



The Infinitem

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TEMPUS TIPSTER

Oops! We missed something...

In yesterday's Infinitem we said the "The water taxis start running at about 7:30 a.m., and the last return trip from City Walk is at around 2 p.m." What we meant to say was: "The shuttle buses and water taxi will run from 7:30 a.m. until 2:15 a.m. each day." Isn't that WAY better? Also, remember you can use the shuttle buses to go between all of the hotels and Citywalk.

Letter from Tempus Tipster

There's a lot to do at Infinitus and it can be easy to forget a few essential things... like drinking water, eating and even sleeping! So we're here to remind you that in order to survive the weekend, you should try to eat at least one good meal everyday, get at least a couple hours of sleep and definitely drink plenty of water (we'll have water stations all over the conference area) - it's going to be hot out there, so sunscreen is probably a good idea too. Here are a couple other reminders you may find useful!

Lost and Found will be located at the Registration Desk, but try to keep all your belongings safe on your person or in your rooms. Many rooms at the hotels have safes, and the front desks at the hotels have personalized safes as well. Utilize them for your irreplaceable *Night of a Thousand Wizards* tickets and other valuable items.

If there are any medical emergencies, all attendees should contact 911 and hotel security immediately. The Please Officers (our safety volunteers) are here to be supportive of the staff and attendees, and have no security- or medical-related authority or role.

Now that it's almost time to get packing, we want to remind you to pack for both hot & humid, outdoor weather as well as for chilly conference rooms. And don't forget those swimsuits! The Royal Pacific pool is just outside of the conference area. It's a great way to cool off.

And now, as promised, the seventh and final Infinitem.

Sincerely,

Tempus Tipster

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Infinitus 2010 Informal Programming is proud to present....

Fandom: A History

...a tribute to the fans who have found infinite ways to create, craft,
and celebrate their love for all things Potter

This walk-through multimedia museum will display artifacts and memorabilia in a variety of forms. Through physical, audio, and visual media, the creativity, dedication, talents, and friendship of our fandom will be displayed for all to enjoy. From costuming to fan-fiction to Wizard Wrock to collectibles and everything in between, Potter fans have found countless ways to become involved in the fandom.

Soon we will all gather once more to embark upon a new era in the Potterverse. With this momentous occasion, we will finally be able to experience Harry's world in ways we never imagined.

Our goal is to celebrate all that we have done, revel in this newest adventure, and begin our journey to create the future of our fandom. Just imagine the infinite possibilities!

Informal Programming News

Also, remember, we're having a Photo Scavenger Hunt! We will be providing teams of up to four Infinitus attendees with a list of characters, scenes, and crazy creatures related to the wizarding world. It is up to each team to find the things listed and take a picture of them that can be uploaded onto Flickr. From there the pictures will be judged by creativity, magical ingenious, and just plain hilarity for the chance to win fabulous prizes. The winning photos will be made into a slideshow and played in the common room.

Speaking of the common room, we've got some great programming planned and can't wait to share it with you. The schedule is getting it's final tweaks and will be posted to the Infinitus homepage very soon. If you want to get the latest updates, you can follow us on [Twitter](#) where we'll be posting all of our news, updates and more.

Still thinking about volunteering? We're looking for Common Room and Fandom Museum volunteers. And hey, there are perks! One of your favorite bands performing in the common room? Sign up for a volunteer shift during that time and get the best seat in the house! Email our lovely Volunteer Chair, Christine at volunteers@infinitus2010.org for more information.

Here are some quick links that you might find useful before you start your journey to Infinitus:

- [Events Listings](#)
- [Informal Programming](#)
- [Meet Ups](#)
- [Room Maps](#)
- [Registration FAQs](#)
- [General FAQ](#)

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Jodie Baird

- Infinitus Informal Programming

Wizard Rock

Infinitus's Wizard Rock schedule is bigger than ever. Check it out! Listen to those oldies but goodies at [Wizard Rock: Classics Night](#) featuring The Butterbeer Experience, The Moaning Myrtles, Justin Finch-Fletchley and the Sugar Quills, The Whomping Willows & The Remus Lupins. Later, it's time to dance and be merry at the [Wizard Rock: Pub Night](#) where you can join Witherwings, Swish and Flick, The House of Black w/MC Kreachers & Ministry of Magic. Then on Saturday, make your way over to the [Wizard Rock: Midnight Comedy Slam](#) for some LOLZ and good times. You can catch the Blibbering Humdingers, Fred Lives, Quaffle Kids, Hawthorn and Holly & The Parselmouths there.

