

THUNDERCON

“GET YOUR GEEK ON”

**THUNDER BAY’S COMIC,
FANTASY & GAMING EXPO**

SEPTEMBER 21 / 22 2019



**2019 VENDOR PACKAGE
OVER 4300 PEOPLE ATTENDED IN 2017!
WWW.THUNDERCON.ORG**

**COMICS, SCI-FI, GAMING, FANTASY, HORROR,
TOYS & POP CULTURE**

About ThunderCon

2019 will mark the 5th year of the premier convention in Thunder Bay. The success of the past 4 years proves Thunder Bay and surrounding area has a love of all things CON, with more tickets being pre-purchased than expected. Dozens of exhibitors and vendors attended, showing the amazing talent in our area.

ThunderCon is a two day event strategically placed on the fall convention circuit. This year our late September dates are aimed at capitalizing on seasonal tourism, when Thunder Bay is a destination in and of itself for weather and fall colour. It is still positioned before Hallowe'en, to encourage more fans to make/buy/attend the Con in costume, enhancing the fan experience. There will be a cosplay guests for fans to interact with, gaming demonstrations, informative how-to lectures with question and answer sessions, for people to better understand what goes into bringing the fandom to life themselves.

With the wonderful support of our sponsors, vendors and talented cosplayers, THUNDERCON will certainly continue to grow and become one of the premiere events of its kind in Northwestern Ontario...

Won't you join us & get your geek on?

www.thundercon.org

Vendor Package | CLE Grounds | September 21st & 22nd
Convention Hours: Saturday, 10:00am-5:00pm
Sunday, 10:00am-5:00pm

How to become a Vendor

Return the completed application form, along with payment arrangements to the vendor coordinator.

You will receive a confirmation e-mail within 5 business days of receiving your application

Booth sizes are 10' wide x 8' deep at \$200.00/booth, flat rate. Each booth will have pipe and draping around the space, 1x 8' table with a table cloth and 2 chairs. A maximum of 4 booths are available to be purchased by each vendor.

If a 6' table is all that you need, they are also available at a flat rate of \$100; only available to those who are not purchasing a booth, and only 1 table max available to each vendor. Vendors may split the table and cost with one other vendor but must fill out page 2 of the Vendor Agreement.

Vendor space will sell out and is only confirmed once payment has been received. Vendors will be issued a confirmation code that will correspond with your booth spot.

Each vendor will be given 2 event badges, with an additional 2 badges available for sale at a flat rate of \$10 each.

Please email completed, signed vendor application to vendors@thundercon.org or mail the completed form to:

ThunderCon
409A University Drive
Thunder Bay, ON
P7C 2C7

or call Toller at 807-627-6773

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Company Name _____

Contact Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Province _____

Country _____ Postal Code _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Website _____

Were you a vendor last year? Yes No

Are you sharing your booth with another person? Yes No *Fill out Pg.2*

Please indicate what you will be exhibiting or selling:

___ Books/Novels ___ Toys/Figures ___ Posters/Photos

___ Board Games ___ Trading Cards ___ Weapons*

___ Cosplay/Costumes ___ Prints/Artwork

___ Other (please describe) _____

*Vendors selling weapons MUST comply with our weapons policies.

Number of Booths Required: ___ x **\$200.00** = \$ _____

6' Table Required: ___ x **\$100.00** = \$ _____

Number of Additional Badges: ___ x **\$10.00** = \$ _____

Grand Total = \$ _____

Payment:

Credit Card Cash Cheque Paypal e-transfer

Please make Cheques out to ThunderCon

Paypal & e-transfer payments can be sent to vendors@thundercon.org

Mailing Address: ThunderCon, 409A University Drive, Thunder Bay, ON, P7C 2C7

Shared Booth / Table Vendor

Company Name _____

Contact Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Province _____

Country _____ Postal Code _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Website _____

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Other (please describe) _____

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Diagon Alley Regulations

(ThunderCon does not claim any rights to the name Diagon Alley. It is solely used to express appreciation for Harry Potter fandom)

Vendor Participation

All vendors must register with ThunderCon prior to the event, if they wish to participate. Two or more vendors registering under one name is strictly prohibited. If multiple vendors are sharing the same table/booth they must fill out page 2 of the vendor application.

Badges

Vendor badges **MUST** be worn at all times. Vendors are not allowed to lend, borrow or sell their badges at any time during the event. Any vendor caught doing so will be asked to leave.

Booth Lighting

Any lighting being set up should be upward facing, directed towards the vendor's booth. It in no way should interfere with another vendor's booth, unless agreed upon by both parties.

Sound Limitations

Any audio playback, such as music or sound effects, should be kept at a volume level that does not cause noise pollution to adjacent booths. An agreement may be reach with neighboring booths in regards to extending the audible range, if beneficial to all parties.

Electrical Services

Electrical Services are available upon request. Please contact the Vendor Coordinator with what services you require for your booth.

Setup and Teardown

Setup will be Friday from 5PM to 10PM

Take Down will be Sunday from 5PM to 10PM

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Display Parameters

Vendors must respect the space boundaries they purchase and cannot expand beyond any dimensions allotted. They agree to remain set up during all open hours of ThunderCon. No early teardown is permitted without prior consent from the Vendor Coordinator. Any signage that extends above the booth height must be placed in the center of the booth, and the vendor must discuss with the vendor behind, that the signage will not interfere with the neighboring booth.

