



Welcome to

IMAGINARIUM 2025

July 18-20, 2025
Louisville, Kentucky

Your Imagination
is the Foundation

Welcome to Imaginarium 2025!

Welcome to Imaginarium 2025, our 12th year of a convention that embraces the mission embodied in the following statement:

“To foster and inspire imagination, one creative at a time. Create and make your world everything you imagine it to be.”

Imaginarium celebrates writing and storytelling in a comprehensive way, with our programming and guests reflecting the realms of fiction, non-fiction, filmmaking, screenwriting, game design and development, songwriting, poetry, art and illustration, and much more!

Each year we strive to bring you a wide array of voices and perspectives from all over the nation and abroad. Make sure to carefully go through our extensive Panel and Workshop programming, Film Festival schedule, and Guest List. Browse all of our vendors in the Expo, in both the Main Expo Hall and Creatives Alley. Participate in our Gaming and Cosplay, and enjoy our live entertainment! This year, there is more than ever for you to see and participate in.

Help us maintain the kind of welcoming and supportive environment that we’ve always had in our previous years, and if there are any issues, we have a firm no-harrasment policy in place to help make sure that everyone has the best experience possible.

There are so many great networking, mentoring, professional development, educational, and business opportunities for you to explore at Imaginarium, so be sure to meet all the creatives participating as Spotlighthed Guests, Panelists, and Vendors that you can while you are here with us!

Above all, have a wonderful time as you become part of positive and supportive creative community! The best Imaginarium Convention yet awaits you! Thank you for attending and have an amazing weekend!

Most sincerely,

Stephen Zimmer
Founder and Executive Director

Holly Phillippe
Convention Co-Director and Head of
Programming



SAVE THE DATE!

**BLUEGRASS WRITERS COALITION
PRESENTS**

**2026 CONFERENCE
OF WRITERS**



APRIL 11, 2026
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
CAPITAL PLAZA HOTEL
FRANKFORT KENTUCKY

Ignite your creativity at this exciting one-day literary event in the heart of Kentucky's rolling hills. Enjoy hands-on workshops with seasoned authors and editors, covering fiction, poetry, memoir, and more. Don't miss our keynote address by 2025-2026 Kentucky Poet Laureate Kathleen Driskell—an unforgettable spark to fuel your writing journey. Come for the craft, stay for the community!



2025-2026 KENTUCKY POET
LAUREATE

KATHLEEN DRISKELL

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



For more information visit
BluegrassWritersCoalition.com

Imaginarium 2025 General Schedule

Friday, June 18th

**Registration Counter
Opens:**

9:30 AM

**Panel and Workshop
Programming:**

12 PM -11 PM

Expo Hall:

12 noon to 6 PM

**Film Festival
Screenings:**

11 AM - 12:30 AM

Gaming:

12 noon to 12 midnight

Opening Ceremonies:

6:30 PM

Keynote Speech:

7 PM Presented by
Dan Klefstad

**Friday Live
Entertainment**

Dance Performance by
the Queen Bee aka Venus,
Sako Tumi, and Miss
Bette Lamb at 9 PM

Live Music by Jayson
William Allen and Poetry
of the Dead at 10 PM

Saturday, June 19th

**Registration Counter
Opens:**

9 AM

**Panel and Workshop
Programming:**

9 AM – 11 PM

Expo Hall:

10 AM to 6 PM

**Film Festival
Screenings:**

9 AM to 11 PM

Gaming:

12 PM to 12 midnight

Awards Banquet:

Seating at 6:00 PM

Awards Banquet Dinner
Served and Entertainment
Begins 6:30 PM

Awards Ceremony
7:30 PM

**Costume/Cosplay
contest:**

Main judging at 8:30 PM

Winners Announced:
9 PM

**Back to the 90's
Imaginarium Karaoke
Ball:**

9 PM to 12 midnight+

Sunday, June 20th

**Registration Counter
Opens:**

9 AM

**Panel and workshop
programming:**

9 AM – 6 PM

Expo Hall:

10 AM to 6 PM

**Film Festival
Screenings:**

11 AM to 5:30 PM

Gaming:

12 PM to 6 PM

Have a wonderful

Imaginarium
Convention
Weekend!

And never
forget...

Your
Imagination
is the
Foundation!

Meet our wonderful Imaginarium 2025

Guests and Panelists!

Guest Of Honor
Johnny D. Boggs

Virtual Guest of Honor
Steve Alten

Imaginator Guests
Cherry Weiner
R. G. Yoho

Toastmaster
Michael Knost

Keynote Speaker
Dan Klefstad

Spotlighted Guests
Tony Acree
Jayson William Allen
Arlan Andrews, Sr.
Jill Baker
Beef

Elizabeth Bevarly
H. David Blalock
Silvio Wolf Busch
Jason Cordova
Hallee Bridgeman
Santiago Cirilo
Elizabeth Donald
Chase Dudley
Barbara V. Evers
Michael Fitzer
Jeremy Fothergill

Rose Garcia
Sven Granlund
Stephanie Hansen
Devin Hylton
Tenita Johnson
Jonathan Knosp
Barry Koch
Sandy Lender
Amy Leigh McCorkle
Vonn McKee
Claude D. Miles
Da'Rell Miller
Tim Miller
Brian K. Morris
Jennifer Noran
India Oxenberg
John Palisano
Antonio Pantoja
Lee Pennington
Kayla Perkins
Glenn Porzig
Renmeleon
Austin Sheehan
David Sherrer
Lydia Sherrer
Virginia Smith
Paul Stansbury
Dan Stidham
Anthony Taylor
Lynn Tincher
WC Turck
Roxanne Warren
Michael Williams

L. Marie Wood
Herschel Zahnd

Panelists
Marian Allen
Malinda Andrews
Angie Andriot
Kathleen Ashcraft
Clayton Barnett
Marilyn Barr
Lexi Bass
T.R. Benjamin
Michelle Bennington
Tim Bischoff
H.R. Boldwood
Kelly Brakenhoff
Elizabeth Broadbent
Maeve Brooks
Beth Dotson Brown
John Bukowski
RE Bunch
Darlene Franklin Campell
K.B. Carlisle
J.M. Celi
Terry Chambers
Alisa Childress
S. Cinders
Stephanie K. Clemens
Alira Coffman
P.E. Craven
Dave Creek
Erynn Crittendon
S. Donovan Croft

Meet our wonderful Imaginarium 2025

Guests and Panelists!

