Schedule of Events

Wednesday, April 8, 2015
8:30 AM-4:45 PM  Abraham Lincoln Tour  Hotel Lobby
8:30 PM        Golden Ticket Package Pick-up  PCCC Lobby
9:30-10:30 PM  Package Pick-up/Tour and Class Participants  PCCC Lobby

Thursday, April 9, 2015
9:00 AM-3:30 PM  Welcome to Springfield Tour  Hotel Lobby
8:30 AM-4 PM   Customizing Class  PCCC Lower Level
4:00-5:00 PM  Golden Ticket Package Pick-up  PCCC Lobby
5:00       Golden Ticket Only Private Club Store Sales  PCCC Main Floor
6:00-10:00 PM Registration Package Pick-up by Groups  PCCC Main Floor
6:00-10:00  Club Store Open for Registered Guests  PCCC Main Floor
8:00-10:00 PM  Exhibitor Load-In/Drop Off  PCCC Dock
9:00 PM     Message Board/Room-to-Room Trading Info  Hotel Lobby
10:00 PM    Registration Closes  PCCC Main Floor

Friday, April 10, 2015
7:30 AM -2 PM  Exhibitor Set-Up  PCCC Main Floor
9:00-12:00 Contest Set up  PCCC Main Floor
8:30-9:30 AM Exhibitor Only Private Club Store Sales  PCCC Main Floor
9:30 AM Walk-up Late Registration/Package Pick-up  PCCC Main Floor
10:00 AM Club Store Opens For Registered Guests  PCCC Main Floor
10:00-10:50 AM Panel: G.I. Joe Behind the Lines
- Frank Coroneos  PCCC Lower Level
11:00-11:50 AM Panel: G.I. Joe Filmfest  PCCC Lower Level
12:00-12:50 PM Panel: 12” G.I. Joe Rarities – Ace Allgood  PCCC Lower Level
1:00-1:50 PM Panel: G.IJCC Magazine and Comic Q&A
-CC Editors:  David S. Lane, Pete Sinclair  PCCC Lower Level
2:00-5:00 PM Exhibit Hall Opens for Private Preview  PCCC Main Floor
2:00-3:30 PM Autographs:  Zach Hoffman, Morgan Lofting  PCCC Main Floor
3:30-5:00 PM Autographs:  Kirk Bozigian and Brian Cummings  PCCC Main Floor
Hourly Door Prize Giveaway  PCCC Main Floor
1:00-3:00 PM Contest Area Closed: Judging in Progress  PCCC Main Floor
5:00 PM ALL EXHIBITS & SALES ROOM CLOSE
7:30-9:00 PM  Golden Ticket Meet and Greet  Presidential Ballroom
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Saturday, April 11, 2015

7:30 AM     Exhibitor Set-up   PCCC Main Floor
8:30 AM     Walk-up Late Registration/Package Pick-up   PCCC Lobby
8:30 AM     Registered Attendees’ Private Preview   PCCC Main Floor
Hourly     Door Prize Giveaway   PCCC Main Floor
10:00 AM    Exhibit Hall Opens/General Admission   PCCC Main Floor
10-10:50 AM Panel: Introducing The Special Action Force &
           The Red Shadows - Dave Tree   PCCC Lower Level
10-12:00 AM Autographs: Zach Hoffman, Morgan Lofting   PCCC Main Floor
11-11:50 AM Panel: Hasbro Brand Panel – G.I. Joe Team   PCCC Lower Level
 Noon-12:50 PM Panel: G.I. JOE MARKETING WARFARE!
              - Kirk Bozigian   PCCC Lower Level
1-1:50 PM    Panel: The Art of G.I. Joe – Robert Atkins and
              Adam Riches   PCCC Lower Level
1:30-3:30 PM Autographs: Kirk Bozigian and Brian Cummings   PCCC Main Floor
2:00-2:50 PM Panel: Kindle Worlds Writers - Justin Bell,
              Bill Nedrow, and Troy Osgood   PCCC Lower Level
3:00-3:50 PM Panel: G.I. Joe Collectors’ Club Roundtable - Staff   PCCC Lower Level
4:00-4:50 PM Panel: Voicing G.I. Joe Personal Stories - Morgan Lofting
              Zach Hoffman, Brian Cummings   PCCC Lower Level
5:00 PM     ALL EXHIBITS & SALES ROOM CLOSE
7:30-11 PM  Awards Dinner, Costume Contest, Live Auction   PCCC Lower Level

Sunday, April 12, 2015

9:00 AM     Exhibitor Set-up   PCCC Lower Level
9:30 AM     Exhibit Hall Opens/General Admission   PCCC Main Floor
             Turn in evaluation at the Info Booth
             and get your entry “2 Trips to 2016 Convention” ticket
10-10:50 AM Panel: Carving Joes: Making a Real American Hero
            - Chris Murray, Patrick Stewart and others.   PCCC Lower Level
10-11:30 AM Autographs: Zach Hoffman, Morgan Lofting   PCCC Main Floor
11-11:50 AM Panel: “What’s on JOE Mind?” - Podcast WOJM Staff
            Chris Murray, Patrick Stewart   PCCC Lower Level
 Noon-12:50 PM Panel: Voice Actor Reading - Morgan Lofting
             Zach Hoffman, Brian Cummings   PCCC Lower Level
1:30-2:30 PM Autographs: Kirk Bozigian, Brian Cummings   PCCC Lower Level
1-1:50 PM    Panel: G.I. Joe Costuming - Des   PCCC Lower Level
3:15 PM     Draw for 2 Trips to 2016 Convention
             Must Be Present to Win! (one person each-2 drawings)
3:30 PM     All Exhibits Close
Seminars and Panels

G.I. Joe Behind the Lines - Frank Coroneos
Bring your sketchbook and questions along as Hasbro and Illini Industrial Design alum Frank Coroneos shares images, tales, and real military design skills and methods honed from his unlikely journey from the defense industry to helping “G.I. Joe: Behind the Lines” create what is arguably the best and safest battle vehicle collection of any scale ever produced, or likely to be produced again! Then visit his design command table and visit with this “old school design survivalist” as he battles pen and paper!

