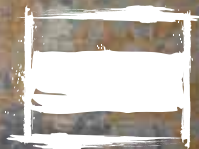


# AWA style guide



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# The AWA Formal Ball

is the highlight of the convention season. It is a chance to mingle with other Anime fans in an elegant atmosphere of class and sophistication. In order to maintain the proper atmosphere, we ask that our attendees respect each other and the event by following our dress code.

Our policy is best described as modified black tie. This guide demonstrates examples of ensembles acceptable for the ball. Tuxedos and ball gowns are preferred. Suits and cocktail dresses are also acceptable. Military dress uniforms are appropriate, provided they are accurate. Military duty wear is not appropriate nor will be accepted.

Cosplay is encouraged as long as it fits the formal nature of the event. The ball is not a costume party; rather it is an elegant ballroom dance. Cosplay, if worn, should be what the character played has worn to a formal event or would wear to very special formal event. A great way to attend as your favorite character, is to find a formal ensemble that echoes the character's color scheme and add character appropriate hair and makeup. Stealth cosplay, employing a tuxedo or ball gown can be a simple alternative to creating a full costume.

Crossplay is allowed, if done seriously and with the tone of the event in mind. Dressing in drag as a joke or prank is not allowed. As previously stated, Tuxedos and Ball Gowns are the preferred attire regardless of gender. We want to see you in your finest whatever you are wearing.

No jeans, tennis shoes, t-shirts, sportswear, or trench coats please. Converse All Star sneakers are not allowed, even if you are cosplaying as the Doctor. He knows when to wear the proper footwear and would do so for us (we asked).

Masks are discouraged as they can impede vision, which can be dangerous on the dance floor. We also request that any wings or other items do not extend beyond the shoulder. Large wings can also be a hazard while ballroom dancing.

No replica weapons/props please. This is an evening of refined entertainment, not a place for the tools of conflict.

For the Gentlemen (in order of preference);

Tuxedo  
Formal Cosplay  
Military Dress Uniform  
Dark Suit  
Blazer and Dress Pants

All must be worn with a tie and proper footwear. Shoes must have leather soles (dress shoes are most appropriate), since the soles of athletic shoes can damage the dance floor.

For the Ladies;

Ball Gowns  
Formal Cosplay  
Prom Dresses  
Cocktail Dresses  
Pant Suits  
Shoes can be heels, flats or ballet slippers.

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PHILIP SHORT





**BETSY BON BON**

*Elayne Trakand from the  
"Wheel of Time" series by author  
Robert Jordan*



**SARAH SHORTCAKE**

*Euphemia Li Britannia from the  
anime Code Geass*





WILHELMINA FRAME  
EDITRIX DE MODE  
OF THE  
STEAMPUNK CHRONICLE



MATT OF SCATTERDOTFASHION





**THE LADY NERD**

*Loki*

*Costume fabricated by  
Angelica Rion of Angelly Cosplay*



**JASON BUSH AKA  
H.M OF THE GIN REBELLION**





NICK PICARD AKA RENFIELD  
OF THE GIN REBELLION



SKAMIYA COSPLAY  
*Luka from Sandplay Singing of  
the Dragon*





NICK PICARD AKA RENFIELD  
OF THE GIN REBELLION



MEREDITH PLACKO  
styled by Thea Beasley





VEDETTA MARIE



NELSON LAU





**YASHUNTA FUN COSPLAY**  
*Juvia from the series Fairy Tale*



**MEREDITH PLACKO**  
*styled by Thea Beasley*





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