

SunnyCon Rising Star Cosplay Contest Rules



Not as demanding as the masters this is the Rising Star division. Please use this contest as a starting point or to hone your skills for future events.

- 1. Cosplays must be at least 50% home-made to enter.**
- 2. A written description of how the cosplay has been made must be handed in to a member of the Cosplay Team BEFORE the contest. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.**
- 3. Group cosplays are permitted and any prize won would have to be split between the group. (The responsibility of splitting the prize falls to the group)**
- 4. Cosplay changes are permitted but the cosplay co-ordinator must be informed.**
- 5. OC (original characters) are not eligible for this contest.**
- 6. Entries may be made online or may be entered by filling out a form at the Cosplay Zone. (Sign up closes 1 HOUR before the contest for on the day sign up and 1 WEEK for online submissions)**
- 7. All contestants must be available for the SunnyCon Anime Expo closing ceremony for announcement of the winners. Failure to do so will lead to an invalid entry and any winnings forfeit to the contestant in the next place.**
- 8. Entrants must hold valid SunnyCon Anime Expo tickets.**
- 9. Entrants must be 16 or over on the day of the contest. 16/17 year olds must hand in signed parental forms to the Cosplay Co-ordinator to be eligible for entry.**
- 10. Last years winners of the Rising Star division will not be permitted to re-enter this division this year. They may enter the master contest.**

11. Costumes must be family friendly. Please bear in mind that SunnyCon Anime Expo will have attendees of all ages and any cosplay deemed too age inappropriate may require modification or it will be refused entry. All costumes need to be tasteful and the barest minimum of coverage that will be allowed at the event will be that of a bikini i.e. private parts must be fully covered at all times (SunnyCon staff have discretion in what is or is not acceptable, it is unfortunate that this has to be stated). This means body paint, latex pasties, etc. are not considered adequate body coverage without additional clothing being worn over it. Thongs are not allowed unless covered by shorts, skirts, capes, etc.

12. Any props must be under 2 meters in length and must not contain any sharp, cutting or pointed edges that could cause physical harm (commonly referred to as LARP safe). Any prop guns must have an orange cap or otherwise be obvious that it is non-functional. Any toy guns (such as nerf guns) must be kept unloaded, failure to follow the weapon rules may result in prop confiscation or you may be asked to leave the convention. Please exercise common sense when travelling to and from the convention with any prop weapons.

If you are unsure as to what qualifies as family friendly please email the Cosplay Co-ordinator cosplay@sunnyconanimeexpo.com or refer to our cosplay etiquette rules.

This contest will have only 1 prize;

1ST: £250

Abusive or intimidating behaviour to our staff will not be tolerated and may result in disqualification. It is your responsibility to be at the contest at the correct time (30 minutes before the start of the contest) and to follow staff instructions, failure to do so may result in delays to the contest and you may be disqualified. Only contestants, guardians and assistants (if required) will be permitted back stage, please see a member of the cosplay team for details.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS CONTEST DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR THE SUNNYCON COSPLAY MASTERS GRAND PRIZES.

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