



Cosplay@STGCC Competition Rules

Eligibility

- What character/genres are eligible to join the competition?
 - Cosplay participants are allowed to cosplay any characters from **any intellectual properties, such as**
 - Anime
 - Cartoons
 - Comics
 - Manga
 - Movies
 - Novels
 - PC & Console Games
 - TV Series
 - Any ambiguous genres will be subjected to the committee and judge's review
- Is there a registration fee?
 - No, this competition is **free of charge** for everyone.
- When will the competition start, and how many rounds will there be?
 - We will accept registrations online **from now till 30 July 2011(Singapore time)**. There will only be **2 rounds** - First Screening Round and Final Round.
- Must the costume be made by myself in order to join the competition? And can I use a costume that I have used in the past?
 - We would like every Cosplayer from beginner to experienced backgrounds to enjoy the chance to participate in the competition.
Costumes that are commissioned or bought are allowed, but Cosplayers that participate with **costumes they have made themselves**



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will receive extra points. Past costumes are allowed but we will encourage everyone to compete with a new costume.

- Who are eligible to participate in this competition?
 - You can participate in this competition if you **reside in Singapore. PR and foreigners who work or study in Singapore are welcome** too. For visitors who do not reside in Singapore and would like to join the competition, **please consult the committee first** by sending us an email at stgcccospay@reedexpo.com.sg
- I'm under 18, but can I join the competition?
 - We accept Cosplayers **from ages 14 years old up**, but you will need **parental consent if you are under the age of 18.**
- Will my Images, Videos, or Personal information be used or published without my consent?
 - It's unlikely for us to request videos from participants (**However, footage of contestants may be used in some of our videos**). Images submitted will be **used by STGCC at its own discretion** (Before, during and post-event). Personal information will not be disclosed to other parties **unless required by law (By joining the competition, you are expected to have read and agreed to the Competition Rules stated).**

Participation

- Where/How do I register for this competition?
 - You can register your participation by sending an email to Stgcccospay@reedexpo.com.sg
- What information will I need to submit for registration, and what do I need to submit for the First screening round?



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- You will need to submit your :
 - Full real name
 - Stage name
 - Year(s) of cosplaying experience
 - The series and the name of the character you are cosplaying
 - Information regarding whether the costume is handmade or purchased (you are free to attach pictures of the work in progress for further proof that it is self made)
 - IC number, Age, Date of birth, Contact Number, and your Email for verification purposes.
- For screening purposes, you will need to submit:
 - The picture of yourself in your normal attire (for judging purposes, may be shown to the audience during the competition (only with the contestant's approval))
 - The picture of the cosplays you have done in the past (For use as your profile picture),
 - The costume you want to compete in (which will not be disclosed prior to the competition). You are welcome to submit more than 1 photograph for our reference (i.e pictures taken from different angles, close-up shots of the props, etc.)
 - The reference image of the character you are intending to compete as (from Picture 3).
- What are the prizes and how many winners there are?
 - There will be **8 winners**, with the **1st prize at S\$1,000 in cash** and the **Runner-up at S\$400 in cash** and **6 consolation prizes at S\$100 each.**
- Can you extend the deadline?



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- As much as we want everybody to join the competition with a comfortable deadline, the committee and the judge will need time to do the first screening round. The current deadline is decided for us to have enough time to judge fairly and still give the participants as much time for preparation as we can.
- I would like to join, but my final costume is not ready yet. Can I still join the competition even if I cannot submit the picture of the costume?
 - In the light of the competition rules, we will need you to compete with **the costume in the picture you have submitted for the competition**. If you want to join, but your new costume is not completed, we suggest that you to join with your ready **costume from a past cosplay**, but for flexibility you can **update your final costume picture if you happen to finish it before the deadline**. (In the case that you are unable to finish the costume and submit the picture before the deadline, you will be requested to join the competition with the costume that you have submitted first)
- Who will judge the competition?
 - The panel of judges this year will be released at a later date. **Judges this year will come from a mixture of people from different backgrounds**, we are looking at judges who are experienced and knowledgeable about cosplay, arts, and pop culture to ensure the fairness of judging. **Check out our website and facebook for the latest updates** of the whole event including this competition.
- When will the finalists be announced?
 - It will be announced on **7 August 2011**.
- How many finalists will there be?
 - We are looking for **8 Finalists**, but this figure might change at our discretion at time of the announcement.



