



CON OF THRONES

JUNE 30 – JULY 2, 2017 · NASHVILLE

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FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2017

Registration Open

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Marketplace (Ryman B2-3)

Welcome to Con of Thrones! Upon arrival, please visit the Marketplace with a printed copy of your order confirmation. We will scan your confirmation and exchange it for a convention badge which must be worn at all times during the event.

Attendees under the age of 18 attending Con of Thrones without a registered parent or legal guardian must bring a signed and notarized permission form when they check in. A link to the form can be found on conofthrones.com/faq. Children under the age of 5 may attend for free with a registered parent or guardian.

Valyrian Pass Marketplace Access

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Marketplace (Ryman B2-3)

Valyrian Passholders--beat the crowds and take your first lap around the Marketplace before it opens to the rest of the con.

Great Debates: The Worst Job in Westeros/Essos

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal A

Featuring: Dave Gonzales, Neil Miller, Joanna Robinson

Mad Queens

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal B/C

Featuring: Michelle Jaworski, Oz, Rawrist

Cersei has taken the Iron Throne. But in two weeks, Daenerys is headed for Westeros. Was Cersei's wildfire a stroke of genius or madness? Will Daenerys suffer her father's fate and become a villain? Is there room for two mad queens in Westeros?

You're Not The One

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal E

Featuring: Emmett Booth, JoannaLannister, Jim McGeehin

Everyone thinks they're the hero of their own story, but as some characters find out, the truth is much different. Through their experiences, Margaery, Young Griff, Quentyn, and more teach us valuable life lessons.

Reading Group: *A Dance With Dragons* Chapter 34: Bran III

10:00 AM- 10:50 AM Delta Island F

Bring your books (or e-books, they're lighter!) and join us as we read a chapter aloud together. This time, we're reading *A Dance With Dragons* chapter 34 (Bran III).

Kerry Ingram Autographs

10:00 AM - 11:50 AM Autograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Kate Dickie Autographs

10:00 AM - 11:50 AM Autograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Roger Ashton-Griffiths Autographs

10:00 AM - 12:50 PM Autograph Area C (Ryman B1)

Iwan Rheon Photographs

10:00 AM - 11:50 AM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Marketplace Open

11:00 AM - 6:00 PM Marketplace (Ryman B2-3)

The Rise and Fall of Tyrion Lannister

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal A

Featuring: Chris (SmokeScreen), Steve Love, Val (Because Geek), Jocelyn Womack
Tyrion has risen to great heights and deep lows in his time on *Game of Thrones*. This panel examines his winding path and questions Tyrion's next move.

Winter Is Still Coming: A Refresher

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal B/C

Featuring: Emmett Booth, A.Ron Hubbard

Before we dive into a weekend of theorizing, let's remind ourselves what we know about "The Winds of Winter" so far. Where did "A Dance With Dragons" leave off? Which arcs are going to be explored next? And what can we learn from the released sample chapters?

We The North: The Starks of Winterfell

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal E

Featuring: Jim Jones, David Rosenblatt, Rawrist

House Stark has retaken its rightful place and direwolf banners fly on Winterfell's walls. Will Jon learn his mother's identity in season seven? Will Arya and Sansa be reunited? Is Bran even a Stark anymore or is he only the Three-Eyed Raven? Rally for the Great House of the North!

Reading Group: A Clash of Kings Chapter 48: Daenerys IV

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Delta Island F

Bring your books (or e-books, they're lighter!) and join us as we read a chapter aloud together. This time, we're reading *A Clash of Kings* chapter 48 (Daenerys IV).

Opening Ceremony

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Settle in to have some fun as we officially kick off Con of Thrones with a show created by and for the fans! This is just the beginning—the story that begins here will unfold throughout the convention.

Spotlight: Iwan Rheon

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Iwan Rheon, Hannah Panek, Zack Luye

Get an inside look at how Iwan Rheon created a character we all love to hate.

Through The Weirwood's Eyes: Exploring Bran's Visions

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Aziz, Vanessa Cole, A.Ron Hubbard, Jim Jones

Bran Stark is gifted with the ability to see through time as the Three-Eyed Raven, but the Sight isn't always clear. Join us for a deep dive into Bran's visions, mining them for hidden meaning and hints of the future.

Treatment of Race in *Game of Thrones*

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Proma Khosla, Mark (Ser Hunts), Manu Mishra, Tony Teflon

Game of Thrones has generated criticism over the years because of its handling of race. Here, we'll delve into the complex issue, its handling throughout the series and how *Game of Thrones* could do better.

Great Debates: The Best Season of *Game of Thrones* So Far

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Oz, Joanna Robinson

Kerry Ingram Photographs

1:00 PM - 2:50 PM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Spotlight: Kate Dickie

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Kate Dickie, Oz

Get an inside look at how Kate Dickie created the creepy, unpredictable, and jealous Lysa Arryn.

Challenging Expectations: Gender in George R.R. Martin's World

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Petra Halbur, Hogan McLaughlin, Laura Stone

Join us for a discussion of the gender roles and gender politics of *ASOIAF* and *Game of Thrones*. We'll explore the characters who buck their assigned gender role, those that don't, the middle ground, and how gender affects their stories.