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|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Rebecca Cuthbert | Ross Killey | John Morgan Risner |
| Ava Cuvay | Albert James Knabe | RockPaperFox |
| Molly Daniels | Sharon LaCour | Oneiric Roper |
| M.H. David | Stephanie Lanham | Amanda Grace-Schultz |
| Tom Deady | J. Patrick Lemarr | Jen Selinsky |
| Ed Downes | Dr. Mary Leason | Zac Sherman |
| Chad Elliot | Rose Marie Machario | T.L. Shively |
| Dan Eveland | LJ Mack | Carma Haley Shoemaker |
| Lori Briley Fairchild | Sara Marian | Tom Skaggs |
| Kelly Ferguson | Brick Marlin | Lynn Slaughter |
| Rich Frazier | David G. Martin | Tommy B. Smith |
| Adam Gaffen | Dave Mattingly | Wayland Smith |
| Jim D. Gillentine | Molly Ann McDonough | Mel Snyder |
| Lindsey Goddard | Eleni McKnight | Angelia Sparrow |
| Alan Goldstein | Ron McMillan | A.J. Spencer |
| Melissa Goodman | Jessica Minyard | Dr. Constance Spotts |
| Drew Graber | W.W. Mitchell | Jessica Starks |
| Brian Haas | Carl R. Moore | Lee E.E. Stone |
| Sheridan C. Hall | Cassandra Morgan | Sandy Sullivan |
| T. Lee Harris | JL Mulvihill | Sako Tumi |
| Morgan Hazelwood | Les Murphy | Craig Urquhart |
| Dwan L. Hearn | Merak Von Noctem | Jay Vanlandingham |
| H.L. Hines | Eliot Parker | Eva Vertrice |
| Kimberly Hoffman | Mysti Parker | Henry Vogel |
| Paul J. Hoffman | Randi Perrin | Shiloh Walker |
| Meadoe Hora | Lorena Peter | Jonathan Walson |
| Michael Houtchen | Bentley Phillippe | Lawrence Weill |
| Sherry Howard | Carol Preflatish | Dave Weller |
| Riley Hunt | B.D. Prince | Ivy Wilde |
| Michael Ignacio, Jr. | Stephen H. Provost | Mick Williams |
| Joe Isenberg | Herika R. Raymer | W. Jade Young |
| Teri Kaye Jobe | Lynda Rees | Jason Zamer |
| Rebecca Johnson | R.C. Reid | Page Zaplandam |
| Dan Kemp | B.A. Richards | Alex Zenk |

Meet our Imaginarium 2025 Executive Staff and Volunteers!

Imaginarium Executive Staff

Executive Director
and Founder: Stephen
Zimmer

Convention Co-
Director & Program
Director: Holly
Phillippe

Film Festival Co-
Director: Drew Graber

Game Hall Director:
Josh Palmer

IT/Administrative:
Wayne Pedersen

Administrative:
Cassandra Morgan

Volunteer Coordinator:
Marian Gosling

Technical Managers:
Bentley Phillippe

Branson Phillippe

Logos and Branding:
Aaron Christopher
Drown

Volunteers

Kathlene Ashcraft

Vanessa Brown

Alex Clifton

Jesse Edwards

Adam Harmin

Natalie Hutcherson

Trevor Hutcherson

William Hutcherson

Alliannah Lambert

Dorothy Nguyen

Addison Phillippe

Kaylie Roark

Jen Selinsky

Andrew Thuita

Merak Von Noctem

Richard Warner

Noah Wieczorek

Brian Wixom



Friday Evening, Don't Miss Our Live Entertainment!

Begins at 9 PM in the Turfway Ballroom! Featuring:

Dancing Performance from the
Queen Bee aka Venus, Sako
Tumi, and Miss Bette Lamb!

The goth-rock of
Jayson William Allen's
Poetry of the Dead!



Friday Panel and Workshop Programming
For full descriptions of panels and workshops, refer to:
www.entertheimaginarium.com

**Thursday, July
17h**

Rooms/Times

TURFWAY

5 PM Marathonarium 3
Anthology Workshop
presented by Stephen
Zimmer - 3 hrs (Space full)

**FRIDAY
JULY 19th**

TRIPLE CROWN

12 PM Public Speaking
for Creatives Workshop
Presented by Barbara
Evers (60 min)

1:15 PM Writing With
Mechanical Keyboards
Workshop Presented by
T.R. Benjamin (60 min)

2:30 PM Syllabic Poetry
Writing Challenge
Presented by Erynn
Crittenden (90 min)

4:15 PM Film & Music
Distribution Hybrid
Interviews with Roxanne
Warren & Jonathan
Knosp (Green Apple
Distribution)

7 PM Build Out Your
Book: Make Your
Promotion Uniquely
Yours Workshop
Presented by Renmeleon
(2hrs)

DERBY

12 PM All You Need
Is Word Workshop
Presented by R.C. Reid
(60 mins)

1:15 PM Battle of the
Word Counts Workshop
Presented by Rebecca
Johnson (60 min)

2:30 PM Writing for
Change: Weaving Social
Justice into Fiction
with Care and Impact
Synopsis: Presented by Jay
VanLandingham (2 hrs)

4:45 PM Better Beta
Reading: Both Sides
of the Pen' Workshop
Presented by Morgan
Hazelwood (90 mins)

6:15 PM Clockwork
Canons: Navigating
the Gears and Glory
of Steampunk Writing
(MOD- Jennifer Noran)
Stephanie K Clemens, J L
Mulvihill (60 min)

8 PM Skeletal Analysis
for Authors Workshop
Presented by Sara Marian
(60 min)

CALUMET

12 PM Pump up Your
Prose Workshop
Presented by Ava Cuvay
(60 min)

1:15 PM How to Plot
Out Your First or Next
Best Seller Workshop
Presented by Eva Vertrice
(60 min)

2:30 PM Interviewing
Your Characters – Unlock
Their Deepest Secrets
Workshop Presented by
Lynn Tincher (60 min)

3:45 PM Military Ranks
and Structure: A Primer
for Fiction Writers
Workshop presented by
John Bukowski DVM,
MPH, PhD

5 PM How to Write
and Create an Audio
Drama/Fictional Podcast
Presented by Devin
Hylton & Tim Miller (60
min)

6:15 PM Firearms & Film
Workshop- Presented by
Silvio Wolf Busch (90
min)

8 PM Create Your One-
Person Show: A Step-by-
Step Guide - Presented by
Terry Chambers (60 min)

**RESTAURANT
(WINNER'S CIRCLE)**

2 PM Revealing Character
Through Active Setting
Workshop Presented by
Dr. Mary Leason (2 hrs)

CARRIAGE

12 PM Self-Editing
(MOD - John A
Bukowski), TL Shively,
Hallee Bridgeman,
Marilyn Barr, Paul
Stansbury (60 min)

1:15 PM Using AI
Ethically (MOD-Molly
Ann McDonough) Lynn

Friday Panel and Workshop Programming

Tincher, Chad Elliott,
Dwan L. Hearn, Lydia
Sherrer, Clayton Barnett,
Craig Urquhart (60 min)

2:30 PM Forging New
Worlds: Crafting Epic and
Engaging Fantasy (MOD-
Cassandra Morgan) A.P.
Zenk, Jason Cordova,
Malinda Andrews, Alan
Goldstein (60 min)

3:45 PM Heart-Pounding
Pages: Building High-
Stakes Thriller Novels
(MOD- Michael
Houtchen) H. R.
Boldwood, Mick Williams,
Carol Preflatish, R. C.
Reid, Kayla Perkins (60
min)

5 PM Beyond Plot:
Crafting Profound
and Resonant Literary
Fiction (MOD- W. Jade
Young) RE Bunch,
Lawrence Weill, Jay
VanLandingham, Sharon
Lacour, Jill Baker, Lindsey
Goddard (60 min)

6:15 PM D20 Plot
Generator Workshop
Presented by Amanda-
Grace/Amethyst Drake

8 PM One Man's Trash
(MOD Stephanie
Lanham) Brian Haas,
Kathlene Ashcraft, Merak
Von Noctem, L. Marie
Wood(60 min)

CLAIBORNE

12 PM Thriving as an
Indie Actor (MOD -Terry
Chambers) Da'Rell Miller,
Kathlene Ashcraft, Rose
Marie Machario, Les

Murphy, Eliot Parker,
Claude D. Miles (60 min)

