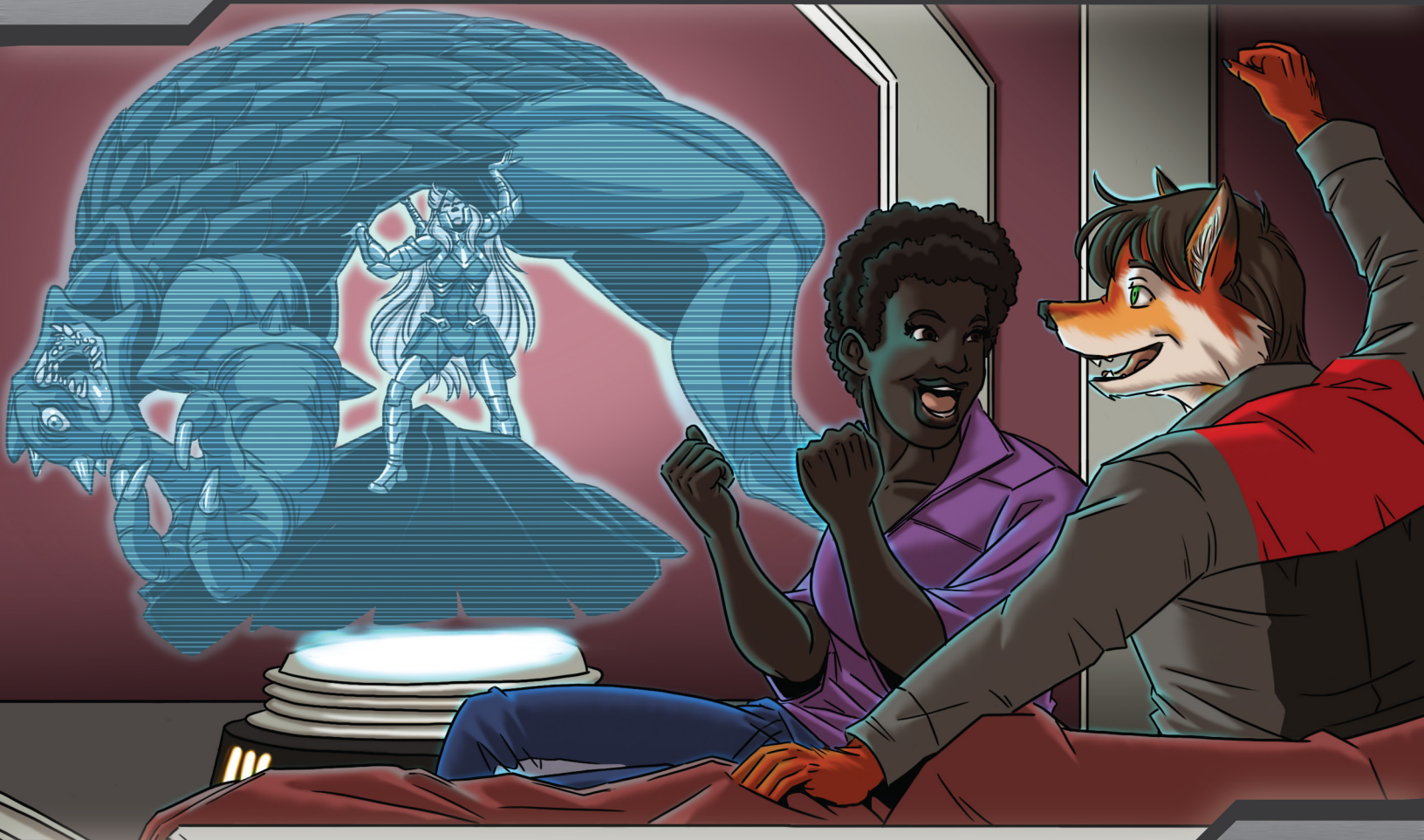


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As you interact with popular culture, you'll no doubt begin to build a repertoire of your favorite brands, media, and entertainment, most of which possess a following of devoted and engaged individuals. Such followings are known as fandoms, and anyone belonging to a fandom is known as a fan. Belonging to a fandom grants you additional benefits and abilities, as described below.

### JOINING A FANDOM

To join a fandom, you must engross yourself in the topics covered by the fandom. Most fandoms require that you engage with the fandom's topic for 24 hours. These hours don't need to be consecutive, but each session must be in 1-hour increments and cannot exceed 8 hours. Once you've accrued the necessary amount of engagement, you simply need to declare that you're a member of the fandom in order to join it.

You can belong to a total number of fandoms simultaneously equal to 1 + your Charisma modifier (minimum 1). In addition, for every 5 ranks you possess in any skill, you can join one additional fandom that lists that skill as an associated skill. For example, if you have 5 ranks in Computers, you can join one additional fandom that lists Computers as one of its associated skills. Detailed below is a list of several fandom categories and their associated skills:

- » Adult Entertainment (Culture, Profession [sex worker])
- » Bars (Culture, Life Science, Profession [bartender])
- » Infosphere Series (Culture, Profession [video personality])
- » Infosphere Sites (Computers, Culture)
- » Movies (Culture, Profession [actor])
- » Musicians (Culture, Profession [musician])
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### FANDOM PERKS

Each fandom possesses a unique benefit that you gain for having engrossed yourself in the fandom's topic. This benefit is known as a fandom perk. Although you can have one fandom perk per fandom you belong to, you may only have one fandom perk active at a time. Each time you take a 10-minute rest to regain Stamina Points, you can choose one of your fandom perks to be your active fandom perk. This causes any previously chosen fandom perks to become inactive until chosen again. Additionally, you can spend 2 Resolve Points as a full action to swap your active fandom perk for a different fandom perk.



# INFOSPHERE SHOWS

Entertainment is among the most important parts of a culture, and in many star systems infosphere shows are among the most popular kinds of entertainment. An infosphere show is one that isn't broadcast by a traditional holovision station; rather, shows are uploaded to an archive that any subscriber can stream from whenever they want. In the modern era, the difference between infosphere shows and holovision shows is nominal, but many prefer the instant gratification of infosphere content to the routine watching of holovision programs.

This section describes several of the most popular infosphere shows and streaming services in the Xa-Osoro System. From kids programs and action shows to docudramas and the news these are the most popular series in the system. Each show notes its genre, the price markup for the streaming service required to view it, and which streaming services offer it. Each show also includes a fandom focus that represents special abilities and benefits that the most obsessive fans of each show possess.

## #MUTANT SCHOOL!



Type action, teen drama

Streaming Service UltraWhimsy

Price Modifier ×3

Tagline *The Next Generation of Heroes!*

### DESCRIPTION

Beloved by audiences of all species and backgrounds, *#MutantSchool!* is the current flagship infosphere show of the Mayhem Superhero Universe. A high octane teen drama, the series follows six adolescents as they learn to use their unusually potent extra-normal abilities, called genetic knacks. In addition to possessing a peerless production value that's bolstered by the legendary Whimsy coffers, *#MutantSchool* is famous for having a cast of adolescent actors so talented that viewers can't help but pick favorites. For some, it's the dark silence of Crimson, daughter of the universe's legendary kobold hero Arcane Archer. Other viewers prefer Ajax, son of fan-favorite hero Stormbreaker, who is best known for defecting from the MSU's fictional version of the Vesk Empire to defend the galaxy from their tyranny. Ajax is beloved by nonvesk for his constant stream of sarcastic chatter, but many vesk find him to be insufferably whiny. Another fan-favorite character and #3 on the team is Flotsam, a genderfluid kitsune with psychokinetic powers from the slums of Tor. Though the youngest of the group by several years, Flotsam is very much the team's parental figure and the glue that holds the team together. Flotsam's popularity is matched only by that of Totem, a male nuar from a privileged background best known for his insufferable attitude. Totem is able to summon a trio of guardian spirits who are bound to his bloodline, shaping them into whatever form best suits his current challenge. Rounding out the team are Apparition, a female dwarf amnesiac from Eogawa who both desires and fears knowledge of her past, and Vooth, an early stage barathu capable of opening portals through time and space and dropping the most groan-worthy puns at a drop of a credstick. The team's mascot, Blort, is a young assembly ooze with the personality and temperament of an affable puppy.

In addition to action-packed scenes with astronomical

special effects budgets, the show focuses heavily on the ups and downs of being a modern adolescent, struggling with things like fitting in, dealing with relationships, and figuring out one's identity. Episodes have seen the heroes in training deal with topics like suicide, addiction, eating disorders, PTSD, lawsuits, and a truly absurd array of relationship permutations crammed between its big action sequences.

*#MutantSchool!* has received numerous awards for its strong writing and production values, including three Holovid Actors Guild Nova Awards for best script, two Mithril Phoenix Awards for best actor, and five of the coveted Oswald Awards in various categories. It is generally considered the pinnacle of both the teen drama and superhero genres. Unsurprisingly, this makes it one of the most successful tie-in and collectibles brands in modern media.

### FANDOM PERK

Hours spent watching *#MutantSchool!* have reminded you of the trials of adolescent, making you much more understanding of the teenage mind set. You gain a +1 enhancement bonus to Bluff, Diplomacy, and Intimidate checks against Adolescents of any species.

## ALLURIA AND THE PRIMORDIAL PRINCESSES

Type cartoon



Streaming Service Sphereflix

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *By the Primordial's Honor!*

### DESCRIPTION

Among the most popular animated features in the Xa-Osoro System, *Alluria and the Primordial Princesses* tells the tale of Petra, an orphaned human girl raised by the dreaded Dark Legion who rose through the ranks to become one of the Dark Legion's commanders and a personal agent of Darklord, the Dark Legion's supreme commander. When she turned 16, Petra was visited by the godlike spirit of the High Priestess Sibyl of the Primordials who led her to the long-forgotten Crystal Temple. There, it was revealed that she was, in fact, the rightful bearer of the legendary Sword of Salvation. After



raising the magical blade and calling upon the power of the Primordials, Petra transformed into Alluria, an 8-foot tall harbinger of the Primordials' will. Now Petra must call upon the aid of new friends in the Queens Alliance while battling the people who raised her in an effort to stop the Darklord from conquering all of Celestia.

Although designed for older children, *Alluria and the Primordial Princesses* is an incredibly popular show that has fans in all age demographics and is largely considered to be Sphreflix's crown jewel. Its themes of empowerment, personal responsibility and independence, and its incredibly deep interpersonal relationships between characters have allowed the show to resonate with many, and it has won the Golden Fable Award for Best Lead Character, Best Ensemble, and Best Original Storytelling for the past two years. The series is on its fourth season and due to the series' connections to the Commanders of the Cosmos extended universe, many are hoping that future seasons will introduce fan-favorite hero Androren in the series.

#### FANDOM PERK

You've internalized Alluria and the Primordial Princesses's themes of cooperation and respect, helping you establish and maintain relationships. Whenever you attempt a Diplomacy check to grow a peer, friendship, or family relationship that isn't dysfunctional (see the Relationship Section of Chapter 2 in the *ADVANCED SKILL GUIDE*), you gain a +2 enhancement bonus to your check.

### AS THE ASTEROID SPINS



**Type** soap opera

**Streaming Service** Sphreflix

**Price Modifier** ×1

**Tagline** *Tune in next week for more heart-wrenching drama As the Asteroid Spins!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Ubiquitous for decades, *As the Asteroid Spins* is considered by many to be the ultimate soap opera, with Xa-Osoro Today commenting that the show, “Has more twists and turns than a kitsune acrobatic circus.” Originally a low-budget show, the first two seasons of *As the Asteroid Spins* had such disastrously low ratings that it was only renewed for a final, third season and that season's budget was slashed in half. Surprisingly, the resultant decrease in production and script quality was embraced by the masses and its ratings dramatically improved, securing the long-term contract that the series has enjoyed to date. In the four decades since the show began, *As the Asteroid Spins* has garnered a rabid fan base across multiple star systems that adore the series' wooden acting, flimsy sets, and implausible plot lines. To them, the series' short comings are embraced as features rather than bugs.

