

GENDERVERSE FURCON

2025



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Welcome to

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Greetings, Citizen of the Genderverse!

We are honored to have you with us for the very first edition of Genderverse FurCon!

Are you a furry, or curious about what that means? Do you want to celebrate the whole universe of gender diversity that exists on our one small planet, whether you identify as two-spirit, trans, nonbinary, questioning, gender non-conforming, agender, another gender identity, or cisgender? If so, then you've come to the right furry convention!

A few of you may know that we've been around for a while. Under the name "Genderverse Furies", we've been hosting socials at other conventions since 2016, and more recently hosted a few smaller "Mini-Cons". It's been our dream for almost ten years to finally host a proper convention, even just a single-day convention to start with, and we worked our tails and webbies off to make it a reality – but we couldn't have done it without everyone who registered to attend. We have been absolutely blown away by the enthusiasm and positivity you have all shown – and the convention hasn't even started yet!! You are all a bunch of amazing critters.

Our intention for this convention is to provide a chill, sensory-friendly environment including fun and interesting panels, a curated selection of amazing vendors, and lots of space to relax and unwind with others or on your own! With this in mind, we hope you have a lovely time and maybe even head home having made a new friend or two!

With a bit of luck and a lot of determination and support from all of you, "Genderverse FurCon 2025: Into the Genderverse" will only be the beginning! We will do our utmost to bring this convention back in 2026 to celebrate furry gender diversity all over again.

Please go to genderversefurcon.com to find all our social media links so you can stay updated on what's to come!

With love and gratitude,

Nedge and Serval

Genderverse FurCon Co-Founders

SCHEDULE

FURSUIT LOUNGE – HALTON

Open 10:00AM until Midnight

ZOO/DEALERS – MISSISSAUGA A+B

Registration

9:30AM – 9:00PM

Those who have pre-registered for the event can pick up your badge at the entrance to the Zoo/Dealers room. Attendees who require accommodations will be given priority access to the queue, no questions asked. Unfortunately we cannot accept any At-Door registrations this year as we are sold out!

Dealers

10:00AM – 6:00PM

Come get all the goodies and swag your heart desires from our curated selection of dealers!

Raffle & Silent Auction

10:00AM – 5:30PM

A selection of items we think you'll love will be available for either silent bid or raffle next to the Con Store.

Opening Words

10:30AM – 11:00AM - Nedge and Serval

The Co-Founders say a few words to kick off the very first Genderverse FurCon! Learn about the day's fun and interesting activities, as well about a bit about how this con came to be!

Closing Words

6:00PM – 6:30PM - Serval and Nedge

Let's take a moment to talk about the amazing things that happened today, and look forward to next year!

Group photos

6:30PM – 7:00PM – Mepix

We will take two group photos; one of fursuiters only, and another one with everyone who wants to be in it. Please be on time!

Gaming

7:00PM – 1:00AM

Now that shopping time is done, it's gayming time! Feel free to peruse our library of board games, or use the space for sketching, chatting, hanging out, etc!

PANELS – MISSISSAUGA C

Chocolate tasting

11:00AM – 12:30PM – Serval

Come discover what chocolate can be, far from candy or even supermarket bars. Discover the meaning of bean-to-bar, terroir, how and why cacao beans only grow between the tropics, learn about the types of beans and types of chocolate, and finally bring your tongue and your brain on a whirlwind trip across the world!

Fidget Toy Social

1:00PM – 2:30PM – Nedge

Do you like to fidget? Trust me, you're not alone! If you have a collection of fidget toys/objects you're happy to share, bring them along! If not, just bring yourself and your hands, we don't judge. We'll spend an hour and a half poking, prodding, squeezing, stretching, spinning, and having fun while forgetting about our troubles for a while!

Let's Make Furry Accessible!

3:00PM – 4:30PM – Stormy

Join Stormy in exploring the world of disability in the fandom as we unpack the importance of discussing disability and how we can make the fandom more inclusive and accessible to all! The first portion of the event will be a short slideshow presentation with room for audience participation. The second portion of the event will be a social for people to relax and play games. Feel free to bring your character reference sheets, as we will be doing an art trading game! All are welcome, disabled or not.

Banned Book Talk

5:00PM – 6:00PM - Varren

Why do books get banned? Why is it important to read them? What are some commonly banned and challenged books? Come learn about banned books, resources for accessing said books (hint: Do you have a library card? Access to the internet?), and why paying attention to banned books is so important. There will be bookmark and sticker freebies and an opportunity to chat with other book lovers at the end of the panel.

Harm Reduction 101

7:00PM – 8:00PM - Kennedy

This panel is an educational presentation on steps that can be taken to reduce harm relating to substance use and wellness, such as how to administer intramuscular and subcutaneous hormones and tips on how to use them more safely, followed by a discussion about what matters most for people in their harm reduction. No actual substance will be present and a dummy skin will be used for demonstration.

