#### **Personal Comics Workshop**

1:00 p.m.

You've got something to say! Explore different ways to express yourself through personal comics with teaching artist and cartoonist Meghan Turbitt.

#### **Face-Painting Party**

2:00 p.m.

Join us in the Children's Department for face painting, glitter tattoos, crafts, and a chance to get a photo with a famous princess!

# Gaming The Heim Center

First Floor

#### **Open-Play Board Games**

10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Join us in the Gaming Room throughout the Con for open-play board games featuring Thirsty Dice, Philadephia's first board-game café!



#### Featured Game: Werewolf

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

In meeting rooms 131 and 132

Will you be a werewolf or will you be a villager? In this social hidden-role game, no one is innocent and everyone is suspect. All are welcome to join in this adventure of bluffing and intrigue!

## Teen Chill Room

#### Field Teen Center

Ground Floor

For teens ages 12 to 18.

Choose your own adventure! Get away from the crowds of the Con and relax in your space. Watch anime, browse our comics and manga collection, and enjoy snacks.

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# Workshops

#### **Business Resource and Innovation Center**

Ground Floor

# Expect the Unexpected: Using Chance Elements to Create a Comic 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Today is the first day of school. You go into the kitchen like normal to prepare breakfast, when suddenly you encounter an alligator eating toast. Is the alligator angry—or happy to see you? Roll the dice to find out! In this workshop led by comic artist Anna McGlynn, create a short comic by integrating elements of chance and game play into your storytelling.

#### **Creating Comic-Book Stories 101**

12:00-1:00 p.m.

In this beginner's course with writer and artist Shawn Alleyne, experience an introduction to the world of graphic storytelling. Through a series of fun, challenging exercises, learn the basics of story development, character design, and universe building and shape your own unique artistic vision.

#### **Deconstructing Superheroes**

1:00-2:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun, hands-on workshop led by author, artist, and musician Alex Smith in which participants will write, draw, cut, and paste their way into creating a new world. Through surprising exercises and collaborations, discuss traditional superheroes and how we can deconstruct them—or change them—to meet modern interpretations. Cyberpunk superheroes? Afrofuturist superheroes? Anti-imperialist superheroes? We'll make our characters work for the people.

### **Panels**

## **Montgomery Auditorium**

Ground Floor

The Art of Magic: The Gathering

12:00-12:45 p.m.

Have you ever wondered who made that incredible image on your Sprouting Thrinax or Armored Wolf-Rider cards? Meet some of the artists who have contributed their talents to Magic: The Gathering, one of the most popular trading-card games in the world. Learn about what it's like to freelance, work with style guides and art directors, and adhere to tight deadlines—while still putting your own signature style into your work.

#### Dirty Diamonds: An All-Girl Comic Panel

1:00-1:45 p.m.

The editors and creators of *Dirty Diamonds: An All-Girl Comic Anthology* are hosting a panel! Join editors Kelly Phillips and Claire Folkman as they discuss the award-winning publication's history, processes, and social impact with featured contributors Jennifer Chan, Noni Garcia, and Beth Heinly. Get the inside scoop on their upcoming and final issue, *DEATH*, and find out what the future holds for this Philadelphia-based project!

#### Spotlight on James Boyle

2:00-2:45 p.m.

Listen to James Boyle—fresh off his highly successful Philly Tarot Card Project Kickstarter campaign—discuss his journey and experiences as a freelance illustrator, the value of self-started projects, and how artists can harness the power of crowdfunding and social media. He will also talk about the process of illustrating comics using examples from his new miniseries, soon to be released by independent publisher A Wave Blue World.

# Cosplay Competition Featuring Steven Universe Drag Performance 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Strut your stuff in this annual best-in-cosplay competition, hosted by Icon Ebony-Fierce. You might even catch them performing a special Steven Universe drag set! Register at the Cosplay Registration Desk in the lobby by 1:00 p.m. to compete.

### Children's Activities

### Children's Department

Ground Floor

For children 12 and under and their families.

## Storytime and Zine Workshop

10:30 a.m.

Hear author, illustrator, and cartoonist Andrea Tsurumi read her books *Accident* and *Crab Cake*, and then participate in a zine workshop.

## **Character-Making Workshop**

12:00 p.m.

Ever wanted to create your own comic character? Illustrator and artist Dre Grigoropol will teach you how in this workshop!