



# **AFRICOZ RULES & REGULATIONS!**

## **AfriCoz Rules for Participation**

All interested participants must read the Rules for Participation and meet the criteria before being authorized to participate and / or be eligible to enter AfriCoz:

- We ask all costume portrayals to be comic book, sci-fi, fantasy, and / or original costumed characters of African descent.
- The contest is open to anyone with free admission into ECBACC.
- Age requirement for AFRICOZ: 13 years of age and over to participate. (13–15-year-old require parental consent)
- Age requirement for AFRICOZ KIDS: 12 years of age and under to participate. (All require parental consent)
- Costumes must be self-contained; connections to electrical sockets will not be available.
- AfriCoz is a family-friendly costume contest. Please keep costume ideas fun and appropriate (See below for acceptable costumes and clothing).

## **AFRICOZ PRIZES (Subject to change based on availability)**

<i>1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE:</i>	<i>2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE:</i>	<i>3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE:</i>
\$200 IN CASH	\$100 IN CASH	SPECIAL ECBACC CONVENTION GIFTS

## **AFRICOZ KIDS PRIZES (Subject to change based on availability)**

<i>1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE:</i>	<i>2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE:</i>	<i>3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE:</i>
\$70 IN CASH	\$30 IN CASH	COMICS AND COLLECTIBLES

## **REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN**

- Registration must be completed by 1:45 PM on Saturday, MAY 16, 2026
- Check-in at 1:50 PM on Saturday, MAY 16, 2026
- The contest begins at 2:00 PM.

## **JUDGING AND AWARDS**

- Judging will be based on overall appearance of costumes, character-likeness, and creativity.
- All participants will be announced and can exhibit their costumes on the showroom floor / stage.
- Participants will then be allowed to mingle in the marketplace until final judging is completed by 3:50 PM.



## **ACCEPTABLE COSTUMES & CLOTHING STYLES**

"Acceptable Costumes" refers to the types of clothing / costumes that will be allowed to be worn by a participant in the contest. ECBACC is a family-friendly event, and we will not accept participants exhibiting:

- 1) Full and / or overt nudity
- 2) Excessive gore
- 3) Inappropriate, ignoble, or lewd portrayals

## **IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION:**

The ECBACC Board of Directors and / or assigned AfriCoz Facilitators reserve the right to decline costumers from participating in the contest up to and including the day of the event.

- The Judges shall have the sole authority and discretion to select the winners.
- By entering and registering with AfriCoz, ECBACC reserves the right to take staged and candid photographs of all AfriCoz participants during ECBACC.
- ECBACC, Inc. reserves the right to use these images in magazines, newspapers, flyers, and websites or in electronically transmitted advertisement associated with ECBACC, Inc. promotions.
- Each participant shall indemnify, defend, and hold ECBACC, Inc. harmless from any third-party claims arising from or related to participation in the contest.
- In no event shall ECBACC, Inc. be liable for a participant's act or omission arising out of or related to the contest.

## **APPLICATION and RELEASE FORMS:**

Bring the completed application and signed releases on the day of the convention. Contestants will be provided with a numbered badge for ease of tracking during the judging process.