The Swords of Valyria

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Ashaya, Kenny "Axey" Cross, Jim McGeehin

Nothing cuts like Valyrian steel. Here's our rundown of all we know about Valyrian swords. How many are left, and where are they now? Let's find out!

The Old God(s)head

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Aziz, Chris (SmokeScreen), Rawrist, Val (Because Geek)

The Faith of the Seven may have its grip on Westeros, but the old gods still reign in the North. But what are the mysterious old gods? What is their relation to the Children of the Forest--and what exactly is in that weirwood paste?

***Game of Thrones* from a Sistah's Point of View**

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Sistah A, Sistah J, Sistah K, Sistah LM

Game of Thrones is a cultural phenomenon and the Sistahs, of Sistah Speak Productions, discuss the show from a Sistah's point of view. We will delve into why the show has resonated so deeply with women, and examine character meanings and scenes that relate to a Sistah's real life. We will share stories of how our fandom grew into a "Nation" and why we are so loyal to the show that reflects our diverse lives.

Reading Group: *A Storm of Swords* Chapter 77: Tyrion XI

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Delta Island F

Bring your books (or e-books, they're lighter!) and join us as we read a chapter aloud together. This time, we're reading *A Storm of Swords* chapter 77 (Tyrion XI).

Iwan Rheon Autographs

2:00 PM - 4:50 PM Autograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Spotlight: Roger Ashton-Griffiths

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Roger Ashton-Griffiths, Hannah Panek, Zack Luye

Get an inside look at how Roger Ashton-Griffiths created the fumbling, lovable Mace Tyrell.

No Fires Burning

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Genevieve Burgess

As the final two seasons of *Game of Thrones* begin, Westeros is in dire need of protection in the wars to come. But after years of war, how much protection is left? Will Daenerys and the White Walkers find strong-armed resistance, or only empty castles to pass by? We'll look at which castles are still defended, and which are open for the taking.

Sex and Sensuality on *Game of Thrones*

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Kenny "Axey" Cross, Laura Stone, Michelle Jaworski, Oz

Game of Thrones is notorious for its sex scenes and frequent nudity. Is the show's "sexposition" warranted, or a problem? Is the show's casual nudity a strength or superfluous? And what do we make of the controversial assaults?

Westeros: Dead or Alive?

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Jeff Hull

All men must die! Life and death in Westeros is seldom this simple, however. Here YouTube's premier *Game of Thrones* guru Preston Jacobs and Jeff Hull, Editor-in-Chief of ComiConverse.com, walk you through some of George R. R. Martin's most intriguing character mysteries. You will act as the judge and jury for some of the most challenging cases in Westeros. Prizes for the best fan theories!

The Eldritch Apocalypse

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Emmett Booth

Euron is bringing an Apocalypse of Eldritch proportions. Come discuss the theory that took the internet by storm.

Twitteros

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Kenny "Axey" Cross, Manu Mishra, MaryAnne BeautyBrienne

Game of Thrones is a social media juggernaut, dominating Twitter every year during its new season. Join us to discuss the rise of *Thrones* on Twitter, with the culture of livetweeting, role-playing, and spirited debate.

The Faith of Ice and Fire

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Petra Halbur, Luka Nieto

The world of ice and fire is one of many gods and religion has a powerful presence in the story. We'll delve into the use of religion, and discover what the story tells us about faith and how it will play in to the future of the books and the show.

The Lesser Houses of Westeros

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Ashaya, Aziz

As the Great Houses fall throughout Westeros, the lesser houses are on the rise. Stand for the lesser noble houses as we look back at our favorites, from the legendary Daynes, to the loyal bannermen of the North.

A Cordial Invitation to a Red Wedding

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Jim Jones, A.Ron Hubbard

A.Ron and Jim from Bald Move will dress up as Lord Walder Frey and Lord Roose Bolton and invited uup to the dais where a table will be laid for a "feast," leading the selected volunteer players through a re-themed version of the classic party game "Werewolf." Eight of the invited guests will be from the noble houses of Stark and Tully, who are gathered to celebrate the wedding of their lord. But two of the guests will be craven and cowardly Freys, who will murder one guest in between each course of the meal. Can the Starks ferret out the murderers or will they be eliminated one by one? Laughs, gasps, and prizes await!

Roger Ashton-Griffiths Photographs

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Kate Dickie Photographs

4:00 PM - 5:50 PM Photograph Area B (Ryman BI)

A Proud Taste for Scarlet and Castamere

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Genevieve Burgess

Cersei Lannister has spent years consolidating her power in Westeros through her marriage and her children, and has claimed the Iron Throne as her own. But how does she match up to one of Medieval history's most powerful women? Eleanore of Aquitaine was married to two kings and mother to two more, she ruled as a regent and led an army. She was also imprisoned for years. What lessons could Cersei learn from Eleanor's example?

Game of Thrones: The Endgame

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Bex, Vanessa Cole, Mark (Ser Hunts), Oz

Season 7 is almost here, and the Great War is coming. Where is the epic saga headed? Will it end in ice or fire- or worse? Who will survive? And most importantly, who will win the Iron Throne?

Casting a Large Shadow

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Rawrist

Game of Thrones portrays an unusual range of disabilities, with major characters such as Tyrion, Bran, Theon and more navigating their way through a hostile world against all odds. How are disability and ableism viewed and presented in a Game of Thrones? Is it fair?

