Saturday Panel Schedule

12:30 PM

Voices Behind the Controller: Inside the World of Video Game Acting

Step into the immersive world of video game storytelling with two powerhouse performers in the booth — Pamela Dougherty and Derick Snow. From intense boss battles to heartfelt cinematic cutscenes, voice acting in gaming has become one of the most dynamic and demanding corners of the entertainment industry.

Join Pamela Dougherty, known for her commanding presence and dramatic range across anime, gaming, and television, and Derick Snow, the voice behind compelling heroes and villains in some of today's most beloved titles. Together, they'll pull back the curtain on what it takes to bring virtual worlds to life — from casting calls and script reads to vocal technique, character development, and motion capture.

Whether you're a die-hard gamer, aspiring voice actor, or just curious about how your favorite characters are brought to life, this panel will give you a behind-the-scenes look at the artistry, challenges, and sometimes hilarious surprises of video game voice work.

Expect stories from the booth, live demonstrations, and plenty of fan interaction as Pamela and Derick share their journeys and advice for breaking into the industry. Discover how emotional authenticity and technical precision come together to shape the gaming experiences we all know and love.

Don't miss this rare chance to meet the voices behind the characters — and maybe even hear them live!



Hollywood Rebel: An Afternoon with Randy Quaid

Step into the world of Hollywood with the legendary Randy Quaid, an actor known for his unforgettable roles, bold personality, and career spanning over five decades. From iconic characters like Cousin Eddie in National Lampoon's Vacation to memorable performances in Independence Day and The Last Detail, Randy's work has left an indelible mark on film and pop culture.

In this exclusive panel, Randy Quaid will share stories from his extensive career — the highs, the challenges, and everything in between. Gain insight into his unique approach to acting, his experiences working with some of the biggest names in the industry, and the moments that defined his path. Whether you're a fan of his comedic genius or dramatic depth, this session promises engaging anecdotes and a candid look at the life of a true Hollywood rebel.

Audience members will have the chance to ask questions, hear behind-the-scenes tales, and learn about the craft and passion that fuels Randy's performances. This is a rare opportunity to connect with a fascinating artist whose roles have entertained and inspired generations.

Don't miss your chance to experience Randy Quaid's wit, wisdom, and storytelling live — a panel full of laughs, insights, and unforgettable memories!

Quirks, Heroes, and Voice Acting: Inside My Hero Academia

Dive deep into the world of **My Hero Academia** with two of the voices bringing this explosive anime to life — **Kent Williams** (voice of Mr. Compress) and **Matthew David Rudd** (voice of Shishido)! Whether you're a long-time fan or just discovering the incredible story of heroes and villains, this panel offers a unique insider's look at what it takes to voice some of the series' most intriguing characters.

Kent Williams, known for his versatile voice work across anime and video games, brings the charismatic and cunning villain Mr. Compress to life, captivating fans with his mysterious charm and clever tactics. Matthew David Rudd embodies Shishido, a powerful and enigmatic character whose presence commands attention. Together, they will share their experiences working on *My Hero Academia*, discussing the challenges of portraying complex characters and delivering intense emotional performances.

This interactive session will feature behind-the-scenes anecdotes, live readings, and a Q&A segment where fans can ask about everything from audition tips to favorite moments on set. Discover how these actors prepare to bring authenticity and depth to their roles, helping to make the anime's vibrant world come alive.

If you're passionate about anime, voice acting, or just love *My Hero Academia*, this panel is your chance to connect with two of the talented voices behind the villains and heroes you admire. Get ready for an inspiring and fun conversation celebrating the excitement and drama of *My Hero Academia*!

Commanding the Screen: A Conversation with Katee Sackhoff

Get ready for an unforgettable hour with the legendary **Katee Sackhoff** at Soda City Comic Con 2025! Known for her fierce performances and genre-defining roles, Katee has captured the hearts of fans across galaxies with her portrayals of strong, complex women in sci-fi and beyond.

Join us for this exclusive panel as Katee dives into her iconic career, including her breakout role as **Captain Kara** "**Starbuck**" **Thrace** in Battlestar Galactica, a part that redefined female action heroes and earned her critical acclaim. She'll also discuss her groundbreaking transition from animation to live-action as **Bo-Katan Kryze** in Star Wars: The Clone Wars, Rebels, and The Mandalorian—a fan-favorite arc that has become a cornerstone of the new Star Wars era.

This panel will explore what it's like to step into such iconic universes, how she approaches emotionally intense roles, and her experience performing in both voice acting and live-action formats. Whether you're a die-hard sci-fi enthusiast or simply curious about the craft behind these major franchises, this is your chance to hear firsthand stories, behind-the-scenes moments, and personal insights from one of the most dynamic talents in the industry.

Fans will also get the chance to ask questions during an open Q&A portion—so come prepared with your best queries about starships, lightsabers, and maybe even motorcycles (yes, she rides)!

Whether you're a Battlestar Galactica veteran, a Mandalorian devotee, or just discovering Katee Sackhoff's work, this panel promises to be a highlight of the weekend. Don't miss your chance to connect with a sci-fi legend and experience a panel packed with passion, fandom, and unforgettable stories.

Flippin' Sweet: A Conversation with Jon Heder

Grab your tots and get ready—**Jon Heder** is coming to the 2025 Soda City Comic Con, and you won't want to miss this hilarious and heartfelt journey through one of the most unique careers in Hollywood!

Best known for his unforgettable breakout role as the quirky and endlessly quotable **Napoleon Dynamite**, Jon Heder helped define an era of indie comedy and became a pop culture legend practically overnight. But there's a lot more to Jon than just nunchuck skills and sweet dance moves. In this exclusive panel, Jon will take fans behind the scenes of Napoleon Dynamite, sharing what it was like to create one of the most beloved cult classics of all time on a shoestring budget—and how its unexpected success changed his life.

