

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE - AEX SAINT JOHN - SATURDAY JULY 11, 2026

TIME

THEATRE/PANEL

EXOR GAMES

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9:45AM

10:00

WARHAMMER AGE OF SIGMAR DEMO
Experience the fantasy side of Warhammer as powerful armies battle for glory across the Mortal Realms!
(10:00 - 12:30)

MARKET
Featuring over 100 tables. Artists, crafter, authors, and more!

FREE FACE PAINTING
Available daily for kids from 1:00 to 5:00 PM, pick from a variety of designs provided by Little Island Artist.

10:30

RIFTBOUND LEARN TO PLAY
Learn Riftbound, the brand-new card game set in the world of League of Legends and Arcane!
(10:00 - 12:00)

CONSOLE GAMING
From retro to modern day consoles, we got 'em all. Games are changed daily.

COSPLAY CONTEST
Voting period ends at 5:30. Please see your tokens for more details.

11:00

OPENING CEREMONY & COSPLAY SHOW
We kick things off by welcoming everyone to the event and celebrating the incredible creativity of the show's amazing cosplayers!
11:00 (60 minutes)

LEARN TO PLAY POKEMON
Learn the basics of the Pokémon Trading Card Game and start your journey as a Trainer!
(12:00 - 2:00)

HANDHELD GAMING
Check out our range of handheld consoles ranging from classic to the fresh off the shelves!

MARILUG
Come and check out the amazing LEGO displays provided by local members.

11:30

12:00

DREAM CHASING: WITHOUT A MAP
When the path doesn't exist, build it; Disney animator Brian Finlay shares a real look at chasing a creative career, adapting to a changing industry, and creating opportunity from scratch.
12:15 (45 minutes)

WARHAMMER 40K DEMO
Experience the sci-fi side of Warhammer as mighty armies wage war across a galaxy consumed by endless conflict!
(1:00 - 3:30)

TOONIE TOURNAMENT
Time to put your game face on and win a prize!

FLOOR GAMES
We bring the outdoors, indoors with some huge versions of popular games and various other activities!

12:30

1:00

KEYNOTE: HEDY BURRESS
Best known as the voice of Yuna in Final Fantasy X, celebrating the RPG's 25th anniversary alongside a career spanning film, television, and voice acting.
1:15 (45 minutes)

STAR WARS UNLIMITED DEMO
Enter the Star Wars galaxy and learn the exciting trading card game where iconic characters and epic battles come to life!
(2:00 - 4:00)

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF POKÉMON
Visit our Pokémon collection ranging from vintage to modern day releases.

BOARDGAMES
Grab a game from our collection and have some fun!

1:30

2:00

HOW TO BE A MEDIEVAL INFLUENCER: FT. HILDEGARD OF BINGEN
Join Leigh to learn how this medieval celebrity and feminist icon has helped shape some of your favourite games.
2:15 (45 minutes)

YU GI OH ADVANCE FORMAT TOURNAMENT
It's time to duel! 3-round Advanced Format tournament. Limited to 16 players, with prizes to be won!
(3:00 - 6:00)

KUPOCON
AEX's sister brand, a Final Fantasy fan event. More info and merch available at the event.

AEX QUEST LOG
Have you picked up your event Quest Log yet? Complete quests throughout the event and earn AEX Credits towards our merch tables!

2:30

3:00

FROM DREAM TO REALITY: ONE AUTHOR'S WRITING JOURNEY
Follow the full writing journey, from finding your voice and audience to building a routine, crafting stories, working with editors, and choosing how to publish.
3:15 (45 minutes)

MINIATURE PAINTING
Build, paint, and take home your very own miniature! All supplies and guidance provided.
(4:00 - 6:00)

FEATURED GUESTS
Mee our amazing guests who will be present all weekend to chat, snap photos, and grab autographs.

BOOK NOOK
Come check out our comic book collection!

3:30

4:00

POKÉMON BINGO
Get ready for Pokémon Bingo! Match and catch your favorite Pokémon, shout "Bingo!" and win exciting prizes; fun for trainers of all ages!
4:15 (50 minutes)

ALL DAY DROP IN PLAY
COMMANDER PODS
All-day Commander pods with promo pack prizing for decks power level 3 or below.

MANDALORIAN MERCS COSTUME CLUB
Step into the galaxy — visit the Mandalorian booth and see the way up close.

501st ATLANTIC GARRISON
May the force be with you if you bump into the Atlantic Garrison at AEX!

4:30

5:00

MTG x TMNT
MTG x TMNT Drafts fire when 4 players register. Prizes awarded, including promo packs and booster raffles.

ANOTHER WORLD VR
Ever wanted to experience some VR games? Now's your chance! You could even win a prize!

3D PRINTER
We will be running our 3D printer all weekend, so make sure to stop by and see it in action!

5:00

5:30

COSPLAY AWARDS
Award presented to best cosplayer
5:30 (30 minutes)

THE CALLING - GAME DEMO
Come try a game created by one of our panelists, who turned a passion for streaming into developing their very own video game!

TALL CLOWN
Keep an eye out for a tall clown and if you ask him very nicely, he might make you a balloon creation!

UNB LIBRARY
Explore the origins of science fiction and fan culture through rare books, pulp magazines, and historic fanzines from UNB Saint John's special collections.

TOON DOJO
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