1:15 PM Writing the Past:
How to Create Believable
Historical Fiction
Presented by Vonn
McKee (60 min)

2:30 PM Distribution &
Marketing in the Evolving
Film Landscape - (MOD-
Herschel Zahnd) Amy
Leigh McCorkle, Michael
Fitzer, Jonathan Knosp,
Barry Koch, Jeremy
Fothergill (60 min)

3:45 PM Songwriting
Secrets: Where Craft
Meets Magic Presented by
Micki Fuhrman (60 mins)

5 PM Crafting Your
Novel's Story Structure
Workshop Presented by
Angie Andriot (60 min)

6:15 PM Audiobook
Narration Vs AI (MOD-
Glenn Porzig) Michael
Ignacio Jr., Teri Kay Jobe,
Rich Frazier (60 min)

8 PM Author Readings
(10 minute blocks) Full
author list later in this
program.

ELLIS

12 PM Crafting Cross-
Genre (MOD - W. Jade
Young) Lee E. E. Stone,
Sara Marian, Carma
Haley Shoemaker, Mick
Williams, J. Patrick
Lemarr, WC Turck (60
min)

1:15 PM Crafting
Compelling Graphic

Novels & Comics (MOD
- Eric Roper) M.H. David,
Sako Tumi (60 min)

2:30 PM Psychology in
Fiction (MOD- Eleni
McKnight) Robert (Bob)
Yoho, Lydia Sherrer, Lynn
Slaughter, Tommy B.
Smith, L. Marie Wood
(60 min)

3:45 PM Writing Habits
That Stick Workshop
presented by Elizabeth
Donald (60 min)

5 PM The Evolving West:
Beyond Cowboys and
Covered Wagons (MOD
- Michael Knost) Robert
(Bob) Yoho, Johnny
Boggs, Vonn McKee (60
min)

6:15 PM The Literary
Underworld (MOD-
Elizabeth Donald) Jimmy
Gillentine, Angelia
Sparrow (60 min)

8 PM Show, Don't Tell
(and When to Break the
Rule!) (MOD-Michelle
Bennington) W. Jade
Young, Dan Kemp, Angie
Andriot / Iris Applewood,
Paul Stansbury, R. C. Reid
(60 min)

TURFWAY

12 PM Ask The Agent:
Part I - Presented by
Cherry Weiner (2 hrs)

2:15 PM What the
Hell is Hopepunk?
(MOD- Adam Gaffen)
Sara Marian, Morgan
Hazelwood, T. Lee Harris
(60 min)

Friday and Saturday Panel and Workshop Programming

3:30 PM Creating Compelling Young Adult Fiction (MOD- Rose Garcia) Molly Ann McDonough, TL Shively, Riley Hunt, Kimberly Hoffman, Meadoe Hora (60 min)

4:45 PM Unleashing the Darkness: Crafting Terrifying and Thought-Provoking Horror (MOD-Dr. Mary Leason) Lee E. E. Stone, Brick Marlin, Bryan "B.D." Prince, Jayson William Allen, Sako Tumi, John Palisano (60 min)

6:30 PM Opening Ceremonies (30 min) Toastmaster Michael Knost & INTROs by Stephen Zimmer & Holly Phillippe

7 PM Keynote Speech Presented by Dan Klefstad

9 PM Friday Night Dance Performance with the Queen Bee aka Venus, Sako Tumi, and Miss Bette Lamb

10 PM The Music of Jayson William Allen and Poetry of the Dead

SATURDAY JULY 19th

DERBY

9 AM How to Make Your Book a Pleasure to Read Workshop Presented by Dan Eveland (60 min)

10:15 AM Being Creative

During Times of Grief & Trauma presented by Tim 'Cajun' Bischoff

11:30 AM Supercharge Your Sales by Mastering the "Emotional Promise" Presented by Lydia Sherrer (2 hrs)

1:45 PM Creating a World-Class Workshop Presented by Paul Stansbury (90 mins)

3:30 PM Sories That Sparkle Workshop Presented by Virginia Smith (60 min)

4:45 PM Crafting a Sympathetic Protagonist from Scene One Workshop Presented by Zac Sherman (60 min)

8:15 PM Worldbuilding in 60 Minutes: The Collaborative Map" (MOD-Marilyn Barr) Dave Creek, Jason Cordova, Cassandra Morgan, J.M. Celi, Renmeleon, L. Marie Wood (60 min)

TRIPLE CROWN

9 AM Essay Me This: Crafting Compelling Narrative Nonfiction Workshop Presented by Alisa Childress (60 min)

10:15 AM What Your Fight Scenes Are Missing and How to Punch Them Up Workshop Presented by Meadoe Hora (60 min)

11:30 AM Short Story Writing Workshop Presented by Arlan

Andrews (60 min)

12:45 Like, Love, Lust: The Art of Romance Presented by B.A. Richards (90)

2:30 PM Unique Poetry Workshop by Lee Pennington (2 hrs)

4:30 PM Story to Table: A Game Design Workshop for Creators Presented by David Sherrer (60 mins)

8:15 PM It Came From the Lemur Throne (MOD- Clayton Barnett) Donovan Croft, Page Zaplendam, Donovan Croft, Page Zaplendam, A. P. Zenk, Benjamin T. Rittger, Joe Isenberg, Rich Frazier (60 min)

RESTAURANT (WINNERS CIRCLE)

12 PM Direct Animation Filmmaking Interactive Workshop - Presented by Lexi Bass (2 hrs)

2 PM Pitch to an Agent Session - Presented by Cherry Weiner (2 hrs)

CALUMET

9:00 AM Pitfalls on the Pathway to Publication Presented by R.G. (Bob) Yoho (90 min)

10:45 PM The West Memphis Three Case: A Case Study in Wrongful Convictions presented by Dan Stidham (2 hrs)

1 PM Firearms: A Primer for Fiction Writers

Saturday Panel and Workshop Programming

presented by John Bukowski DVM, MPH, PhD (90 min)

2:45 PM Weaving Multiple Narratives into One Great Story Workshop Presented by Michael Knost (90 mins)

4:30 PM Writing the Real West Versus the Hollywood West Presented by Johnny D. Boggs (60 mins)

8:15 PM Author Readings (10 minute blocks) Full author list later in this program

CARRIAGE

9 AM Confessions of a Plot Hole: Where Our Stories Go Awry (and How We Fix Them!) (MOD- Alira Coffman) L. Marie Wood, S. Cinders, J.M. Celi, Wayland Smith, Molly Daniels, Ross Killey (60 min)

10 AM Leveraging YouTube As an Indie Creator (MOD- Drew Graber) Jimmy Gillentine, Sako Tumi (60 min)

11:30 AM Creating Culturally Diverse Characters (MOD- Dwan L. Hearn) L. Marie Wood, Michael Ignacio Jr., Rose Garcia, Hallee Bridgeman, Trysh Thompson, Tenita Johnson (60 min)

12:45 PM Fangs, Fates, and Forever: Forming Irresistible Paranormal

Romance (MOD - HR Boldwood) Malinda Andrews, Trysh Thompson, Ava Cuvay, Morgan Hazelwood, Eva Vertrice, Dan Klefstad

