

AUTO ASSEMBLY 2015

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

We have a packed weekend of activities lined up for you at Auto Assembly 2015 and we hope that you will find something taking place all weekend to keep you occupied! There will be a total of five rooms in use for the programme throughout the weekend and these will play host to all of the convention's activities throughout the weekend.

MONARCH SUITE - Main Hall

This will hold most of our events and activities during the day and it will also house our guests, our dealers, and our nerve centres for Auto Assembly - the. It will also play host to our **Artists Alley** where a range of professional artists will be assembled showcasing their work and will be sketching all weekend and here you'll find new and some familiar faces... The hall will be where you'll find the nerve centre for the convention, our **Control Desk** where you can come to with all your general questions about the convention, if you need any help or if you want to pick up any convention merchandise or buy tickets for the Auto Assembly Tombola.

MONARCH SUITE FOYER

Located at the entrance to our Main Hall, this is the first port of call for all of you attending Auto Assembly 2015 and here you'll find our **Registration Desk** as well as our **Welcome Desk** where we'll have team members on hand for all our first timers. If you're new to the convention we'll have people here who will be able to answer your questions about Auto Assembly, conventions in general and point you in the right direction for anything that you need to know.

WARWICK SUITE - Swerve's Diner

Located at the entrance to the Monarch Suite, this is where you'll be able to find great food at affordable prices! Swerve's Diner will be open all weekend to help spread your convention budget further!

KING'S SUITE - Saturday Night Programme

Running from 7:45 pm on Saturday night, this will be playing host to our showcase event featuring our Cosplay Competition, Script Reading, live DJ Set from Jason Cardy, and more!

SURREY ROOM - Alternative Programme Room 1

In here you will find all of our workshops, and other more organised activities and smaller panels along with organised Forum Meets and live Podcast recordings!

NORFOLK ROOM - Alternative Programme Room 2

Our second Alternative Programme Room. This year it will be dedicated 100% to our Fanzine Workshop where our creative team will be attempting to produce a Transformers book from start to finish over the convention weekend!

DORSET ROOM - Alternative Programme Room 3

Yes, as if two rooms weren't enough, our Alternative Programme is overflowing into a third room in 2015 as we have our Broadcast Booth - a special room set aside for those of you interested in the more creative side of Transformers fandom where you can come along and see some of the stars of Youtube as they record videos live over the weekend!

BOARDROOM - Staff Room

This is our nerve centre for the convention where our convention staff will be running the rest of the event from. This room will also double up as the Fan Sales Table Drop Off on Friday and Saturday morning.

LOUNGE BAR

The Hilton's main **Lounge Bar** near the hotel's main reception will be open 24 hours a day serving food and drink and don't forget to show your Auto Assembly pass to the hotel staff in that bar to get your 20% discount on drinks from Friday through Sunday!

To keep things as simple and easy to read as possible, this programme will only list **MAIN** programme items during the weekend. Other programme items will be taking place on stage or in the other rooms and will be confirmed on the day.

Friday, 21st August 2015 - Day One (Weekend Attendees Only)

MONARCH SUITE FOYER - REGISTRATION DESK

- 10:00 Pass collection, all pre-registered attendees
- 10:00 Tombola item donation drop-off
- 17:00 Pass collection ends

MAIN HALL (MONARCH SUITE)

- 09:00 Set-Up - access for convention staff and volunteers
- 13:00 Set Up - access for staff, dealers, volunteers and guests only
- 17:00 Doors close for final set-up. Access restricted to convention staff and volunteers only.
- 18:00 Registration Desk opens for pass collection for Weekend attendees
- 18:00 Doors open to weekend attendees only
- 18:00 Tombola item donation drop-off
- 19:00 Registration Desk closes
- 19:00 The Auto Assembly 2015 Pub Quiz**
- 20:30 Panel: The History Of Transformers In Japan - Andrew Hall, Chris McFeely and Jim Sorenson**
- 21:30 Transformers 1986 Animated Movie**
- 23:00 Friday Evening Programme Closes

Friday Trading

- 20:00 Limited trading for purchase of Auto Assembly Convention Exclusives **only**
- 21:00 Friday trading ends

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 2 (NORFOLK ROOM)

- 20:00 Sumalee Montano, James Horan and Peter Spellos - staff and volunteers *only* meet and greet session
- 21:30 Meet and Greet Ends

BOARDROOM

- 13:00 Fan Sales Table Item Drop Off
- 17:00 Fan Sales Table Item Drop Off Ends

SWERVE'S DINER (WARWICK SUITE) - OPENING HOURS

18:00 - 21:00

Outside of these times, Swerve's Diner will be selling soft drinks, crisps, sandwiches, chocolate etc.

Saturday 22nd August 2015 - Day Two

MONARCH SUITE FOYER - REGISTRATION DESK

- 08:30 Pass collection, all pre-registered attendees
- 09:30 New ticket sales, all on-the-door attendees
- 13:00 Registration Desk closes

MAIN HALL (MONARCH SUITE)

- 07:00 Set Up (dealers, staff, volunteers, guests only)
- 09:00 Limited "early bird" pre-convention buying for volunteers and dealers
- 09:30 Doors Open
- 09:30 Auto Assembly 2015 Tombola starts
- 10:30 Auto Assembly 2015 Opening Ceremony**
- 12:00 Comic Panel: Transformers UK Comics Retrospective - Simon Furman and Andrew Wildman**
- 13:30 Guest Q&A - Jim Sorenson**
- 15:00 Guest Of Honour - Sumalee Montano**
- 16:00 Comic Panel: IDW Comic Talent - James Roberts, Alex Milne, Andrew Griffith, Nick Roche**
- 17:30 Hall closes

Autograph Sessions

- 09:30 - 10:30 James Horan, Sumalee Montano
- 11:30 - 13:00 Peter Spellos
- 14:00 - 15:30 James Horan
- 16:00 - 17:30 Sumalee Montano, Peter Spellos

CONVENTION ENDS FOR SATURDAY ONLY ATTENDEES

SWERVE'S DINER (WARWICK SUITE) - OPENING HOURS

- 12:00 - 15:00
- 17:00 - 20:00

Outside of these times, Swerve's Diner will be selling soft drinks, crisps, sandwiches, chocolate etc.

