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CURRENT PANEL OFFERINGS

THE LAST 10% HOW TO FINISH YOUR COSPLAY

Ready to take your cosplay game up a notch? In this panel, we'll learn how to level up your sewing with finishing techniques that will help get rid of those pesky raw edges and help you create cleaner, crisper, and more durable garments.

Topics include: pressing seams, why finishing seams is important, more advanced seams and seam finishes, hemming, how to use bias tape, slip stitching for finishing (This panel works as a workshop as well, if sewing machines are available, extends time to 2 hours).

DYEWORK AND FABRIC PAINTING FOR COSPLAY

Ever wanted to get into fabric modification, but didn't know where to start? Come explore the versatile work of fabric paint and dyework! In this panel, we'll learn how to use fabric paint and painting techniques to really elevate your cosplay.

We'll go over the various different tools, the different kinds of paint that exist, how to plan your fabric painting, and the techniques you'll need to achieve your goals.:

GETTING STARTED WITH YOUR SEWING MACHINE

Time to break out the sewing machine and hopefully make it less intimidating! Let's go over how to set up your machine, how to start using it, the various parts, some of the stitches, and the basics to troubleshooting your machine.

Topics Include: How to thread the machine, how to start sewing, how to backstitch, stay stitching vs reinforcement stitching, base stitching, ease stitching, top stitching, and steps to troubleshoot your machine.

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COMMERCIAL SEWING PATTERNS: WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

Ever wondered what the heck all those markings on commercial patterns means? Or opened a pattern and don't know where to start? This panel aims to help demystify that!

We'll walk through how to use a pattern packet as your project shopping list as well as how to set your sewing project up for success by going over all the necessary information to be able to read and use a commercial pattern.

EMBELLISHMENTS GALORE: A PRIMER ON EMBROIDERY AND BEADING

Join us in 'Embellishments Galore: A primer on embroidery and beading'! as we dive into the world of hand embellishments. Level up your cosplay game with beading, embroidery, hand-sewing and gold work!

In this panel, participants will learn about the materials used to get started with embroidery, how to prepare fabrics, the different stitches and how to combine them for different effects, how to incorporate beads and beading techniques, and how to get started with goldwork techniques including couching, chip work, and padding (and how these techniques can be used in other creative ways!)

SEAMS AND SEAM FINISHES

Ready to unravel the secrets of seams and finishing touches in garment making? In this panel, we'll break down the different types of seams, explain when to use them, and share practical tips for achieving professional results.

Whether you're a novice or seasoned sewer, learn to empower your sewing game and add personalized flair to your cosplays through seam finishes!



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INTRO TO SEWING

Ready to get started sewing? In this panel, we'll go over the basics to get started, including the tools you'll need, some basic hand stitches, how a sewing machine works, and the basics to get started.

This panel is a condensed version of hand sewing basics and intro to sewing machine to create a great introduction for someone who's never sewn before but would like to break into the hobby.

HAND STITCHING BASICS

Hand stitching? For my cosplay? It's more common than you think! Hand stitching is a key skill when it comes to sewing that will always be useful.

Come learn some of the basic hand stitching that can help you create your cosplay, from running stitch to ladder and everything in between!

ADVANCED HAND STITCHING

Hand stitching? For my cosplay? It's more common than you think!

In this panel, learn how to elevate your cosplay craftsmanship skills with more advanced hand stitching techniques including better basting, nearly invisible slip stitching, decorative embroidery, mending stitches, and more!

SEWING MACHINE MAINTENANCE

Tired of your machine skipping stitches? Sick of all the little bird nests at the start of your stitch line?

Then this panel is for you! We discuss some of the common (and some uncommon) problems your sewing machine may have as well as how to troubleshoot them.



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BASICS OF DRAFTING FOR SEWING

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INTRO TO FOAM ARMOR

Foam Armor can sound intimidating at first, but it's actually really easy to get started with. The cost of entry is actually pretty low, as you need just a few inexpensive tools to start.

It can also be more forgiving than other kinds of armor like Worbla or casting. Come learn all about this exciting medium for cosplay!

INTRO TO 3D PRINTING

Interested in getting started with 3D printing but not sure where to start? In this panel, we'll go over the basics of 3D printing technology, talk about some of the most common forms of it (from FDM to SLA to SLS!) and how to choose the right materials for your project! We'll also discuss post-processing your prints and basic troubleshooting.

DESIGNING FOR 3D PRINTING

Ready to take your fabrication to the next level? Maybe you want to start designing your own models for printing? But how do you take a digital render to the real world and make it work for your cosplay?

In this panel, we'll go over tolerances, orientation, and how to make your designs more durable.