

# FESTIVAL



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WAITING DREAMS



# WAKING DREAMS FROM ATLANTIC CITY

*“Although what you are about to experience is a work of fiction, it should nonetheless be played at maximum volume.”*

## WELCOME FELLOW TRAVELERS

Follow me, and listen closely. Though filled with wonders, the path before us can be treacherous. If you attend to my words and step where I step, you shall become masters of the Waking Dream. Hurry along, now. We have much to see and do and become...

## WHAT TO EXPECT

This is our dream, the one we build together. Waking Dreams from Atlantic City is a collective experience, a festival of wonders and magic. There to your left are the Dancers at the End of Time. To your other left you will hear the music that played at the birth of our universe. To your third left are the Pavilions of Deep Knowing, each one housing a shard of pure potential. Pay no attention to the ancient tree, it has always been there. They built the casino around it.

Let us shift to plain speak so that you may know the explicit terms of what we propose; the contract of our revel.

Waking Dreams from Atlantic City is a freeform festival taking place in the Showboat “Casino” in Atlantic City. The theme, as the title suggests, is that of a Waking Dream, where you may take any form you desire. Within the walls we shall build fairy kingdom, full of music, dance, art, and oddments of all sorts. It is a collaborative experience that is as much about what you bring as what you might find.

You may choose to delve a bit deeper and take part in a pervasive larp (Live Action Role Play), that will taking place in and around the convention. This is an official Changeling the Dreaming event licensed through White Wolf. For more information please visit our website.

Leave the mundane world behind and join us. Perhaps you will discover that the mask you are wearing was the real you all along. Come inspire others and be inspired.



## LOCATION

Our event shall be taking place at the Showboat (former) Casino in Atlantic City, New Jersey. To be blunt, this is just an awesome venue. Several years ago due to storm damage from Hurricane Sandy and the changing fortunes of Atlantic City, the Showboat was closed as a Casino. After changing hands, repairs, and internal rebranding, it opened again as a pure entertainment venue. Waking Dreams will be taking place within the vast expanse of this former “abandoned” casino. For those who dare to walk strange roads, there can be no better destination for your journey.

The Showboat is fully wheelchair accessible.

Atlantic City Airport is only a few miles west of the city, with direct connections to Atlanta and Boston. For international travelers and those coming from the far reaches of the United States, we recommend flights through Philadelphia and Newark Airports. Philadelphia Airport, in particular, is only an hour and a half from the venue.

Atlantic City is home to a host of entertainment venues, casinos and fantastic beaches. Should you have the freedom, we suggest taking a few days on either side of the event to explore the area.

Off-season seaside towns are particularly lovely. For more information about hotel accommodations please see our website.

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## PREPARATION

This is a fully immersive event. Depending on your desired level of involvement, your preparation levels will vary wildly. We encourage you to live your dreams in dress and style; don't just come for the experience, but instead be part of the experience. The only extreme prohibition regarding performance is that we cannot allow fire at the venue (unless purely metaphorical).

There are many local eateries, including several restaurants at the Showboat. However, for those with dietary restrictions we encourage you to check out menus ahead of time and plan accordingly.

If you wish to dive into the Changeling the Dreaming Larp, please read the materials on the website and sign up quickly. Premium tickets are limited and likely to go fast.

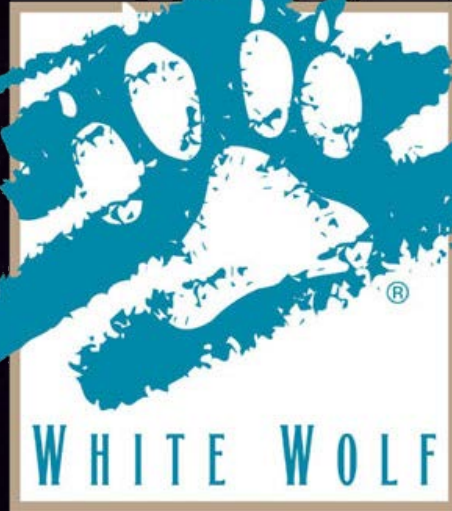
We encourage ride shares. Atlantic City is within close distance of Philadelphia, New York, and Wilmington and not terribly far from Washington DC. We have a Facebook Group set up for both ride shares and for people to meet and collaborate.

## SAFETY, SECURITY, AND SANCTUARY

We are committed to providing a safer space for our attendees. To this end we have a Safety Team on hand to help guide you to the tools and resources you may need. This is especially important for those who choose to fully immerse themselves into the world of the Dreaming. The Safety Team works out of the Sanctuary, a room where you may seek solace and safety should the need arise. The Safety Team are not mental health professionals; they are here to help you help yourself.

The Safety Team works in concert with the contracted Security Team. The Security Team are professionals, hired for the purpose of safeguarding our attendees, performers, and passersby. Matters that concern both the Safety and Security Teams will be shared freely between the two teams.

We have a decidedly queer friendly and inclusive convention, with a zero-tolerance policy toward racism and sexism. If you have any concerns regarding this, please contact our Safety Team.



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