Other Worlds

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Lauren Braun, Luka Nieto, Lauren Sarner

Tired of waiting for "The Winds of Winter"? Find a new world to explore! Join your fellow fans for an introduction to other fantasy works and authors.

Podcasts Meet and Greet

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Delta Island F

Featuring: Ashaya, Aziz, Dave Gonzales, David Chen, David Chen, Hannah Panek, Jim Jones, Joanna Robinson, Neil Miller, Sean Pink, Zack Luye

Whether your allegiance is to the books or the show, find a new podcaster who shares your passion or take this opportunity to ask your favorites the questions you're left with at the end of each episode.

Crawl of Thrones

6:00 PM - 11:00 PM Tin Roof Broadway (off-site)

Please note: this event requires an additional ticket. Get yours at www.crawlofthrones.eventbrite.com.

The crawl will continue until 2:00 am, but participants must check in at the host bar by 11:00 pm.

On Friday, June 30th, call your banners and join your fellow fans in a crawl worthy of a king! We'll kick things off at Tin Roof Broadway, swear fealty to the next king or queen of Westeros, and raise a glass to our favorite fallen characters.

Crawl Nashville 615, Nashville's #1 event-themed pub crawl company, brought you the Poké Crawl, Potter Pub Crawl, Demons on Demonbreun and Walker Stalker's Zombie Pub Crawl and Apocalypse After Party and now partners with Con of Thrones for Crawl of Thrones, a *Game of Thrones* themed crawl.

Need help with transportation? We've partnered with Lyft to offer exclusive ride discounts during Con of Thrones!

New to Lyft?: Get \$5 off three rides at <http://lyft.com/i/conofthrones> or download the app and enter code CONOFTHRONES.

Rock the Throne Concert

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Rock out with your fellow fans and celebrate the end of day one at the Friday Night Concert.

FEATURING:

The Smoothrays, The Manimals, and Daenerys and the Targaryens, with a special stand-up act by Steve Love.

Karaoke Night

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM Canal B/C

Stop by and show us what you've got at the first ever Con of Thrones Karaoke Night! Choose from our selection of popular music and songs that remind us of *Game of Thrones* or bring your own track on a phone or computer.

SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2017

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Marketplace Open

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Marketplace (Ryman B2-3)

Spotlight: Paula Fairfield

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Paula Fairfield, Hannah Panek, Zack Luye

Come hear how Emmy Award-winning sound designer Paula Fairfield creates the sometimes shocking, sometimes scary, and always awesome sounds of *Game of Thrones*.

Game of Thrones Cosplay on a Budget

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal A

Featuring: Amber Elliott, Derek Stevenson, Yasu Tano

Game of Thrones has featured a stunning range of beautiful and intricate costume designs as seen on the screen or described in the books. Join us for a roundtable discussion on recreating many of these amazing costumes without needing a loan from the Iron Bank.

Schrödinger's Stannis

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal B/C

Featuring: Brad Ausrotas, Emmett Booth, Vanessa Cole, David Peterson, Tony Teflon
Dead on *Game of Thrones* but alive in *ASOIAF*--what is happening with King Stannis? Is the Pink Letter a lie? Will Stannis' fate match his *Game of Thrones* end or does George R.R. Martin have something else up his sleeve?

Great Debates: The Most Upsetting Deaths

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal E

Featuring: Dave Gonzales, Neil Miller, Joanna Robinson

A World of Our Own: *Game of Thrones*/ASOIAF Fanfic Discussion

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Delta Island E

Featuring: Bex, Cheryl Fazio-Hardwick, Senia Hardwick, Michelle Jaworski, JoannaLannister

Fanfiction is a hugely popular way for viewers to get involved with a fandom, flexing creative muscles and changing their favorite characters' fates. It's tricky for *GoT* fans though, with George RR Martin's famous disapproval of fanfic! Join us for a chat with fanfic authors talking fandom, shipping, and the pros and cons of writing fanfic for *Game of Thrones*.

Iwan Rheon Autographs

10:00 AM - 12:50 PM Autograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Miltos Yerolemou Autographs

10:00 AM - 12:50 PM Autograph Area C (Ryman B1)

Aimee Richardson Autographs

10:00 AM - 12:50 PM Autograph Area D (Ryman B1)

Rupert Vansittart Photographs

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Photograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Motherhood and Power

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Vanessa Cole, Kate Dickie, Susan Miller, Laura Stone

Women like Cersei, Catelyn, Lysa, and even Daenerys draw power from their roles as mothers. But these roles also sometimes work against them. How do these women take advantage of their positions as caretakers and how do they work to fight against the ways they're typically perceived?

A Lady's Armor: The Fashions of Westeros' Leading Ladies

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal A

Featuring: Hogan McLaughlin

Join fashion/costume designer Hogan McLaughlin in a discussion taking a look at the *Game of Thrones* costuming choices for the major female players over the course of the past six seasons. We'll dissect why those choices were made, by designer Michele Clapton and by the characters themselves.