G.I. Joe Filmfesst
Join your fellow fans as we celebrate our hero in his continual cinematic development as seen through the eyes of fans.

12” G.I. Joe Rarities – Ace Allgood
Ace will be lecturing on identifying rare and hard to find items for vintage 12 inch GI Joe. See rare items from his personal collection as well as photos and discuss some of the holy grails of 12” GI Joe collecting.

GIJCC 2015 Magazine and Comic Q & A - David S. Lane, Pete Sinclair
For the latest scoop on the GIJCC Magazine and an inside look at this year’s convention comic “Tiger Force vs Iron Grenadiers”, be sure to check out this informative panel.

Introducing The Special Action Force & The Red Shadow - Dave Tree
Joining GIJoeCon from the UK, Dave Tree takes a retrospective look at Action Force, the UK version of G.I. Joe, and their deadly enemy, The Red Shadows. Taking a look at their history, development and influences. This panel will provide you with a chance to see the differences, unique vehicles, main characters and also concepts that never made it to production.

Hasbro Brand Panel – G.I. Joe Team
Come by and participate in the Hasbro Brand Panel - Vice President of Global Brand Strategy & Marketing Derryl DePriest and Manager of Global Brand Development Mark Weber will unveil G.I. Joe products from this summer’s San Diego Comic Con and also this fall’s exclusive program at Toys R Us. The only thing better than what’s new is what’s next!

G.I. JOE MARKETING WARFARE! – Kirk Bozigian
The strategy and tactics of modern action figure marketing were pioneered by Hasbro’s G.I. Joe marketing and R&D team. Come hear, see, and learn about how the team, led by original product manager, Kirk Bozigian turned little green army men into America’s most iconic action figure brand. Get a first-hand introduction to the lessons of action figure marketing from the man who had a direct impact on all aspects of the creation and development of G.I. Joe from 1980 to 1994. Kirk will reveal little known details of the brand not seen before. Plus, he will share the stage for a portion of his panel with G.I. Joe fan, Dan Klingensmith who is working on a new book detailing the creation of G.I. Joe. Dan will share some details of this explosive new book!

Kindle Worlds Author Panel
Early last year, Hasbro struck a landmark deal with Amazon to allow certain licensed properties to be sold through Amazon’s “Kindle Worlds” store. Kindle Worlds offers a unique opportunity for authors to write novels or novellas based on one of Hasbro’s vast universes, including G.I. Joe. Join published Kindle Worlds authors Troy Osgood, Justin Bell, and Bill Nedrow as they talk about their experiences writing and publishing their stories through Amazon’s Kindle Worlds and discuss the joys of writing G.I. Joe fiction in general.

G.I. Joe Collectors’ Club - Brian Savage, Lanny Lathem, David S. Lane, Pete Sinclair
Join the club staff as they answer your burning questions about the club, figure creation, manufacturing and the announcement of future exclusives!

Voicing G.I. Joe Personal Stories - Morgan Lofting, Zach Hoffman, Brian Cummings
Come hear these famous voices talk about their time in the trenches as they reflect on their experience in the world of G.I. Joe animation! Hear their perspective on creating these special characters.

Carving Joes: Making a Real American Hero - Chris Murray, Patrick Stewart and others.
Join the staff of Joe Unclassified as they make an in-depth exploration and interactive look at historical action figure sculpting from the early years of G.I. Joe: A Real American Hero. As usual, unearthed surprises about the history of your favorite toy brand await.

What's on JOE Mind LIVE 2015 - Mike “Free Rip” Irizarry, Justin “Master Apologist” Bell, and Gary “Mouth of Doom” Godsoe
“What’s on JOE Mind?” (WOJM for short) is the G.I. Joe community’s longest running and most popular fan podcast. WOJM has been downloaded more than 10 million times by fans in over 95 countries. Each episode covers the latest community news, product reviews and commentary by some of the best fans on the planet. Over 7000 listeners per show CAN’T be wrong. It’s fun, it’s informative and it’s interactive! So bring your survey forms and join co-hosts and community veterans Mike Irizarry, Justin Bell and Gary Godsoe as they bring their show on the road to JoeCon 2015 in Springfield. Don’t miss your chance! This year’s topics include, predicting future FSS offerings, a look back at the modern era, and more!

Come and be mesmerized by an in person script reading by these three truly Cobrariffic voice actors! You’ll laugh, you’ll cry, you’ll all be required to yell… COBRA!

G.I. Joe Costuming - Ever wondered what it’s like to enlist in the ranks of Cobra, and join the nameless, faceless “Sea of Blue”? Always dreamed of portraying the Baroness, Snake Eyes, or even the evil leader himself, Cobra Commander? This panel is for you! Des, aka “Joe Colton” will go over some basics to get you started. She’ll guide you in some of the more complicated builds while offering resources and tips to help you build your very own costume!