

GAYLAXICON 2025 POCKET PROGRAM

Printed for Friday, October 3 | Updated panel times and panelists, along with the latest schedule for gaming.

We missed one attending pro bio:

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Amanda Meuwissen is a bisexual author with a primary focus on M/M romance. As the author of LGBT Fantasy #1 Best Seller, *Coming Up for Air*, paranormal romance trilogy, *The Incubus Saga*, and several other titles through various publishers, Amanda regularly attends local comic conventions for fun and to meet with fans, where she will often be seen in costume as one of her favorite fictional characters. She lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota, with her husband, John, and their cat, Helga.

Quick Notes:

Program Book Corrections: Our apologies for misspelling Kyell Gold's first name in his bio, along with any other typos and misspellings that we missed in Program Book. We will endeavor to make all corrections in the digital copy online.

Community Tables addition: We welcome the addition of **Twin Cities Geeks** (twincitiesgeek.com), along with **MNeurodivergent**, **Free Mom Hugs**, **Dragons, Dungeons & Drinks**, and **Quatrefoil Library**.

Saturday Buffet: All convention members are invited to join us at no cost for the Saturday evening buffet in Humphrey (first floor).

GAMING: RUNWAY AND EARHART

Friday: 1 PM, Runway

Game Room Opens

Friday: 2 PM - 5 PM, Runway

Eberron D&D RPG (Devon)

Friday: 8:30 PM, Earhart

Star Trek Adventures RPG - "Time Capsule" (Jim Johnson)

Saturday: 10 AM - 12 PM, Earhart

Playtest "eeps & Keepers RPG" (James Bacigalupo)

Saturday: 1 PM - 4 PM, Earhart

Ape City Goes Queer! (with John Till)

Saturday: 1 PM - 3 PM, Runway

Summoner Wars Card Game (Devon)

Saturday: 1 PM - 3 PM, Runway

Strixhaven 5th Edition D&D RPG (Diana)

Saturday: 4 PM, Runway

A Virus Most Foul! (with Lyda Morehouse)

Saturday: 6 PM - 8 PM, Earhart

Rust Wings: Wrench and Propeller roleplaying

Sunday: 10:00 AM - 12 PM, Earhart

Playtest "eeps & Keepers RPG" (James Bacigalupo)

Sunday: 1 PM - 3 PM, Runway

Strixhaven 5th Edition D&D RPG (Diana)

Sunday: 1:30 PM - 4 PM, Earhart

Daggerheart RPG (GM John Till)

PANEL SCHEDULE

Time	Mainstage	Control Tower	Orville
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3			
1:00 PM	Tarot in Media. KD Edwards, Rachel Gold, Jim Johnson	Gay YA and Children's Books: Why Representation Matters (or Doesn't). Adam Stemple, Kelly Barnhill, JM Lee (mod), Naomi Kritzer	GMing in the age of AI. Don Kaiser (mod)
2:30 PM	Bits and Bobs: The Best Bits Left Out. Nghì Vo, Adam Stemple, Kelly Barnhill, JM Lee (mod)	Aging in Fandom and Bridging Generational Gaps. CM Alongi, Don Kaiser (mod), E.M. Hamill	Cyberpunk and Bodily Autonomy. Lyda Morehouse, Lee Brontide (mod)
4:00 PM	Tarot Sequence Discussion and Q&A. KD Edwards	Blood and Bone: Material Components in Fantasy Fiction. CM Alongi (mod), Emma Törzs, Nghì Vo, Lisa Freitag	The De-Queering/Re-Queering of Found Family. E.M. Hamill, Lee Brontide
6:00 PM	IN MAINSTAGE: OPENING CEREMONIES		
7:00 PM	IN HUMPHREY: BANQUET		
8:30 PM	Interview: Nghì Vo Cody Bach	Learning as We Go: Mistakes We Wish We Could Take Back. CM Alongi, KD Edwards, Adam Stemple	Hello Aloha! Webcomics, Manhwa, and More. David P-Z (mod), Lisa Freitag
10:00 PM	Greg Knows Everybody. Greg Ketter and Don Kaiser	When Magic is Queer Coded: Secrets in SFF. Emma Törzs, Kyell Gold, Lyda Morehouse	Evening Music Circle. David Lenander, Lisa Freitag, Adam Stemple - may go late
11:30 PM		Evening informal event	