As the Asteroid Spins predominantly features three families—the Vings, the Sprockets, and the M'Tarrs—and the many exploits that they and their friends endure each

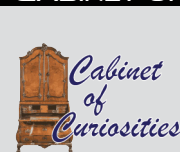
week. The series's drama predominately focuses on complex love decahedrons and interpersonal spats. The polyamorous M'Tarrs are the most popular family by far, and much of the series' merchandise depicts Yriel, a pansexual male elf, and his partners Kotrilla, a female elf, and Mortai, a male elf. The Vings are a family of shirren that include Malsorvi, a male shirren, Rekiveki, a female shirren, and Xekxes, a host shirren, while the Sprockets are a family of ysoki that includes Jax, Isry, and their 49 children who all happen to be played by the same 7 actors and actresses.

In addition to the series itself, social media is constantly abuzz about *As the Asteroid Spins*, with dozens of subChekkits devoted to speculation about the series's characters and their various love lives and schemes, as well as thousands of pages of fan fiction and “shipping” of various characters. Recently, the community was set ablaze after it was revealed that Yriel M'Tarr cheated on his partners and is now trying to cover up the birth of his newly born half-elf son. Fans of *As the Asteroid Spins* similarly keep what some might call an unhealthy level of scrutiny on the series's actors. Online discussions about Moren Filtarra, the actress who plays Kotrilla M'Tarr, and her struggles with dreamshiver addiction are rampant in the community, as is an overbearing obsession with the personal life of Usilla Vekivekki, an adolescent ysoki actress who plays Salla, Ilvanni, Webetta, and Zayzee Sprocket.

#### FANDOM PERK

You adore the constant bombardment of bad acting, byzantine plots, constant betrayals, and impulsive motivations provided by *As the Asteroid Spins*, and constant exposure to this content has refined your balderdash into something so brazen that it becomes surprisingly effective. Add Bluff to your list of class skills. If Bluff is already on your list of class skills, you gain a +1 enhancement bonus to Bluff checks instead.

### CABINET OF CURIOSITIES



**Type** reality series

**Streaming Service** Sphreflix

**Price Modifier** ×1

**Tagline** *Where one being's waste is another being's wealth!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Set in various settlements across the Xa-Osoro System, *Cabinet of Curiosities* is an established appraisal series going into its seventh season focused on the exploits of Curios and Moor, a Tor-based company that buys and sells antiques, collectibles, and fine art from across the Xa-Osoro System. Spearheaded by human entrepreneur Lucius “Lucky” Moor and his team of expert appraisers, Team Moor travels across the Xa-Osoro System to appraise various items brought to their attention by collectors. Team Moor actively broadcasts where they're going to shoot new episodes to encourage fans and collectors to come get their own treasures appraised, and the team chooses small to mid-range settlements in order to bring a



much-needed economic boost to the places they travel to. *Cabinet of Curiosities* has been nominated four times for the Holovid Academy of Excellence's Platinum Nebula award.

Rumors of black market connections have dogged creator Lucky Moor since the series's inception, and the show's narrator Seldon Kral is said to be a regular customer at the ill-renowned Phantom Fair. What is certain, however, is that both Kral and Moor earn a percentage off all items sold on Cabinet of Curiosities as a finder's fee should they be sold, and the fact that most of these purchases use encrypted credsticks and that many purchases are authorized by nameless megacorps makes the pair's business dealings all the more suspicious to some.

Recently, Sphreflix produced a *Cabinet of Curiosities* spin-off series called *Inside the Cabinet*, a half-hour program that checks on various items appraised during previous seasons of *Cabinet of Curiosities* paired with additional segments on collectibles and collecting. Produced by a different production team from the parent series, *Inside the Cabinet* is highly criticized by fans and collectors alike for its inaccuracies and several distinct instances of outright misinformation.

#### FANDOM PERK

Hours spent watching experts discuss and identify collectibles and art objects has given you a discerning eye for value. When selling items, you gain 15% of their base price rather than 10%. When selling items that you can normally sell for 100% of their base price, you gain 105% of their base price instead.

#### CATCH MY DRIFT!



Type science, tech

Streaming Service Icewire, YouSphere

Price Modifier ×1

Tagline *Do you catch my drift?!*

#### DESCRIPTION

A fast-paced and stunt-filled show for gearheads, *Catch My Drift!* is a series focused on testing both mundane and magical gear for a variety of vehicles and starships in excitingly exotic locations and worlds throughout the depths of space. In pushing each vehicle or starship they ride to the absolute limit, the show's cast performs a number of extreme stunts and challenges to see what each featured vehicle can do. Things often don't go as planned for the so-called Drifters, with injuries and mechanical mishaps frequently punctuating episodes. The series began as a series of segments on the Spaz streaming service, where it earned donations and paying subscribers. Eventually Icewire picked the crew up, rebranded them as Catch My Drift!, and the show exploded in popularity. Now the series runs both on Icewire and Yousphere and is rapidly becoming a hot property.

The series features hostess Capt Krysa Teakshanks, a beloved ysoki icon from Hyperspace Station, and her crew, including android engineer Falak 13, elven pilot and solarion Illiana, aasimar empath Melisande, vesk xenoarcheologist Jarimana,

and skittermander gladiator Morg. The crew's beloved cat, Opal, makes frequent appearances on the show and can be found on nearly all of their series's merchandise. A typical episode features a segment where Falak 13 and Melisande dissect the vehicle and comments on its construction, a segment where Jarimana lectures on the vehicle's history, and a segment where Illiana and Morg partake in demonstrations of the vehicle's capabilities, most often in the form of races and death-defying stunts. Kyrza acts as narrator for every segment in addition to starting and finishing each episode while also serving as an audience proxy for asking transitory questions.

In addition to their on-screen antics, the Drifters are well-known explorers and adventurers and numerous gossips have tried to turn the cast's off-screen adventures into scandal, but the crew is entirely unfazed by the barrage of YouSphere videos that spring into existence following every mission, such as a clothing-optional party that the crew infiltrated or a bar-hopping odyssey that took the team from Hyperspace Station all the way to the Galactic Ring of Whimsy World. No matter how egregious, every escapade is spun into promotional material for the next episode that serves only to excite fans even more for the Drifter's next big stunt. Recently rumors have begun to spread that *Catch My Drift!* would receive a Sphreflix contract for a season of 12 full-length episodes, much to fans' delight.

#### FANDOM PERK

Hours spent watching *Catch My Drift!* have granted you a familiarity with starship tech from the bleeding edge of current innovation. Whenever you attempt a skill check to use a crew action aboard a starship or a skill check to pilot a vehicle, you can add a +2 enhancement bonus to your check. This ability must be used before the result of the skill check is revealed, but you can use it after your skill check has been rolled. Once you've used this ability, you cannot use it again until you've regained Stamina Points by resting for 10 minutes and spending 1 Resolve Point.

#### CRIMSON GOBLIN



Type sitcom

Streaming Service Primo

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *XX!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Produced independently by Crimson Goblin productions, *Crimson Goblin* tells the story of a group of misfits fighting to survive in the dark corners of Deep Space. It's protagonist is one Oswald Verr, a dwarf food synthesizer repairman from Tor who was the sole survivor of a catastrophic accident that disintegrated everyone else aboard the starship and marooned him on a faraway planet in suspended animation for thousands of years. After awaking, Oswald repaired his starship as best he could, blasting off into uncharted space in pursuit of his old



home. Oswald's only company aboard his starship, the titular Crimson Goblin, are Anton Rem, a living holograph who takes the form of a long-dead former crew mate of Ozzy's and the undisputed worse roommate ever, and Ptar, the Crimson Goblin's senile artificial intelligence who takes the form of a decrepit goblin. Early on in the series, Oswald meets Kthar, an incredibly vain catfolk man, and Krynnal, a mechanoi valet who suffers constant and hilarious malfunctions due to his ancient hardware and software. Together, Oswald and his band of misfits try and find their way back to known space, with viewers aware of how close the Crimson Goblin comes to succeeding despite never quite managing to do so.

Crimson Goblin has an extremely irregular production cycle and it is criticized for being extremely uneven in quality. The cast and crew film aboard an actual starship, producing episodes between their interstellar missions at the behest of XLG. Their work schedule has led to content gaps as long as two years between seasons, but their fan base is extremely devoted and waits patiently for more. Recently the crew has started a crowdfunding campaign to try and raise enough money to make *Crimson Goblin* their full-time work, but so far they lack the support to leave their day jobs.

#### FANDOM PERK

Despite its silly premise and sitcom format, *Crimson Goblin* contains a surprising amount of legitimate engineering content due largely to having been written by an actual starship crew, and you've internalized much of the series's processes. You can attempt Engineering checks to use engineer crew actions or repair a starship untrained, and when doing so you add half your total character level to the check's result. If you're trained in Engineering, you gain a +1 enhancement bonus to Engineering checks to use these actions instead.

### DEAD STATION

Type comedy, horror



Streaming Service Howler

Price Modifier ×1

Tagline *Drop-dead fun for everyone!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Extremely popular among living audiences who enjoy a good thrill, *Dead Station* is a black satire that tells the story of a hypothetical apocalyptic event aboard the famous Station at the Center of Space-Time. The series kicks off with the Dark Wave, a massive surge of negative energy that washes over Hyperspace Station, slaying most of the people aboard the station and raising them as various kinds of undead creatures. Those spared from the horrific fate find themselves stranded aboard the station, which has been quarantined for unknown reasons. Those left alive must survive amidst the near constant threat of attacks from undead in the forms of mindless "dead heads" and cunning "traitors", intelligent undead who remember their former lives as Hyperspace Station citizens

and choose to prey upon their former friends and family anyway.

The series's protagonists are Zea, a korasha lashunta janitor, and Lea, a damaiya lashunta mechanic and Zea's wife. Together, they lead their two children and a group of survivors throughout the dead and dying space station. Popular recurring characters include the mute and mischievous kitsune child Ti, Battalia Prime, a female android soldier sworn to nonviolence, Baldy the Vegan Vampire, and Hex, an agender ysoki who worships characters from various fictitious cartoons. The group is constantly on the move in search of safety, dealing with the tragedies the group has witnessed and the mental scarring that occurs because of it. Cast members change frequently in *Dead Station* as characters are introduced throughout the bowels of Hyperspace Station and unceremoniously killed, either by the undead or in clashes between survivors. Though it possesses rare moments of seriousness, much of *Dead Station* is framed satirically, offering a grisly treat for viewers who prefer their humor dark.

Though the directors insist that the undead who appear in the series are legitimate actors from a nearby planet of undead beings, gossip claims that the majority of undead featured in the series are mere holograms or living actors in "deadface", an allegation that would no-doubt spark the wrath of the necrovites who call the Hyperspace Station home. Some detractors take these claims further, saying that they recognize the faces of several of the dead as belonging to former contestants from Pain Games. Other speculation says that *Dead Station* employees undead slaves purchased from The Howling Essir, though the majority of people accept the more prosaic view that is reflected in the credits for each episode: that they are really only unliving actors with good makeup and CGI.

#### FANDOM PERK

Despite being a comedy, the producers of *Dead Station* reportedly hired dozens of undead consultants to ensure that their portrayal of various combats with the undead are as accurate as possible within the series, which includes plenty of jump scares. You can use Mysticism to identify undead creatures untrained and gain a +1 insight bonus to your AC and to Reflex saves against attacks and abilities used by undead creatures during the first round of a combat.