2 PM The Collaborative Story Challenge (MOD - Tenita Johnson) Lori Fairchild, Teri Kay Jobe, Beth Dotson Brown, J. Patrick Lemarr, Ivy Wilde (60 min)

3:15 PM What's Your Character's Playlist? Music as Muse & Method (MOD- Stephanie Lanham) Jonathan Walson / Nightsaber47, KB Carlisle, Sara Marian, Jayson William Allen, Mysti Parker (60 min)

4:30 PM Santiago's Healing Mental Health with Motivation and Humor through Entertainment Presented by Santiago Cirilo (60 min)

8:15 PM Vamp Chat LIVE podcast with hosts Dan Klefstad & Eva Vertrice

CLAIBORNE

9 AM Idea Tree Outlines Workshop Presented by Amanda-Grace / Amethyst Drake (60 min)

10:15 AM Devising Irresistible Romance Novels (MOD- S. Cinders) Elizabeth Bevarly, Riley Hunt, Kelly Ferguson, Jessica Minyard,

Melissa Goodman, P.E. Craven

11:30 AM Crowdfunding Can Still Work (MOD - Brian Haas) Chase Dudley, Eric Roper, Tony Acree

12:45 PM So You Want to be a Filmmaker? (MOD- Brian Haas) Michael Fitzer, Merak Von Noctem, Jonathan Knosp, Herschel Zahnd, Antonio Pantoja (60 min)

2 PM Writing Your Screenplay Synopsis Workshop Presented by Michael Fitzer (90 mins)

3:45 PM The Art of Writing Weapons Workshop Presented by B.A. Richards (60 min)

5 PM Beyond the Board: Crafting Engaging Game Modules & Rulebooks - (MOD- Joseph Isenberg) Da'Rell Miller, David G. Martin, Dave Mattingly, Bridget D. Brave (60 min)

8:45 PM Dr. Moreau's Laboratory : Animal Mashups and Chaos - (MOD - Barbara Evers) Mysti Parker, Herika R Raymer, J L Mulvihill, LJ Mack (90 min)

ELLIS

9 AM The Engine of Story (MOD- Lynn Slaughter) Clayton Barnett, Tommy B. Smith, A.J. Spencer, Crystal Allen, Rebecca Cuthbert (60 min)

Saturday Panel and Sunday Workshop Programming

- 10:15 AM (60 min) Imaginarium Karaoke Ball
- Assembling Worlds:
The Art & Business
of Anthology Writing
(MOD- B. D. Prince)
Jason Cordova, Alira
Coffman, Marilyn Barr,
Herika R Raymer, Ross
Killey (60 min)
- 11:30 AM Steve Alten
Virtual Interview by
Rebecca Cuthbert (30
min)
- 12 PM Guest of Honor
& Imaginator Intros and
Open Q & A Sessions
hosted by Imaginarium
Toastmaster Michael
Knost 12 Johnny D.
Boggs - 30 min - 1 PM
Cherry Weiner - 30 min
/ 1:30 PM Robert (Bob)
Yoho - 30 min .
- 2:15 PM The Rapture
at Silver Coin - Audio
Movie World Premiere,
followed by a Q&A with
the writer Devin Hylton,
and director Tim Miller
(90+ min)
- 6 PM Seating Begins for
Award Ceremony
- 6:30 PM Award
Ceremony Entertainment
Begins with a musical
performance from
Hershel Zahnd (20 mins)
- 6:50 PM Dan Klefstad and
Eva Vertrice announcing
'Vamp Chat' - followed
by Sako Tumi Dance
Performance (10 mins)
- 7:30 PM Award Ceremony
Begins
- 8:15 PM Costume/Cosplay
Contest Starts
- 9 PM - 12 AM
Costume/Cosplay
Winners Announced /
Immediately following
will be the Back to the 90s
- SUNDAY
JULY 20th**
- DERBY**
- 9 AM Pantheism and
Theology in Fantasy
Presented by A.P. Zenk
(60 min)
- 10:15 AM Death, Taxes,
and Freelancing Workshop
presented by Elizabeth
Donald (60 min)
- 11:30 AM Killing
Off Your Characters
Workshop Presented by
Barbara Evers (60 min)
- 12:45 PM How to
Write Funny Workshop
Presented by Virginia
Smith (60 min)
- 2 PM Diversification
Strategies to Build an
Ironclad Author Career
Presented by Lydia
Sherrer (60 min)
- 3:15 PM Crafting a Career
in Non-Fiction Workshop
Presented by Anthony
Taylor (90 mins)
- 5 PM Build It and They
Will Come: Launching
an Author Platform
that Attracts Readers
Workshop presented by
Ed Downes (60 min)
- TRIPLE CROWN**
- 9 AM Point of View
Workshop Presented by
Sharon Lacour (60 min)
- 10:15 AM Draw Me

Sunday Panel and Workshop Programming

a Story Workshop
Presented by J. C. Daniels
(30 min)

11 AM Film & Music
Distribution Hybrid
Interviews with Roxanne
Warren II (Green Apple
Distribution) (2 hrs)

1:15 PM Manifesting Your
Journey: Developing a
Philosophy on Writing
Presented by Tom Skaggs
(60 min)

3 PM Little Lemur on the
Prairie (MOD- Joseph
Isenburg) A.P. Zenk,
Benjamin T. Rittger,
Maeve Brooks (60 min)

CALUMET

9 AM Interviewing Your
Location – Bringing Your
Setting to Life Workshop
Presented by Lynn
Tincher (60 min)

10:15 AM Building
Believable Worlds for
All Genres Workshop
Presented by Ava Cuvay
(60 min)

11:30 AM Victorian
Slang and Wordsmithing
Workshop Presented
by “The Queen Bee”
Jennifer Noran (60 min)

12:45 PM That’s Heavy,
Doc: Using Timelines to
Tighten Plot Workshop
presented by Chad Elliot
(60 min)

2 PM How to Successfully
Make a Short Film
Workshop (60 min)

3:15 PM Historical

recreation of late
Victorian and Edwardian
ladies’ garments Presented
by Dr. Conni Spotts (2
hrs)

CARRIAGE

9 AM Using Email
Marketing to Convert
Casual Acquaintances
into Superfans Workshop
Presented by Marilyn Barr
& S. Cinders (60 min)

10:15 AM Writing
Through ‘Blocks’ (MOD
- Cassandra Morgan)
KB Carlisle, TL Shively,
Barbara V. Evers, Jessica
Minyard, Tom Skaggs,
Brian K. Morris (60 min)

11:30 AM Modern Sub-
Genres (MOD - Dan
Kemp) Carma Haley
Shoemaker, Marilyn Barr,
Morgan Hazelwood, H.L.
Hines, T. Lee Harris (60
min)

12:45 PM The Writer’s
Mind: Nurturing Mental
Health in a Creative Life
(MOD -Carma Haley
Shoemaker) Amy Leigh
McCorkle, Rebecca
Johnson, Mysti Parker, S.
Donovan Croft, Sheridan
Hall (60 min)

2 PM Barbarians at the
Gate: Book Banning and
What It Means for Writers
Presentation by Elizabeth
Donald (60 min)

3:15 PM Echoes of the
Past (MOD- Virginia
Smith) Johnny D. Boggs,
Dan Kemp, Terry
Chambers, Molly Daniels,

