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REX NAVARRETTE  
COMEDY JAM 7:00 PM

PMX  
pacific media expo



## *Pass GoH, Collect \$200, and Keep GoHing!*

The second annual Pacific Media Expo (PMX) kicked off this morning as Mike Tatsugawa took the stage to welcome old friends who are returning and new friends joining PMX this year. There will be 12 artists from Japan, the United States, and Singapore here to thrill the fans this year, up from the four artists last year. Not only will there be anime directors and voice actresses, but there will be stand up comedy as well. Returning is the Japanese Pro Wrestling ring that was a big hit last year. Riveting additions this year are Club PMX, an Airsoft shooting gallery in the Exhibit Hall, and a Boba dealer. This is all due to fans who offered their input last year at the Meet the Staff panels. If there is something that you think would be a great addition to PMX, come by and speak up.

Acclaimed director Koichi Ohata was the first Guest of Honor (GoH) to be presented. It is his first time here at PMX and he is very excited to be here. He thanked the fans

for their enthusiasm in bringing together the various GoHs. Contrary to popular opinion, most GoHs have never met before. By establishing communications with each other, they are able to share ideas and start joint projects to bring more excitement to all the fans.

Naoko Matsui has been a voice actress in the industry for over twenty years. She has been voice acting for so long that she doesn't remember all the projects that she has worked on. As the introduction played on screen for Ms. Matsui, she recalled "Oh, I worked on that series, didn't I?" This is her second visit to the United States and her very first convention. She felt very lucky to escape the hot and muggy Tokyo weather to come to the wonderfully dry Los Angeles area and enjoy authentic California rolls.

PMX is Masaki Asai's first time in the United States and after having

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dinner last night and breakfast this morning, he has fallen in love with Los Angeles. Mr. Asai has graciously brought a sampling of his models for all the fans to see. They are currently on display in the Exhibit Hall, so make sure to check them out. With enough enthusiasm from the fans, distributors will be more likely to import a greater variety of models for the otakus in United States.

Daisuke Moriyama is a returning GoH from PMX last year. Last year's PMX attendance was his first

convention. Since then, he has been to two others, but is happy to return home here at PMX. As his *Chrno Crusade* manga is coming to a close here in the States, he is beginning a new one. It is the fans that give him the power to continue. GOFA has a collection of Mr. Moriyama's works on display in the Exhibit Hall.

Rex Navarrete is one of the biggest stand up comedians on the scene today. He recently hosted MTV Philippines' Music Awards and he is currently filming a television series

in Manila to air in October entitled *Rex in the City*. In the same month he will be releasing his second DVD.

This is the first year that Seiji Mizushima has attended conventions. He just came back from another convention and welcomes us all to have fun and enjoy the convention.

The opening ceremonies concluded with the long standing tradition of filling in the first eye of the daruma. When the convention successfully comes to a close, the second eye is added to complete the daruma. Naoka Matsui had the honor of drawing in the first eye. With all the GoHs introduced, the convention has begun. Go out there and let your voices be heard.

-Jason Hong



## Today's Live Programming!

Note: Seaview A is now Press Interviews and Seaview C is now Programming 3

|                                  | LBCC 103                         | LBCC 104C   | Seaview A-B | Seaview C | LBCC 104AB  | Regency H   | Regency D-G | Regency B     | Regency C       | Regency A |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|
|                                  | Program 1                        | Program 2   | Program 3   | Press     | Concerts    | Autographs  | Video 1     | Video 2       | CosFest Judging | Video 3   |
| SCHEDULE<br>SUBJECT TO<br>CHANGE | SCHEDULE<br>SUBJECT TO<br>CHANGE |             |             |           |             |             |             |               |                 |           |
| Saturday                         |                                  |             |             |           |             |             |             |               |                 |           |
| 4:00                             | Digital                          |             | Naoko       |           |             | Ohata Auto. | Fullmetal   | PMX           |                 | Neighbor  |
|                                  | Manga                            |             | Matsui      |           |             |             | Alchemist   | Indie         |                 | 13        |
| 5:00                             | Publishing                       | Indie Music |             |           | Pine*AM     | Naoko       | Sneak       | Film          | Karaoke         |           |
|                                  | Broccoli                         | Industry    |             |           | Concert     | Matsui      | Preview     | Festival      |                 |           |
| 6:00                             | Panel                            | Yaoi-Manga  |             |           |             | Autographs  | Episodes    |               |                 | Throw     |
|                                  |                                  | Event       |             |           |             |             | 26-31       |               |                 | Down      |
| 7:00                             |                                  |             |             |           | Rex         |             | Burst       |               |                 |           |
|                                  |                                  |             |             |           | Navarrete   |             | Angel       |               |                 |           |
| 8:00                             |                                  | EGL         |             | Club PMX  |             |             | Vol 1       |               |                 | Three     |
|                                  |                                  | Twisted     |             |           |             |             | Eps 1-4     | Silent Mobius |                 | Extremes  |
| 9:00                             |                                  | Tea Party   |             | Q-York    | Kumi Kato   |             | Gunslinger  | Episodes      |                 |           |
|                                  |                                  |             |             | Philein   | Performance |             | Girl        | 4-Jan         |                 |           |
| 10:00                            |                                  |             |             |           |             |             | Vol 1       |               |                 |           |
|                                  |                                  |             |             |           |             |             | Eps 1-5     | Galaxy        |                 |           |
| 11:00                            |                                  |             |             |           | Dig Jelly   |             | Mobile Suit | Railways      |                 | House     |
|                                  |                                  |             |             |           | Concert     |             | Gundam      | V 1, Eps 1-5  |                 | of Fury   |