### DEISAURYU: DEFENDER OF TERROS

Type children's cartoon



Streaming Service Sphreflex

Price Modifier ×1

Tagline *Deisauryu's coming for you!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Produced by ToeHold Studios, *Deisauryu: Defender of Terros* is an animated series for kids that is based on the studio's ongoing feature-length series of movies that anthropomorphizes the

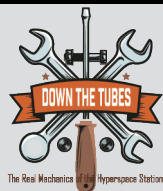
monstrous kaiju that dwell on Toehold's home planet, Terros. In the show's fictional narrative, Deisauryu and the other kaiju are roused from their generations-long slumber by seismic activity caused by geothermal drilling, and it's up to the so-called God of Monsters to battle and subdue the other kaiju in defense of Terros's population. Each tale is told through the eyes of Preet, a 10 year-old vetzpalli lizardfolk empath who has a special bond with Deisauryu. Along with her teenage friends and the elderly elf scientist Trakala, the D-Squad runs from one kaiju sighting to the next, saving innocents and learning valuable life lessons about cooperations and community service along the way. Other than the kaiju characters themselves, the series shares no continuity with the feature-length holovids and is treated as a reimagining of the live-action world.

Toehold Studios has recently been fending off online assertions that a change in animation talent for the show is eminent. The show's lead animator is Shinjiru Nin, a legendary kitsune artist suffering from a rare condition that causes his body to reject both augmentations and most conventional medicinals. Even without the rumors stoking the fires of public opinion, many fear that Nin's health is worse than the spherites say. Since much of the show's popularity is based on Nin's incredible, hand-painted animation these rumors have the show's fan base in full panic as they debate whether Nin's team has the chops to continue his work should he pass.

#### FANDOM PERK

Deisauryu: Defender of Terror features strong themes of cooperation and friendship, and having internalized these ideas you are especially suited for helping others. Whenever you use covering fire, harrying fire, or the aid another action, you can add a +2 enhancement bonus to the result of your attack roll or skill check. This ability must be used before the result of the skill check is revealed, but you can use it after your attack roll or skill check has been rolled. Once you've used this ability, you cannot use it again until you've regained Stamina Points by resting for 10 minutes and spending 1 Resolve Point.

#### DOWN THE TUBES



**Type** reality  
**Streaming Service** Sphreflix  
**Price Modifier** ×1  
**Tagline** *Real Problems, Real Fixes, Real Mechanics of the Hyperspace Station !*

#### DESCRIPTION

A reality show that follows the hard-working maintenance staff of Hyperspace Station, *Down the Tubes: The Real Mechanics of the Hyperspace Station* follows a cast of technicians as they deal with the often dangerous, always dirty job of keeping Hyperspace Station in tip-top shape. While the main cast consists of a half-dozen regulars, faces change frequently through the seasons over and over again. Several notable icons have graced *Real Mechanics of the Hyperspace Station*

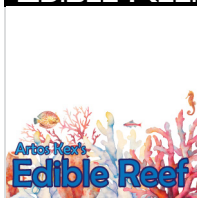
over its twelve year run, most notably kitsune technomancer Akasuki Kanji and legendary dwarven mechanic Shevtar Glowstone, both of whom alternate between being regular cast members and recurring guests on the show. From leaks of mutagenic radiation to malfunctioning waste recyclers, there is seemingly no end to the running battle of keeping the Hyperspace Station operational. Add several overwhelming egos and the frequent flaring of tempers both from the stars and the resident population, and each episode never fails to be interesting.

While many of *True Mechanics of the Hyperspace Station*'s stars have tried to leverage their marginal fame from the series into financial gain, only a handful have succeeded. The most successful series alumni is Akatsuki Kanji by far; after several guest appearances hosting a variety of programs on Icewire, Kanji was offered a contract with the streaming service and his new series, *Kit Bashing*, has recently debuted. Kanji is a rarity among reality show celebrities for being totally scandal-free and lacking any known vices aside from enjoying a bit of sake alongside supper, making the kitsune celebrity a constant target for those seeking to tarnish his stainless reputation. Kanji serves as a celebrity spokesbeing for Tor's Board of Substance Abuse Control (BSAC) and is a well-known guest at fundraisers for a variety of community-oriented causes at Hyperspace Station and beyond.

#### FANDOM PERK

It's surprising how often the cast resorts to jury-rigged solutions when dealing with the many issues aboard the Hyperspace Station, and their cunning "ion tape" fixes have helped you learn creative ways to repair broken items. You can attempt Engineering checks to repair broken items untrained, and add half of your level to the result of your check when doing so. If you're trained in Engineering, you gain a +2 enhancement bonus to Engineering checks to repair broken items instead.

#### EDIBLE REEF



**Type** cooking  
**Streaming Service** Primo  
**Price Modifier** ×1  
**Tagline** *All you can eat, the Kex way!*

#### DESCRIPTION

The pet project of legendary half-aquatic elf chef Artos Kex of the Radiant Pool and sponsored in part by Cornucopia Gourmet Food Synthesizers, *Edible Reef* chronicles many of Kex's secret techniques and culinary delights. Although Chef Kex doesn't share his processes for making the Radiant Pool's signature dishes, his reputation for good food is so well-known that foodies everywhere rejoiced nevertheless at the prospects of seeing the 5-star chef in action from the comfort of their own homes. In each episode, Artos Kex presents seafood recipies from across the Xa-Osoro System alongside step by




step instructions for properly preparing them. His frantic humor and animated demeanor are legendary and offer a firm counterpoint to the precision that Chef Kex demonstrates when working with his hands. Slow motion playbacks allow viewers to see each motion that the legendary step makes when utilizing more challenging, fast-paced techniques.

Despite his success, rumors of Chef Kex's flirtations with the drug Zero persist both on the fringes of his fan base and in gossip programs, who analyze every frame of every episode of *Edible Reefs* in search of physical symptoms of the chef's so-called addiction. While several Primo employees attest to the truth of these rumors, questions regarding Chef Kex's habits seem to always disappear from the public eye.

#### FANDOM PERK

You've spent dozens of hours watching Chef Kex work in the kitchen, and those hours haven't been wasted. You've picked up a bit of the master chef's technique. You can attempt Profession (cook) checks untrained and gain a bonus to Profession (cook) checks equal to half your level. If you're trained in Profession (cook), you gain a +1 enhancement bonus to Profession (cook) checks instead. You can use Profession (cook) to craft food and drinks.

### GRAVITON ACADEMY

	Type religious series
	<b>Streaming Service</b> Dweomervision
	<b>Price Modifier</b> ×2
	<b>Tagline</b> <i>Enlightenment lies in the eternal cycle of stars.</i>

#### DESCRIPTION

*Graviton Academy* is an ongoing series that acts as a primer on the path of the solarian, combining religious and philosophic teachings with practical instruction on the finer parts of manifesting stellar motes and harnessing the power of the cosmos. Often criticized by Dweomervision viewers looking for more practical magical content who dismiss the series as mere proselytizing, Graviton Academy nonetheless maintains a wide viewership and is notable for helping fledgling solarions who manifest their powers in unexpected ways learn the traditional techniques needed to harness their powers.


The venerable Master Keshvar, a grandmaster solarian hailing from Hyperspace Station's Colony Ship, produces the show himself with the assistance of his students. Favoring a four-hands-on approach to teaching, viewers have noted that Graviton Academy's content on utilizing and refining one's solarian powers is second to none, though the more introspective and religious content tends to be either overly dry or unintentionally comic in its self-reverence.

#### FANDOM PERK

Time spent watching Master Keshvar on *Graviton Academy* has honed your ability to use or defend yourself against solarian powers. If you are a solarian, once per day at the start of your turn you can spend 1 Resolve Point to immediately gain one

attunement point towards becoming fully attuned. If you have no levels in solarian, then once per day you can spend 1 Resolve Point after attempting a saving throw against a solarian revelation to roll your save twice and use the higher result. You must use this ability before rolling your save.

### HABITATS

	Type reality
	<b>Streaming Service</b> YouSphere, Sphereflex
	<b>Price Modifier</b> ×1
	<b>Tagline</b> <i>Insane bathrooms? Massive saunas? Ten-car garages? Yes, yes, and HELL yes!</i>


#### DESCRIPTION

*Habitats* is an infosphere show that chronicles the overwhelming excess of the financial elite, offering an all-access personal tour of a celebrity's home each episode. Favoring the lavish and excessively expensive, *Habitats* has a fairly dedicated fan base despite the series having suffered a heinous scandal about a year ago after it was brought to light that several episodes were outright fakes, green screening the series's half-elf hostess, Kelvass Voss, in homes that were constructed from the popular simulation vidgame Simulacraft Zeta. Following this scandal, *Habitats*'s funding was immediately slashed and the show's production ceased. As a result, *Habitats* is no longer in production pending current lawsuits, but the series remains popular and the entire catalog of current episodes is available to watch via Sphereflex's streaming archives. Despite the bad press, *Habitats* brings in solid streaming numbers.

#### FANDOM PERK

As an avid viewer of *Habitats*, you've developed a knack for picking out fake homes in its episodes. You gain a +2 insight bonus to Perception checks to oppose Disguise checks and to determine whether an item or structure is a fake or a knockoff.

### INTERROBANG

	Type talk show
	<b>Streaming Service</b> YouSphere
	<b>Price Modifier</b> ×1
	<b>Tagline</b> <i>Mysterious Myths of the Multiverse and More!</i>

#### DESCRIPTION

An esoteric talk show focused on the mystic and mysterious, *Interrobang* features ysoki hostess and "answer seeker" Selliq and her faithful drone assistant, Lefty, as they examine many of the so-called myths of the multiverse. Together, they attempt to answer questions like, "Does the legendary albino oma truly lurk in the depths of Deep Space?", "Is the Slithering Nebula really the remains of a collapsed power grid of an ancient alien civilization?", and "Are the Forbidden Systems truly the lair of the temporal dragon Ashvelldominna?" Each short-form episode of *Interrobang* attempts to answer one such question and features an

array of guest co-hosts who are experts in their respective fields. Guests include noteworthy mechanics and astrophysicists with the occasional pop star or holoivid personality. Despite being a small, self-produced program a surprising number of big names have made guest appearances on *Interrobang*. Among them are Ylvis Gerranrae, heir to the Apparou Cosmetics fortune; Elviara Wincor, the proprietor of The Busty Dragon Inn; Captain Krysa Teakshanks, video star of *Catch My Drift!* and tech journalist; and even Bertram Whimsy, CEO of UltraWhimsy and great nephew of media mogul Dalton Whimsy.

#### FANDOM PERK

Hours spent watching *Interrobang* have made you a bit of an “expert” on the oddities and lore of the cosmos. Whenever you attempt a Mysticism check to recall knowledge, you can spend 1 Resolve Point to add 1d6 to the result of your check as an enhancement bonus.

### KING COMRIC'S HOUR OF FLOWERS



Type music

Streaming Service Sphreflix

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *The finest hour in music!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Hosted by King Comric, the legendary kobold promoter, *King Comric's Hour of Flowers* is a weekly concert show that features some of the biggest names in Xa-Osoro music, and landing a gig that's featured on King Comric's show is guaranteed multisystem exposure. Previous episodes can be streamed on Sphreflix and include renowned artists like the pop artist Chocolate Laser, the mechanoi techno-musician Ninth Configuration, the vesk doometal band Lawgiver, the glitterpunk sensation TANJ, the dwarven bop-hop band Anvil, and The Kita'rrowl Trio, a catfolk group specializing in traditional Bantosian music.

For the past six decades, virtually every visual record of every major musical event is seemingly stamped with King Comric's face, often sporting his signature round purple eyeglasses and trademark yellow paisley shirt. He has produced many of the largest musical events across three systems and his *Hour of Flowers* boasts over 50,000 thousand hours and millions of credits worth of intellectual property. King Comric's streaming deal with Sphreflix grosses him billions of credits each year, and his archives are considered a cultural treasure of the Xa-Osoro System. He is a known investor of the Plant Infosphere casual dining chain and has an exclusivity clause with them, ensuring that his archive is the only music that graces diners ears there. Rumors also say that King Comric also has significant stock in Regevix and that their medicinals plus frequent visits to their ReVuYu resort have resulted in the kobold's unusual spunk and longevity.