Carl R. Moore

4:30 PM Beyond the
Algorithm: Building Your
Brand’s Platform with
Social Media (MOD -
Dan Klefstad) David
Sherrer, Page Zaplandam,
Glenn Porzig, BEEF,
Lindsey Goddard

CLAIBORNE

9 AM Clash of the...
Egos? Collaborating
with a Partner Workshop
Presented by Elizabeth
Bevarly & Lorena Peter (60
min)

10:15 AM Language
Barriers in Dialogue
(MOD - Maeve Brooks)
H David Blalock, Clayton
Barnett, Tim “Cajun”
Bischoff, Tony Acree (60
min)

11:30 AM Sci-Fi Through
the Ages (MOD - Zac
Sherman) Jonathan
Walson / Nightsaber47,
Brick Marlin, Arlan
Andrews, Dave Weller, Jill
Baker

12:45 PM Screenplays for
Page & Screen (MOD-
John Morgan Risner)
Jayson William Allen,
Devin Hylton, Melissa
Goodman, Antonio
Pantoja, Craig Urquhart
(60 min)

2 PM Weaving the Past:
Using Historical Elements
in Fiction Workshop
presented by T. Lee Harris
and Sara Marian (60 min)

Sunday Panel and Workshop Programming

3:15 PM Once Upon a Time... and Beyond: Crafting Engaging Children's Books (MOD Alan Goldstein) Lori Fairchild, Malinda Andrews, Jen Selinsky, Renmeleon, Kelly Brakenhoff

4:30 PMAuditioning for Indie Projects (MOD- Stephanie Lanham) Herschel Zahnd, Chase Dudley, Claude D. Miles, Lexi Bass, Sven Granlund (60 min)

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9 AM Final Drafts - (MOD - Alira Coffman) Cherry Weiner, Lawrence Weill, Kelly Ferguson, H David Blalock, Stephanie Hansen

10:15 AM Critique Groups: A Writer's Friend or Waste of Time? (MOD- Alan Goldstein) Benjamin T. Rittger, Tom Deady, Virginia Smith, Rebecca Johnson, Stephanie Hansen (60 min)

11:30 AM Writing & Wrestling II: Everything Comes Back to Wrestling - (Mod- Dwan L. Hearn) BEEF, W.W. Mitchell, Bentley Phillippe, Brian Haas, Ron McMillan, S. Donovan Croft (60 min)

12:45 PM Researching Myths & Legends (MOD- RE Bunch) Stephen H. Provost, Joseph Isenberg, H. R. Boldwood, A.J. Spencer

2 PM Forming Compelling Urban Fantasy (MOD - Wayland Smith) Michael Williams, Ivy Wilde, Kayla Perkins, LJ Mack, Rebecca Cuthbert, WC Turck

3:15 PM Powerful Short Stories (MOD- W. Jade Young) Dave Creek, Michael Knost, Teri Kay Jobe, David G. Martin, Tim "Cajun" Bischoff (60 min)

4:30 PM The Truth, Beautifully Told: Writing Compelling Non-Fiction Books (MOD - Ron McMillan) Stephen H. Provost, Lorena Peter, Barry Koch, Jason Zamer (60 min)

TURFWAY

9 AM Church Service presented by Dave Mattingly (60 min)

10:15 AM Inspiring Poetry (MOD- Molly McDonough) Michael Williams, Erynn Crittenden, Tenita Johnson, Jen Selinsky, Darlene Franklin Campbell, Lee Pennington (60 min)

11:30 AM Synopsis to Song (MOD - Carl R. Moore) Jayson William Allen, John Palisano, Rose Marie Machario, Les Murphy (60 min)

12:45 PM Ask The Agent: Part II - Presented by Cherry Weiner (90 min)

4:15 PM Interactive Direct Animation 16 mm Filmmaking Screening - Presented by Lexi Bass (20 min)





About the Imaginarium Convention

To foster and inspire imagination, one creative at a time. Create and make your world everything you imagine it to be.

The Imaginarium Convention, now in its 12th year, is a unique event for writers and storytellers of all genres, including filmmakers, game developers, artists, musicians, poets, cosplayers, and many other creatives, and their fans.

The convention features three days full of extensive panel and workshop programming, an expo, a film festival, live entertainment, literary and film awards, cosplay, and much more!

A broad array of professional guests and panelists are featured in the programming, including authors, editors, publishers, filmmakers, screenwriters, game designers, comic creators, artists, actors, poets, and many other working creatives.

The Imaginarium Convention hosts an inclusive and welcoming environment that enables networking, learning, professional opportunities, promotional opportunities, and other benefits to independent creatives.



Friday Screening Schedule

Friday Screening begin at 11:00 AM
Official Selections

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| Seeds of Sovereignty | 11:00 AM |
| Staycation | 11:50 AM |
| It's All Connected: The Art of Sustainability | 1:23 PM |
| BitterSweet (Final Cut) | 2:53 PM |
| The Companion | 4:17 PM |
| Ebenezer the Traveler | 7:35 PM |
| 3rd aye | 9:17 PM |
| Tinseltown's Queer: | |
| 30 Years Later | 9:57 PM |

Saturday Screening Schedule

Saturday Screenings begin at 9AM
Official Selections

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| Broken Wing | 9 AM |
| Hate Me: Letters to Daniel | 9:06 AM |
| After the Deluge | 9:11 AM |
| Breakroom | 9:26 AM |
| Cattywampus | 9:41 AM |
| Don't Talk About It | 9:51 AM |
| Ever There | 10:02 AM |
| The Other Me | 10:13 AM |
| Thousand Year Flood | 10:18 AM |

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| Baron Munchausen (Karl) | 10:56 AM |
| Greek Philosophia and Chickens | 11:15 AM |
| Sleep Demon | 11:39 AM |
| Inner Space | 11:48 AM |
| Method: A Voice | |
| Actor Prepares | 11:58 AM |
| Quarantine | 12:10 PM |
| Table Chatter | 12:24 PM |
| The Root | 1:01 PM |
| Letters to: Pilot | 1:17 PM |
| ParaGenex Season 2 (Episodes 1-5) | 1:26 PM |
| When Doves Cry | 1:47 PM |
| In the Middle | 1:57 PM |
| Sonata in D | 2:20 PM |
| A Butterfly Has Been Released | 2:40 PM |
| Blood on the Bleachers | 3:17 PM |
| Come Out, Wherever You Are | 5:19 PM |
| The Anniversary | 8:30 PM |
| Closed Gates | 8:48 PM |
| CROMAESCOPE | 9:45 PM |
| Best in Class | 9: 55 PM |

Sunday Film Festival Screening Schedule

Sunday Screening Schedule

Sunday Screenings begin at 11:00 AM

Imaginarium 2025 Independent Filmmaker Spotlight

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| Louisville Extreme Park | 9:40 AM |
| Meander | 11:00 AM |
| Crimson and Clover | 12:38 PM |
| A Shot of Cold Medicine | 12:41 PM |
| A Tangled Tennessee | |
| Christmas | 12:49 PM |
| Beyond the Book | 1:09 PM |
| Broughton: The Awakening | 1:14 PM |
| Bay For Blood | 1:26 PM |
| Nerd Series | 1:49 PM |
| No More F***s To Give | 2:01 PM |
| Pieces of You | 2:15 PM |
| Power Rangers Demorphed Fan Film | 2:29 PM |
| Fairy Tale | 2:51 PM |
| Hoodie | 3:13 PM |
| Law and Beaver | 3:26 PM |
| Official Selection | |
| What is Love | 3:40 PM |



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Imaginarium 2025 Gaming



Bloat Games will be hosting open gaming and our gaming room during Imaginarium 2025, our 12th year!

