics and Computer Science. We accept these on a case by case basis.

**Bloggers, Writers for Independent Webzines/Fanzines:** We accept Bloggers, Writers for independent webzines, fanzines as Press. They may apply for a Press Pass Under Press Pass -info@atomacon.org

**Group Guests** - Groups like production companies, bands, fan film groups, etc. can apply as a group. However, we only offer two free badges to an accepted group based on industry experience. All other group or cast members will be offered a group discount.

**NOTE:** Costuming or Fan organized groups will not be considered guests. We will offer a group discount for anyone who is interested.

**Performance Groups** - We accept a wide variety of performance groups including comedy groups, music groups, dance groups, and other performance groups, but it is required that they have some kind of direct genre connection (sci-fi, fantasy, or horror).

**Costuming/Cosplay Guests**- We welcome cosplayers of all types, however to be accepted as an actual guest, you must have some connection with the costuming industry. Working as a designer, costumer, makeup artist, special effects artist in a television show or movie would qualify.

**Superfan**- You have a large collection or are an expert in a certain genre. You may qualify as a panelist. Any paying member or volunteer can participate or run a panel if they have an expertise in a certain subject.

### As a Guest, you are at least entitled to:

- Free entry into the con for yourself only. Companions will be offered a discounted membership of \$25.
- Participation in at least 3 panels or events
- Listing as a Guest on our Guest List

We may pay hotel, travel expenses, or appearance fees to our Guest of Honors only. Other guest expenses will be negotiated on a case by case basis.

Name:

Guest Type:

Website:

Email:

Special requests: Note only a few hall tables will be available for \$35 each. You will also need a SC Business License if you sell books or any retail items at your table. Not for Profits are excluded from this. Hall tables may be shared with another guest and it is encouraged. Tables are classroom tables 18' X 5ft. Power should be available at all tables but may require an extension cord.

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