



Tekko Significantly Enhances Event Programming Lineup!

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PITTSBURGH, PA. – **Tekko**, the region's *premier* anime, gaming, fashion, music and Japanese Pop Culture convention will be returning to the **David L. Lawrence Convention Center** in downtown Pittsburgh, PA, **April 11 - 14, 2019** with more international guests and new, expanded programming.

This year's Japanese musical guests will be **Myth & Roid**, **sleepyhead** and **TeddyLoid**.

In 2019 Tekko is proud to present one of the most diverse and talented group of anime industry voice actors in our history. These include: **Justin Briner**, **Kira Buckland**, **Max Mittelman**, **Ray Chase**, **Michelle Ruff**, **Erica Lindbeck** and **Robbie Daymond**.

International fashion guests at Tekko will include **Angelic Pretty** and designer **million \$ orchestra**.

Local musician **Nancy Kepner**, "Study of Anime" website founder **Charles Dunbar**, filmmaker/dancer **Kyomica27** and **Dan Coglan**, a.k.a. "**Samurai Dan**" and his wife, Jillian will also be in attendance.

Mainstay components of Tekko include vendors, artists' alley, panels, fashion shows, cosplay contests, dance party with 4 DJ's, gaming, Tekko Gakkou (School Series) and much, much more.

New this year is **Big Time Wrestling**, featuring smackdown superstars who have wrestled in Japan, such as Shane Douglas, Road Warrior Animal, Scott Steiner and many, many more.

Finally, we proudly will introduce our new mascot "**TekkoBot**" a 7-foot animatronic robot during Opening Ceremonies in the afternoon of Friday, April 12.

Last year Tekko obtained another record attendance, entertaining nearly 10,000 attendees from 40 states and 12 countries. The overall economic impact of Tekko to the greater Pittsburgh area was 6.5 million dollars over the four-day period, based on information from Visit Pittsburgh.

Tekko's 17th year promises to provide anime, gaming and music fans with even more of the best industry-related guests, shows, vendors, artists, and fan requested programming in an interactive, engaging, and friendly environment.

Detailed and updated guest and programming information: www.tekko.us

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