They will have a large library of games on site that will be free to play. Just come on into the game room anytime during the convention weekend, if you want to take a break, and enjoy some card, board, and tabletop role-playing games!

Game Room Hours with Open Gaming & Events

Friday Noon-Midnight

Saturday 10 AM–Midnight

Sunday 10 AM – 5 PM

Copies of many popular games will be on hand, such as Scrabble, Dungeons & Dragons, List Off, Chess, Scattergories, 7 Wonders, Uno, Wingspan, Betrayal at Hill House, Dune, Azul, Evolution, Dead of Winter, Settlers of Catan, Parks, Ticket to Ride, Carcassonne, Roll Player, King of Tokyo, Zombies, Munchkin, Axis & Allies, Dark Places & Demogorgons, Trivial Pursuit, Quacks, Geek Out, Vigilante City, Space Race, Survive This: Zombies, Citadels, Are You a Werewolf?, Man Bites Dog, Huggermugger, Sequence, Checkers, and many more.

Magic the Gathering will be available to play all weekend. Bring your own deck or use one of our many decks.

Get ready for the best gaming environment

that we have had yet!

Demos/ Open Play All Weekend

The game room will have dozens of classic and new board games, card games, and role-playing games for free play all weekend. Come on into the game room and play a game, check out a demo, or just chill out.

Bloat Games Tabletop Role-Playing Game Demos and Information

Bloat Games will be set up next to the game room with all of their awesome RPG games for sale and available for demo at any time during the convention.

Bloat Games RPGs

Dark Places & Demogorgons: Teens in the 1980s in a paranormal and cryptid-filled Kentucky.

Bloody Appalachia: Survive the horrors of Appalachia, where strangers are not welcome. 2024 Imadjinn Award winner!

Camp Blood: Play as teen counselors as they attempt to make it through the night at an isolated summer camp.

We Die Young: Supernatural horror meets Grunge in a 1990s Seattle filled with vampires, werewolves, fairies, ghouls, and much more.

Survive This!! Zombies: Survive in a post-apocalyptic, zombie-filled world.

Evolved: Superhero Time Travelling game for DCC (Dungeon Crawl Classics).

Dead West: Role-Playing in the Wild West with a supernatural twist.

Greasers & Ghouls: Role-Playing in the 1950s world of hot rods, hula skirts, and huge monsters.

Imaginarium 2025 Gaming Continued

... and many more!

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Cat Magic and Outflanked Demos

Cat Magic and Outflanked are two great games created by Imaginarium Spotlight guest David Sherrer!

Cat Magic is a friendly (mostly) card game for lovers of cats, snark, and magical fun. Based on the bestselling Love, Lies, and Hocus Pocus book series.

Outflanked: Looking for a quick, fun game to enjoy with family and friends? You'll love this deceptively simple game of territory takeover based on the bestselling Love, Lies, and Hocus Pocus Universe.

Demos anytime on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday.

store.lydiasherrer.com/collections/merchandise

Evidential Myths Card Game Demos

Evidential Myths is a fast-paced fantasy combat game, like Spades and War. You can play a quick game in 5 to 10 minutes. You can play with up to four players, each with unique characters and powers. Visit the game's creator, Da' Rell Miller, at his booth and his panels during the convention.

Game Room Demos: Saturday 1:00 PM & Sunday at 1:00 PM

List Off Demos

A trivia game that plays like Uno meets Trivial Pursuit! You can learn the game in a few minutes. Come playtest demos for current and upcoming List Off expansions with the game's designers. Demos will be held all weekend: List Off Movies, Music, 80s, Horror, Pro Wrestling, Sci-Fi/ Fantasy, and more.

Demos anytime on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday

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Play, Rewind, Eject Demos

It's a quick-paced card game in which you decide which movies should be remade, erased from history, or kept just the way they are!

Demos anytime on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday

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Magic The Gathering Commander/EDH

Bring your favorite Commander/ EDH deck and test your skills anytime during convention hours. If you do not have a deck, we will have several for guests to play. We will have fun, casual decks, and hardcore competitive decks. All levels of players are welcome.

Friday – Sunday All Day

magic.wizards.com/en/formats/commander

Gaming Events

Magic The Gathering Commander Super Battle

Time Friday 7-10 PM

Bring your own Commander deck, or play one of our decks. Proxies are welcome at this event. All participants will receive a door prize.

magic.wizards.com/en/formats/commander

Toon Role Playing Game

It's an extremely funny Steve Jackson

Imaginarium 2025 Gaming Continued

RPG where you play cartoon characters. Super GM Brian Wixom will be back for his second year of running Toon!

Time TBD

sjgames.com/toon/

Dark Places & Demogorgans Role Playing Game

Set in Kentucky in the 1980's, you play teenagers trying to solve a monster mystery. Easy to play RPG designed by Kentucky's own Bloat Games.

Time TBD

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Dungeons & Dragons 5E

The classic RPG that started it all! Come join in some high fantasy adventure.

Time TBD

dnd.wizards.com

Scattergories Super Battle

Fast-paced, knowledge board game.

Time Saturday 3 PM- 5PM

Door Prizes for all players! Prize for the winner!

shop.hasbro.com/en-us/product/scattergories-game

7th Annual List Off Championship (\$100 Prize Pool)

A trivia game that plays like Uno meets Trivial Pursuit! You can learn the game in a few minutes.

This is the seventh year in a row that the List Off Championships will be held at Imaginarium! Hosted by the game's creator!

\$50 cash prize for the winner! Prizes for all players!

Saturday 8-10 PM

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Are You a Werewolf?

The infamous card game that draws a crowd every Saturday night at Imaginarium! This will be the 11th year in a row of the late-night madness!

Saturday 11 PM-Midnight

beziergames.com/products/ultimate-werewolf-deluxe-edition



Imaginarium 2025 Cosplay

Imaginarium 2025 will be a great environment to celebrate and explore the wonderful world of Cosplay!

Many great Cosplay groups will be in attendance throughout the weekend and featured in our Creative's Alley! They will be conducting contests and games of their own, and demonstrations, so be sure to visit all of them!

We invite you to express yourself through Cosplay throughout the weekend, meet all of our wonderful groups, and participate in the Back to the 90's Imaginarium Karaoke Ball and Costume Contest!

A few of the attending Cosplay groups at Imaginarium 2025 include:

The Kentucky Browncoats, The Airship Caduceus, and more!

Back to the 90's Imaginarium Karaoke Ball and Costume Contest!

After a full day of great programming and activities, the Back to the 90's Imaginarium Karaoke Ball will kick off with a Costume Contest for both children and adults!

The Costume Contest will begin at 8:30 PM with judging and be followed immediately by the Imaginarium Convention Karaoke Ball which will last until at least midnight, at the earliest!

Sign-ups for the costume contest will be at the registration counter from the beginning of the convention. The theme of the characters portrayed by contestants must be taken from the world of storytelling, including literary works, film/television, a song, or a game. Come have fun and enjoy the magic of cosplay!