#### FANDOM PERK

You've absorbed the hours of concert music and backstage access you've seen on *King Comric's Hour of Flowers*, giving

you great insight to life in the music business. Reduce the DC of Culture checks to recall knowledge about drugs, famous musicians, or music by 5; this stacks with any theme knowledge you possess. In addition, you gain a +2 insight bonus to Bluff, Diplomacy, Intimidate, and Sense Motive checks attempted against characters who are associated with the drug or music industries.

### MANDIBLE!

MANDIBLE!



Type police procedural

Streaming Service Primo

Price Modifier ×1

Tagline *Everyday detectives for everyday problems.*

#### DESCRIPTION

*Mandible!* is a serial police drama starring acclaimed shirren actor Slvallo as Detective Trin M'dble, playfully called Mandible by his coworkers. Detective Mandible takes on cases across the Hyperspace Station System that take the plucky shirren everywhere from rich corporate parks to the bowels of the station itself, where the rule of law is a laughable concept barely enforced. Complicating Trin's job is his own ongoing battle with a severe hyperleaf addiction, not to mention a mountain of debt from junkrace betting!

*Mandible!* has received several awards, including the Mithril Bard Award for Best Score three years running, as well as the coveted Proteus Award for best Holoivid Drama received just last year. Slvallo has had many battles with gambling and substance addiction himself, and brings a level of authenticity to the role unseen in productions with higher budgets. He works directly with *Mandible!*'s writers to present those aspects of the plot in realistic ways, and information of recovery resources appears in the end credits of every episode of the series. Slvallo himself is well-known for donating to recovery-oriented causes and for starring in dozens of infosphere videos designed to help suffers of addiction made in partnership with Hyperspace Station's Board of Substance Abuse Control.

#### FANDOM PERK

Watching *Mandible!*'s investigations has helped to hone your eyes for detective work. You gain a +1 circumstance bonus to Perception checks to search an area. You must spent at least 1 minute searching to gain this benefit.

### MEDIVAC CENTER 5



Type medical drama

Streaming Service Primo

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *Five doctors stand against death itself; they are the Medivac Center 5!*

#### DESCRIPTION

*Medivac Center 5* is a six-season medical drama that takes place in the in the fictional Super Hospital in Tor's megacity. Featuring Dr.



Jahni, the wisecracking male human chief of staff at the Medivac Center; Sorath, the tactiturn mechnoi medical technician; male human surgeon Uzukaro Hivari; Kath, chief xenobiologist and Uzukaro's earnest and dedicated husband; and Greech Kazromar, a blunt-as-bricks dwarven woman and the hospital's ambulance driver. Accompanying the five are a constantly rotating cast of doctors, mystics, nurses, xenobiologists, and interns, the team at *Medivac Center 5* deal with medical emergencies of all kinds, whether it's battle injuries from alien attacks, radiation poisoning, magical afflictions, or sentient viruses from beyond the stars that desire simple communication with their host, but are inadvertently killing them. Whatever the case, the *Medivac Center 5* team is constantly racing against the clock to save lives in an arcology so dense even by Tor's standards that it often strains the imagination.

*Medivac Center 5* ran for a total of six seasons before being cancelled. In the intervening time, the series has retained and grown its audience on the Primo streaming service. Attempts to reboot *Medivac Center 5* have met spectacular failure, as literally every member of the cast has gone on to have incredibly successful careers in holovid movies, ongoing series, or both. Audiences have rejected both fresh casting and new main characters.

#### FANDOM PERK

You've seen all kinds of medical emergencies get accurately portrayed on *Medivac Center 5*, and have picked up some basic knowledge regarding emergency care from watching the program. You can spend 1 Resolve Point in order to use any one task associated with the Medicine skill by attempting a Culture check instead of a Medicine check. You must have the appropriate equipment in order to do so, and effects that apply bonuses to Medicine checks also apply to Culture checks when used in this manner.

#### PAIN GAME

**PAIN  
GAMES**

Type sports

Streaming Service Kapow!

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *The Game to Die For!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Never broadcast from the same location twice, *Pain Game* is a bloodsport that's always one step ahead of the Radiant Imperium law enforcement. Hosted by The Cleaver, a genderfluid dwarf gladiator from Eogawa, each episode of *Pain Game* consists of a double elimination event in which two participants engage in gladiatorial combat until only one contestant remains standing. Notoriously brutal, a live crowd cheers when contestants inflict particularly gruesome wounds upon each other and boos loudly should they call for the "Three Ms"—magical healing, medical assistance, or mercy. Most contestants end up suffering particularly gruesome wounds, and while many end up reappearing weeks or even months

down the line, a strong suspicion that not all contestants survive *Pain Game* persists, both among the fan base and law enforcement officers looking to shut the blood sport down.

Because of the high-stakes combat present on the show, it's rare for anyone to actually gain the title of Pain Game Champion. Currently, there are only four current champions: Gerria, a female mechnoi famed for the ferocity of her hand-installed blender blades; Dorian Mull, a male dwarf operative with a cagey background and a seemingly endless supply of serrated knives; Trin, an agender vesk with a set of four cybernetic legs; and Illsivar Qessero, a male elf solarian born in Deep Space who claims to have been born on the first day after the end of the Nova Age. Despite the rarity in which individuals advance in Pain Games, the series is among the Top 200 most viewed programs in the Xa-Osoro System and the Vesk Empire, and is one of Kapow!'s flagship shows.

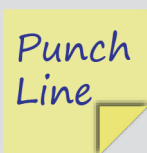
Radiant Imperium law enforcement have tried for months to shut *Pain Games*'s production down, but so far they've been unable to successfully locate an in-progress airing of the series. When approaching the Kapow! themselves, the showrunner insists that *Pain Games*'s excessive violence is fake, the immense gore added to a series of staged combats during post production. Since law enforcement has never been able to successfully witness an episode be filmed and their forces are spread so thin that they're unable to devote enough resources to mount a full-scale investigation on *Pain Games*, they have no way to confirm or deny these claims, however. What's worse, there are strong economic incentives for keeping the wildly popular series active, despite open mockery of the Radiant Imperium's efforts to shut them down being a guaranteed element of every episode, infuriating officers.

While the Radiant Imperium's law enforcement department might be out for *Pain Games*'s blood, much of the general population love the series's extreme violence. Numerous subChekkits, MyFace groups, and community spherisites are devoted to following the show and gossiping about its cast and production. Theories claiming everything from the contestants being staged or built via CGI to the contestants being slaves purchased from The Howling Essir or prisoners sent to death by the Radiant Imperium run rampant, with the most persistent theories claiming that the Radiant Imperium secretly endorses *Pain Game* to be used as bread and circuses for cowing the masses. Kapow! actively denies all such rumors, claiming that *Pain Games* is nothing more than simple, violent fun.

#### FANDOM PERK

Following *Pain Games* has given you a better idea of how to absorb damage and keep your vigor up during rough situations. Whenever you take damage, you can spend 1 Resolve Point as a reaction to reduce the total amount of damage that you take by an amount equal to 3 + Constitution modifier. This ability is applied before immunities, damage reduction, or resistances. Once you've used this ability, you can't use it again until you've regained Stamina Points by resting for 10 minutes and spending 1 Resolve Point.

## PUNCH LINE



Type game show

Streaming Service Spaz

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *Right or wrong, everyone's a Punch Line sooner or later!*

### DESCRIPTION

Entering its fourth year of production, *Punch Line* is a quiz show with a twist: contestants who answer wrong are at the mercy of Konx and Fonx, a pair of devious kobold stand-up comedians who enforce penalties of escalating absurdity upon their victims. Contestants have been forced to compete nude, doused with viscous fluids, or consume disgusting foods to the delight of *Punch Line*'s live audience. That *Punch Line* asks questions from a variety of random topics ensures that every contestant has a turn as the titular punch line of Konx and Fonx's pranks.

Konx and Fonx weren't always incredibly successful comedians. As hatchlings, the pair grew up together in the slums of Tor, doing whatever they had to in order to survive. When they realized that others found their antics funny, the duo tried dozens of time to break into comedy, undergoing many false starts and backpedals on their path to fame. While by no means destitute, both live relatively modest lives considering the wild success of their game show, leading the tabloids to speculate that the pair incurred a major debut to someone, causing them to realize very little of the wealth that their show generates. Both comedians are silent regarding their finances, however, stating only that they both are comfortable.

### FANDOM PERK

Countless episodes of *Punch Line* have your head brimmed full of trivia. You can attempt all skill checks to recall knowledge untrained. By spending 1 Resolve Point before attempting such a skill check, you can reduce the DC by 5; this stacks with any theme knowledge you possess.

## RIMESTONE SQUOX

Rimestone  
Squox

Type horror series

Streaming Service Howler, Spaz

Price Modifier ×1

Tagline *XX!*

### DESCRIPTION

An independent production produced and directed by its actors, *Rimestone Squox* tells the tale of Fortz, a nuar videographer living on Bantosian who was given a strange, encrypted dataset by his former partner and college sweetheart, Elias, with strict instructions to destroy them. During their college years on Hyperspace Station, the two men attempted to produce their own full-length feature, the titular *Rimestone Squox*, but for reasons Fortz can't recall they stopped production and quickly drifted apart. Rather than heed his ex-boyfriend's advice,

Fortz loads the cubes into his holovid player and watches them one by one, chronicling his journey through the holovids in the form of amateurish YouSphere holovids. As Fortz reviews the holovids, he begins to spot an entity in the background shots that he doesn't recall being present when the videos were shot—a tall, lithe humanoid with no face able to move in logically inconsistent ways between frames. The audience watches in terror as the series transitions between reviewing these datasets and Fortz recording and publishing his own holovid diary as masked people and eventually the entity itself harass him between dataset entries. As the story continues, Fortz reunites with his college friends as the entity they call "The Tall One" begins accosting them all in the present day.

*Rimestone Squox* began as an in-character post on 3Kun, followed by several short videos on Spaz. Since then, the found-footage series has spherecast 167 episodes, three spin-offs, and a mid-budget feature, all of which have had a modicum of financial success. It's following is cult-like in its praise for the series, and it's common for viewers old and new alike to spend hours binging the entire series once they've begun, too transfixed in fear to turn away. *Rimestone Squox* even has a popular subChekkit where fans compare theories and write their own fan fiction in wake of the show's completion last year. Strangely enough, every month for two months after the series's conclusion, a member of the cast has suddenly been reported missing, with most of the main characters having vanished within a year. The case files for those missing persons have been since closed due to lack of substantial evidence, but about a week before each disappearance a strange upload was found in the old *Rimestone Squox* account featuring heavily distorted video and audio that seems to show the missing cast member get abducted by The Tall One. While most agree that this is most likely some sort of stunt done by a sick hacker, others can't shake the feeling that maybe The Tall One is more than just a simple story.

### FANDOM PERK

The disturbing tale of The Tall One has bolstered your courage in the face of lesser fears. You gain a +1 insight bonus to Will saves against fear effects.

## SAGES AND MAGES



Type biography

Streaming Service Dweomervision

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *History's greatest spellweavers all in one place!*

### DESCRIPTION

Produced exclusively for Dweomervision streamers, the hit series *Sages and Mages* is a bibliographic series chronicling the histories of the greatest spellcasters of the Hyperspace Station System, the Xa-Osoro System, the Terros System, and beyond. Each episode follows a similar format, beginning with the spellcaster's early years, their discovery of magic, and



subsequent events chronicling the individual's most noteworthy accomplishments. *Sages and Mages* tends to alternate episodes between living spellcasters and historic figures, but every episode is heavily dramatized and contains plenty of segments delivered by experts and, in the case of living spellcasters, the individual themselves as well as their friends and family.

*Sages and Mages* is sponsored in part by Alucci, the leather goods manufacturer, since its inception. This sponsorship gives the humble program a degree of respectability that the content likely wouldn't possess without it. Even those critical of the program's historical accuracy admit that it is engaging and entertaining, although the *Sages and Mages* episode that featured legendary kyubi kitsune Takashi Tomoshiba drew significant ire from kitsune communities for insinuating that kitsune apotheosis into multi-tailed kyubi is connected to the presence of blood space, which stirred up a fair amount of anti-kitsune rhetoric throughout the system.