Thursday

4:30 to 8:30 p.m. is [Wizard Rock: Classics Night](#)

10 p.m. to Midnight is [Wizard Rock: Pub Night](#)

Saturday

Midnight to 2 a.m. is [Wizard Rock: Midnight Comedy Slam](#)

Stay tuned for the Common Room's Wizard Rock: Unplugged schedule to be announced on our homepage.

Harvey Putter and the Ridiculous Premise

Infinitus guests will be the first to see the long-awaited feature-length Harry Potter film spoof "Harvey Putter and the Ridiculous Premise" starring Bryce Cone, Sunny Christian and Joe Scheibelhut. For fans by fans, the film also features Kiran Shah ("Lord of the Rings", "Chronicles of Narnia"), MuggleNet webmaster Emerson Spartz, and music by Wizard Rock bands such as The Remus Lupins, Oliver Boyd and the Remembralls, and Draco and the Malfoys.

The story revolves around celebrity bad boy wizard Harvey Putter, who discovers through his Snogwarts headmaster, Professor Mumblemore, that they are all merely fictitious characters in a best-selling children's book series. Harvey and his best friends-"poor witch trash" kid Rod Cheesely and bossy Hernia Grunger-are tasked with collecting seven magical books known as "Hortexts" in order to escape the book world before the final chapter.

The film premieres at Infinitus on Friday, July 16th from 7 to 9 p.m. in Banda Sea and you can enjoy encore showings on Saturday as well.

[More information is available here.](#)

Team StarKid & A Very Potter Sequel Premiere

4 PM- 8 PM, Saturday

"A Very Potter Sequel" is an unofficial, fan-made, parody sequel to the popular A Very Potter Musical series on Youtube. In case you missed it, check out the original on [their youtube channel here](#). This is not a ticketed event. Anyone with a full registration, Merlin's Circle registration or Saturday Day Pass can attend this premiere. The line will start at 3 p.m. and doors will open at 3:30 p.m. The room will be cleared after the Potter Pundits panel so the people in line will be the first to select their seats. There will be reserved seating for Merlin's Circle attendees. You can see the StarKid Potter cast at their merchandise and autograph tables before the show, or have your photo taken with the cast in Froggy's Photo Room on Saturday at 11:00 a.m.; [click here](#) to pre-order your photo session.

C&C Dessert Factory with Christian Coulson & Chris Rankin

Christian Coulson (Young Tom Riddle from Chamber of Secrets) and Chris Rankin (Percy Weasley) will be hosting a dessert event on Saturday from 7:30 until 8:45 p.m. Tickets can be purchased by anyone holding a full registration, a Merlin's Circle registration or a Saturday registration, and only thirty more tickets are available. Enjoy a chocolate fountain and mounds of other sweets, plus coffee, tea and lemonade, while participating in a Q&A with, and enjoying table visits from, Chris and Christian. Tickets are \$100 at the North Registration Desk.

In addition, both Chris and Christian will be participating in many more events at Infinitus, including autograph and photograph sessions during the weekend; there will be no charge for autographs if you bring your own Harry Potter

book or DVD, and your pass to have your photo taken with Christian and/or Chris. These tickets are available to purchase and will cost \$40 at the door.

Also, if you're attending *Night of a Thousand Wizards*, you can purchase \$5 raffle tickets to win a chance to travel through Harry Potter & the Forbidden Journey with either Christian Coulson or Chris Rankin! We'll be selling tickets on Thursday and on Friday through 2 p.m. (possibly on Wednesday, too), then drawing the names of six winners later on Friday. It's a once in a lifetime experience, and all proceeds from the raffle will be divided among the HP Alliance, Kids Need to Read and HPEF/Infinitus.