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- Is there free STGCC passes for the finalist?
 - Only the 8 finalists selected from the Final Round will be given a 2 Day Pass to STGCC.

Judging System

- First Screening Round Judging System
 - The pictures submitted by contestants will be used by the committee and the judges as the main **reference** and for **comparison**.
 - Judging criteria for the first screening will primarily be
 - The Accuracy of the Cosplay (Costume, Wigs, Make up, etc)
 - The Character (Being in-character, Face expression, Pose, etc)
 - The Props (If any, weapon, book, leek, etc)
 - Will characters with props receive a higher score than characters without props?
 - Props **may not necessarily** earn extra points during the screening round. Props that are not detailed and accurate enough may also **result in deducted points**. Characters without props will simply be judged **purely by the accuracy of the cosplay and by the how in-character the cosplayer is**, with the **same maximum score** as a cosplayer with props.
 - How do you define props?
 - Weapons, books, leeks, broomsticks, or things that are **hand carried** as part of the cosplay. They should be **related to** the



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character you are cosplaying as. **(With reference from the original series and the picture you have submitted)**

- Final Round Judging System
 - Finalists will be asked to participate in the finals on **21 August at STGCC's Main stage.**
 - Finalists will be required to participate in a **rehearsal on the night of either 19 or 20 August (to be confirmed).**
 - Finalists will **have 2 minutes on stage** where they will pose in front of the judges and audience.
 - Finalist will be requested to submit a **BGM file (Background music of 2 minutes or less)** and a **background image file (in JPEG)** to be played on stage during their stage time. **(Finalists must credit the BGM and the background image)**
 - Judging Criteria
 - Costume: Maximum 25 marks
The accuracy and quality of the costume, handheld props, wig, make up and other contributing factors.
 - Posing & Presentation: Maximum 20 marks
Poses presented during the stage time. This will be gauge how well you are able to draw out the character through your poses.
 - Transformation: Maximum 10 marks
This will be judged by comparing your normal looks to judge the process and effort in order to look like your cosplayed character (expression, appearances, facial features, body movement, etc)
 - Judge's bonus: Maximum 10 marks
It will be granted by the judges with their own personal opinions and experiences in the field and industry.



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- Handmade costume bonus: +5 marks on top of total score
Bonus points for contestants who participate with costumes made by themselves to celebrate their effort, and also for fairness to all contestants.
- Will my choice of BGM or background wallpaper affect my score?
 - The BGM and background is requested to set the atmosphere on stage. **It will not affect your score.**
- What props can I use on stage?
 - **Handheld props** that are related to your character may be brought up stage for posing. For **everything else not handheld (chair etc), we will suggest that you check with committee beforehand** for approval.
- How will the committee know if the costume is handmade or not? And what are the consequences of providing false information to committee regarding the costume?
 - We will have a **team of experienced cosplayers and also our judges** to check your costume during the rehearsal to determine whether your costume is self made or purchased/commissioned. We will try our best to identify the costume through means like **questioning the creation process or request for extra proof.** Contestant found to have provided dishonest information or evidence will be subjected to **deduction of points or disqualification (case by case basis).**
- Any other rules that contestants should pay attention to?
 - We as the committee hope to bring everybody a fun and enjoyable competition where everybody can enjoy themselves, and at the same time, to have a chance to showcase their talent in



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cosplaying. We strongly encourage every contestant to display healthy sportsmanship and adequate ethics and conduct.

- Sabotage of other contestant's performance, costume, property or anything that will affect their well being for their performance will result in **immediate disqualification**.
- Vulgarities, misconduct and threat used towards the Judges, Audiences, Committee and other contestants will result in **deduction of points or immediate disqualification (case by case basis)**
- Provision of false information to committee in regard to the costume's origin will result in **deduction of points or disqualification. (case by case basis)**

Contestant's code of conduct

- All information provided by contestants should be true and verifiable without dishonesty.
- The committee will not be liable to any infringement of copyright.
- The contestant should credit their selected BGM and background image used during their stage time to the rightful owner of the intellectual property rights owner.
- Contestants that find difficulty to attend the finals in the case where they are selected should contact the committee and voice their difficulties.
- Contestants must do their best to keep their costume in the top shape for the finals.



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- Contestants must provide a contactable number where committee can contact them without difficulties at any reasonable time after they are selected for the finals.



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