

Check the setting. Shape the seam.

Manila's post-event recap, Algiers' reported cosplay awards, Osaka's ticket-specific access, a Nice-versus-Las Vegas programme check, and a curved-seam pressing primer.

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Manila's preview becomes a post-event account

Xtian Mack's October 7 arkadymac report describes Cosplay Mania's guest appearances and stage contests at SMX Convention Center Manila in Pasay City, Philippines. It names Cosplay Solo Showdown, Cosplay Mania Cup and

Cosplay Karaoke Cup, and reports Hikarin's farewell Philippine appearance as a cosplayer. This updates our September 30 preview with an account from the event. The publisher discloses being a media partner and identifies its own team's stage involvement; this is not detached judging or an official results table. [\[1\]](#) [\[2\]](#) [\[3\]](#) [\[10\]](#)

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When sharing a stage memory, distinguish the participant, host and photographer, and link the original account for images. The recap's opening says "2024," conflicting with its 2026 headline and the same publisher's explicit October 2-4, 2026 preview; the organizer confirms the venue and guest lineup. We use the corroborated 2026 dates, flag the mismatch and omit unsupported superlatives and attendance claims. No contest winner or costume construction method is inferred from the photographs.



Algiers' report distinguishes costume from performance

L'Express DZ reports that FIBDA's 18th edition closed on Monday in Algiers, Algeria, with an awards ceremony at the Riadh El Feth esplanade. Its cosplay results name Abdelwadoud Kerkar for best individual performance, Sami

Rebbache for best costume and Laamamra Okba for best show. The article also reports Taghourt Djaafar in the best-duo category, but does not identify a partner or characters. These are attributed newspaper results, not CosplayGrid's observation or an organizer-issued score sheet. [\[4\]](#)

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Keep the named award beside the maker when passing on results. A costume award and a performance award recognize different aspects of a presentation; neither reveals a reproducible build technique. The report provides no complete scoring rubric, so do not reverse-engineer one from the winners. Its Monday closure means October 5, not the October 7 publication date; the exact cosplay contest day is not established. No new entry opportunity is implied by this completed-event recap.



Osaka's start time depends on the ticket

acosta!'s Dotonbori Cosplay Festival page confirms October 17–18 along the Dotonbori canal in Osaka, Japan. Its early ticket allows 10:30–18:30, while the standard ticket allows 12:00–18:30. Cosplay reception and changing rooms are at Chuo Sports Center, 2-12-31 Shimanouchi; photographer/general reception is at a temporary canal-side desk. A broad “10:30 start” summary

therefore does not describe every participant's access. [\[5\]](#) [\[11\]](#)

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Match your ticket type to your arrival route and changing needs before arranging a shoot. The organizer reserves baggage storage for cosplay-with-changing-room ticket holders and says photographer/general tickets have no storage. Sold-out ticket types will not be sold on the day; current inventory has not been verified. The listed 13:00 beginner guide explains participation and socializing, not costume construction or photography technique. This extends October 2's Japan access check: location, date and ticket conditions all matter.



Nice's preview is not the Las Vegas rulebook

FranceNetInfos' new preview places Evo France at Palais des Expositions in Nice on October 9–11 and reports a Friday cosplay contest. Evo's official France page confirms Nice and those dates, with fighting-game titles including Street Fighter 6, Tekken 8 and 2XKO. But Evo's generic cosplay page explicitly schedules June 26–28, uses PDT and refers to Las Vegas Convention Center. That page's pre-judging links, prop rules and meetup timetable are not verified instructions for this French edition. [\[6\]](#) [\[7\]](#) [\[8\]](#)

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Use the France-specific organizer channels to confirm the contest schedule, accepted-entry instructions and prop policy before preparing a stage appearance. No current Nice cosplay application window, closure or remaining places is established here. A live signup link on a different event page is not an invitation to this one. The preview's Friday claim is reported rather than independently confirmed by the readable France page; game programming is not a ranking of costumes expected on the floor.



Support the curve instead of flattening the shape

Seamwork's pressing-tool guide describes a tailor's ham as a firm curved support for seams such as darts and hip curves, also usable inside a sleeve head. Its purpose is to support the garment's three-dimensional shape while pressing, helping avoid sharp unintended creases. The same guide places a press cloth between iron and fabric; sheer silk organza lets the maker see wrinkles beneath it. These are established sewing techniques, not a new tool launch or proof that one material tolerates every heat setting. [\[9\]](#) [\[11\]](#)

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After October 2's staystitching primer protected a cut curve, this addresses shaping the sewn result. Make a small dart or curved seam in your actual costume fabric and test the pressing setup on that sample. Follow the fabric's heat and steam limits; a press cloth does not make excessive heat safe. Compare the supported curve with the intended silhouette before pressing the garment. For heat-sensitive materials, the guide separately describes a hand seam roller; suitability still needs a scrap test.

MAKE A PLAN

Event radar

Dates as listed at publication. Follow the organizer for changes.

Oct 9

through Oct 11, 2026

Evo France 2026 ↗

Palais des Expositions · Nice, France

Dates confirmed by Evo; venue and Friday cosplay contest reported by FranceNetInfos. Nice cosplay entry status unverified. Generic June Las Vegas cosplay instructions are not this programme.

Oct 17

through Oct 18, 2026

acosta! Dotonbori Cosplay Festival ↗

Dotonbori canal area · Osaka, Japan

Early entry 10:30; standard entry noon; both end 18:30, local time. Cosplay changing reception at Chuo Sports Center. Ticket inventory unverified.

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On the floor

Scope: L'Express DZ's FIBDA report and acosta!'s Dotonbori guidance. No visitor counts, worldwide trend rankings or inferred construction recipes. [4] [5]

Stage recognition → more than one kind of achievement

The FIBDA report separates costume, individual performance and show awards. This describes one reported awards structure, not a global judging standard or a fandom popularity ranking.

Costume outing → ticket-specific logistics

acosta!'s Osaka guidance ties arrival time, reception and storage to ticket type. It is one organizer's published arrangement, not a claim that every street-cosplay event works this way.

TRY THIS

Make the invitation specific.

Ask another maker to compare one curved seam sample with its reference silhouette. Then check one event plan together: are you reading the right city, year and ticket type?

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