

# COSPLAY

## At FanimeCon



Above Right: A male and female version of Wolfwood from Trigun. Above Left: Three very nice women with really beautiful and intricate outfits. Unfortunately, I never managed to get a photo of them that was in focus. The detail work on the dress on the left in particular was very well done with many different fabrics used.



Above: I just liked these costumes. These guys are Pyramid Heads from the video game Silent Hill 2



Kasumi (Right) from the video game Dead or Alive and a friend who I couldn't identify.

Top Left: Hikaru, the main character's angel from Angelic Layer. This was one of my favorite costumes. It's really accurate and looked great. There's a lot of detail—the "whips" in particular looked like they were really hard to make.

Bottom: Red Eyes's Special: All three of these cosplayers enhanced their costumes with red contact lenses. A very striking addition to their costumes. Lower Left: Chipp Zanuff from Guilty Gear X video game. The middle character is from Naruto.

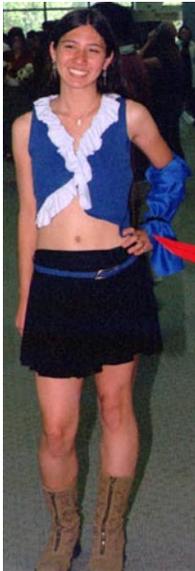




Final Fantasy was a very popular subject for cosplayers. The different editions of the game gave cosplayers a wide choice of characters.

Final Fantasy Cosplayers left to right from the top:

- Lulu and a stoned Squal from Final Fantasy 8
- A sober Squal from Final Fantasy 8
- Rikku from Final Fantasy X-2
- Seed Student from Final Fantasy 8
- Lulu From Final Fantasy 8
- Sephiroth from Final Fantasy 7
- Yuna From Final Fantasy X-2
- Paine and Yuna from Final Fantasy X-2
- Rikku from Final Fantasy X-2





Cloud Strife from Final Fantasy 7 with a tonberry.



Above: Etna from Disgaea

Right: Eva Unit 01 from Evangelion





Catgirls and other assorted wildlife. There were of course a lot of cat girls present, but these went a little beyond sticking on some ears and attaching a tail to a mini skirt.

Bridget from Guilty Gear X video game.



A very well done Ivy from Soul Caliber video game.



An excellent Kasumi from the video game Dead or Alive.





One of several members of the Rolling 88s to show up at the con, I missed the Go Go Yubari

Rinoa from Final Fantasy 8



Below: Great costume with lots of good detail and props.





Above: The Rose Bride from Revolutionary Girl Utena

Right: Caroline from Vampire Hunter D: Bloodlust

Bottom left Selphie from Final Fantasy 8

Bottom, second from right: Sakura from Naruto.

Bottom right: Staff members got to zip around the convention on these scooters. Looked like fun.





Right: I think these are three people doing Inuyasha's demon brother Sesshomaru.



Naruto group cosplayers, Sakura in red, Naruto in blue and orange with blond hair, Haku in blue and dark orange being punched.



The vampire/human couple from Vampire Hunter D: Bloodlust.



Left: An adorable Sango from Inuyasha.



Right: Inuyasha and Sango from Inuyasha. The Sango costume was excellent, but it was the prop boomerang that really made this one special.



Far left: Haku from Naruto with and without her mask. Left and below: I don't know where these costumes are from, but these were taken at the Naruto group meet-up. These were all wonderful outfits, with lots of hand sewing involved, as I recall being told.





Above: Out of all of the great poses people had for their characters, this cosplayer had the best that I saw. Not only did she have a great costume, she's Jue from Animatrix: The Final Flight of the Osiris, but she worked hard to get the character's pose just right. This was a difficult pose to hold, but she was always willing to drop into it whenever asked for a photo, and would hold it as photographers swarmed over to take her picture. She would hold the pose even after she started shaking from the effort in order to let everyone who wanted to get a good photo.

I can't identify any of these characters, but these all had great costumes. I was worried that the outfits would be too dark to see the details, but they ended up turning out well.





Above, Middle: A particularly striking Sir Integra Hellsing from Hellsing. Not only a great costume, but she had the force of personality to really pull off a tough character. Left: The best Witch Hunter Robin: great attention to detail here, with a well made dress and perfect hair. Below and Right: characters from Di Gi Charat.





Above Left: From The Big O. Great detail here. I love the eyebrows. Above: a female Ranma. Below Left: Victoria from Hellsing with Ryu Hayabusa from Ninja Gaiden. Center: Alucard from Hellsing. Below Right: Princess Mononoki.





Above: A trio of lovely but dangerous Faye Valentines from Cowboy Bebop.



Below: Legato, a villain from Trigun, is in trouble surrounded by three of Wash the Stampede. Best hair and cloak go to the middle Wash, but the arm detail is missing.



Below: DerCosplay participants: this group did a very complex musical number. All characters are from Sailor Moon.





Another DerCosplay team. The big pink thing is a character called Gloomy, which I thought was great, but a lot of people didn't seem to know where he's from. He's a Japanese character who is a big pink bear that goes crazy and slaughters kids. Hilarious flash animations can be found on the web. Their skit had the two armored women pull Gloomy off of the helpless kids. It was pretty funny if you know the character. The Gloomy costume looked exactly like the character. I thought the costumes the two women are wearing were excellent.





A pair of Links



Old School: Cobra Commander seeks a new recruit.

Right: A character from the game Kingdom Hearts



Left: Dark Magician Girl from Yu-Gi-Oh.

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Russian soldier from Metal Gear Solid 2. The exclamation point is very authentic.

Zero from Megaman X



Hunk from Resident Evil.