Prizes will be awarded for all categories including special new Imaginarium tokens that can be spent in the expo hall with any vendor!

Immediately following the costume contest the Back to the 90's Imaginarium Karaoke Ball will commence!

There will be a cash bar provided along with music by our house DJ, Keith Brockman of Soundoff.

Lots of dancing, singing, and fun for all ages! You are not required to be in costume to attend!

Back to the 90's Imaginarium Karaoke Ball/ Contest Rules

All costumes must be based on a character from a medium of storytelling, such as literature, film/tv, or games.

Costumes will be judged on creativity, uniqueness, and character-based precision. A costume does not have to be of professional make to be considered for the prizes. Creativity and imagination are a big part of what we are looking for!

We ask that you sign in when you arrive with your real name and your character. In the event we have more than one of the same character, photos may be taken by con staff for reference. (Note: The judges will not see this list.)

No nudity. This event, as with the rest of the Imaginarium Convention's main events, is family friendly. All ages will be admitted to the Ball. Costumes containing nudity or adult-themed parts will be disqualified from the contest and the wearer asked to change clothes and/or leave.

A cash bar will be provided. Proper identification will be required.

You do not need to be in costume to attend the Back to the 90's Imaginarium Karaoke Ball.

Winners will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the form of Imaginarium Bucks to use in the vending halls.

Adults: 1st - \$50 2nd - \$25 3rd - \$15

Kids: 1st - \$25 2nd - \$15 3rd - \$10



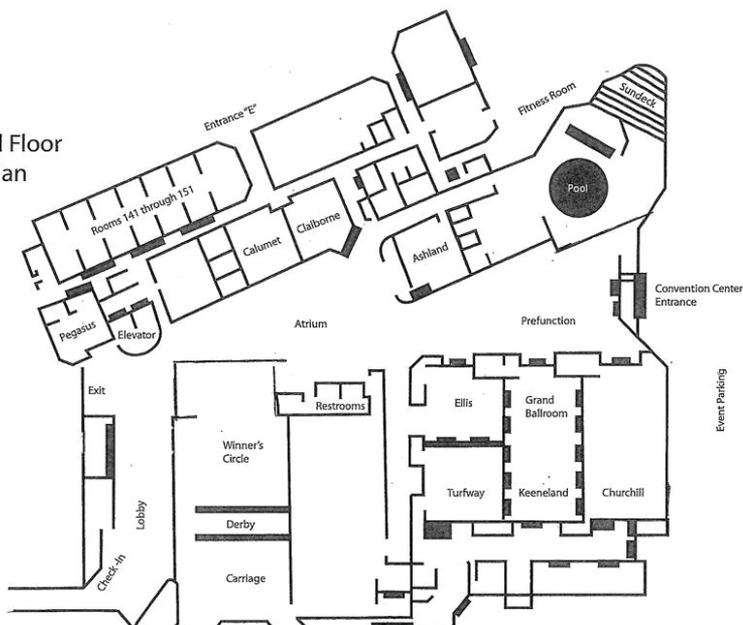
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securely add feedback to your manuscript.

Imaginarium No-Harassment Policy

Harassment of an individual is a very serious matter when it comes to convention and events. As the Imaginarium Convention seeks to provide a comfortable and inclusive climate for everyone in attendance, we have a firm no-harassment policy.

As Bill and Ted famously said, “Be Excellent to Each Other.”

However, verbal comments, or any behavior considered to be intimidating or of a stalking nature, including but not limited to the use of recording devices, disruption of discussions/events, unwelcome sexual attention, or inappropriate physical contact can result in revocation of event registration at the discretion of staff and security.

We will not tolerate any abuse of any attendee with regard to their religion, ethnic heritage, gender, physical appearance, or sexual orientation. Any request to cease behavior deemed of a harassing nature is expected to be complied with immediately, and failure to do so will result in immediate revocation of the individual’s event registration. There are no refunds on a revoked registration, so please cooperate.

We also ask that anyone experiencing any harassment report it to our staff or security as soon as possible. Staff and security will be easy to identify with unique staff/security shirts. Let’s all have a great weekend together and we sincerely hope that this policy does not have to be invoked a single time. Help us make that happen and ensure that Imaginarium’s atmosphere is one that is welcoming, supportive, and positive for everyone!



The 2025 Imadjinn Awards!

Full Finalist List!

Best Anthology (multiple authors)

The Rack: Stories Inspired By Vintage Horror Paperbacks from Editor - Tom Deady

Express Elevator to Hell (Universes at War Book 1) from Editors - Chris Kennedy & Kelley Jones

It Came From the Trailer Park: Volume 3.5 from Editors - Philip K. Booker & William Joseph Roberts

Best Audiobook Narration

Prince Liberator: The Prince of Britannia Saga, Book 6 Narrated by Michael Joss / Written by Fred Hughes

The Grey Man- Sunset Narrated by Marcus Barton / Written by JL Curtis

Blood, Sweat, and Steel: Tales of Future Combat and Mechanized Warfare Narrated by Brian Fairbank / Written by David Drake, Kevin Ikenberry, and William Joseph Roberts

Best Children's Book

The Tractor Squad by Heather Dawn Torres

HELP! Santa is in Trouble by Effin Older

She Spoke Too: 14 More

Women Who Raised Their Voices and Changed the World by Kathy MacMilan & Manuela Bernardi

Best Cross Genre Novel

The Fae Wars: Insurgent by J.F. Holmes

Cursed by Bandits by Stephanie K. Clemens

Armored Hours by Stephanie Hansen

Best Faith-Based Novel

Wisdom of Our Elders: Living in Spirit, Wisdom, Deep Mercy, and Truth by Karen E. Simms Tolson

Best Fantasy Novel

Cursed by a Siren's Kiss by Riley Hunt and L. S. Embers

Atlantis, Land of Dreams by Edale Lane

Chosen By The Sword by Charles Hackney

Best Game Module / Rule Book

Dark Places & Demogorgons: Ultimate Edition by Josh Palmer

Best Graphic Novel/Comic Book

Aristocratic Xtraterrestrial Time-Traveling Thieves Complete Collection by Henry Vogel