But that's just the beginning! Jon will also talk about his work in other fan-favorite films like Blades of Glory, Benchwarmers, Surf's Up, and Monster House, as well as his ventures into voice acting and producing. Hear about the creative process, the importance of embracing weirdness, and what it's like to be recognized in public over 20 years later for a role that became an instant icon.

Expect plenty of laughs, offbeat stories, and audience Q&A—because yes, you can finally ask if he still has those sweet moon boots. Whether you're a lifelong Napoleon fan or just curious about the career of one of comedy's most distinct voices, this panel promises good vibes, weird nostalgia, and a genuinely great time.

Sunday Panel Schedule

12:30 PM

Voicing the Grand Line: Behind the Mic with the Voices of One Piece

Set sail on an unforgettable journey with the talented voice actors bringing the world of *One Piece* to life! Join Macy Anne Johnson (voice of Child Big Mom), Matthew David Rudd (Admiral Ryokugyu), Pamela Dougherty (Big Mom), and Brian Mathis (Monkey D. Garp) as they share their unique experiences working on one of the most acclaimed and beloved anime series of all time.

Discover what it's like to embody some of *One Piece*'s most iconic characters — from the fearsome Big Mom and her younger self to the formidable Admiral Ryokugyu and the legendary Vice Admiral Monkey D. Garp. This panel will explore the artistry and challenges of voice acting in such a rich and expansive universe, including how the actors prepare for their roles, capture the personalities of their characters, and contribute to the storytelling that has captivated millions worldwide.

Hear behind-the-scenes stories from the recording booth, learn about the collaborative process with directors and fellow cast members, and enjoy live demonstrations that showcase the range and depth these actors bring to their performances.

Whether you're a longtime fan of *One Piece* or new to the series, this panel is a must-attend for anyone curious about the voices that power the epic adventures on the Grand Line.

Don't miss this chance to meet and interact with the voices behind some of *One Piece*'s most memorable heroes and villains!

Behind the Mic with Kaitlyn Robrock: From Minnie Mouse to Mr. Pickles

Join acclaimed voice actress **Kaitlyn Robrock** for an engaging and insightful panel where she pulls back the curtain on the world of voice acting. Best known as the current voice of **Minnie Mouse**, Kaitlyn brings charm and magic to one of the most iconic characters in animation history. She also voices memorable roles like **Linda the Mother** on Mr. Pickles and **Haida** in the popular anime *Aggretsuko*.

Discover what it takes to create such a diverse range of characters, from classic Disney icons to edgy, adult animation, and emotionally rich anime. Kaitlyn will share stories from her career, detailing how she develops unique voices, connects emotionally with audiences, and navigates the challenges of working across different genres.

Whether you're an aspiring voice actor, an avid fan, or simply curious about the craft, this panel offers a rare behind-the-scenes look at the artistry and dedication behind voice acting. Expect fun anecdotes, live demonstrations, and plenty of audience interaction, including a Q&A where you can ask Kaitlyn about her favorite roles, her journey in the industry, and advice for breaking into voice work.

Don't miss this chance to hear directly from Kaitlyn Robrock — a true voice acting powerhouse who brings beloved characters to life with heart and humor!

(a) Rising Stars of NXT: Inside the Ring with Sean Legacy & Jackson Drake

Step into the electrifying world of professional wrestling with NXT's dynamic duo — Sean Legacy and Jackson Drake! Known for their fierce athleticism, captivating personas, and relentless drive, these rising stars are making waves in WWE's premier developmental brand, and now they're ready to take you behind the scenes.

Join Sean Legacy and Jackson Drake as they share their journeys from training to the bright lights of NXT. Learn about the hard work, dedication, and sacrifices it takes to break into the wrestling business and the challenges of performing night after night in front of passionate fans.

This panel offers an exclusive look at what it means to be a professional wrestler today — from mastering in-ring techniques and storytelling to building a character that connects with the audience. Hear firsthand stories about their toughest matches, unforgettable moments, and what motivates them to keep pushing forward in this demanding industry.

Fans will have the chance to ask questions, gain insider insights, and discover what's next for these up-and-coming talents. Whether you're a longtime wrestling fan or new to the sport, this panel is your ticket to understanding the passion and power behind the persona.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet Sean Legacy and Jackson Drake — two NXT superstars on the rise and ready to leave their mark!

3:45 PM

🛂 10th Annual Soda City Comic Con Children's Cosplay Contest

Calling all young heroes, princesses, pirates, Pokémon, and pint-sized pop culture icons — it's time to shine on the big stage at the 10th Annual Soda City Comic Con Children's Cosplay Contest!

This fan-favorite event invites kids ages 16 and under to show off their creativity, confidence, and costume-building skills in a fun, family-friendly celebration of imagination and fandom. Whether it's a homemade masterpiece, a store-bought favorite, or something totally original, every costume is welcome, and every participant is a star.

Our panel of friendly judges will be looking for creativity, enthusiasm, and stage presence — not perfection — so all participants are encouraged to join in, regardless of experience. Prizes will be awarded in multiple age categories, along with fun giveaways for all contestants.

Bring the whole family and cheer on the next generation of cosplayers as they strut their stuff and light up the con with heart, humor, and heroic energy!

Sign-ups will take place on-site at the Information Table on the Upper Level, and participation is free with admission. Spots are limited to 100 contestants, so arrive early and be ready to smile, pose, and have fun!

Let your child's imagination take center stage — because at Soda City Comic Con, every costume has a story, and every kid's a superstar!