Time	Mainstage	Control Tower	Orville
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4			
10:00 AM	Second Wave Feminist SF: What Is it and Why Did it Matter? <i>Eleanor Arnason, Blue Delliquanti, Haddayr Copley-Woods (mod)</i>	Writing Queer/Different Stories in Times Like These: Hope A Little Bit Every Day. <i>Dax Schwartz (mod), Em Rowene, Kelly Barnhill, Lyda Morehouse, Naomi Kritzer</i>	More Than Just For Fun: How Fandoms and Games Support Mental Health. <i>Rachel Gold (mod), La Gr, Jim Johnson, Lee Brontide</i>
11:30 AM	Interview: Emma Törzs <i>Naomi Kritzer</i>	Trans Joy: Writing From Our Happy Place. <i>Rachel Gold, Stephanie Burt</i>	Reading: <i>CM Alongi (11:30 AM - 12 PM); JM Lee (12 PM - 12:30 PM)</i>
1:00 PM	Live Rome/Atlantis Worldbuilding Panel. <i>KD Edwards, E.M. Hamill, Kristina Milnor</i>	Honoring Eleanor. <i>Haddayr Copley-Woods, David Lenander (mod), Eleanor Arnason</i>	Transformative Comics and Graphic Novels. <i>Blue Delliquanti, Stephanie Burt</i>
2:30 PM	Queering the Classics. <i>Nghi Vo, Amanda Meuwissen, Kristina Milnor</i>	Murderbot: SecUnits and Gender and Sexuality. <i>Naomi Kritzer, Dax Schwartz, Haddayr Copley-Woods, Lyda Morehouse (mod)</i>	Reading: <i>KD Edwards</i>
3:00 PM	IN CONSUITE : CHOCOLATE SYMPOSIUM		Reading: <i>Blue Delliquanti</i>
4:00 PM	Interview: KD Edwards <i>Don Kaiser</i>	Advice for Queer Authors. <i>Amanda Meuwissen, CM Alongi, Jim Johnson, Lee Brontide, JR Dawson</i>	Readings: <i>Emma Törzs (4:00 PM - 4:30 PM); Nghi Vo (4:30 PM-5:00 PM)</i>
5:30 PM	IN HUMPHREY: SATURDAY BUFFET DINNER. Open to all convention members at no cost.		
7:00 PM	Star Trek Adventures. <i>Jim Johnson</i>	North Country Galaxians Book Discussion on the <i>Singing Hills</i> Cycle by Nghi Vo.	Readings: <i>Cameron Reed (7:00-7:30 PM); Rachel Gold & Stephanie Burt (7:30-8:00)</i>
8:30 PM	IN MAINSTAGE: COMEDY THROUGH THE CHAOS: CABARET EDITION — OUT & OUTRAGEOUS. <i>Miss Shannan Paul, Baily Murphy, Alexis Camille, Harrie Bradshaw, and Sarah McPeck</i>		
10:00 PM	Home is Where the SFF is? <i>Jim Johnson, Adam Stemple (mod), Lee Brontide</i>	Building Queer Worlds. <i>CM Alongi, Watt, JR Dawson</i>	Reading: <i>Kyell Gold (10:00-10:30 PM)</i>
12:00 AM	Midnight Slash		
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5			
10:30 AM	Problematic Favs. <i>CM Alongi, Naomi Kritzer (mod), Lisa Freitag, and Don Kaiser</i>	Gay Vikings! Queerness in Icelandic Saga and Viking Fiction. <i>Eleanor Arnason, Adam Stemple, Dax Schwartz</i>	Superman is WOKE and Other Media Malarkey. <i>Blue Delliquanti, Kyell Gold</i>
12:00 PM	Interview: Jim Johnson <i>John Till</i>	Soul-Bonding in Queer Stories. <i>KD Edwards, E.M. Hamill</i>	Universal Studio Monsters. <i>Greg Ketter, Amanda Meuwissen</i>
2:30 PM	Eye of Newt: Herbs and Magic in SFF and Beyond. <i>Lisa Freitag, Haddayr Copley-Woods, Emma Törzs</i>	Seeing Yourself in the Story. <i>Naomi Kritzer (mod), Adam Stemple, Kelly Barnhill, JR Dawson</i>	Ask a GM. <i>Jim Johnson, Lyda Morehouse, Don Kaiser</i>
4:00 PM	Closing Ceremonies		