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## **COSPLAY, STEAMPUNK AND COMICS GALORE! HOBBYISTS CONVENE FOR MAKERS-CON**

It's time for Canberrans to don their favourite cosplay costumes, dig out the comic books and indulge in their favourite hobbies as Canberra's [Old Bus Depot Markets](#) once again hosts [Makers-Con](#) for 2019.

"This is the chance for Canberra's proud superheroes, medieval, anime and comic book character lovers to spend an entire Sunday in costume for a bit of spring-time fun at the Markets' own event, Makers-Con," said Old Bus Depot Markets Director, Anthony Niravong.

"Hobbyists and makers will be showcasing a range of hobbies with the high-quality handcrafts that visitors have come to expect from the Markets, and we'll have a cosplay competition, attractions, demonstrations and more.

"It's an exciting event for pop culture fans and enthusiasts and will shine the spotlight on a colourful mix of interests with live action roleplay, cosplay, steampunk, leather markers, corset designers, and milliners," Anthony continued.

Makers-Con will host Cosplay Competitions for children under 16, and an opens competition, both starting from 12noon, with cash prizes and sponsored prizes from Dee's Comics.

Makers-Con stallholders will include [Turnbull Creations](#) with their laser and hand crafted creations including castles and catapults; Victorian and Steampunk clothing from Annette Rolfe; a large range of comics from [Dee's Comics](#) ; and unique, hand-crafted hats with a range of theatrical, cosplay, steampunk and medieval options from [Christine's Millinery](#).

"It's a really fun and unique day out, and we can't wait to welcome everyone to Market for Makers-Con. And it's also not too late to be a part of the fun as a stallholder, attraction or demonstration," concluded Anthony.

Makers Con takes place at Canberra's Old Bus Depot Markets on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2019, from 10am until 4pm, and is a free event. There will be more fabulous stallholders and performers added ahead of the day, so stay up to date via [OBDM website](#) and [Facebook](#). For anyone interested in being a stallholder, attraction or hosting a demonstration at Makers-Con, please send your expression of interest to [info@obdm.com.au](mailto:info@obdm.com.au) or call (02) 6295 3331.

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