STARBURNER GALACTIC COURIER SERVICE

Cornu-Chi

Since again Starburner Galactic Courier Service brings a unique experience to Gaslight Gathering.

This year the Couriers are tasked with guarding a one-of-a-kind craft from both future and past. Convention attendees will have the opportunity to pilot the fully interactive "Cornu-Chi" - a full size Victorian-style fighter craft.

As the story goes...In the year 1887, agents of the Starburner Galactic Courier Service were contracted to travel to the future to take possession of an object which would play an important role in a galaxy far, far away in a time long ago. Their task would take them to a warehouse in the year 2019 where they were to service and maintain the object and then return it to the year 1887.

Upon their arrival, they made an astonishing discovery. The object was in fact, a craft they themselves had built as commissioned by a mysterious time traveler.

To complete their task, the Starburners brought a crack team of technicians, mechanics, security officers, and two of their most skilled pilots. The craft, known as the Cornu-Chi, was the precursor to the ships that would free the galaxy. Upon its completion, the craft was released to the one who commissioned it, along with all the relevant documentation. It dropped out of sight for many decades, its whereabouts unknown until now.

To help the Starburners accomplish their mission, a "pilot" will be selected from attendees present on the hour from Saturday 10 am - 6 pm & Sunday 10 am - 4 pm.

Each "pilot" selected will be assisted in boarding the craft and initiating the start-up sequence, bringing the craft to full operational readiness. Then, after a "thumbs up" will be assisted in powering down before exiting the cockpit.

STARBURNER GALACTIC COURIER SERVICE
EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF SITTING IN THE COCKPIT OF A LIFE-SIZE VICTORIAN AIRSHIP

Hear the roar of the engines and the explosion of weapons firing in length with a wingspan of 21 foot Robot assisted and with classic wing configuration.

Totally hand crafted by San Diego's renowned maker guild on display for a limited engagement.

Gaslight Gathering - The Lost Airship
The Handlery Hotel, San Diego - April 12-14, 2019

www.StarburnerCouriers.com
EXTemporaneous Dramatic Readings
12:00PM-1:00PM - GARDEN 2
Do you have a dramatic streak?
Do you like surprises?
Do you like to read out loud in front of a room full of strangers who will silently judge you?

If you answered yes to any of the above, then fame, glory, and valuable prizes can all be yours!

If no, then you can still participate as a spectator and work on your judgmental stare. You do not need to bring your own selection to read, you will be provided one.

ABNEY PARK WITH THE ETERNAL FRONTIER
Saturday night the Athenaeum brings a celebration of music and fun that would make the famed Greek Musician and Philosopher Orpheus happy. Come top off your Saturday to see and hear the musical renderings of Abney Park and The Eternal Frontier.

8:00PM - 12:00AM
* Separate ticket required to join in the festivities * Included with VIP and Full Weekend Ticket

DRAKE & MCTROWELL’S THEATRE OF THE HISTORICALLY IMPROBABLE
3:00PM-4:00PM - CRYSTAL BALLROOM
The authors of “The Adventures of Drake & Mctrowell” present for your participatory amusement and public shenanigans, short skits replete with two-bit humor, dubious science, and historical improbability; and readings from our books brought to life by audience members with no joke, sock puppet.

STEAMPUNK COSPLAY MASHUPS
4:00PM-5:00PM - CRYSTAL BALLROOM
Explore the expanding universe of cosplayers who create steampunk mashups with their favorite Science Fiction movies, TV series and comic book characters.
THE SWAMI’S CURSE:
YOGA AND MEDITATION FOR TIME TRAVEL
11:00AM-12:00PM • CRYSTAL BALLROOM

There is a curse, one that will burden you with improved health and strength for your Time Travels... or it is not a curse but you will enjoy learning about the benefits of Yoga and Meditation with Doc Phinex.

WHERE DO IDEAS COME FROM?
10:00AM-11:00AM • CRYSTAL BALLROOM

Ideas are everywhere! Authors are often asked where they get their ideas. Marian Eilsson used to tease proto-authors that she subscribed to a service that mailed post cards each month with several ideas. This was way back in the day when post cards were a thing.

Panelists will work through a series of pictures provided by the moderator, generating (hopefully creative) ideas. Panelists will also be offered the opportunity to share their own all-time favorite pictures for story idea generation.

BUILDING PROPS WITH EVA FOAM!
12:00PM-1:00PM • CRYSTAL BALLROOM

Join Bob Moog, The Iron Tailor, as he demonstrates how to build props using EVA Foam!

He will share the tools and techniques as he works through several projects, right before your eyes!

