



HALLWAY COSPLAY CONTEST 2026

Our Hallway Cosplay Contest will be held all three days of the convention. This is a chance for everyone to show off their amazing costumes and possibly win some great prizes! The winners will be selected by our cosplay team, based solely on the photo we take at our Cosplay Booth, so strike your best pose and show off your costume!

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The cosplay contest will take place ongoing at the Cosplay Booth, located in the Cosplay Headquarters, during operating hours. The contest will close on **Sunday, Aug 2, 12PM.**

All contestants must have a valid pass for METROCON.

Contestants can be all ages.

Costumes may not exceed a PG13 rating (at the discretion of the cosplay leadership).

All props must comply with METROCON prop policy and must be checked for safety prior to entering the convention.

The results of our judges are binding and final. Harassment of Judges or Cosplay Staff over disagreement of awards will not be tolerated and may result in being banned from future METROCON cosplay contests. If feedback is desired from judges, please request this after the contest via email to cosplay@metroconventions.com.

METROCON staff reserves the right to disqualify a contestant for misconduct or any reason at their sole discretion.

By submitting an entry, contestants confirm that they have read and agree to all of the rules and regulations of the METROCON Hallway Cosplay Contest.

Groups will be allowed up to 4 participants. Groups must be from the same series. Groups will have a singular award and prizes for the entire group.

The costume must be owned by the wearer or have been given permission by the owner to enter.

Each contestant may only enter the contest once.

Contestants will need to pose for a photo at our METROCON backdrop and enter their information into a spreadsheet including name and contact information.

Costumes will be judged throughout the weekend by our cosplay team and winners will be announced at Closing Ceremonies on **Sunday Aug 2**.

Prizes for awards **can** include but are **not limited to**: cash prizes, medals, trophies, METROCON merch, METROCON weekend passes for 2027, vendors room swag, and donations of gift cards by sponsors for wigs, makeup, cosplay supplies, and more!

JUDGING

Costumes will be judged based on the following criteria:

- Personality
- Creativity
- Overall look and presentation

AWARD CATEGORIES (including but not limited to)

- Best in Show
- First Runner Up
- Second Runner Up
- Best Group