Best Historical Fiction Novel

The Long Winter of Miðgarðr by Edale Lane

Silent Mine by C.M. Saunders

Trail of Madness by Michael Knost

Lies in the Place of Truth by T. Lee Harris

Best Horror Novel

Mountain of Fire by Jason Cordova

Those Left Behind by Tom Deady

Ink Vine by Elizabeth Broadbent

Never Have I Ever by Harker Jones

Best Literary Fiction Novel

Beach Therapy by Maddie James

Rooted in Sunrise by Beth Dotson Brown

Return of the Goatman by Lawrence Weill

Best Middle Grade Novel

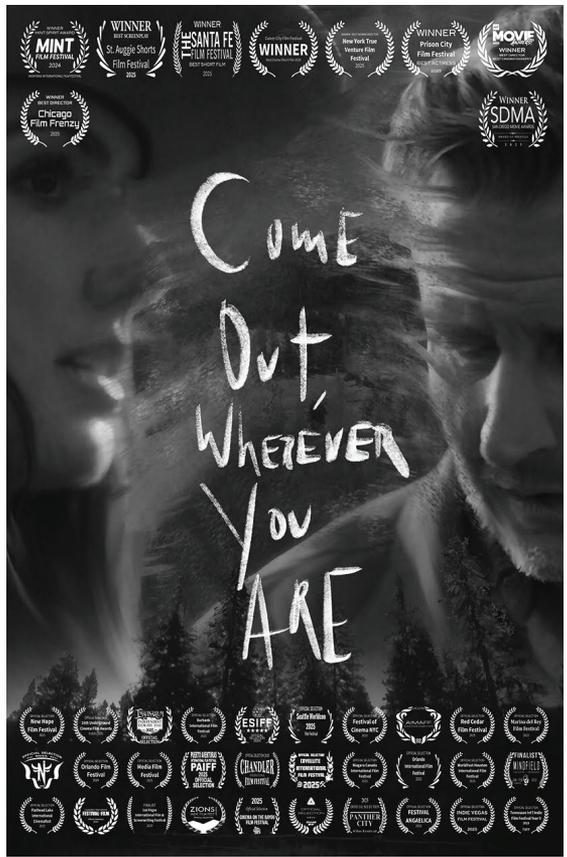
Quantum Quirks: A Science Fiction Childhood by Adam Gaffen

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| A Story Unfinished by Melody Pendlebury | Torn by Jen Selinsky | Las Envies by John Palisano |
| Best Mystery Novel | Best Romance Novel | Kaleidoscope by Barbara V. Evers |
| Edge of Edisto by C. Hope Clark | Addicted by Ayla Cox | Red Waves of Slaughter by Steven L. Shrewsbury |
| -Midnight: A Folly Beach Mystery by Bill Noel | Given a Chance (The R&B Series Book 2) by Olivia Linden | Best Song Lyrics |
| The Scheme by Amethyst Drake | Group Hug by Ariella Talix | Frozen by Jayson William Allen |
| Best Non-Fiction Book | Hell's Belles: Love and War by Jon Laforce | Best Steampunk Novel |
| You're Not Alone In The Dark by Eric J. Gurignard & Eugene M. Johnson | Best Science Fiction Novel | Hell's Acre by Lilith Saintcrow |
| 100 Things Duran Duran Fans Should Know & Do During This Life: A New, Quirky Guide to Nostalgia from 1978 to Danse Macabre by Sandy Lender | Prince Conqueror (The Prince of Britannia Saga Book 7) by Fred Hughes | The Darkness of Dying in the Light by S.E. Reed |
| A Trick of the Tale: The Story of Every Genesis Song by Jen Selinsky & Travis Potts | Salvage Purgatory by Kevin Steverson & Nick Steverson & Jason Cordova | Best Thriller Novel |
| Best Paranormal Romance Novel | Path To Freedom by James Copley | Doubling Down by Dan Kemp |
| Spider King by Paige Skye | 2028 Tomorrow Is The Day by L.R. O'Brien | SapphicLove69 by Edale Lane |
| What a Dragon Desires by Ava Cuvay | Best Short Story Collection (single author) | Mission Black: Father Black Book One by Mick Williams |
| The House on Darkling Street by Annette Miller | Shadow's Gate by Sharon Marie Provost | Harvest of Evil: Book One of the John Fisher Chronicles by William M. Lehman |
| Best Poetry Collection (single author) | Doll Seed: Stories by Michele Tracy Berger | Best Urban Fantasy Novel |
| Imitation of Life by L. Marie Wood | Side Hustle: Vol. 1 by Jason Cordova | Reka's Grasp by H.Y. Gregor |
| Pens, Parchment, and Pain by Jayson William Allen | SELF-MADE MONSTERS: Feminist Horrors by Rebecca Cuthbert | Lies and Illusion by L.R. Braden |
| | Best Short Story | Pinky Promise by J. D. Blackrose |
| | Northward Stones Mark a Crooked Path by Tommy B. Smith | Best Young Adult Novel |
| | | Superficial by Diane Billas |

Pride and Persistence by Joe Chianakas

The Princess Scout by Henry Vogel

The Dreams of Gemini by K.B. Carlisle



Get ready for a great Imaginarium 2025 Awards Ceremony!

Dinner seating begins 6 PM on Saturday, July 19th in Turfway Ballroom!
With Live Entertainment, including:

A Musical Performance From Herschel Zahnd!



A Special Visit From Dan Klefstad and Eva Vertrice, co-hosts of the Vamp Chat With Dan and Eva Podcast!



A Dance Performance From Sako Tumi!



Award Ceremony Will Begin at 7:30 PM!

Screenplay Finalists

Short Format

- Arakan – Eric Close
Crying Wolf – Michael Maultsby
Extraction – James Sabata
Grow Old With Me – Elizabeth Donald
Haven – Craig Urquhart
Left Behind – Christopher Cook
Luna Noir: City of the Damned – Herschel Zahnd
Mirror Eyes – Devin Hylton
Relentless – Andrew P. Mayo
Samuel, Dreaming – Dave Creek
Scavenger – Lizanne Southgate
The Age of the Empath – Steve Brown
The Haze – Dwan L. Hearn
The Idiosyncratic Queen – Lynn Tincher
Zombie Moon – Dwan L. Hearn, Jameson D. Hearn

Screenplay Finalists

Long Format

- Blood Ties – Steve Farris
Boondocks – B.D. Prince
Brothers – Thomas Moore
Christmas Cards – Joseph Anthony Francis
Exodus – Mick Williams
Getting Back – Haven Garber

- Ice Fire – A.M. Mason, Leslie Ann Moore
Lifeboat – Mason Mendoza, Bill Baber
My Wooden Wings – Rachel Multerer
Panopticon – Sophia Peaslee
Send Me an Angel – Amy Leigh McCorkle, Melissa Goodman
Single at Christmas – Joseph Anthony Francis
The Bruja Files – Rose Garcia
The One-Eyed Monkey – Adam Poulos
The Rapture at Silver Coin – Devin Hylton
The Recluse – Eric Duffy
The Witch's Descendant – Carol Prefatish
Zendaya – Curtis Harrison

Friday Author Readings (Claiborne Room)

- 8:00 PM Ronald Lloyd
8:15 PM Lori Briley Fairchild
8:30 PM Kelly Brakenhoff
8:45 PM Barbara V. Evers
9:00 PM Ava Cuvay
9:15 PM Michelle Bennington
9:30 PM Stephen H. Provost
9:45 PM R. C. Reid
10:00 PM Morgan Hazelwood
10:15 PM Teri Kay Jobe
10:30 PM Carma Shoemaker
10:45 PM W. Jade Young
11:00 PM Rebecca Cuthbert

Saturday Author Readings (Calumet Room)

- 8:15 Lynn Tincher
8:30 PM W.W. Mitchell
8:45 PM Michael Williams
9:00 PM Sharon LaCour
9:15 PM Heather-Rose Thompson
9:30 PM Erynn Crittenden
9:45 PM Lynn Slaughter
10:00 PM Page Zaplandam
10:15 PM Dan Kemp
10:30 PM Jayson William Allen
10:45 PM Stephanie Lanham



Thank You!

Thank you for supporting the Imaginarium Convention in our mission to develop, grow, and bring networking, learning, mentoring, and professional opportunities to writers, storytellers, filmmakers, artists, game developers, and creatives of all genres!

The Imaginarium Convention is unique in the worlds of conventions, conferences, and events, and that is because of you and all of our fantastic creative community!

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