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ASIA GAME FESTIVAL COSPLAY COMPETITION GUIDELINES

1. The rules stated in this document are subject to change. Please be advised that by signing up for this competition, you agree to adhere to the rules in this document, as well as any decisions made by AGF representatives, Judges, and staff prior to, or during Asia Game Festival 2018.

All participants may be photographed and/or filmed for marketing and promotional purposes. By signing up, you indicate understanding that recording and photography could happen at any point in time during the competition, and that permission is tacitly given for participants' likeness to be used.

2. GENERAL RULES

A. Rules on Participation

- i. Individuals under 18 will require parental consent to participate.
- ii. The competition is only open to characters from **Video Games, Board Games, Mobile Games and Card Games.**
- iii. All content presented on stage must adhere to public decency guidelines. This includes language/hand gestures on stage. Violation of this rule may result in disqualification.
- iv. Political or Religious statements are not allowed on stage. Violation of this rule may result in disqualification.
- v. Participants are not allowed to throw any items off stage or use anything on stage that will leave a mess. This includes projectiles, liquids, glitter and confetti.
- vi. No pyrotechnics, explosive devices, live animals or similar special effects can be used during the competition. This includes smoke machines and flash powder. Anyone who violates this will be disqualified from the competition.
- vii. All props should be in line with safety guidelines. Should an AGF representative deem a prop to be outside of our safety guidelines, the prop will be removed from use for the duration of the competition.

- viii. No nudity or graphic content is allowed. Body Paint costumes are not allowed.
- ix. All contestants must be by the day stage 30 minutes prior to the competition.
- x. All contestants will be subject to a qualifying round.
- xi. Both the qualifying round and the finals will be catwalk segments. Contestants are advised not to wear the same costume for both days.
- xii. Contestants must provide a short 500 word write-up of the characters they are presenting for both rounds of the competition. This information will need to be provided upon receipt of the confirmation email.
- xiii. Contestants may provide their own audio tracks. All audio must be in mp3 or mp3 format, and be no longer than 45 seconds. All audio content must be sent via e-mail and should be provided three days before the first day of competition.
- xiv. Contestants will need to provide 4 poses for the Qualifier catwalk.
- xv. Only contestants who pass the qualifying round will move on to the Finals. Please see the next section for Judging Criteria.
- xvi. Contestants will need to provide 5 poses for the Finalist catwalk.
- xvii. Contestants may be subject to short interviews by the emcee.
- xviii. Please note that there will be no lighting cues or effects.
- xix. Please note that only hand-held mics will be provided.

More details will be provided upon selection for the competition in your confirmation email.

3. JUDGING CRITERIA

There are 3 main judging criteria.

A. Accuracy

- i. Accuracy of the following aspects based on the character cosplayed:
 - a. *Costume*
 - b. *Hair*
 - c. *Make-up*
 - d. *Props*

B. Presentation

- i. Presentation refers to the faithfulness in way the character cosplayed is portrayed:
 - a. *Posture*
 - b. *Behaviour*
 - c. *Speech (if applicable)*

C. Quality

- i. Quality of the costume ensemble based on the following:
 - a. *Stitching*

- b. *Material*
- c. Fit
- d. Styling
- e. Make up

Contestants will be given points in each area by the guest judges. The individuals with the highest points will be eligible for finals, and subsequently one of the three winning vacancies.

4. COSPLAY PRIZES

There will be a total of three winners who will receive the following prizes:

1st prize: Coscos basic set (worth \$77) + Anime Merchandise (worth \$223)

2nd prize: Coscos basic set (worth \$77) + Anime Merchandise (worth \$123)

3rd prize: Coscos basic set (worth \$77) + Anime Merchandise (worth \$23)

Total worth: \$600

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