# 2025 JAMAICA COSPLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

# **RULES & GUIDELINES**

## **WELCOME!**

We are happy to announce the ultimate cosplay contest — Jamaica's Cosplay Championship 2025! 🎉

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Enter for a chance to win a **share of over \$500,000 in cash and other amazing prizes**, including a **3–5 day trip to Trinidad and Tobago**, with the opportunity to represent Jamaica in the **Caribbean Cosplay Championship 2026**!

We invite all attendees and cosplayers to enter AnimeCon Jamaica and the Jamaica Cosplay Club's 2025 staging of **AnimeCom Fest: Isekai Saga**.

Participating contestants **MUST** be ticket holders for AnimeCom Fest. All cosplayers who register for the competition will be required to **pay a registration fee** as outlined below. **Please note:** This registration fee **does NOT grant entry** into the convention. You must purchase a **Regular Day Pass, SUPA Pass, or ULTRA Pass** to attend the event.

Absolutely no registration will be accepted on the day of the competition.

Submit your completed **2025 Jamaica Cosplay Championship** form early to book your spot now! Incomplete forms must be updated to avoid delays in securing your place.

The competition will be held on Day 2 of our two-day event.

### **REGISTRATION PERIODS & FEES**

- Early Registration: February 19 June 19, 2025 Fee: \$1,000 JMD & Full payment must be made within 7 working days to secure your spot.
- Late Registration: June 20 July 30, 2025
  Fee: \$2,000 JMD
- Super Late Registration: July 31 August 7, 2025 Fee: \$3,000 JMD (Payment must be made in full)
- X No refunds will be issued upon registration.

# **Cosplay Contest Policy and Rules**

# 1. Cosplay Contest Policy at AnimeCom Fest

The **Jamaica Cosplay Championship** is a craftsmanship award show featuring a pre-judging session and skit performance display. Put your skills to the test and compete with the best cosplayers in Jamaica!

# 2. AnimeCom Fest Cosplay Championship Rules & Guidelines

- All contestants must register and pay the required registration fee by the appropriate deadline to be eligible for participation.
- 2 All contestants must show respect to the competition, judges, sponsors, attendees, and all stakeholders.
- 3 A cosplay and stage performance workshop will be hosted on a date to be announced (TBA).
- 4 Submit at least two (2) high-resolution, printed color photos of your character from different angles.
- In-progress photos are required. Cosplays that are entirely store-bought (unless commissioned) will not be accepted.
- 6 Characters must originate from published sources (anime, manga, comics, video games, films, or graphic novels). Fan art versions are allowed.

### **Costume Requirements**

Costumes must be at least 50% made or altered by the contestant or a team member present during judging.

## **Entry Process**

Entry is on a first-come, first-served basis.

## **Technical Requirements**

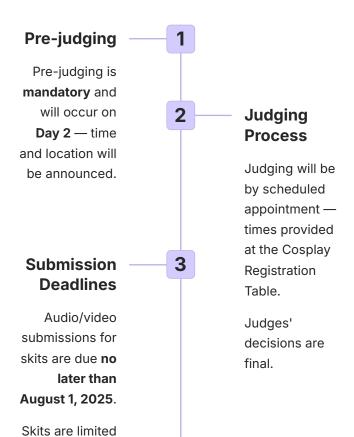
Costumes must be self-contained (no external power sources).

### **Escort Policy**

Contestants are responsible for their own escorts if needed. Escorts must have a valid AnimeCom Fest badge or wristband.

Costumes that have previously competed in the Jamaica Cosplay Championship are not eligible.

# **Competition Procedures and Requirements**



Failure to appear for pre-judging may result in disqualification.

AnimeCom Fest staff and volunteers are not eligible to compete.

## **Important Requirements**

- All costumes must be PG-13 and family-friendly.
- No illegal items or materials allowed.
- Contestants age 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all times.
- Skit performances may include up to 8 participants.
- Contestants must check in and monitor public announcements for updates.

Participants must appear in full cosplay, including makeup, props, and in-character persona, for pre-judging.

By entering, participants agree to comply with all rules; failure to do so may result in disqualification or removal.

## **Judging Criteria**

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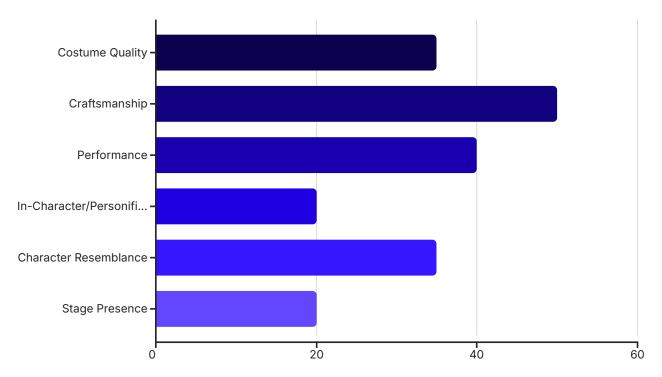
- Costume Quality
- Costume Craftsmanship
- Performance

#### **Character Evaluation**

- In-Character Personification
- Character Resemblance
- Costume Stage Presence

# **Judging Criteria and Award Categories**

# 3. Judging Criteria (200 Points Total)



The contestant with the highest combined score wins the title of Jamaica Cosplay Champion 2025!

## 4. Award Categories (2025)

# Seasoned Cosplayers

- 1st Place Jamaica Cosplay Champion
- 2nd Place Jamaica Cosplay Champion 1st Runner-Up
- 3rd Place Jamaica Cosplay Champion 2nd Runner-Up

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### **Special Awards Categories**

- Beginners First-Time Entrants: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place
- Fan Favourite Award (Male & Female)
- Costume Craftsmanship Award
- Best Seamstress Award

Kiddies Cosplay Contest (Free Entry)

- Open to kids 13 & under
- Held on Day 2 only
- Registration on the day
- Awards: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place

Disclaimer: The organizers and producers reserve the right to make changes without prior notice.

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### **More Special Awards**

- Props Craftsmanship Award (Best Prop Award)
- Best Performance Award
- Sponsor's Choice Award