Great for beginners and anyone looking to pick up some practical tips!

DYNO STAATS
PALM AREA
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Science and Magic collide. Come watch, something might go horribly wrong!

FEAR THE ENGINEER
1:00PM-2:00PM • CRYSTAL BALLROOM

How does your invention hold up in the real world?

Have your creations evaluated by an expert and find out what modern Steam Engine Enthusiast think of Steampunk.

THE SCIENCE OF GRAPHLATION
1:00PM-2:00PM • BALBOA ROOM

To achieve your dreams, what holds you back? How does your personality assist or hinder your relationships? What would it take to be a better human being?

The science of graphology can answer these questions - and more! Neotarotus is on hand to guide the reading of hand written scripts to better understand one's personal traits.

GRAND PARLOUR 1:00PM-1:00PM • GARDEN 1

Parlour games were a popular pastime with the upper and middle class. Enjoy an afternoon of period finger foods and socialising with friends new and old.

Separate Ticket required
• Included w/ Weekend VIP

ATLANTANEAN ARTIFACTS
ROADSHOW
12:00PM-1:00PM • BALBOA ROOM

Curious about that strange mechanical box you found in your eccentric uncle’s attic? Wondering about that odd amulet left to you by your long-lost aunt? Found a bottle with strange runes on your last holiday at the seashore?

Get the answers to your inquiring mind wants to know! Bring your artifacts, oddities, and enigmas to be identified and valued by the expert treasure hunters of the Atlantanean Foundation. This is a unique audience interactive improvisational performance, where you provide the props and we provide the story.

VICTORIAN SELF-DEFENSE:
EMPLOYING
A CANE OR UMBRELLA
2:00PM-3:00PM • CRYSTAL BALLROOM

If you are planning a stroll in the darker corners of London at night, we advise an hour-long lesson on defending yourself with your cane or umbrella.

VICTORIAN HORROR HOMES
2:00PM-3:00PM • BALBOA ROOM

For decades, the exterior of a Victorian House has symbolised horror and danger in the movies - but the real danger was INSIDE those homes. The many new inventions and improvements quickly entering into their lives and homes were actually quite harmful.

We will explore and discuss some of these dangers and how they developed into what we have in our homes today.

WANDS VS. SONICS
3:00PM-4:00PM • BALBOA ROOM

The ancient battle over which is more powerful: the practice of Magic or the knowledge of Science?

Join sides in the battle of Magic Wands vs. Sonic Screwdrivers.

A WORD FROM THE STAFF

All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players...
—"As You Like It" Act II Scene VII

Welcome to Gaslight Gathering 9: Athenaeum, a celebration of arts, theater, and this new invention of motion picture (Imagine. Pictures that move!).

The world of Athenaeum could not be possible without the hard work and creativity of so many people, such as the Starburner Galactic Courier Service, The Whiskey Plate Players, and The atlantean Foundation.

Also: A hearty thank you to Doc Phineas, Dyno Staat, Duke Vader, The San Diego Makers Guild, and the Vista Steam Team. However, the most important person is you, the holder of this map, for without you this adventure could not happen.

Enjoy the gathering!
Dennis Hanon
"Doc Synchronos"
Committee Chair Production

GASLIGHT GATHERING
Explorer's Map
of the Handley Hotel, San Diego, CA

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COSPLAY GUEST OF HONOR: DUKE VADER

Chris Conole, a physics UCSD undergraduate and masters graduate from Cal Arts, was New York City's first artist-in-residence. As a SAG actor he appeared regularly in TV & Film. He splits his time between writing scripts, drawing charcoal portraits, and as the Star Wars Steampunk Universe character, who has appeared at over 75 charity events and comic cons in the past five years.

VICTORIAN SWIM PARTY
FRIDAY 2:00PM-5:00PM - POOL
The Whiskey Plate Players present an afternoon of fun in the sun.
Wear your vintage suit and bring your umbrella or parasol for snacks and social gathering around the hotel pool.

SATURDAY NIGHT
THE ORPHEUS BALL
8:00PM - 12:00AM

SUNDAY GRAND PARLOUR
11:00AM-1:00PM GARDEN I

LEARN ALL ABOUT THE REAL MACHINES FROM THE AGE OF STEAM. AN INTERACTIVE EXHIBIT PRESENTED BY THE ANTIQUE GAS & STEAM ENGINE MUSEUM OF VISTA, CA.

ICE CREAM STATION ZERO
6:00PM-9:30PM CRYSTAL BALLROOM

Help Starburner destroy the villainous shift by buying anddonating the victorian frights of the Crystal Ball. It's a costume to fit in the contest!