#### FANDOM PERK

You've acquired significant knowledge of many of the most notable figures in the world of magic and their words thanks to your interest in *Sages and Mages*. You can attempt Mysticism checks to identify notable spellcasters untrained, and when doing so you add half your level to the result of your Mysticism check. If you're trained in Mysticism, you instead reduce the DC to recall information about notable spellcasters and their works by 5; this stacks with any theme knowledge you possess.

#### THE BORTATH SKEX SHOW



Type talk show

Streaming Service Primo

Price Modifier  $\times 2$

Tagline *He tells it like it is!*

#### DESCRIPTION

The Xa-Osoro System's most outrageous talk show, *The Bortath Skex Show* digs into whatever scandals Bortath Skex's extensive network of informants can find and busts them wide open in front of a live studio audience, much to the glee of their fans both in the flesh and online. The show has very little in regards to a set script, with Skex constantly jumping from topic to topic, covering whatever they want whenever they want so long as it riles up their audience into a frothing frenzy. It's common for live episodes of *The Bortath Skex Show* to suddenly cut out after Skex's bits rile them up into a moblike furor, and considering that many of the show's targets are political figures, there's a growing movement that claims *The Bortath Skex Show* should be shut down for inciting violence. So far, the Radiant Imperium has done nothing to address these concerns.

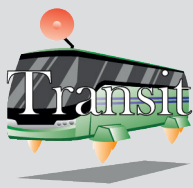
That Skex himself is able to twirl his audience around his finger is a testament to the draelik's skills. Not only is Skex a former holovid-star-turn-politician-turned-talk-show-host, he is a man with more scandals to his own name than anyone he's ever attacked on his show. His endless parade of ex-wives

and ex-husbands alone are the source of innumerable, bawdy stories, yet Skex himself seems unflappable. Twice voted the Worst-Dressed Being in the Xa-Osoro System by *Fashion Faux Pas*, the most popular fashion blog in the Xa-Osoro System, critics agree that Skex oozes vibes akin to that of a used starship salesman and Icon HotTakes has voted Skex the most undatable being in the Xa-Osoro System five years running. Despite this, Skex has served two terms as the very popular mayor of the Greel district of Tor's megacity. Skex's success is often attributed to his decision to predominantly target the rich and powerful when he isn't fanning the flames of personal feuds or attacking political rivals, something his fan base never tires of.

#### FANDOM PERK

While you've absorbed many of the salacious details of those that Bortath Skex has embarrassed on his program, you've learned the art of embarrassing those he shames. Whenever you successfully use Bluff to feint an opponent or Intimidate to bully or demoralize an opponent, you can spend 1 Resolve Point as a reaction to cause that opponent to also become off-target for as long as they are feinted, bullied, or demoralized. Once you use this ability on an opponent, you can't affect them with it again for 24 hours. This is a language-dependent mind-affecting effect.

#### TRANSIT



Type romantic comedy

Streaming Service Spaz, YouSphere

Price Modifier  $\times 2$

Tagline *Two strangers. One bus. Always in Transit.*

#### DESCRIPTION

*Transit* is the Xa-Osoro System's most popular infosphere romantic comedy, following android protagonist RTA-11. Celebrated for its realistic characterization and hilarious situations, the series begins with RTA-11 being fired from her job as a staff technomancer aboard the 1010 SuperRing, forcing her to reevaluate her life. He returns to her adoptive family on Eogawa, taking a low-paying job as a magic officer for an agricultural firm located just outside of a small settlement. While taking the settlement's public transportation to work, she meets a human sculptor named Rao who, like RTA-11, is more accustomed to life in a large city. They bond over shared experiences on the transport, encountering peculiar locals and awkwardly falling in love with one another. The series follows the roller coast ride that is RTA-11 and Rao's relationship, dealing with trials like relationships between members of different races and coming to understand and respect the rural way of life in their new home.

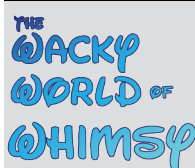
*Transit* is fairly popular and relatively new as far as infosphere shows go, having just completed its second season. Much of the series is inspired by real life on Eogawa, and the series shoots there almost exclusively despite the danger of catching therianthropy there. There have been several instances of

well-like actors having to suddenly abandon the series due to unexpectedly getting bit by a therianthrope while on-world, the most notable being famous actress Alrekva Jin, an elven actress who played RTA-11's sassy best friend, Uo. While Uo remains an integral part of the show, the directors decided to work around Jin's illness by having all scenes between RTA-11 and Uo occur via holovid calls after a tear-jerking arc where Uo's megacorp suddenly relocated her to Uramesh as part of a corporate outreach program. This allowed Jin to record her scenes safely off Eogawa where she wouldn't transform into a weretiger during shoots. In addition to her role on the show, Jin is also a noteworthy advocate for therianthrope advocates and deeply protests the Eogawan government's "shoot on sight" laws that protect citizens who kill transformed therianthropes from any legal repercussions for having attacked a sentient.

#### FANDOM PERK

Constant binging on episodes of Transit has helped develop your conversational skills. Whenever you attempt a Bluff, Diplomacy, or Intimidate check you can roll 1d4 and gain the corresponding effect: 1-You take a -1 penalty to your skill check's result; 2-You don't gain any bonuses or any penalties to your check; 3-You gain a +1 circumstance bonus to your check's result; 4-You gain a +2 circumstance bonus to your check's result. Using this ability requires no action.

### THE WACKY WORLD OF WHIMSY



Type anthology

Streaming Service UltraWhimsy

Price Modifier  $\times 2$

Tagline *The Wacky, Wonderful World of Whimsy!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Among the oldest series still being produced, the *Wacky World of Whimsy* was originally conceptualized as the flagship program of the Whimsy Studios media empire. Originally produced directly by Dalton Whimsy himself and streamed directly to consumers, the *Wacky World of Whimsy* features all of Whimsy's timeless cartoon characters like Yevvy and YessieYsoki, Malvin the Mallaren, Zany, and more. A typical 30 minute episode focuses on the family friendly antics of one or more of these timeless animated characters, with longer 1 to 2 hour specials depicting sanitized versions of popular fairy tales and folk lore from across the galaxy, some animated and others live-action. Several particularly popular full-length features include *Imjol River*, a retelling of the tengu exodus to Tenguholme featuring the legendary tengu leader as the protagonist, and *Ptarha*, a story about a catfolk girl who falls in love with an invading human soldier during the Radiant Imperium's initial probing of Bantosian.

Currently, *The Wacky World of Whimsy* has a video archive spanning 3 centuries and containing over 10,000 hours of footage. Although Whimsy Studios has expanded its reach into televised broadcasts and feature-length movies, they work feverishly to provide new content specifically for their in-house

streaming platform, UltraWhimsy. While the *Wacky World of Whimsy* is far from the only program that the media mogul has in its streaming repertoire, it garners the most views on average as it is the program of choice for many parents looking for fast and easy entertainment for their child. Whimsy Studio's strict adherence to family friendly programming coupled with their rigorous vetting process and easy-to-use parental controls makes UltraWhimsy and *The Wacky World of Whimsy* a safe pick for parents looking to entertain their children.

#### FANDOM PERK

The Wacky World of Whimsy's broad programming has provided you with a broader view of popular entertainment spanning centuries. Whenever you attempt a Culture check to recall knowledge about a culture's history, you can spend 1 Resolve Point to add 1d6 to the result of your check as an enhancement bonus.

### XA-OSORO TODAY

Type current events, news



Streaming Service Spaz, YouSphere

Price Modifier  $\times 2$

Tagline *The News You Need Now.*

#### DESCRIPTION

Broadcast three times per 24-hour cycle at 7:00am, 7:00pm, and 11:00pm, *Xa-Osoro Today* is a soft news program that summarizes the top news stories of the day in the titular star system. Interspersed between these top stories are a range of segments featuring current events in the Xa-Osoro System that range from happenings in specific regions or settlements to celebrity news and feel-good stories, to political rallies and public service announcements. Originally started a century ago an independent venture by several adolescents looking to add an extracurricular to their resumes, *Xa-Osoro Today* is now among the premiere news studios in the system, and all five founders attained fabulous wealth from sponsorships. Today, each founder's family retains some shareholder stakes in *Xa-Osoro Today*, but the Hitoretzu family, descended from legendary kitsune newscaster Dijur Hitoretzu, do most of the work running and operating the show as the other families sold their shares to the Hitoretzuses over the decades. There are some who speculate that the Hitoretzuses have been bribing and blackmailing their way into possessing the 51% of shares that they currently possess, but such theories are mostly restricted to tabloids with those closest to the family offering nothing but positive remarks regarding them.

*Xa-Osoro Today* operates in seasons, much like any other infosphere series, and the latest season celebrates the return of *Xa-Osoro Today*'s most popular host, Donevar "the Truthseeker" Ironhollow. This jovial dwarf hosted twelve seasons straight until "health issues" led to him stepping down. The following four years saw him embroiled in public scandals for tax evasion and substance abuse and resulted in his rehabilitation.




Now reportedly clean and professing personal redemption, Donevar has returned to *Xa-Osoro Today* and in retaking the helm, the show's ratings are better than ever.

#### FANDOM PERK

Your religious following of *Xa-Osoro Today* has helped you keep a strong eye on system-wide happenings. Reduce the Culture DC to recall knowledge about the *Xa-Osoro System's* current events, customs, laws, government, leaders, prominent inhabitants, and related topics by 5; this stacks with any theme knowledge you possess.

### XLG's WILD UNIVERSE



Type nature documentary

Streaming Service Sphereflex

Price Modifier ×2

Tagline *The thrill of the wilds in the safety of your home!*

#### DESCRIPTION


Named for a funded by the supercorp XinLong Galactic, *XLG's Wild Universe* is an ongoing nature documentary that has been going on for 64 consecutive seasons. Narrated by the sultry sounds of famous ysoki voice actor Pek Marlin and Burnt Tail, Pek's right-hand kitsune, *XLG's Wild Universe* takes the audience on a holography tour throughout the *Xa-Osoro System* and beyond, studying the flora and fauna of every ecosystem they encounter. Most episodes focus on a specific biome on a specific planet, providing 2 hours of content per episode on average.

Each episode features an army of field correspondents who guide viewers through close encounters with wildlife and wilderness situations on every world they inhabit, offering a more realistic look at the dangers and wonders of the universe. These treks into the wilderness are usually safe, but several instances of hosts or members of the production crew not surviving said encounters. One particularly disastrous incident during the show's third season involved the loss of the then-host, a nuar biologist named Flamedancer, and his entire production team when they attempted to get close to an Eogawan spider-lion, only to provoke the creature after accidentally injuring one of its cubs. Since then, XLG started hiring out teams of mercenaries to accompany the production crew on their safaris, dramatically reducing the rate of such attacks. For the past 5 seasons, XLG has sent Marlin and Burnt Tail to the field after polls indicated they were the most popular part of the series, leading to XLG spending exuberant amounts of credits on mercenaries to defend these assets from trouble.

#### FANDOM PERK

*XLG's Wild Universe* has taught you many things about wildlife from across the galaxy, allowing you to identify many different kinds of creatures. You can attempt Life Science checks to identify creatures untrained, and when doing so you add half your level to the result of your Life Science check. If you're trained in Life Science, you instead reduce the DC to identify creatures by 5.

### ZAVEN MULTIVERSE



Type cartoon

Streaming Service Sphereflex

Price Modifier ×1

Tagline *That's why the beings of this plane believe in Mithral, Titanium, Gold, and Zaven!*

#### DESCRIPTION

Sphereflex's hottest new series, *Zaven Multiverse* follows the titular Zaven Multiverse, a 12 year-old human boy who's half-human, half metaloid. The metaloids are a fictional species of inorganic creatures whose bodies are living holograms projected from a projector formed exclusively from a specific type of metal. Zaven's best friends and maternal figures are Mithral, Titanium, and Gold, collectively known as the Precious Metals. Each has their own special powers and weapons, and young Zaven want's nothing more than to accompany his friends on their adventures. The series follows Zaven as he tries and prove his skills and live up to the legend of his deceased mother, Flamesteel, the former leader of the Precious Metals, while learning about her troubled past and fending off the encroaching Starmetal Dominion.