Bannerless: Discussing the Brotherhood

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal B/C

Featuring: Aziz, A.Ron Hubbard, Steve Love

For fans of the rebel crew and heroes of the smallfolk. Gather to discuss Beric, Thoros, Anguy and the lot, and their future. Are they too far down a dark road, in the books? What can we expect in season seven?

Don't Hate The Flayer Hate the Game: House Bolton's History and Its Literary Significance in ASOIAF

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Delta Island E

Featuring: Cheryl Fazio-Hardwick, Senia Hardwick

This panel will discuss the historical and literary significant of House Bolton as character foils for the Starks and examples of the gothic in a literary setting.

Reading Group: A Storm of Swords Chapter 51: Catelyn VII

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Delta Island F

Bring your books (or e-books, they're lighter!) and join us as we read a chapter aloud together. This time, we're reading *A Storm of Swords* chapter 51 (Catelyn VII).

Kerry Ingram Autographs

11:00 AM - 12:50 PM Autograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Sam Coleman Photographs

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Roger Ashton-Griffiths Photographs

11:00 AM - 12:50 PM Photograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Spotlight: Bringing Westeros to Life

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Paula Fairfield, David Peterson, Melissa Anelli

From creating the words that are spoken to making sure those words are heard, these special guests work behind the scenes to make *Game of Thrones* the beautiful and realistic show we know and love. Hear them discuss what it's like to bring George R.R. Martin's world to the screen.

Dracarys!

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Neil Miller, Joanna Robinson

In a world of White Walkers, aurochs, and direwolves, fire-breathing dragons may be the most accessible beastly myth for those entering the Seven Kingdoms. From ancient history to Tolkien to Puff the Magic Dragon, this discussion will explore our fabled obsession and their role in George R.R. Martin's world and beyond.

The Prince That Was Promised

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: A. Ron Hubbard, Michelle Jaworski, Kim Renfro

Theirs is the song of ice and fire--but who is it? Is the prophesied Prince that was Promised the same as Azor Ahai? Will it be Jon Snow, Daenerys, or someone else altogether? Explore the biggest prophecy in the *Thrones* world to discover which hero just might save them all.

What Is Dead May Never Die: The History and Future of House Greyjoy

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: BeautyBrienne, Emmett Booth, Lauren Braun, Petra Halbur

There's a lot to glean about House Greyjoy's future by taking a look at their past. Join us for a discussion about the house's history on the Iron Islands, the Viking culture that inspired it and how these precedents may hint at what's in store for Theon, Yara, Euron, and the rest of the Ironborn.

The Kingdoms of Westeros and the Countries and Cultures of the Middle Ages

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Laura Downing

There is a common theory that the War of the Roses is a source of inspiration for the war between the Starks and the Lannisters.

But what about the historical roots of Dorne? What cultural similarities are there to France, Spain or the Ottoman empire? Could the Wildlings be compared to that of Ireland/Scotland from that era? This presentation will allow us to explore the historical, geographical, and cultural similarities to the rich world of Westeros.

Kate Dickie Photographs

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Watchers on the Wall Live Podcast: Everything You Need to Know For Season Seven

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Bex, Vanessa Cole, Kenny "Axey" Cross, Petra Halbur, Luka Nieto, Oz, Susan Miller

Season seven is only two weeks away! Get ready for it by joining the Watchers on the Wall for an in-depth live podcast digging into everything we know so far about the upcoming season of *Game of Thrones*, including trailers, photos, interviews, and more!

The Myth of the "Strong Female Character"

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: BeautyBrienne, Lauren Sarnier, Laura Stone

Game of Thrones has come under fire for its portrayal of female characters, but many defend the show's efforts. We'll tackle the issue with a discussion of performative gender equality versus actual gender equality, as seen in *ASOIAF* and on the show.

The Lost Languages: Asshai'i, Skroth, the True Tongue, and the Old Tongue

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM

Canal B/C

Featuring: David Peterson

David Peterson created the Dothraki language and three variants of Valyrian for *Game of Thrones*. He also created three or four other languages that never made it to the screen. In this presentation, David will introduce attendees to the lost languages that didn't make the cut and discuss why they didn't make it in (and talk about the languages that should have been created for the show).

Crackpot Corner

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM

Canal E

Featuring: Brad Ausrotas, Hannah Panek, Kim Renfro, Tony Teflon

We love our wild theories in this fandom. Share your wackiest ideas and hear other people's favorite theories on Varys being a merman, and more. Why do we do this, and is there such a thing as too crackpot?

The Games of Ice and Fire

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM

Delta Island E

Featuring: Ashaya, Aziz

There are board games, card games, video games, RPGs, and more. The panelists will discuss their favorite *ASOIAF*- and *GoT*-themed games.

Spotlight: The Ghosts of Westeros

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM

The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Roger Ashton-Griffiths, Sam Coleman, Kate Dickie, Kerry Ingram, Iwan Rheon, Aimee Richardson, Miltos Yerolemou, Joanna Robinson

Though their characters may not be walking around Westeros anymore, *Game of Thrones* is still a big part of these actors' lives. Hear about what it was like to discover their characters were meeting their ends, what it's like to be part of the *Game of Thrones* phenomenon, and what they're up to now.