Sensory-Friendly Dance

9:00PM – 1:00AM - DJ Subwoofer | DJ Jin

Unwind to some lower-intensity beats spun up by our talented DJ(s), under smooth, flowing ambient lighting (no strobe lights!)

SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE

This year's Raffle and Silent Auction will see the proceeds going back into the convention, to help us out with operating costs for next year!

Silent Auction

Each item in the Silent Auction will have a bidding sheet next to it on the table. The minimum bid will be indicated on each sheet, along with the minimum bid increment (i.e. how much you need to increase your bid compared to the previous bid.

Please write your badge name, badge number, and desired bid amount on the line below the previous bidder.

Please return starting at 5:30PM and no later than 6:00PM to pay for any item(s) you have won.

NOTE: Please only place a bid if you intend to pay upon winning the auction item. If you fail to pay for any won items, we will contact you to inquire about the circumstances behind this, and may take action accordingly, at our sole discretion, regarding your attendance for next year's event.

Raffle

Each item in the Raffle will have a bucket next to the item, along with a card describing the item. Raffle tickets will be for sale at the con store.

Please separate your tickets from your ticket stubs marked "KEEP THIS COUPON" and place each ticket, one at a time, in a bucket of your choosing. You are free to put more than one ticket into a single bucket, but please make sure the tickets are separated from each other.

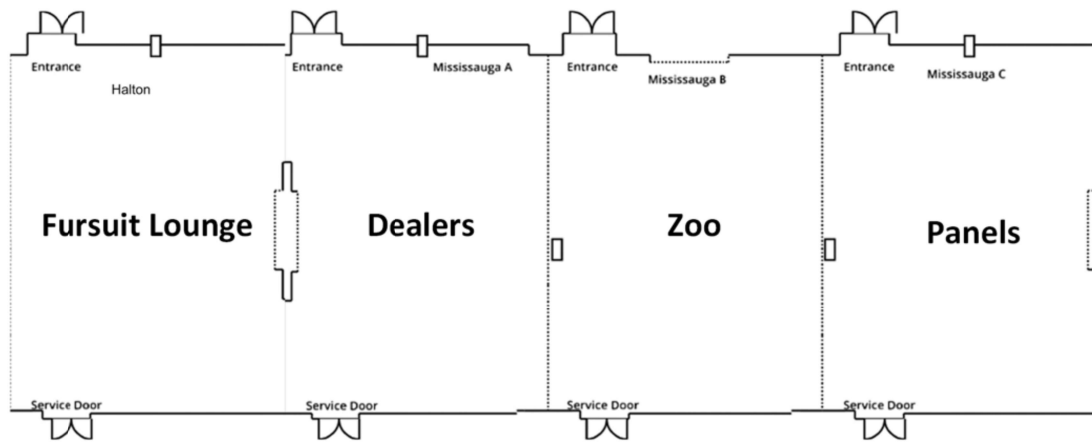
NOTE: Be sure to keep your "KEEP THIS COUPON" ticket stubs, so you know if your ticket is called!

The Raffle winners will be drawn during Closing Words in the Zoo/Dealers area between 6:00PM and 6:30PM. Only those present at the time of the draw will be eligible to claim a prize.