Though not a true musical, storytelling in *Zaven Cosmos* is famously done through song, with characters commonly singing through major plot elements. Legendary songwriter and lyre player Betannia Sweet composes all of the show's music, and Sphereflex hires famous performing artists to play major members of the show's cast. Several actors on the show who weren't originally muscians ultimately became popular singers as a result of their performances on *Zaven Multiverse*, with the most famous example being Zaven Multiverse's voice actor, human teenager Jal Tallison. Most of the show's main characters are portrayed by women and minority groups throughout the *Xa-Osoro System*; such as female kitsune singer Rykiya Dalema, who plays Gold; and nuar opera star Treewhisper, who plays series antagonist Hot Siccitate. As one might expect given talent of such caliber, *Zaven Multiverse* has won three Gold Nova Awards, one for Best Storytelling, one for Best Music, and one for Best Original Score.

*Zaven Multiverse's* high quality comes at an equally high cost—the series has an infamously long production cycle, with regular breaks dubbed “hiatuses” by the fans causing gaps of several months between new episodes. Many fans have blamed Sphereflex's production cycle for this travesty, but the fan base is devoted enough that they return all the same after each hiatus ends, waiting impatiently for the next “Zaven bomb” to land.

#### FANDOM PERK

*Zaven Multiverse's* themes of friendship and love alongside its musical nature results in tunes that are difficult to get out of your head once you've started singing them, making you more cognizant of others' feelings and helping you to say things that get others to change their minds. You gain a +1 enhancement bonus to Diplomacy and Sense Motive checks. Whenever you attempt an Intimidate check, you must roll twice and use the worse result.

## STREAMING PLATFORMS

A streaming platform is an online service provider that possesses a digital archive of content that subscribers pay monthly for access to. When you stream content from a streaming platform, you watch the content in real time as its downloaded from the archive. As a result, you can't stream content from an archive that you aren't connected to. It's relatively common for a streaming platform to offer different, localized content to different infospheres. For example, the content you can access through Sphreflix's archives is likely more tengu-focused on Tenguholme, while on Bantosian its likely more catfolk-focused.

This section details many of the streaming platforms used by the different infosphere shows within *POP CULTURE CATALOG: INFOSPHERE SHOWS*. In addition, information on Spaz, Sphreflix, and YouSphere can be found in *Pop CULTURE CATALOG: INFOSPHERE SITES*.

### DWEOMERVISION

DWEOMERVISION	Type educational
	Streaming Quality good
	Price Modifier ×3
	Location Hyperspace Station System, Terros System, Xa-Osoro System

#### DESCRIPTION

As its name suggests, the popular Dweomervision streaming platform is focused heavily on streaming content related to magic. From biopics on influential spellcasters throughout history to instructional shows on magical theory, Dweomervision caters its content to the magic enthusiast, regardless of whether or not its viewers are able to cast spells of their own. Programs catering to aspects of the occult, ritual magic, and other offerings can also be found on the platform.

Dweomervision is owned by Tashinado Tymira, a kitsune billionaire and heiress to the Tymira family fortune. Tymira is also the company's CEO, a position that she has held for the past 3 decades. Rumors persist that Tymira operates Dweomervision specifically as a way to subtly conduct magical research that could trigger her apotheosis into a kyubi, extending her lifespan. Other well-known shareholders include the Infinity Conglomerate, a collection of incorporeal AIs who share a single android body; Ivan of Tor, a reclusive human sage who uses Dweomervision as a way to ensure that the ancient arts of magic and ritual spellcasting don't disappear completely from the world; and so-called "Pop Mystic" Karlotta Renvaa, an elf video personality.

#### FANDOM PERK

You've absorbed significant amounts of mystic trivia from Dweomervision's programming. Whenever you attempt a Mysticism check, you can spend 1 Resolve Point after rolling the d20 but before the result is revealed to gain a +2 enhancement bonus to your skill check's result. Once you've used this ability you cannot use it again until you've taken 10 minutes and spent 1 Resolve Point to regain Stamina Points.

### HOWLER

Howler	Type community, entertainment
	Streaming Quality good
	Price Modifier ×1
	Location Terros System, Xa-Osoro System

#### DESCRIPTION

Comparatively young next to streaming platforms like Sphreflix or YouSphere, Howler is an up-and-coming streaming service from the Xa-Osoro System that recently went multisystem after making inroads in the Terros System. Focused on thriller and horror content, Howler combines professionally produced shows with user-generated content. Currently, cybernetic zombie movies and dwarf revenge thrillers are trending on Howler, although it's most popular series by far are *Dead Station* and *Rimestone Squox*.

A popular online conspiracy suggests that Howler is secretly a subsidiary of 1010 Robotics, who use the streaming platform as part of a system-wide study on the effects of fear on intelligent beings.

#### FANDOM PERK

Your absorption of Howler's horror and chills has made you harder to scare. You gain a +1 enhancement bonus to Will saves against fear effects and the DC to demoralize you with the Intimidate skill increases by 2.

### ICEWIRE

Icewire	Type educational
	Streaming Quality good
	Price Modifier ×3
	Location All Systems

#### DESCRIPTION

Focused on technology-based content, Icewire is the result of a multisystem effort to enhance the general population's technical knowledge and know-how, with specific effort placed on children's programming. Each system that participates in Icewire appoints three chairmen to the streaming platform's board of directors to ensure that their home system's interests are included in Icewire's programming. Unfortunately, the difficulty in orchestrating this event is costly and ultimately placed on the consumer, so while an active effort has been made to reduce the platform's cost, this isn't a reality yet.

Recently, a human journalist by the name of Palvia Telall recently published a series of papers known as the Palvia Papers, which insinuates that Icewire is in fact owned by a secretive astroid-based organization known as Haven. According to the papers, Haven is a data haven used the extremely rich to illegally store credits and data out of system where it can't be taxed or held to government oversight. Strangely the report was never followed up on, and Palvia was found dead in her apartment from suicide just one month later.



#### FANDOM PERK

You've learned some good strategies for hotfixing computer programs on Icewire programing. Whenever you attempt a Computers check to recall knowledge about a culture's history, you can spend 1 Resolve Point to add 1d6 to the result of your check as an enhancement bonus.

#### Kapow!

**Kapow!**

**Type** sports entertainment  
**Streaming Quality** premium

**Price Modifier** ×2  
**Location** All Systems

#### DESCRIPTION

Kapow! is a sports entertainment streaming platform that specializes all things athletic and intense. From starship regattas to spell dueling, hoverboard derbies to zotball, ysoki acro-golf and vesk tackleball, and more. In addition to providing live footage from the hottest games across the galaxy, Kapow! also has segments devoted to recaps, analysis, and commentary that can streamed stand-alone or side-by-side the corresponding game as a special features. Many of the sports leagues aired on Kapow! are directly financed by them as well, giving the specialized company a monopoly on all things professionally related to sports.

Kapow! has come under fire in recent years for hosting the controversial bloodsport Pain Game, which is mired in controversy and conspiracy theory. This is nothing new for Kapow!, as the service seems to always be at the center of some raging controversy. Before Pain Games, it was athlete wages. Before that, it was the frequency of substance abuse among athletes. That isn't to imply any of these problems have actually gone away—many of Kapow!'s athletes still suffer high rights of addiction to braw, hemihigh, and zero, and are drastically under compensated for their work, but their plight is no longer the criticism craze that critics vocally protest.

#### FANDOM PERK

An avid sports fan, your hours spent watching them on Kapow! have improved your understanding of how to move efficiently. Whenever you attempt an Athletics check, you can spend 1 Resolve Point to add 1d6 to the result of your check as an enhancement bonus.

#### PRIMO

**PRIMO**

**Type** entertainment  
**Streaming Quality** premium

**Price Modifier** ×2  
**Location** Hyperspace Station, Terros, and Xa-Osoro System

#### DESCRIPTION

A subsidiary of XinLong Galactic, Primo is a food delivery service-turned-content-deliverer. Originally operating much as Nine Tails Delivery currently does, about 18 years ago

XLG suddenly shifted the company's focus from simple food delivery to delivering XLG products from the megacorp's warehouses directly into consumer hands. Not only did this include XLG's physical products, but its digital archive of streamable content as well. Since Primo's inception 20 years ago, Primo has developed an impress streaming archive of classic content and has even begun to develop their own content. While the service has not achieved the penetration that Sphreflex has, it is considered a top tier service and is often mentioned in the same breath due to the quality of the properties they acquire. In addition, Primo has developed a reputation for acquiring high potential programs that were cancelled by other services and making them successful.

Primo has been trying to break into delivering the news over the past few years, but the viewing numbers are always abysmal and their efforts are frequently been dismissed as corporate propaganda from XLG.

#### FANDOM PERK

Your avid use of Primo services has resulted in a significant discount when you purchase items from XLG. Whenever you purchase an item from XLG, reduce its price by 5%.

#### ULTRA WHIMSY

**Ultra Whimsy**

**Type** entertainment  
**Streaming Quality** premium

**Price Modifier** ×3  
**Location** All Systems

#### DESCRIPTION

Owned by the megacorporation Whimsy Studios, UltraWhimsy is the exclusive streaming platform of all things Whimsy. Virtually all properties that Whimsy has created over the past 300 years can be streamed from UltraWhimsy, including classics like *The Bastef* from *Deep Space and Treasure Nebula* as well as new programs designed specifically for the platform, such as *Hello Kitsune*. Among the most popular installments in the UltraWhimsy catalog is the Mayhem Superhero Universe, which is famous for having produced a series of 102 feature-length movies and 46 holovision series, each with an interlocking ongoing story spanning the past 300 years. Characters like the Iron Nuar, Arcane Archer, Spider Queen, The Indestructible Golem, and Stormbreaker are visible everywhere due to the incredible amount of tie-in merchandise including extensive product lines of clothing apparel, toy-lines, comics, popular music, and other media. Ultra Whimsy also includes adult offerings, such *Kit's Place*, a popular kitsune romantic comedy, and *The Beast from Hyperspace*, a popular horror thriller series.

#### FANDOM PERK

Hours of watching Whimsy programming has helped you refine a family friendly image for yourself. You gain a +1 enhancement bonus to Bluff checks to lie, but only when your lies portray you as being innocent, nonthreatening, or wholesome.

# STREAMING GEAR

One aspect of content streaming that makes it so popular is that it's relatively simple to start streaming yourself. Platforms like YouSphere and Spaz allows users to upload their own programs to their platforms, and if they catch on those same users are compensated for their work and sometimes offered proper contracts. Streaming requires quality gear, and a good set of streaming gear makes streaming more efficient, faster, and improves the quality of the final product.

This section details popular streaming equipment available in the Xa-Osoro System. Table 1: Other Purchases notes the quality of the treatment and its cost. When determining the price of a restaurant at one of the named locations detailed in the previous section, multiply the treatment's cost by the establishment's price modifier to determine the final price. The restaurant's type indicates the quality of meal that the restaurant serves for this purpose (common, average, or good).

## STREAMING PLATFORMS

Streaming platforms are categorized by four criterion that define the type of food that they provide to customers. These criterion are type, streaming quality, price modifier, and location. Each of these criterion are described below, with examples present where pertinent.

### TYPES OF STREAMING PLATFORMS

Streaming platforms are categorized by their type, which represents how the content is syndicated and what it's generally about. A single series can fall into multiple types.

#### ACTION

An action series is a narrative program whose content includes scenes depicting physical conflict, such as frantic chases or extended violence.

#### ADULT

An adult series is a program whose content is inappropriate for adolescents and children. Adult content is typically graphic in nature, either because it's disturbing (such as a particularly gory program) or because it's inherently sexual.