The Anarchy of the Dance of the Dragons

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Samantha Brigher

The lecture will examine the parallels between The Dance of the Dragons, the war of succession between Rhaenyra and Aegon II Targaryen, and The Anarchy, the English civil war between King Stephen and the Empress Matilda. This lecture will also examine the follow-up of both wars with the later successions of Henry II and Aegon III, the sons of the women fighting for their thrones.

The Braavosi Agenda

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Aziz, Chris (SmokeScreen), Oz, Val (Because Geek)

The Faceless Men of the House of Black and White, and the Iron Bank of Braavos - what are these players up to? With the Iron Bank calling in their loans just as the world's best assassins infiltrate the maesters, we have to ask: what role does Braavos play in the fate of Westeros?

Magic of Asshai 101

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Leesie Pool

Learn Asshai'i lore from blood magic to shadowbinding. We will discuss its ties to the Red God, Martin's inspiration from historic religions, and parallels to contemporary occult practices. Presented by a longtime practitioner of witchcraft, the program will conclude with time to "Ask a Witch Anything" about magic and debate what Asshai's significance will be for the rest of the series!

Defending Dorne

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Ashaya, Emmett Booth

Dorne is often written off by casual fans as an isolated narrative, but its bearing on the overarching narrative will be significant. This panel is an academic breakdown of *ASOIAF*'s Dorne arc and why it's so important to *The Winds of Winter* and what comes next.

Where the Wildings Are

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Michelle Jaworski, Oz, Rawrist

They fight, they thrive in an icy wasteland, and they do not kneel. Discuss Tormund, Ygritte, Mance Rayder, the Thenns, and the wildling ways beyond the Wall.

Game of Thrones Westerosi Spelling Bee

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Daenerys and the Targaryens

To become a speller, enter your name in the lottery at the Daenerys and the Targaryens booth in the Marketplace. Names will be chosen on Saturday, July 1 at noon.

Can you spell "J'aspo eza zya Azantyrrrrrephhhhhgahpt?" Well, we're not sure we can either. (For that matter, even David J. Peterson may not be able to!) But don't let that stop you from entering the 4,213th Game of Thrones Westerosi Spelling Bee! (Yes, it's THAT old - older than the First Men!) Come join the fun or cheer your friends on, as they participate in this unique and interactive event. Hosted by Daenerys and the Targaryens, it promises to have lots of music, surprises, giveaways and GoT humor.

Jon... Targaryen?

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Aziz, Vanessa Cole, Steve Love, Kim Renfro

Now that the secret of Jon Snow's parentage has been unveiled to viewers of *Game of Thrones*, what comes next? And how will Jon handle his new role as King in the North? Discuss everything that's in store for Jon!

Great Debates: The Best Place to Live in Westeros/Essos

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Dave Gonzales, Neil Miller, Joanna Robinson

Water Dancing with Syrio Forel

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Delta Island F

Featuring: Miltos Yerolemou

Tickets for this workshop have sold out. You must have a printed Eventbrite ticket to be granted access.

Exploring the differences and similarities of fight choreography for tv and film, with the realities of dueling throughout history, using his extensive experience of working with the Royal Shakespeare Company, sword choreography legend William Hobbs, and some of the best stunt coordinators in the world of film, Miltos Yerolemou leads participants in learning techniques and styles of swordplay to choreograph their own fights.

Sam Coleman Autograph Session

3:00 PM - 5:50 PM Autograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Roger Ashton-Griffiths Autograph Session

3:00 PM - 5:50 PM Autograph Area C (Ryman B1)

Rupert Vansittart Autograph Session

3:00 PM - 5:50 PM Autograph Area D (Ryman B1)

Iwan Rheon Photograph Session

3:00 PM - 4:50 PM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Princesses Photograph Session

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Photograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Featuring: Aimee Richardson, Kerry Ingram

David Peterson Book Signing

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Con of Thrones Merch Store (Ryman B2-3)

David J. Peterson will be hanging out in the Con of Thrones Official Merchandise Store, signing autographs and hanging out. Come say hi!

Spotlight: The Princess Panel

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Kerry Ingram, Aimee Richardson, Susan Miller

Hear Aimee Richardson and Kerry Ingram share their stories about everything from growing up in the *Game of Thrones* spotlight to staying real-life best friends.

Love: Westerosi Style

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Bex, Kenny "Axey" Cross, Luka Nieto, David Rosenblatt

Tormund adores Brienne. Brienne loves Jaime. Cersei loves Jaime, too. And Jaime-- well, it's complicated. Discuss the ins-and-outs of relationships, shipping and love, Westerosi style.

Kicking It With Sidekicks

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: David Peterson, Sean Pink, Lauren Sarner, Jocelyn Womack

Sidekicks are often the best part of a story, and *Game of Thrones* has more than its fair share. Here we'll discuss our favorite sidekicks who fight, support, joke, and sometimes become heroes in their own right.

Hail the Conquering Hero

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Aziz, Jim McGeehin

The history of Westeros is one of conquest, and one that often resembles that our own past. We'll compare the worlds and examine the historical parallels, from the Children of the Forest as a parallel for First Nation and beyond.

Great Debates: The Best Ruler in Westeros/Essos

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Dave Gonzales, Neil Miller, Joanna Robinson

Kate Dickie Autograph Session

4:00 PM - 5:50 PM Autograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Miltos Yerolemu Photograph Session

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Autograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Cosplay Contest

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Hosted by: Kenny "Axey" Cross

Judges: Hogan McLaughlin, Lakota Gordon Jernigan, Dee Volpe

Show off your best work or come see who our judges crown the winner!

