## THE LOUNGE FULL SCHEDULE, STLV25

"The Lounge" at Vic's Bar provides a wide array of up-close and fan-interactive entertainment, along with tons of food and beverage options. Take a break at The Lounge!

#### Vic's Bar hours:

Tuesday: 7:30-11:30 PM Wednesday: 4-7 PM

Thursday: 4-7 PM and 9-11 PM Friday: 4-7:30 PM, 9:30-11:30 PM Saturday: 4-7 PM, 9:30-11:30 PM

## TUESDAY, 8/5

#### 8 PM

Magic! Music! Mayhem!

...and hopefully not too many tribbles.... Join Star Trek: Prodigy's own **Bonnie Gordon** and award-winning comedy magician **Dave Cox** for a magical show that's truly "out of this world!" Grab a drink at Vic's Bar and take a seat at the Deforest Kelley stage for this Star Trek Comedy Magic Show!

#### 9:30 PM

Welcome Dance Party with The Roddenberries!

Come kick off STLV 2025 with this fun, energetic 10-piece troupe as they put on a unique spectacle of rock-n-roll theater, comedy, and pure sci-fi awesomeness!

## WEDNESDAY, 8/6

#### 10 AM

## Beyond the Binary: Exploring Gender at Warp Speed

Set phasers to fluid! Join Lambda Quadrant as they chart a course through identities beyond the male/female binary, guided by Star Trek's expansive vision of humanity and beyond.

11 AM

#### **Tracee Cocco and Randy James**

Two of the most storied and often-seen actors on TNG, DS9, and Voyager are together in this panel of featured performers. Whether they're on a date with Picard, playing a Borg, or being Data's hand double, they have got a ton of stories to share. Moderated by Bonnie Gordon.

#### 12 PM

## Gigi Edgley

You may know her as Chiana in Farscape, but she's done so much more than that. She'll discuss it all and leave no stone unturned. Moderated by Mission Log: Prodigy host and O.G. Voyager podcaster, Charlynn Schmiedt.

#### 12:45 PM

#### Vernon Smith

One of the biggest Star Trek fans around, Vernon just so happens to illustrate Star Trek comics, among other franchises. Moderated by Mission Log: The Orville host, Mike Richards.

#### 1:15 PM

#### Creation's Wheel of Trivia

Show off your Trek knowledge with Creation Entertainment's co-CEO, Gary Berman, Bonnie Gordon, and Ryan T. Husk! They spin the Wheel of Trivia, you answer questions, and big cash prizes are handed out! It's truly the greatest wheel-spinning trivia game of the entire day.

#### 2:15 PM

#### **Beyond Vasquez Rock: Finding Real Trek Locations**

Join "Dr. Trek" Larry Nemecek as he uses images, tips, old call sheets, and references to find the places where Star Trek was made.

#### 3:15 PM

#### **Share your Embarrassment with The Greatest Generation**

Join Benjamin Ahr Harrison and Adam Pranica (The Greatest Generation & Greatest Trek) as they share stories of Star Trek fandom gone wrong, and gain strength from the sharing.

#### 4:15 PM

From NOMAD to the EMH Doctor: The Real and Unreal Threats of Artificial Intelligence With Bob Zeidman, Claire Longo, Yehoshua Rubin, and Robert Sachs.

#### 5 PM

## Harry's Happy Hour, with Garrett Wang

After this long and arduous convention day, it's time to grab a drink and a bite, sit back, relax, and laugh! With comedy from Jeff Rector, Bonnie Gordon, James Frain, and featuring **Garrett Wang!** 

\*FREE SHOW\*

## THURSDAY, 8/7

#### 9:30 AM

## Live Long and Stay Positive: The Ups and Downs of Content Creation

**Seán Ferrick** from TrekCulture and **Matthew Lawrence** of 1701: A Blerd Story discuss their insights, learnings, and challenges as online creators working in the Star Trek fandom today.

#### 10:30 AM

## Astro 101: Everyone's Universe

Welcome to the Universe with our first science panel of the week, where astrophysicist **Rica French** will take you on a tour through the Universe from the smallest stars to the largest web of galaxies.