Dispute Resolution

Should a dispute arise between vendors, the ThunderCon policy that most closely relates to the dispute will be followed. If the matter of dispute is not covered by any of the existing policies, the Vendor Coordinator will be responsible for mediating conflict resolutions and creating new guidelines to resolve the issue in a just manner. No action will be taken until both parties have had a chance to make their case. If a vendor chooses to disregard the decision of the Vendor Coordinator and continues to engage in the behavior under dispute, they will be asked to leave ThunderCon, and will not be refunded their booth fee. If a vendor is removed from the convention for violating this policy, they will also be suspended from the following year's event. Repeat offenders risk being blacklisted in perpetuity from all future ThunderCon events.

Smoking/Other Substances

Smoking is not permitted inside the CLE Buildings. Smoking is only permitted in outside designated areas. This includes E-Cigarettes and cannabis. Consumption of alcohol, illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia is strictly prohibited from ThunderCon.

Cleanliness

Vendors must maintain their area's cleanliness at all times. Vendors will be responsible for any damages caused by themselves to the event space.

Fire Code

All vendor displays must meet fire codes, and may be subject to fire marshal inspection. No portion of a display, boxes, materials etc., shall obstruct any aisle or doorway. All fire extinguishers, hose cabinets, fire exits or fire alarms cannot be blocked or covered at any time during the convention.

MERCHANDISE POLICIES

Adult Materials Policy

Vendors agree not to sell or distribute any adult material to minors. All “Adults Only” material must be either behind the table, or if displayed, must be bagged and/or covered, so that minors cannot open it. Any adult material depicting nudity or sexual conduct must be covered (blinded). Adult videos and magazines are not to be openly viewed or displayed.

Weapons Policy

Any weapon sales to minors (those under age 18) will not be tolerated. If you are found to have sold to a minor, you will be asked to stop selling weapons, may be asked to leave Diagon Alley and based on the circumstances, legal action may be warranted. This is a federal violation and ThunderCon will uphold the law to the best of its ability, and is obligated to report all illegal transactions to the appropriate legal authorities. All vendors selling weapons are required to adhere to policies and procedures for the safe handling of weapons, which may include, but is not limited to:

- No steel, edged or wood weapons may be sold to patrons under the age of 18;
- Receipts must be provided with all weapons upon sale as proof of purchase;
- Weapons must be sold in their packaging;
- No weapons during the sale will be removed from the table area of the vendor’s booth space
- ThunderCon will reserve the right to revoke the distribution of weapons from vendors, upon infringement of these regulations.

Cancellation Policy

Vendors that cancel prior to June 1st, 2019, will receive a 80% refund

Vendors that cancel between June 1st, 2019, and August 1st 2019 will receive a 50% refund.

Vendors that cancel after August 1st, 2019, will not be refunded

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Liability and Security

ThunderCon and the **Canadian Lakehead Exhibition** are not responsible for any theft or loss. Vendors are responsible for their own security during the show hours. There will be security provided during “closed” hours of Diagon Alley.

The Vendor agrees to protect and hold ThunderCon, the promoter of the event, forever harmless from any damage(s) or charge(s) imposed for violations of any ordinance or regulation by the Vendor, his/her employees or agents, as well as failure to comply with the terms and agreements of this contract. Further, Vendors shall at all times, protect, indemnify, and hold harmless ThunderCon against and from any loss, cost, damage, liability, or expense which arises out of or from by any reason, on any acts or omission of the Vendor, his/her employees or agents.

In the event that the ThunderCon or any part of the event space thereof is unavailable, whether from the entire event or a portion of the event, as a result of fire, flood, snowstorm or any other such cause, or as a result of governmental intervention, malicious damage, acts of war, strike, labour dispute, riot or agency which ThunderCon has no control, or should ThunderCon decide that because of any such cause, it is necessary to cancel, postpone or re-site the event, or reduce installation time, exhibit time or move out time, ThunderCon shall not be liable to indemnify or reimburse the vendor in respect of any damage or loss, direct or indirect, arising as a result thereof.

ThunderCon shall have the full power in the interpretation and enforcement of all contract regulations contained herein, and the power to make such amendments thereto, and such further rules and regulations, as shall be considered necessary and proper. The foregoing represents the agreement between the undersigned Vendor and ThunderCon for the convention held September 21st and 22nd 2019

If a vendor chooses not to abide by con policy, ThunderCon is not held responsible for any legal action that may arise.

SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT INDICATES THAT ALL THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS TRUE. IT ALSO INDICATES THAT I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS LAID OUT ABOVE, AS WELL AS THE CONSEQUENCES OF NON-ADHERENCE TO ANY OF THE ABOVE STATED POLICIES. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MY STAFF REPRESENT MY BUSINESS AND INTERESTS AT THUNDERCON, AND WILL BE HELD TO THE TERMS LISTED ABOVE AS WELL.

Full signature of owner/operator: _____

(Applications missing the authorizing signature will not be accepted)

ThunderCon Authorized Agent Signature

Date