Contestants will be chosen at a screening session on Saturday, July 1 in Delta Island F from 12:30-1:30 PM.

Growing Up Arya Stark

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Mark (Ser Hunts), Susan Miller, David Peterson, David Rosenblatt

Arya Stark has traveled far and wide, committed dark deeds, and isn't the same child of Winterfell any longer. Is she a sociopath or just a wounded child of war? Discuss the youngest Stark daughter and what happens next for Arya!

R+L= Discussion

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Lauren Braun, Rawrist, Kim Renfro

Dive into the past to discuss what happened during Robert's Rebellion between these two pivotal players, the Targaryen prince and the willful daughter of the North. Their actions created the current Westeros as we know it, but was it kidnapping or love? And what about Elia, Rhaegar's wife?

The Great Bastards of Westeros

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Jim Jones, A.Ron Hubbard

From Boltons to Blackfyres, bastards have a prominent place in the story. We'll examine both the role of bastardy within society, and the impact of Westeros' most famous bastards.

Subverting the Grimdark

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Brad Ausrotas, Emmett Booth, Jim McGeehin

Some fans argue that George R.R. Martin subverts fantasy tropes with a grim tale of medieval political drama. They're forgetting one very important thing: dragons are real, and nothing is as hopeless as we think it is!

Quiz of Thrones

6:00 PM - 6:50 PM Canal B/C

Hosted by: Bex, Susan Miller, Rawrist

If you love dazzling your friends with your nerdy knowledge, this is the place to be! Join us for a game of pub-style *Game of Thrones* trivia. No need to sign up in advance! Bring your own team or we'll help create one for you here. All that matters is showing up ready to play the game, win or die.

Ball on the Wall

8:00 PM - 12:00 AM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Close out day two by dancing the night away at the Ball on the Wall! When you need a break, join us for games or take in a performance.

The Ball on the Wall will begin with a performance by the League of Extraordinary Bellydancers, so make sure you arrive on time!

Dress to impress or dress to get down, just make sure you bring your dancing shoes.

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2017

Registration Open

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Marketplace (Ryman B2-3)

Welcome to Con of Thrones! Upon arrival, please visit the Marketplace with a printed copy of your order confirmation. We will scan your confirmation and exchange it for a convention badge which must be worn at all times during the event.

Attendees under the age of 18 attending Con of Thrones without a registered parent or legal guardian must bring a signed and notarized permission form when they check in. A link to the form can be found on conofthrones.com/faq. Children under the age of 5 may attend for free with a registered parent or guardian.

Marketplace Open

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Marketplace (Ryman B2-3)

A Cast of Kings Live Podcast

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: David Chen, Joanna Robinson

A Cast of Kings is a quasi-weekly discussion of the plots, themes and highlights of the HBO series *Game of Thrones*. Dave Chen and Joanna Robinson dish up both praise and criticism and try not to sound too pompous when the book was better. Join them for a bonus episode two weeks before *Game of Thrones* kicks off again.

Law and Law-Breaking in *Game of Thrones*

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal A

Featuring: John Browning

Want to demand your right to a trial by combat? Curious about the "law of bread and salt?" Then hear all about how the laws work in Westeros, and about the real historical inspirations for George R.R. Martin's take on such things as trial by combat. You'll also learn about more recent attempts in American and British courts where litigants have demanded the "right to trial by combat."

Small Council Meeting - Valyrian Passholders Only

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal B/C

Featuring: Sam Coleman, David Peterson, Aimee Richardson, Rupert Vansittart, Miltos Yerolemou

This session is exclusively open to Valyrian Passholders.

The Brothers Black

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Canal E

Featuring: A.Ron Hubbard, Jim Jones, Susan Miller, Oz, Patrick Sponaugle

The Night's Watch have not been faring well of late... and things are about to get a whole lot worse, with the Night King on the move. What's in store for the brothers at the Wall?

Church of the Wait

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Delta Island E

Featuring: Aziz, Faith Dosset Gorby, Rawrist, Allison Reid, Jaden Vacura, Val (Because Geek)

The High Sparrow and a squad of Septas are here to deliver an unforgettable Sunday morning sermon. Witness their address to the community that's formed around *Game of Thrones* and *A Song of Ice and Fire*, exploring what we've learned from the wait between books. Praise the Seven.

Spotlight: Rupert Vansittart

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Rupert Vansittart, Susan Miller

Hear about life on set at *Game of Thrones* from Rupert Vansittart and get an inside look at his storied career.

A Hound's Tale

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal A

Featuring: Mark (Ser Hunts), Oz, Sean Pink, Kim Renfro

The story of Sandor Clegane is a continual surprise, with his unlikely redemption and return from the dead. Discuss the Hound's tale here--including the hype-worthy possibility of Clegane Bowl!

The Perils of Adaptation

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal B/C

Featuring: Steve Love, Jessica Naftaly, Luka Nieto, David Peterson

Let's face it--not everyone loves the TV adaptation of *A Song of Ice and Fire*. Some changes worked, and some didn't. What did they do right in changing, and what would you do differently? Watch our panelists make a case for a different version of *Game of Thrones*!

