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Recent Events

Hopefully we will see some sea-monsters at the pool party, and have pictures next month.



From the ICG:

Good morning!

I'm very excited to share that we now have a discount with Spoonflower! Each member of the ICG is now able to get a 10% off discount on an order of custom fabric by visiting this link: <https://try.spoonflower.com/international-costumers-guild-2019/>

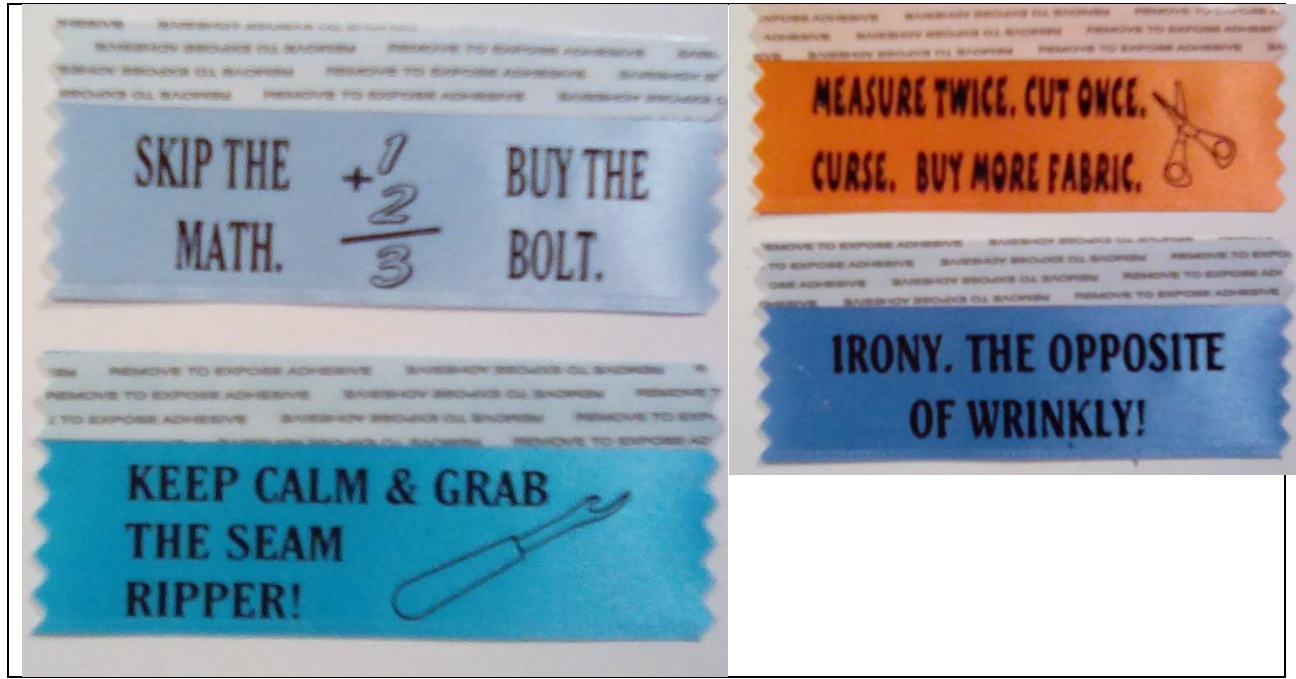
This discount applies to any custom fabric, either already available through one of their designers or that you have designed yourself! You must be a current member to access this discount, and we will receive membership verification requests for those that utilize the discount. You will be prompted to put in your name and email address and will then receive a custom one time use code to apply to your order. If you have any difficulty receiving or using your code, please email help@spoonflower.com with the subject line: ICG discount code help.

We're still working to bring more discounts to our members as an added benefit of membership. Please let us know what companies you shop with regularly so that we can pursue discounts with them as well!

Cordially,
Mera Babineaux

If you or someone you know happens to bank with **Bank of America** – you get free museum admissions on first weekend of month. . You have to sign up, but it sound like a nice perk. There are some Phoenix museums on the list, or if you are travelling, check out the city where you're going. Thanks to John A. for the heads up,

Also from John – some costumer sayings. There are more – I'm saving them for next month!



Minutes

Meeting day was changed to the 14th – so no minutes for July yet.

Calendar

Do you know an event of interest to Arizona costumers? Please contact your editor with the details. **Red text and an asterisk*** designate an SWCG-sponsored event. *Unless otherwise noted, our monthly meetings start at 1PM.*

July 20-21 2019 – Ittty Bitty Fur Con 11am – 5pm Mesa Convention Center

July 20 & 21, 2019 Arizona Highland Celtic Festival – Ft. Tuthill, Flagstaff_ 9am-6pm/9am-4pm
<http://www.nachs.info/>

July 27th – Harry Potter event (costume!) Triwizard Tournament at Changing Hands Bookstore. 300 W Camelback Rd. , Phoenix. 8-11pm

***August 4th – Guild meeting** – Victorian Ice-cream Social – venue to be announced

August 15 – 19, 2019 Worldcon - Convention Centre Dublin -

Aug 30th -Sept 2nd 2019 CoKoCon

Doubletree by Hilton Phoenix North, 10220 N Metro Parkway E, Phoenix AZ. Rooms \$92, Suites \$102. **Memberships limited to 500.** There will be a charity auction and we welcome donations. Please contact our Charity Auction Director thru the website. More info at www.cokocon.org

***September 1 Guild meeting at Randall's** (if venue is available) – Brass etching.

September 28th – Metro Center – Haunted Swap Meet

***October 6 Guild meeting at Paula's** – Dyeing. Maybe silk dyeing, maybe another technique.

October 25th – 27th 2019 – Music Furstival – 11am – 6pm Arizona Furcon 200 N Centennial way, Mesa

November 3rd – Guild Meeting (probably – need to be sure bvenue is available) – Washington Adult Center 2240 W Citrus Way, Phoenix., Late Halloween party and make Christmas crafts.

Tempe FanCon 2020 Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Comic and cosplay fans grab your capes and superpowers and come to the Tempe Public Library for a celebration of comics and pop culture. Join us for free family fun including costume contests, authors and artists, entertainment, activities for the kids, photo ops with characters, fandom related items for sale, and food trucks.

The guild has had a table for the past few years. It's a nice little event. Fun to watch all the costumes.

Westercon 73, July 2-5, 2020, Seattle (SeaTac) WA

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