#### 11:15 AM

#### What makes new species? And other evolutionary biology questions answered!

Evolutionary biologist and Star Trek technical consultant **Dr. Mohamed Noor** introduces various concepts in evolutionary biology, including Darwin's famous question about the Origin of Species, and adds a few applications to our favorite fictional universe.

#### 12 PM

## Jonathan del Arco's "Freddy the Alien" Book Launch

A book reading of this new sci-fi children's book and Q&A with co-authors **Jonathan del Arco** ("Hugh") and **Trisha Difazio**. Moderated by Trekmovie's Laurie Ulster. Followed by book signing in the back of the room.

#### 12:45 PM

## **Separating Science From Fiction**

What we can learn from Star Trek about infections, diseases, and outbreaks, with **Dr. Andy Broadbent.** 

#### 1:30 PM

#### **Star Wars Puppeteers**

Enjoy the final panel of our Star Wars pop-up event with actresses and puppeteers **Dawn Dininger** and **TaMara Carlson Woodard**. They've portayed and puppeteered so many of the aliens you love in the Star Wars world and they've got a screen accurate Grogu replica with them. Moderated by Bonnie Gordon.

#### 2:15 PM

#### **Star Trek Status Report**

With many things changing for the franchise over the last year, along with the upcoming Paramount/Skydance merger, Star Trek once again appears at a pivot point. To help put things in perspective, the editors and podcasters from TrekMovie.com, the world's leading Star Trek news site, outline what is going on currently with Trek on TV, film, and beyond. Join **Anthony** 

Pascale, Laurie Ulster, Brian Drew, and Matt Wright as they discuss the status of all the current projects and proposed projects in the shifting Trek and corporate landscape, along with some rumors and predictions.

3 PM

**Enterprise Cosplay Meetup** 

3:15 PM

## Star Trek: Enterprise Panel: Featuring members of Letter Decks, the "lower decks" crew of the NX-01

Come and witness never-before-heard stories told by the actors who played the "Lower Decks" crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise NX-01. From principal stand-ins to featured background actors, these are the insider perspectives you never knew you needed! With **Duncan K. Fraser, Cricket Yee, Glen Hambly, Evan English,** and **Geneviere "Gen" Anderson, PhD**. Moderated by "Dr. Trek" Larry Nemecek.

4 PM

## From Indianapolis to the Final Frontier... and Beyond – Book Launch

Join Star Trek: Enterprise star **Anthony Montgomery** as he brings his powerful new memoir, LifeTrek: From Naptown to Red Carpets, to the STLV: Trek to Vegas stage! More than a Hollywood tell-all, LifeTrek is a raw and real look behind the scenes—not just of the industry, but of a life lived with pain, perseverance and purpose. In this deeply personal debut, Anthony opens up about everything from childhood trauma and self-doubt to fatherhood, fame, and the long road to healing. Moderated by Syfy Sistas' Tamia Harper. Followed by book signing in the back of the room.

4:45 PM

**DS9** Cosplay Meetup

5 PM

#### A Birthday Toast to Cirroc Lofton (Shhh – it's a surprise!)

Every year, **Cirroc Lofton** celebrates his birthday at STLV. But not every year does he get surprised in the Lounge Stage by scores of his friends and fans singing happy birthday to him. Grab a happy hour drink and help us surprise the guy we all know and love. He'll be under the impression he's on stage for a different kind of panel, so don't ruin the surprise! Moderated by Ryan T. Husk and Malissa Longo.

5:30 PM - soundcheck

6 PM

#### **Chase Masterson's Happy Hour**

With musical performance by **Chase Masterson** ("Leeta," Deep Space Nine). Open to all attendees. Please drink responsibly. IDs will be checked at the bar.

## **FRIDAY, 8/8**

9:15 AM

#### In Memoriam

A prerecorded video of those lost in the past year. Produced by Michael Nguyen.

9:45 AM

# Small Worlds, Big Wonders: Update on Asteroid Exploration from NASA's OSIRIS-REX, Lucy, and Psyche Missions

Asteroids are the remnants from the formation of the Solar System, and although they are small, they contain big surprises. From the discovery of organic materials at Bennu to binary asteroids seen by Lucy, and volcanic asteroids like Vesta, Ceres, and maybe Psyche, they are worlds of wonder! Join **Dr. David Williams** of ASU's School of Earth and Space Exploration to discuss recent results about these worlds, the building blocks of planets.