Night of Frivolity Ball

Costumes of all sorts will be welcome at....

The Night of Frivolity Ball

Have you ever wanted to dance like Elizabeth and Darcy in *Pride and Prejudice* or Scarlett and Rhett in *Gone With the Wind*? Well, this year at Infinitus, you will have a chance. The Night of Frivolity Ball will begin at 8 p.m. with two formal dances. Just like Harry and Parvati, you'll begin your evening spinning through the ballroom in your fancy dress best.

Never danced before? Don't worry, we'll have people there to help you learn the steps. Simply, show up and enjoy the evening. Still nervous, we'll be having a few practice sessions during the week. Thursday, we'll meet for practice in Timor Sea at 3:30, and Friday, we'll be in Java Sea 1 at 3:30.

At 9 p.m., the DJ will start playing your favorite Muggle and wizard rock music. Dress can be anything from casual to formal wear to costumes. It's just important that you are there to enjoy the wizard camaraderie - even if you have to wear dress robes that smell like Ron's Great Aunt Tessie. Oh, and we'll have a cash bar where you can purchase Muggle and magical beverages.

The Ball is included in all Full and Merlin's Circle registrations. If you have a one-day or two-day registration, you can add a ball ticket to your reservation for \$20 -or buy one for a friend at the Registration Desk during its staffed hours, until noon on Saturday. Did we mention that if you happen to be a Wizard Rock fan, your ball ticket will get you into the [Wrock Comedy Jam](#)?

The Final Battle

6-9 PM on Friday in Pacifica 7

[The Final Battle](#) is a full-length musical written by Lena Gabrielle, assisted by Mallory Vance, based on the final 200 pages of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows. It features a live orchestra, 50 person cast and stage crew. Having been directed and rehearsed solely over the Internet, Infinitus will be the first time the cast and crew has performed this musical, in person.

Quidditch

Quidditch is all the rage! Come out and support your favorite team or even join in the fun! The 141st Merlin's Cup Preliminary rounds run from 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. on Thursday. The pitch will also be available after the matches for pick-up Quidditch if you want to test your skills like the pros. On Saturday, from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., we conclude the event with the always exciting semi-finals and finals matches and we may have a few surprises as well. After the Merlin's Cup finals, we will have an exhibition match with players using International Quidditch Association rules; brooms and all. (Sorry kids, no flying this close to the roller coasters...it annoys the Dementors.) This year Quidditch will take place right outside the Royal Pacific conference area on the function lawn. We look forward to seeing you on the pitch!

Take a look [here](#) for more information and to sign our liability waiver.

~Hedwig

Head of Quidditch

Live Wizard Chess

by House of Black Productions, *Directed by: Serade Black, Tatiana422, & mars_reik*

Join us at 12 noon sharp, on Thursday, July 15th on the event lawn of the Royal Pacific Hotel to witness the first ever, Live Action Wizard Chess Match.

Performed by the cast of the Sarasota Medieval Fair and friends, watch as fans of the Harry Potter series bring the books and the final battle to life. Each character will be a piece on the board and as moves are called, they will be forced to fight to take a square. By decree of the Minister of Magic, we will be setting down our wands for more traditional 'Muggle' weaponry. Including: swords, staff, axes, rubber chickens, daggers, and much more! Although, I wouldn't put it past someone to cheat and bring a wand along! Cheer on Dumbledore's Army and the Order of the Phoenix as they step out against the Death Eaters. In this final showdown, Voldemort and Harry Potter will face off, surrounded by their allies and enemies, to duel to the yield....or maybe even to the death.

The Common Room

Welcome to the Infinitus Common Room where all houses are welcome!

The Common Room is a place to meet your friends, play a game or just have a rest. Want to Dance like a Veela or learn more about the Wizarding World, that's here too. It's about finding a relaxing place to socialize and providing a casual learning experience. Several meetup groups will be using the space and you too can gather with your friends in the Common Room. [Find out more here.](#) Information, friends, and fun are all waiting for you in the Common Room!

