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We are saddened and disappointed to announce that the 2020 Cincinnati Comic Expo is officially cancelled. However, we are excited to announce the next event is set for September 17-19, 2021.

Like many of you, we have been following the news and developments over the past few months. We have been constantly following the updates from the Duke Energy Convention Center, local health agencies, media, state, and municipal authorities. We appreciate all their feedback and updates as this situation developed.

Over the past few months, we were optimistic that the Expo would still occur. Improvements were happening and progress was being made across the state. We were so hopeful that we continued our guest announcements and details. Plans were looking promising through May with the results being reported. Unfortunately, that all turned starting in late June and continuing through present day. The state of Ohio had issued an indefinite ban on mass gathering events, such as the Cincinnati Comic Expo and we are left with no further option. The health and wellness for all of guests, fans, exhibitors, volunteers, staff, and all of you patrons of the Cincinnati Comic Expo, as well as surrounding businesses and citizens of Cincinnati is paramount and takes priority over any desire and plans to still hold the event. We understand many of you are saddened and disappointed, but in the end we have to do what is right.

So, what does this mean for you?

Guests

At this time, we are having discussions with our announced guests (and those we had not announced yet) about returning for the new dates. As a guest agrees to appear at the next event, they will be announced.

Panels/Workshops

If you registered a panel/programming session for the 2020 event, we will be asking you to submit those again at a future date. All the current submissions will be deleted. We anticipate opening panel and workshop applications in spring of next year.

Admission Tickets

Ticket buyers have 2 options! This includes all ticket levels from Early Bird VIP, VIP, Weekend, Single Day tickets, Youth tickets and Geek Prom.

Option 1: Carry Purchase to 2021 Event

- Roll your ticket purchase over to the 2021 Cincinnati Comic Expo. If you choose this, you do not have to do anything else. You may present your 2020 Cincinnati Comic Expo ticket order at Will Call and it will be accepted.
 - If you are unable to attend or make it to the next one, then your unused ticket will still be held for the 2022 Cincinnati Comic Expo events. If ticket prices go up or increase, your ticket is still valid at no additional charge for the same level of admission to the next Cincinnati Comic Expo event. All tickets must be used by 2022 or the admission is forfeited.
- Rollover bonuses include the following:
 - Early entry in 2021 (additional entry time on the floor for all ticket levels)
 - A collectible David Michael Beck print. This exclusive print will only be available to those that rollover a 2020 ticket. The print is a continuation of the popular "Destroy Cincinnati" series. (One print per ticket).
 - A \$10 voucher (one per order) to our Online Show Store opening this fall.

Option 2: Request a Refund

- Refunds are available to ticket holders for a limited time. With this option, you may claim your admission to be refunded through your GrowTix order confirmation email until August 14th. From your order email you may access your order confirmation page. Next to each item purchased, a red block with "Refund Product," now appears. You must click on this for each and every product. You will have simple prompts to click, confirm, and finish the task. Please know that when the refund is confirmed, it cannot be undone. Please allow 3 to 5 days for the funds to return to your account or card. If you cannot locate your confirmation email from GrowTix, please send us a FB message or email to matt@cincinnaticomicexpo.com with the name and email address on the ticket order and we can have the confirmation sent back for you to complete this process. Any purchase not requesting a refund after 8/14 will automatically be rolled over to the 2021 event.

PLEASE NOTE: If you purchased the Early Bird VIP or Weekend VIP, it is possible that this level of ticket may not be available for the 2021 Cincinnati Comic Expo. These level of tickets are limited and rare. Turning down your opportunity now may not guarantee the same level of admission next year.

Exhibitors

All artists and vendors that registered as exhibitors will have their registration rolled over to the 2021 event. If you are an exhibitor unable to attend the next show, then please contact Paul McCartney at vendors@cincinnaticomicexpo.com.

We ask for a brief period of time to have the remaining 2020 data for tickets and exhibitors to be developed and transferred internally for next year. When ready, any remaining exhibitor spaces will become available for sale. In a few months, after the start of 2021, admission tickets will be available for purchase. Follow all of our social media channels for any new announcements and developments in relation to the 2021 Cincinnati Comic Expo!

In the meantime, we want you all to be safe out there and act responsibly. **Your support throughout this process means a lot to us.** This has been a challenging time for us and we look forward to seeing your smiling faces again September 17-19, 2021, at the 11th annual Cincinnati Comic Expo!