A trip to the 2019 Texas Haunters Convention

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Texas Haunters
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Review

This weekend has been SPOOKTACULAR! I made it out to the inaugural Texas Haunters Convention in Memphis, TN. I do not know much about a convention attendance, so I'm never quite sure what to expect. Conventions are usually a mix of fun and work, something with a sense of wonder instead of exploring too much or too little.

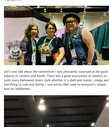
The convention is a cash and carry style two day Halloween convention geared towards haunt owners, industry professionals, home haunters, families, kids or lovers, and Halloween lovers (I fall into the latter category). It's a place to see what's new and what's old in the industry. There are also live demos, classes and vendor and video sections that are all geared towards the haunt world.

I had so much fun seeing all of the AMAZING and talented crafters, creators, and business at this venue. The event had over 50 booths consisting of vendors, haunters, guests, and more.

What made this event even more enjoyable was spending it with the Halloween Friends! FINALLY get to meet my inspiration behind starting my blog, Brian Quast (Brian Quast Productions) and his wife Jessica (the rascous Halloween pair) - Michelle, the ghoul behind Spooky Little Halloween!

Michelle, Jessica, Brian

Basically, attending events like this we were bound to run into another fellow Halloween friend and we hadn't had the pleasure of hanging out with and meeting the Darling Ghoul! So we'll the darling ghoul is a good friend of Brian and Jessica's and we finally got to meet her! Check out her blog for your best Halloween home accessories, pieces of Halloween art, and more! Jessica's sweet hearing and crazed is a power, but mellowed out is gorgeous!!!



Jessica, Darling Ghoul

Let's now talk about the convention! I was pleasantly surprised at the great balance of vendors and booth. There was a good assortment of vendors, extra extra Halloween lovers (care whether it's dark and mystic, creepy and cute, or just plain fun and exciting - I saw artists that cater to everyone's unique love for Halloween.

The event is also family friendly (and they have a kids costume contest!), sensitive, and inclusive. It's not just lightheartedness for kids, but we saw people of all ages, shapes, sizes, and more. The venue was large and it was also conveniently busy but not so busy to the point that you cannot fit through the aisles and breathe. It was busy enough to be good for business and for people to have and generate space and feel comfortable. Not good! Kind of bugs!

Missy Fringe Productions

Dee Smith (her definitely caught my attention was on the very end of an aisle and I'm so glad I stopped by! Dee's booth was full of fun and cute specimens of Halloween-inspired jewelry, hearts, and decor. Dee makes products from a variety of materials including resin gnoga, resin beasts, latex and more! Dee's booth was full of amazing pieces of art! Check out her name you see in the photo above and below on all FACEBOOK! **LOVE** These are amazing works of Halloween art!

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We learned that the owner actually lost part of his over finger working at his craft yet he continues to create after the tragedy (hence the name "Missing Finger Productions"). Dee's booth was full of amazing creations and talents - Will's free of Cute Dance a Fellow on Instagram and Facebook as well if you're guys is inspired by their work. It's OK! This is NOT a mocking of being in a wheelchair.

Jeanine Lee

Jeanine Lee also caught my attention with their large selection of jewelry, accessories, enamel pins and home decor. Zombie Lee has an actual store in Memphis, Tennessee (Zombie Lee's Emporium) and specializes in horror-metaphorical merch (all the good stuff, right?) Her products are find everything from clothing, footwear, costumes, masks, wigs, crystals, and more! Check out her store and her website (I can't wait for her Amazon) - only get a taste of their products at the convention.

Jeanine Lee

I ended up creating myself in some goodies (a decal and enamel pin) from Jeanine Lee's booth! Jeanine's pieces are perfect for my love for Halloween. Brian Quast, Jessica Darling Ghoul, and I ran for our lives (Halloween haunted houses, horror, sci-fi, ghoul music, and cult film! I do love good scares and good fun!) Jeanine's pins are perfect for Halloween and horror - metaphorical merch (all the good stuff, right?) Her products are find everything from clothing, footwear, costumes, masks, wigs, crystals, and more! Check out her store and her website (I can't wait for her Amazon) - only get a taste of their products at the convention.

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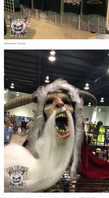
If you like what you see and can't make it out to the event you can order their products on their website.



Saint Shirt

I stopped by the Metalhead Threads booth and saw that they specialize in a mesmerizing of Halloween clothes revealing heat cut metal designs - transfixing from home decor and signs to pumpkin head t-shirts (stitched), metals and custom printed tees.

Metalhead Threads

Nothing like a little Kumiyuu in Judy Chandler Metalhead Threads!!!

This event was such a special commemoration event like no other drive-ability or convenience in Tulsa, OK where I live that celebrates haunts and Halloween all year long.

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It was totally worth the trip being able to experience this convention in it's first year. I can see it growing and becoming even more well received with more vendors and classes in the coming years.

Oh yeah, and Miranda and I got into some shenanigans and were thrown into a haunted jail for being too spooky...

Any event that is full of like-minded Halloween lovers and addicts alike make for something great! It was a Halloween dream getting to spend time with Spooky Little Halloween and Darling Ghoul as we were immersed in the Texas Haunters Convention experience together.

Next off on my Halloween travel bucket list...maybe Midsummer Scream 2020!

Yee-haw! That's all folks! Stay spooky!

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WHAT a super fun event! How exciting that you got to attend the first run for it. It really sounds like a perfect way to celebrate Summer! I love all the booths you found. I already started looking into a couple of them. I really hope you can make it to Midsummer Scream 2020! Although it can definitely get that too crowded feeling in the shopping parts. (But they get to use all the space this year versus last year, so I'm very eager to see how the flow changes because of that fact!)

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halloweenhead13 says:
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I hope so too! Looks like an absolute dream! I'm very excited to see what all you find this weekend at MSS.

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