#### COMEDY

A comedy series is a narrative program whose tone emphasizes humor. Comedy has numerous subgenres associated with it, such as black (comedy that deals with taboo subjects satirically), fish out of water (comedy featuring a character or characters in unusual environments), gross out (comedy featuring raunchy or vulgar humor), parody (comedy that satirizes other content), and slapstick (comedy featuring exaggerated action).

#### COOKING

A cooking series focuses on the preparation of food. Episodes typically emphasize the preparation of food, and often show viewers how to prepare each dish shown in a step-by-step process.

#### DOCUDRAMA

A docudrama series is a program that conveys information about an event or person that is embellished or fictional.

#### DOCUMENTARY

A documentary series is a factual program that conveys information about an event or person, presenting facts with little fictional content.

#### DRAMA

A drama series is a narrative program that is designed to be serious in tone.

#### EXPLOITATION

An exploitation series is a program whose content is specifically designed to exploit current marketing trends. An exploitation film is often of common or low quality, though there are exceptions.

#### FANTASY

A fantasy series is a program whose themes feature magic, myth, wonder, escapism, and the extraordinary. Fantasy programming that features magic does so in a way that is fundamentally fantastic when compared to actual magic; if magic functions in a series as it does normally in the world, it isn't a fantasy series.

#### GAME

Also called a game show, a game series is a program during which contestants compete in a recorded game of some kind in order to win prizes. A game show's contestants are never paid actors; they're ordinary people competing for a prize.

#### HORROR

A horror series is fictional program whose content is designed to frighten, scare, disgust, or startle viewers. Horror is often subtitled by what evokes these emotions, such as body horror, cosmo horror, or psychological horror.

#### KIDS

Sometimes called children's programming or a family friendly series, a kids series is a program whose content is specifically targeted at younger viewers. Kids programs varies in whether it's target demographic is infants and toddlers, children, or the whole family.



### **MUSICAL**

A musical series is a program that heavily features singing and musical scores as a means to drive the narrative forward.

### **MYSTERY**

A mystery series is a program whose plot revolves around the solution to a problem or crime.

### **PROPAGANDA**

A propaganda series is a program designed to convey information about current events in a slanted, often politically motivated manner. Propaganda series are often funded and produced by megacorporations or governments with a vested interest in feeding a particular angle to their target demographic.

### **NEWS**

A news series is a program designed to convey information about current events. News programs are often intended to be viewed live and are seldom recorded unless they fall into another category, such as a comedy news show.

### **REALITY**

Usually called a reality show, a reality series is a program wherein individuals are filmed as content as they go about their everyday lives. Reality series usually follow celebrities, but they sometimes focus on ordinary people put in peculiar situations.

### **RELIGIOUS**

A religious series is a program whose content involves the scripture or teachings of a specific religion. Some religious series are simple recordings of masses designed to allow viewers to feel like a member of a congregation no matter where they are, while others are aimed at inspiring individuals with religious teachings or proselytizing at viewers.

### **SCIENCE FICTION**

A science fiction series is a program that utilizes speculative, fictional science-based depictions that aren't accepted by mainstream science. A series isn't considered science fiction if all the science it depicts are part of everyday life, such as how starships actually work or alien life forms that are known to exist.

### **TALK SHOW**

A talk show series is a program wherein one person or a group of people discuss a topic set forth by a host.

### **TRAVEL**

A travel series is a program that features popular vacation destinations. Travel programs usually focus on showing off the destination they chronicle; it's very rare for this type of programming to feature storytelling.

### **STREAMING QUALITY**

A streaming platform's quality is a summary of how clear the

**TABLE 1: OTHER PURCHASES**

Service	Price
<b>Streaming Products</b>	
Pay per view, common	3*
Pay per view, good	6*
Pay per view, premium	12*
Subscription, common	1 per month*
Subscription, good	2 per month*
Subscription, premium	5 per month*
Vidjack, common	15*
Vidjack, good	30*
Vidjack, premium	60*
<b>Computer Modules</b>	
Holovid editing module	5% of computer's base price
Streamcast module, mk I	500
Streamcast module, mk II	2,500
Streamcast module, mk III	7,500
Streamcast module, mk IV	20,000
Streamcast module, mk V	55,000
Streamcast module, mk VI	200,000
<b>Merchandise</b>	
Autograph, obscure	5
Autographic, icon	50
Autograph, celebrity	300
Autograph, mega celebrity	600
Autograph, master icon	1,500
Branded clothing	+20% of item's base price
Print media, common	5*
Print media, average	10*
Print media, good	15*
Statuette, common	60*
Statuette, average	120*
Statuette, good	180*
Tie-in equipment	+10% of item's base price
Toy, common	3*
Toy, average	5*
Toy, good	10*
Toy, collectible	Skill bonus × item's base price
Trading card, pack	5*
Trading card, common single	2*
Trading card, average single	5*
Trading card, rare single	25*
<b>Production Drones</b>	
Production drone, common	3,800
Production drone, elite	21,000
<b>Professional Services</b>	
Actor, obscure	5 × actor's skill bonus
Actor, icon	10 × actor's skill bonus
Actor, celebrity	60 × actor's skill bonus
Actor, mega celebrity	120 × actor's skill bonus
Actor, master icon	180 × actor's skill bonus
<b>Streaming Tools</b>	
Streamkit, basic	200
Streamkit, specialty	750

platform's programming is and how good its custom content is. Streaming quality ranges from poor to good to premium, with premium offering the very best content on the market.

#### PRICE MODIFIER

When determining how much you need to pay for a streaming platform's services, multiply the value shown on the table (based on the platform's type) by the modifier shown in the streaming platform's price modifier entry. For example, UltraWhimsy is a premium platform with a price modifier of  $\times 3$ , so UltraWhimsy pay per view costs 36 credits, streaming costs 15 credits per month, and vidjacks of an UltraWhimsy series costs 90 credits.

#### LOCATION

A streaming platform's location denotes which star systems the platform services. You can only use the streaming service when you're in a system that the platform lists in its location entry. You view a streaming platform's programming elsewhere, you need to purchase a vidjack for each series you want to watch (see below).

#### STREAMING PRODUCTS

When you purchase access to a streaming platform, you typically do so in one of three ways: pay per view, a subscription, or a vidjack. The type of access you purchase determines how frequently you have to pay for the content you want to watch and what form the content takes.

When determining the price of a streaming product, use the value shown on Table 1 for that item and multiply that price by the price modifier of the series or streaming platform; if they differ, use whichever is higher.

#### PAY PER VIEW

Pay per view is a paid streaming service wherein viewers purchase a private content stream. The service provider shows the event at the same time to everyone who ordered it at a specific time. Pay per view is typically only available for live content that can't be added to a streaming archive in advance, such as a sporting event or a live concert event. You typically have access to a pay per view program only while the event is live—once the event ends, it's usually added to the provider's streaming archive and can be streamed normally with a subscription.

#### SUBSCRIPTION

A streaming subscription is a paid streaming service wherein you pay a monthly fee for access to the platform's streaming archive. Most streaming services allow you to stream whatever you want for however long you want for each month that you pay for the service. Payments are due monthly, and if you don't pay you lose access to the archive, preventing you from streaming anything at all.

#### VIDJACK

A vidjack is a special type of storage media that specifically

stores content from a streaming archive. A typical streaming datajack has all available content for one specific series of the buyer's choice and updates whenever the streaming archive is updated, provided the buyer has access to an infosphere with the new content. While significantly more expensive than a streaming subscription, vidjacks are essential for what content when traveling to places whose infospheres lack the appropriate streaming platform or the designed program.

#### COMPUTER MODULES

The following modules were designed to make streaming far away from an infosphere easier, as well as to enhance and optimize holovid content for streaming.

##### STREAMCAST MODULE

**Price** 500 (mk I); 2,500 (mk II); 7,500 (mk III); 20,000 (mk IV); 55,000 (mk V); 200,000 (mk VI); **Type** Module

A streamcast module allows the computer to connect to an infosphere that it isn't in range of, as if the user had cast a 6th-level *mystic streaming* spell targeting the computer, except each arcane streaming module only provides access to a number of infospheres equal to the module's model number (1 for mk 1, 2 for mk 2, and so on). These infospheres are chosen when the module is purchased, and once chosen they cannot be changed. Unlike most modules, you can't have multiple streamcast modules installed into the same computer.

##### HOLOVID EDITING MODULE

**Price** 5% of computer's base price; **Type** Module

A holovid editing module is equipped with numerous processors and graphics cards that optimize the computer's processing for holovid editing, including the addition of special effects. All holovid editing modules produce metatags and code-level digital fingerprints that prevent them from being used to falsify video evidence. You can attempt a DC 25 Computers check to hack the module, removing this encryption and allowing you to use the module to falsify video evidence, granting you up to a +4 circumstance bonus to skill checks that would benefit from such falsifications.

#### MERCHANDISE

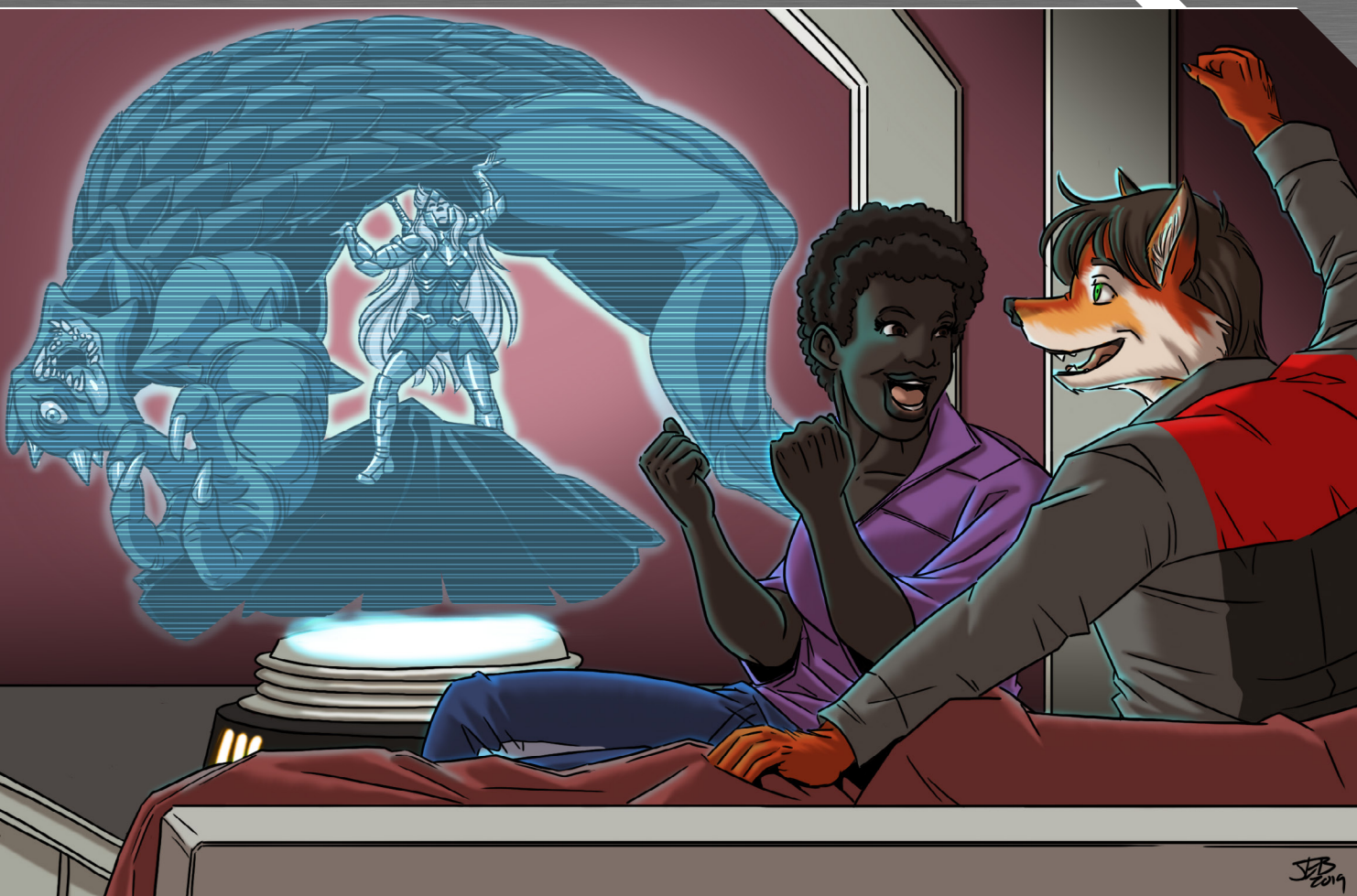
Merchandise is any branded product whose sales are used to promote a particular intellectual property, such as an infosphere show or a specific character. Merchandise doesn't typically have any benefit, but they can typically sold for full price to an avid collector, similar to an art object.