SATURDAY NIGHT PROGRAMME (KING'S SUITE) - (Weekend Attendees Only)

- 17:00 Set-up - convention staff / volunteers only
- 19:45 Swerve's Bar opens**
- 19:45 Hall Opens - weekend attendees only!
- 20:00 Introduction
- 20:05 Cosplay Competition / Catwalk Parade - Judged by Simon Furman, Andrew Wildman, James Roberts, Nick Roche - NO PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEO RECORDING**
- 20:45 Interlude
- 20:50 Cosplay Winners Announced

21:00 **The Auto Assembly 2015 Script Reading - Starring Sumalee Montano, James Horan, Peter Spellos and....! - NO PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEO RECORDING**
 21:35 Interlude
 21:40 TBC
 22:00 Interlude
22:05 **Special Performance - James Horan in Cabaret**
 23:05 Interlude
23:10 **Jason Cardy DJ Set (to close)**
 00:00 Close

We are hoping to have a selection of meat and meat-free hot dogs on sale from Swerve's Bar during Saturday Night... Swerve's very own Hot Rod Dogs!

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 1 (DORSET ROOM)

07:00 Set Up (staff and volunteers only)
 12:00 Full Metal Hero Forum Meet
14:00 **Art Workshop - Alex Milne**
16:00 **Art Workshop - Kat Nicholson**
 17:30 Script Reading Rehearsal - closed to attendees

Additional programme items to be confirmed

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 2 - FANZINE WORKSHOP (NORFOLK ROOM)

07:00 Set Up (staff and volunteers only)
 09:30 Auto Assembly 2015 Fanzine Workshop - Andy Turnbull and Matt Dallas
 17:00 Room Closes

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 3 - BROADCAST BOOTH (SURREY ROOM)

07:00 Set Up (staff and volunteers only)
 16:00 Youtube Reviewer - The Mighty Thew
 17:00 Podcast - The Old OilHouse Live
 18:00 Room Closes

See room list for full schedule

BOARDROOM

09:00 Fan Sales Table Drop Off
 11:00 Fan Sales Table Drop Off Ends

Sunday 23rd August 2015 - Day Three

MONARCH SUITE FOYER - REGISTRATION DESK

- 09:00 Pass collection, all pre-registered attendees
- 09:30 New ticket sales, all on-the-door attendees

MAIN HALL (MONARCH SUITE)

- 07:00 Set Up (dealers, staff, volunteers, guests only)
- 09:00 Limited "early bird" pre-convention buying for volunteers and dealers
- 09:30 Doors Open
- 11:00 Third Party Panel - NO FILMING / PHOTOGRAPHY**
- 13:00 Japanese Artists Panel - Kei Zama, Andrew Hall and Andrew Griffith**
- 14:00 Guest Of Honour - James Horan**
- 15:30 Guest Of Honour - Peter Spellos**
- 16:30 Closing Ceremony**
- 18:00 Trading Ends and Convention Officially Ends
- 18:00 Hall Closes To Attendees
- 18:00 Break Down

Autograph Sessions

- 09:30 - 11:00 James Horan, Sumalee Montano
- 11:00 - 12:00 Peter Spellos
- 13:30 - 15:00 Peter Spellos
- 15:30 - 17:00 James Horan, Sumalee Montano

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 1 (DORSET ROOM)

- 07:00 Set Up (staff and volunteers only)
- 10:00 Youtube Workshop - Crosshairs Productions, Benscollectables, Vigadeath and waspshot23
- 12:00 Transformers: the Fall of Dreamwave... the Rise of IDW - Simon Furman - NO FILMING / PHOTOGRAPHY**
- 15:00 Cosplay Panel - Tori O'Regan
- 17:00 Room Closes

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ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 2 - FANZINE WORKSHOP (NORFOLK ROOM)

- 07:00 Set Up (staff and volunteers only)
- 09:30 Auto Assembly 2015 Fanzine Workshop - Andy Turnbull and Matt Dallas
- 17:00 Room Closes

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 3 - BROADCAST BOOTH (SURREY ROOM)

07:00 Set Up (staff and volunteers only)
16:00 Youtube Reviewer - Ben's Collectables
17:00 Room Closes

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12:00 - 14:00
17:00 - 19:00

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Pass collection will take place from the Registration Desk in the Monarch Suite's Foyer area and **not** from the Main Hall. Should you arrive when this desk is closed, you will be able to collect passes from a smaller Registration Desk inside the Main Hall itself.

Programme items are subject to late change and timings are approximate and may be subject to slight delays. Please check notices for the latest programme details and listen for announcements. Should we experience any delays or should items be changed at short notice, we will endeavour to notify attendees as quickly as possible.

Please treat all members of our team with respect while they try to rectify any issues with the schedule as quickly as possible.