A Clash of Queens: The Women of Westeros Politics

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Canal E

Featuring: Britt Byrd, Lakota Gordon Jernigan, Madison Ray

This panel is an exploration of the intricate political aspirations of the women in GRRM's world. From political pawns to brilliant tacticians, Martin's universe is rife with female characters with unique goals. Topics include the personal and political evolution of Sansa Stark and Cersei Lannister's fall from power and descent into madness. The panel is moderated by Scavenger Squad Cosplay, a feminist collective from Nashville, TN.

Great Debates: The Greatest Fighter in Westeros/Essos

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Delta Island E

Featuring: Joanna Robinson

Bellydancing Workshop

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Delta Island F

Featuring: The League of Extraordinary Bellydancers

Admission to this workshop is free but space is limited. All participants must have pre-registered and received a confirmation email from the Con of Thrones Programming Team.

Following their performance at Saturday night's Ball on the Wall, the League of Extraordinary Bellydancers is here to share techniques and bits of geeky choreography with Con of Thrones attendees.

Miltos Yerolemou Autograph Session

11:00 AM - 12:50 PM Autograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Sam Coleman Photograph Session

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Spotlight: Sam Coleman

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Sam Coleman, Hannah Panek, Zack Luye

Get an inside look at how Sam Coleman went from a massive fan to the star of a pivotal scene of *Game of Thrones*.

Bad-ass Women of History: Leading Westeros into the Winds of Winter

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Nicole Minnis

By the end of season six, the women of Westeros had firmly taken charge of their destinies and the destinies of the people surrounding them. Our own history is filled with women who have fought, conquered, rebelled, and reigned. Six women living in different times and in different countries will help tell us what might lie ahead for the people of Westeros: pirate of the Caribbean Jacquette Delahaye, warrior and queen Lakshmi Bai of India, warrior Lozen of the Chihenne Chiricahua Apache, Queen Boudicca of the British Celtic Iceni Tribe, queen consort of France Catherine de Medici, and Empress Jingu of Japan. While some are better known than others, we can look to these women to postulate the fates of Yara, Brienne, Arya, Sansa, Cersei and Daenerys. Join us to discover who these women were and how their places in history will influence what is to come for Westeros.

Spoiling *Game of Thrones*

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Susan Miller, Luka Nieto, Joanna Robinson, Laura Stone

Spoilers have been part of the *Game of Thrones* fandom from the beginning, with fans thirstier than ever for info about the new season. But why is it such a popular element? Panelists will talk spoiler culture, the how and why of spoiling the show, and ask the question: Should we spoil it?

Westerosi Beasts and Where to Find Them

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Ashaya, Sean Pink, Rawrist

The *Thrones* world is packed with magical and terrifying creatures. Here's our guide to and discussion of the non-obvious (and the obvious) creatures of Westeros!

The Parallels Between Westeros Religions and Real World Faiths

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Laura Downing

George R.R. Martin himself has said that the biggest thing lacking in middle earth lore was religion. This discussion explores the various faiths of Westeros and their potential real world counterparts.

David Peterson Meet-and-Greet

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Delta Island F

Featuring: David Peterson

Ask David Peterson anything you've ever wanted to know about working on *Game of Thrones* at this intimate meet-and-greet session.

Rupert Vansittart Photograph Session

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Aimee Richardson Photograph Session

12:00 PM - 12:50 PM Photograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Radical Adaptation: Sansa Stark On TV

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Bex, Kenny "Axey" Cross, Kim Renfro, David Rosenblatt

Sansa Stark is one of the most radically adapted characters on *Game of Thrones*. Some would say the show's controversial adaptation has made her journey more interesting--but has it made Sansa's story better?

The Lovecraftian Leanings of ASOIAF

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Aziz, Emmett Booth

Martin loves Lovecraft and it shows! Here's our discussion of the Lovecraftian leanings of the series- with everything from cannibalism to the Deep Ones making their mark on *A Song of Ice and Fire*.

Queering Westeros

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Susan Miller, Jessica Naftaly, Laura Stone, Chris Wright

Let's take a closer look at how queer sexuality is treated in *ASOIAF* and *Game of Thrones*, from Oberyn and Ellaria's open bisexuality to the doomed love between Renly and Loras, to the same-sex dalliances of queens.

Leadership in the Seven Kingdoms

1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Susan Lindsey

What lessons can we take from the show to improve ourselves as leaders? What can we expect from those who lead us? This program will review and analyze leadership styles, personalities, and strengths and weaknesses of several characters in the TV series. The discussion will also cover the emotional choices these characters make in their positions of power to reach the Iron Throne -- and at what cost.

Spotlight: Miltos Yerolemou

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Miltos Yerolemou, Hannah Panek, Zack Luye

Get an inside look at what it's like to learn to water dance from Miltos Yerolemou and hear about how he created the wise, compassionate, and stern Syrio Forel.