##### AUTOGRAPH

**Price** 5 (obscure); 50 (icon), 300 (celebrity), 600 (mega celebrity), 1,500 (master icon); **Type** Merchandise

An autograph is a signature of a specific individual, typically a famous person. Autographs are commonly given on photographs on the individual, but just as often relevant pieces of equipment are signed. For example, a soccer icon might





sign a soccer ball while a pop singer might sign a copy of their album. The price listed for an autograph only includes the price of the signature, not the value of whatever the signature is on. An autograph's value is determined by the celebrity status of the signer. "Obscure" refers to someone who is famous but lacks the icon theme; "icon" refers to someone with the 1st-level icon theme power; "celebrity" refers to someone with the 6th-level icon theme power; "mega celebrity" refers to someone with the 12th-level icon theme power; "master icon" refers to someone with the 18th-level icon theme power.

At the GM's decision, other themes with powers that function similar to the icon's can likewise be used to determine the value of the individual's autograph. Likewise, PCs capable of signing autographs may do so, but the money they earn is dependent upon a skill checks attempted to earn a living rather than simply racking up credits for every signature made.

### BRANDED CLOTHING

**Price** 20% of item's base price; **Type** Merchandise  
Clothing merchandise typically takes the form of an outfit that possesses illustrations of a product's characters or quotes from the series or show. Most intellectual properties have branded clothing for virtually every body part imaginable, from gloves to shirts to stylized tentacle warmers.

You can generally purchase a branded clothing variant of any set of generic clothing, including racial clothing, but each set of clothing can only be branded by one intellectual property, be it an infosphere series, a designer, a movie, or something else entirely. Designer lines are typically branded with that designer and therefore can't normally be branded with any other intellectual properties unless the designer has some sort of trade agreement with said intellectual property.

### PRINT MEDIA

**Price**  $5 \times$  property's modifier (common);  $10 \times$  property's modifier (average),  $15 \times$  property's modifier (good); **Type** Merchandise

Print media can take a variety of forms, including tie-in comic books, graphic novels, or traditional books. When determining the price of print media, multiply the base cost by the price modifier of the tie-in property. For example, a common quality comic book for *Alluria and the Primordial Princesses* would cost 20 credits because a common quality print media costs 10 credits and *Alluria and the Primordial Princesses* has a price modifier of  $\times 2$ .

### STATUETTE

**Price**  $60 \times$  property's modifier (common);  $120 \times$  property's

## REGARDING TOYS

Toys come in numerous shapes and sizes, and to a certain extent any item that is designed for play. The following toys are the most common types in most systems.

### CONSTRUCTION SET

A construction set is any toy that consists of separate pieces that are used to create models. Popular construction sets are often used to build model starships, vehicles, and houses. Popular construction sets brands include Con'Nek and Ingo Bricks.

### DOLL

A doll is any toy that is designed to model a specific creature. Dolls are often made from plastic or cloth and come in several varieties: action figures are poseable, figurines are stationary, and plush dolls are made from soft materials. Popular doll brands include Actifigs, Snuggie Bears, and Toran Kids.

### PUZZLE

A puzzle is any toy whose entertainment is derived from problem-solving challenges or ingenuity. There are dozens of different kinds of puzzles, each emphasizing a different kind of problem-solving. The most popular puzzle brand is the Zutik Cube.

### VEHICLE

A vehicle toy depicts a specific kind of vehicle. Popular examples include toy boats, cars, starships, and trains. Vehicle toys are sometimes wind-up or possess small motors.

modifier (average),  $180 \times$  property's modifier (good);

**Type** Merchandise

Statuettes are small sculptures of characters associated with a specific property that typically range from as small as 1 inch tall to as large as 2 feet. When determining the price of a statuette, multiply the base cost by the price modifier of the tie-in property. For example, a good quality statue for *#MutantSchool!* would cost 540 credits because a good quality statue costs 180 credits and *#MutantSchool!* has a price modifier of  $\times 3$ .

## TIE-IN EQUIPMENT

**Price** 10% of item's base price; **Type** Merchandise

Tie-in equipment is a branded version of a typical item, such as a *#MutantSchool!* portable light or an *Rimestone Squox* laser pistol. Virtually any item can be purchased as tie-in equipment by spending additional credits equal to 10% of the item's base price. This allows the item to be sold to a collector for full price, provided the equipment is fully charged and in pristine working condition. For most items, this means that the item has never been used before, but you can refurbish used tie-in equipment by spending credits equal to 5% of the equipment's base value and succeeding at an Engineering or Mysticism check (DC = the item's crafting DC).

## TOY

**Price**  $3 \times$  property's modifier (common);  $5 \times$  property's modifier (average),  $10 \times$  property's modifier (good); **Type** Merchandise

A toy is a type of merchandise that's specifically designed to entertain an adolescent or child, often resembling particular characters so kids can reenact their favorite episodes or tell their own stories through play. The most common types of toys are dolls, construction sets, and toy vehicles and each has a variety of subtypes. When determining the price of a toy, multiply the base cost by the price modifier of the tie-in property. For example, a good quality toy for *Zaven Cosmos* would cost 10 credits because a good quality toy costs 10 credits and *Zaven Cosmos* has a price modifier of  $\times 1$ .

Some toys are specifically designed as collector's items rather than playthings for children. When determining the price of a collectible toy, multiply the toy's price by the skill bonus of its crafter. A collectible toy's value reverts to that of a typical toy of its kind if it experiences any amount of wear and tear, often in the form of Hit Point damage.

## TRADING CARD

**Price**  $2 \times$  property's modifier (common single);  $5 \times$  property's modifier (average single or pack),  $25 \times$  property's modifier (rare single); **Type** Merchandise

Traditionally, a trading card is a piece of thin cardboard printed with illustrations, information, or both that makes the item a collectible in some way. If a trading card is used to play a game, it's called a trading card game or TCG. When determining the price of a toy, multiply the base cost by the price modifier of the tie-in property. For example, a common single card for *Pain Games* would cost 4 credits because a common single card costs 2 credits and *Pain Game* has a price modifier of  $\times 2$ .

## PRODUCTION DRONE

A production drone is a specific type of domestic drone (see the technological items section of *STARFINDER ARMORY*) that is equipped with gear needed to record and produce content for streaming or broadcasting.

## PRODUCTION DRONE

**Level** 5; **Price** 3,800

**Capacity** 20; **Usage** 2/hour

**Hands** —; **Bulk** L

A production drone is a remote drone designed specifically to shoot video, audio, or holo. You control it as if you were a 1st-level mechanic, using its remote control or a computer with an added module to control the drone). It cannot make any attacks and it has no weapon mounts, no feats, and no ability to add drone mods beyond those listed below. Its skill unit is always Acrobatics. It allows you to attempt Perception checks using your own bonus when you directly control it (as the master control ability of a mechanic drone). It cannot speak or accept verbal input. This drone acts as both a shotgun microphone and a camera.



## PRODUCTION DRONE, ELITE

Level 10; Price 21,000

Capacity 100; Usage 2/hour

Hands —; Bulk L

In addition to the statistics of a standard production drone, an elite production drone gains the skill subroutine (Perception), the enhanced senses mod, and the tool arm mod (stage lighting).

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

A professional service is a type of aid that you can get by temporarily employing someone. These services assumes an individual or a small group is hired legally in free-market conditions. Efforts to hire criminals, mercenaries, or businesses fall under the purview of the GM.

## ACTOR

Actors play specific roles in visual, audio, or holo content, whether it be as a character in a story or a host on a documentary. Actors are rated by the highest-level icon theme power they possess; an obscure actor doesn't have the icon theme, an icon actor has the theme knowledge theme power, a celebrity actor has the celebrity theme power, a mega celebrity actor has the megacelebrity theme power, and a master icon actor has the master icon theme power.

Actors grant you a circumstance bonus to Profession checks to earn a living equal to their level or CR, but only if your Profession involves visual, audio, or holo content such as Profession (video personality).

## STREAMING TOOLS

The following tool kits are designed to help you capture and produce streaming content for your archives.

## STREAMKIT, BASIC

Level 1; Price 200

Hands —; Bulk L

A streamkit includes 4 microphones with adjustable vice grips, 4 pop filters, an audio board, a tier 1 computer optimized for video editing with the miniaturization upgrade and an average secure data module, and cables for networking the devices together. A streamkit grants you a +1 bonus to Profession checks to earn a living, but only if your Profession involves video streaming, such as Profession (video personality). You also provide this bonus to any such Profession checks that you attempt that would reasonably benefit from having such equipment. You can pay additional credits to improve the tier of the computer included in the streamkit or add modules, upgrades, or countermeasures to it normally.

## STREAMKIT, SPECIALTY

Level 2; Price 750

Hands —; Bulk L

A streamkit includes 4 high-quality microphones with adjustable vice grips and built in noise-cancellation filters, a tier 2 computer optimized for video editing with the

## NEW SPELL

The following spell is available to technomancers and mystics with the infosphere connection (see *STAR LOG.EM-005: INFOSPHERE MYSTIC CONNECTION*) or a similar connection.

## MYSTIC STREAMING

School divination; Classes technomancer 1–6

Casting Time 1 standard action

Range see text

Target 1 computer with the mystic modem upgrade

Duration system-wide or planar; see text

You attempt to establish a magical connection between the target and one or more infospheres. When you cast the spell, attempt a Physical Science check for each infosphere that you target with the spell. The DC for this check is determined by how often you've personally used the chosen infosphere and whether or not you're in the same system as the chosen infosphere. If you succeed, you connect the target computer to the chosen infosphere, allowing the target computer and all devices networked to it to access the chosen infosphere so long as you're within the spell's range. If the result of your Physical Science check exceeds the DC by 10 or more, multiply the spell's duration by  $\times 2d6$ .

*Mystic streaming's* range and the total number of infospheres you can target with the spell is determined by the spell's level. If you target an infosphere two or more times with this spell and succeed at a minimum of 2 Physical Science checks, you can target that system as if the spell had a range of planar.

- » **1st:** You target 1 infosphere. The duration is 2 hours.
- » **2nd:** You target up to 2 infospheres. The duration is 4 hours.
- » **3rd:** You target up to 4 infospheres. The duration is 8 hours.
- » **4th:** You target up to 8 infospheres. The duration is 24 hours.
- » **5th:** You target up to 16 infospheres. The duration is 1 week.
- » **6th:** You target 32 infospheres. The duration is permanent (D).

Infosphere Usage	System DC	Planar DC
Used constantly	10	20
Used frequently	15	25
Used often	20	30
Used casually	25	35
Never used	30	40

miniaturization upgrade and a large secure data module, and cables for networking the devices together. An advanced streamkit grants you a +2 bonus to Profession checks to earn a living, but only if your Profession involves video streaming, such as Profession (video personality). You also provide this bonus to any such Profession checks that you attempt that would reasonably benefit from having such equipment. You can pay additional credits to improve the tier of the computer included in the streamkit or add modules, upgrades, or countermeasures to it normally.

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