10:45 AM

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11:45 AM

#### **Roddenberry Archive Artist panel**

Deep dive discussion with the artists on the work involved in creating the digital assets for the archive. With Michael and Denise Okuda, Daren Dochterman, Donny Versiga, Neil Smith, Geoff Holman, Rob Bryan, and Mark Spatny.

12:45 PM

#### **Original Series Cosplay Meetup**

1 PM

## Brian Volk-Weiss/Nacelle Company Meet & Greet

An interview with the man behind Nacelle Company, **Brian Volk-Weiss**: creator of "The Center Seat" Star Trek docuseries, a new line of Star Trek Action Figures, and the "Investigates" Podcast with Gates McFadden. Followed by a showing of the new Star Trek action figure prototypes and a meet & greet. Pitch your ideas for the next action figures directly to the guy that can make it happen! Moderated by Ryan T. Husk.

2 PM

#### Prepare for First Contact: The Kardeshev Scale and the Search for Vulcan

Are we ready for First Contact Day? **Dr. Jess** and **Liv Greene** are here to explain how the Vulcans may see us as humans, and tell the story of the very real search for the planet Vulcan.

2:45 PM

## Blerd Life: Living Out Loud and Proud As a Black Nerd

Join Yvette Blackmon Tom and Tamia Harper of the SyFy Sistas and their SyFy Sistas Inc. family, Matthew Lawrence (creator of 1701: A Blerd Story) and real-life microbiologist Aiyana-Mei Tom for a fun look at Blerd life. They'll look back at their Blerd Origin stories, their most important Blerd moments in history, Black representation in Sci-fi now, and why living your best Blerd life out loud is important.

3:30 PM

#### **Invisible on Sensors: Passing as Failing**

When LGBTQ+ people "pass" as straight, it can offer safety, but also invisibility; join us as we unpack the dual-edged nature of erasure, perception, and belonging. With Lambda Quadrant.

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5 PM

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6 PM

Dress Like an 80s Alien Prom Dance Party!

Jonathan del Arco's Book Launch Party, with Jeri Ryan, Roxann Dawson, Robert Picardo, Michelle Hurd, and Evan Evagora.

FREE ADMISSION TO ALL

## SATURDAY, 8/9

9:45 AM

#### Life from Delta to Alpha: The Planets of Voyager and their Inhabitants

Travel with **Liv Greene** and **Dr. Jess** from the Delta to the Alpha quadrants on Voyager as they visit the planets from the show in their quest to get home. The delta quadrant may be light years from our home Solar System, but many exoplanets call the stars there home! Our astrophysicists will teach you all about these planets, their atmospheres and environments, and whether they could host life!

10:45 AM

#### A STAR TREK FUTURE: YOUR PLACE IN SPACE

How do we reach the kind of future Star Trek represents? When will we move past our differences on Earth and set sail for the stars? What will happen if we don't fund NASA?

Join The Planetary Society's **Andrew Pauly** and **Ambre Trujillo** and friends **Robert Picardo** and **Tim Russ** to explore the exciting state of space exploration and discover actions everyone can take today to secure a Star Trek future.

#### 11:30 AM

## Does Canon Still Matter - and If So, When?

The Star Trek franchise has almost 60 years of established canon and has seen a lot of new takes on familiar characters and species—some beloved, some barely known. When does a minor detail shift become a take-you-out-of-the-moment dealbreaker? Is there a difference between creative reinterpretation and outright canon violation, and how do we determine it? Does it matter? Expect heavy audience participation as the TrekMovie team—along with *Enterprise* and *Voyager* writer **Mike Sussman**—answer of the big questions and get weigh-in from fans of everything from TOS to SNW.

#### 12:15 PM

#### Creation's Wheel of Trivia

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#### 1 PM

## **Cosplay Contest Prejudging**

With special guest judges, **Dr. Mohamed Noor** (Star Trek consultant), **Nami Melumad** (Composer, Prodigy and Strange New Worlds), and **Sean Ferrick** (TrekCulture).

#### 2:30 PM

## **Anatomy of a Set: Designing for Science Fiction**

This presentation by **Dave Blass** (Production Designer, Picard) and **Liz Kloczkowski** (Art Direct, Picard) covers the 1987 Andy Probert design of the Enterprise-D and the new process for Star Trek: Picard's USS Titan, from concept art to set design.