The Rise of the Anti-Villain

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Cindy Queen, Ellen Smyth, Dr. Jennifer Yantz

Daenerys. Tyrion. Sansa. Three beloved protagonists. Or are they? Jaime, Theon, and the Hound. Our writers transformed these child-killers and would-be killers into heroes. From destroyers to saviors. From saviors to destroyers. Tyrion saved King's Landing, Dany saved her slaves, and Sansa saved herself. Three little saviors. But will Sansa betray all things Stark and her brother-cousin? Will Tyrion, Khaleesi, three dragons, and the rape-mongering Dothraki leave Westeros in ashes?

From Robb's Perspective

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Bex, Proma Khosla, Jim McGeehin, Rawrist

George RR Martin has said he wished he'd made Robb Stark a POV character in his novels. This panel asks What if? and looks at the possibilities.

Frankenstein and Co.

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Brad Ausrotas, David Peterson, Tony Teflon

Death and resurrection are strong recurring themes in the unfolding story. We'll take a closer look at them, and the dire costs that come with returning from beyond the grave.

Great Debates: The Best Idea for a New HBO Spin-Off

2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Ashaya, Dave Gonzales, Neil Miller, Joanna Robinson

Reading Group: *A Dance With Dragons* Chapter 65 (Cersei II)

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Delta Island F

Bring your books (or e-books, they're lighter!) and join us as we read a chapter aloud together. This time, we're reading *A Dance With Dragons* chapter 65 (Cersei II).

Sam Coleman Autograph Session

2:00 PM - 4:50 PM Autograph Area A (Ryman B1)

Rupert Vansittart Autograph Session

2:00 PM - 4:50 PM Autograph Area B (Ryman B1)

Aimee Richardson Autograph Session

2:00 PM - 4:50 PM Autograph Area C (Ryman B1)

Bald Move Live Podcast

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: A.Ron Hubbard, Jim Jones

Jim and A.Ron have been covering new episodes of *Game of Thrones* and going back and rewatching old episodes as part of their television podcast empire. Two weeks ahead of the next season premiere, hear their thoughts on where the series is going and what we can expect.

Do Not Visit: *Game of Thrones*

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: Chris (SmokeScreen), Rawrist, Val (Because Geek)

Do you know about the Cities of Bloodless Men? What about an isle that carries a disease that will make your flesh slough from your bones? Come explore and learn about the places in *Game of Thrones* that you do not want to visit.

Ultimate *Dunk and Egg* Appreciation Panel

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Ashaya, Aziz, Jim McGeehin

Ninety years before the War of the Five Kings, there was a squire named Dunk and a boy with the unlikely name of Egg. Their adventures, traveling Westeros and tangling with Targaryens, fill the pages of three novellas and set the stage for the future of Westeros. Join us in appreciation for George R.R. Martin's prequel series!

Varys vs. Littlefinger: Order vs Chaos

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Emmett Booth, Petra Halbur, David Peterson

Explore our two favorite spymasters and their vastly different approaches: Varys with the long con versus Littlefinger, a chaotic opportunist out for blood. Discuss their motivations, means, and the possible endgame for these master players of the game.

Best. Viewing. Party. Ever.

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Kyle Greer, Zack Luye, Joanna Robinson

The ultimate guide to throwing a *Game of Thrones* season seven viewing party on a budget! Get into our ideas for your celebrations including *Thrones*-themed food, decorations, and more!

Miltos Yerolemou Photograph Session

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Photograph Area A (Ryman B1)

A Storm of Spoilers Live Podcast

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Featuring: Dave Gonzales, Neil Miller, Joanna Robinson

A Storm of Spoilers is the *Game of Thrones* podcast that Weiss and Benioff love to hate. Spoilerphobes are told to beware as Fighting in the War Room's Dave Gonzales, Vanity Fair's Joanna Robinson, and Film School Rejects' Neil Miller draw on book knowledge, production information, and all kinds of reckless speculation as they cover *Thrones* during the season from the Citadel of Crazytown. Hear their speculation (and maybe also their spoilers) about what's to come in season seven and "The Winds of Winter."

In Their Father's Eyes

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal A

Featuring: David Peterson, Mark, Petra Halbur, Sean Pink

Familial dynamics in Westeros can be fraught with tension and long-ranging effects. From the Starks to the Lannisters, no Great House is immune to trouble between parents and their children.

The Unanswered Mysteries of ASOIAF

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal B/C

Featuring: Brad Ausrotas, Aziz, Emmett Booth, Tony Teflon

For every resolved question in *ASOIAF*, there is a lingering mystery. Whatever happened to Tysha? Is Ashara Dayne really dead? Who was the Knight of the Laughing Tree? Here, we gather to examine the unanswered questions of the series.

Villains and Scoundrels

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Canal E

Featuring: Kenny "Axey" Cross, Steve Love, David Rosenblatt

"Nobody is a villain in their own story. We're all the heroes of our own stories," George R.R. Martin tells us. But they're trouble, nonetheless. Why do we love the hellraisers and manipulators of *Game of Thrones*? Who is the worst of them all?

Leatherwork Q&A

4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Delta Island E

Featuring: Keven Sutton

This panel is designed for attendees to ask questions about leather as an addition to their costuming and leather in general. All skill levels are invited. There are no questions that don't deserve to be asked.

Closing Ceremony

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM The Great Hall (Delta Ballroom A)

Close out the weekend and say your goodbyes as we wrap up our weekend-long story and go back to counting down the hours until season seven.