DEALERS

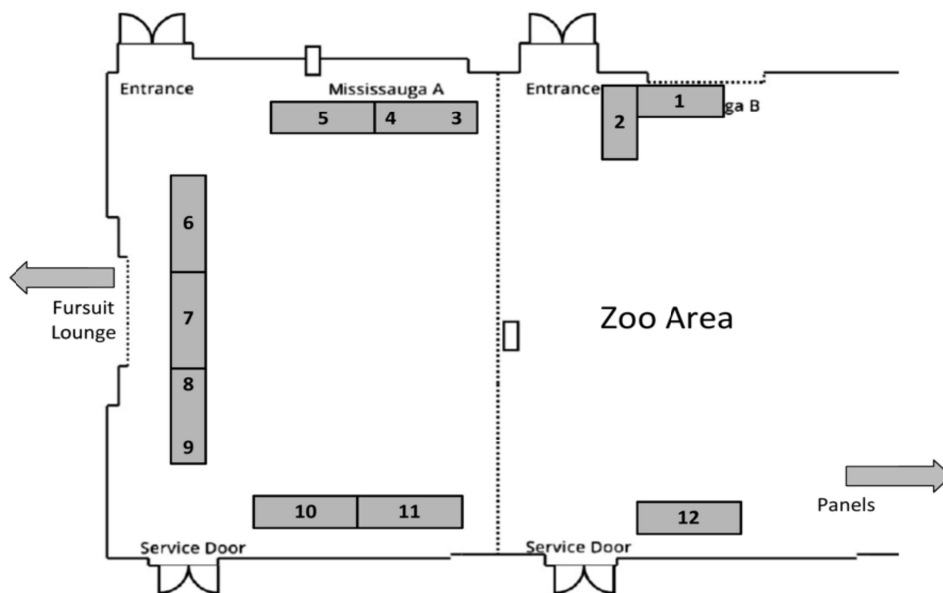
1	Registration and Con Store	8	Leafysnaxx - https://leafysnaxx.carrd.co/ Leafysnaxx primarily works in vibrant, sparkly artwork. She specializes in quick turnaround times, and is new to fursuit making. Keep on the lookout for convention-exclusive commissions (will be completed with convention times only).
2	Raffle and Silent Auction		
3	Jefferydraws – Featured artist! https://jefferydraws.carrd.co/ jefferydraws creates colourful and fun artwork around the furry fandom, queerness, and joy. Thank you to jefferydraws for providing our badge art for this year, along with miscellaneous other art for the con!	9	Ravi/Raven - https://raviteixeira.com/ Ravi Teixeira is a Cape Verdean American transgender cartoonist living abroad in Canada. Their work has been featured in the Prism Award winning DATES ANTHOLOGY (Margins, 2019) and the New York Times recommended BECOMING WHO WE ARE ANTHOLOGY (AWBW, 2024).
4	SilkFang - http://silkfang.etsy.com QUEER PRIDE n RADICAL - PINS, PATCHES, FUN & GAY GIFTS. Specializing in pins and LGBT+ propaganda, this shop was founded in 2017 on Etsy and is run by a genderqueer solo-preneur.	10	Pin-Ace - http://www.pin-ace.com/ Pin-Ace are the intrepid queer and trans folk making awesome high-quality enamel pins for the queer/trans, social justice, and size empowerment communities. We are the brains behind the viral Customization Pride Pin, the most flexible and intersectional identity pins in the world.
5	Daemon Kitsune Creations - https://ko-fi.com/daemonkitsune/shop Handmade, premade or fully custom, stuffed animals, trinkets, stickers, fidgets, and digital art commissions.	11	Sir Burnt - https://sirburnt.carrd.co/# Dealer of video games inspired trinkets and crochet!
6	Cappies - https://cappiesmewsings.wixsite.com/cappies Furry and Fandom fun! Silly messages of positivity for mental health, disability, and self-identity. Traditional and digital commissions.	12	Artist Alley Spots We will have four FREE slots available for four hours each: two slots from 10:00AM-1:45PM, and two slots from 2:15PM-6:00PM
7	LhzGz - https://lhzgz.xyz/ An Artist (among many other Things and Thoughts), LHZGz colorfully expresses their melancholic, yet optimistic view of the world through visual, aural, and interactive media.		

CONVENTION SPACE LAYOUT



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DEALERS LAYOUT



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How to play!

1. Write random words that fit the spaces below - the sillier, the better!



(For example, if the space says 'verb', you can write 'run' or 'swim' or if it says 'noun', you can write 'ball' or 'fence'.)



2. Match the words you wrote with the spaces that match the letters on the next page.

3. Enjoy a very silly story!



a. plural noun: _____

b. another plural noun: _____

c. a different plural noun: _____

d. any gender: _____

e. noun: _____

f. any gender: _____

g. positive emotion (adjective): _____

h. creature: _____

i. verb: _____



THE TRUTH ABOUT GENDER

I wanna tell you something.

(a)_____ don't have gender.

Neither do (b)_____ or

(c)_____.

In fact, the only thing that determines
your (a)gender is you! So if you ever find
yourself feeling sad, thinking,

"I'll never be a real (d)_____,

because I don't have a (e)_____, "

remember

feeling you are (f) _____

means that you are (f)_____!

So be (g)_____ of who you are,

no matter what any (h)_____

tries to (i)_____.





TRANS RESOURCES IN TORONTO

The 519 (LGBTQIA+ resource and social center)

<http://www.the519.org>

Sherbourne Health Centre (Various trans-specific as well as LGBTQIA+ groups)

<http://sherbourne.on.ca/get-involved/community-groups/>

2-Spirited People of the 1st Nations (for Aboriginal two-spirit youth)

Weekly drop-in (evenings: call for specific week night) - Facilitators: (416) 944-9300

Trans Lifeline (English, US-based)

Hotline: 1-877-330-6366 (in Canada) - <https://www.translifeline.org/>

The Youth Line (Ontario's provincial LGBT peer support and info line)

www.youthline.ca - Phone: 1-800-268-9688

Gender Creative Kids (Canada)

<http://gendercreativekids.ca> - info@gendercreativekids.ca

TransYouth Group (for trans & queer youth aged 12-17 in Mississauga & Brampton)

1-(800) 762-8377 - youth@aysp.ca - www.aysp.ca

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