#### 3:15 PM

#### **Chase Masterson's Pop Culture Hero Coalition**

**Chase Masterson** (Leeta, DS9) and friends discuss making the world a better place with her Coalition which uses evidence-based video and tools — with engaging pop culture references — to teach behavioral health skills in ways young people find relatable.

#### 4 PM

#### **TNG Cosplay Meetup**

#### 4:15 PM

#### Remembering Patti Yasutake

"Dr. Trek" Larry Nemecek remembers Patti Yasutake (Nurse Ogawa, TNG) with a panel of people whose lives were touched by her, including Robert Beltran (Chakotay, Voyager). All friends and fans are welcome to share their memories.

4:45 PM

#### Star Trek and Chill: Vegetarianism in Star Trek

It's mentioned several times in Star Trek. It's a way of life in the Federation. So why aren't we talking about it? VTC's Star Trek and Chill gang is going to change that, followed by a game of "Who's Mouth is it Anyway?" Can you recognize a Star Trek character based solely on a picture of their mouth? Let's see how well you know your Star Trek people!

5:30 PM – soundcheck

6 PM

With musical performance by **Chase Masterson** ("Leeta," Deep Space Nine). Open to all attendees. Please drink responsibly. IDs will be checked at the bar.

## **SUNDAY, 8/10**

9 AM

#### **Trektivism**

TREKtivism podcasts hosts **Matthew Cimone** and **Heather Rae Barker** lead an interactive discussion, with you as audience members to share stories of volunteerism, activism, and acts of kindness that lead us towards the future depicted in Star Trek.

In these turbulent times, let's meet to encourage and inspire each other about what actions we can take. Engage!

9:45 AM

## Exploring Ocean Worlds: NASA's Europa Clipper and ESA's Jupiter Icy Moons Explorer missions

Ocean worlds include icy moons and dwarf planets in the outer Solar System, from Ceres in the asteroid belt to Jupiter's moons Europa and Ganymede to Saturn's moons Titan and Enceladus and more. We've learned a lot from past missions Galileo, Cassini, Dawn and New Horizons, and two new missions are in flight! Join **Dr. David Williams** of ASU's School of Earth and Space Exploration to review what we've learned about ocean worlds, and for a look ahead at what we'll learn from Europa Clipper and JUICE.

10:30 AM

Dr. Soong and How to Patent Your Invention With Bob Zeidman, Claire Longo, Yehoshua Rubin, and Robert Sachs.

11:30 AM

Ad Argument Per Aspera: Putting SNW Superlatives on Trial

Open Pike Night brings a fast-paced, interactive panel where the hosts and guest panelist **Alice Wetterlund** debate superlative-style categories from Star Trek: Strange New Worlds. Categories range from expected ("Best Fight Scene") to ridiculous ("Most Likely to Win a Hot Dog Eating Contest"), and the audience decides who wins each round. It's part game show, part debate club, all fun.

#### 12:15 PM

#### CREATION'S NO-MINIMUM BID AUCTION

Get unique, valuable, quirky, priceless, historical collectibles in a fun and entertaining environment. Hosted by Creation co-CEO **Gary Berman**.

#### 1:15 PM

#### The Strange Brains of Star Trek: A Mirror of Reality, with Dr. Jess & Liv Greene

Everyone can relate to a Star Trek character, and for some individuals, those characters can make them feel seen in a lonely world. Dr. Jess and Dr. Liv Greene, both neurodivergent, are here to explain why so many people see themselves in Star Trek. Explore the neuroscience of your best-loved characters and find out who you relate to!

#### 2 PM

#### The State of the Trek

A look back at the year in Trek. Fan forum with audience opinions. Hosted by **Dr. Trek Larry Nemecek**.

#### 3 PM

## The Roddenberry Archive Production Panel

Roddenberry Archive 765874 Production panel - Deep dive discussion on the production process for the 765874 production process, tools, technology, set and costume designs, etc.

Carlos Baena, Jules Urbach, Dave Blass, Mildred Von, and Leonidas Jaramillo.

#### 4 PM

#### **End of Show Feedback**

Creation co-CEO Gary Berman takes your questions and feedback about the grand annual event we call STLV.