The Art Gallery

Fanartists have outdone themselves this year for Infinitus. Come see the wonderful pieces our artists have created in our Art Gallery. We'll also have some new official Harry Potter artwork from Art Insights courtesy of Leslie Combermale, including an exclusive piece created just for Infinitus. Leslie will be leading two sessions in the Art Gallery this year - The Art of Azkaban: A history and display of official Harry Potter Art (Friday 11 a.m.) and The Art of Storyboarding (Saturday 1:30 p.m.).

Hours for the Art Gallery are [here](#).

Auction Information

Did you fall in love with a painting in the Art Gallery? Do you have a few spare galleons burning a hole in your robes? Then the Infinitus auction is the place for you! Our artists and other sponsors have provided some wonderful items to go under the auction hammer. It's always a lot of fun to watch (anyone remember Snape in a Tub?) - even if you don't plan to buy. So stop by, you never know what you might find gem you might find...

Begins at 11 a.m. on Sunday in Pacifica 7.

A Note from Your Friendly Neighborhood Please Officers

We're here to help you have the best time that you can at Infinitus. And to do that, we wanted to let you know some important things like how to report a lost badge or what to do if you lose yours! We've also included a couple reminders on our badge policy so you can help us makes the queues go faster.

- Your badge is your ticket into the world of Infinitus. Without it you can't get into any of Infinitus's programming events (that includes the formal programming, wizard rock, A Very Potter Sequel, The Final Battle, the Film Festival room or your Quidditch team). Oftentimes, attendees store their event tickets in their badge too (like their NoaTW tickets). Losing your badge is something you want to avoid because while we can replace your badge, certain tickets are not replaceable. If you lose your Night of a Thousand Wizard ticket, we will not be able to replace it. (think of it like money)
- If you find a lonely and abandoned badge on its own, please turn it in to Registration or find a Please Officer so we can try and match it up with its owner.
- If you lose your badge, please come to Registration or, if it's closed, speak to the first Please Officer you see because we just may know where it is! If it's at Registration, you can claim it by showing your photo ID, or by accompanying your listed chaperone or your parent and having them show their ID. Badges must be claimed in person. (If you're putting your ID in your badge, keep an extra close eye on it.)
- If your badge hasn't been turned in, you can get a replacement by paying \$30 in cash at Registration. If Registration is closed, please ask the first Please Officer you can find and someone from Registration will be able to help you shortly. No replacement badges will be available between 7 p.m. on Friday and 8:00 AM on Saturday, or after 8 p.m. on Saturday. If you pay for a replacement and then find the original, please bring them both back to the registration desk during its hours of operation and we will give you ten dollars back.
- Please keep in mind that Infinitus cannot replace any *Night of a Thousand Wizards* tickets or wristbands, Ball wristbands, photograph or autograph tickets or any other admission media. Please copy down the number on the back of your NoaTW/Universal Orlando admission ticket and if you lose it, go to the Guest Relations window at Islands of Adventure or Universal Studios with a photo I.D. and they may be able to help you.

We're here to help everyone have a great time at Infinitus. Please take a moment to read [our Code of Conduct](#). We've highlighted a few things below that are important to remember:

- All attendees must wear their badges in a visible manner when attending any Infinitus event. We ask that you wear your badge around your neck so that we can check attendees into events, particularly the busier ones, more quickly. We would greatly appreciate your help with that.

- Although it seem like we're the only ones at the Royal Pacific, please remember that there are hotel guests who are not attendees of Infinitus. We will have the common room open late, and activities will be taking place throughout the night on some nights, so there are definitely places to congregate outside of hotel rooms. Out of respect for those guests, please be quiet in the hallways of the hotel after 11 p.m.
- The bartenders at the Royal Pacific Resort, CityWalk and Universal Orlando's theme parks including The Hog's Head Pub at The Wizarding World of Harry Potter will be carding anyone who looks like they are under 40, so be sure to bring your ID with you. Also, the hotel staff reserves the right to confiscate open containers that contain alcohol unless they were purchased in the conference space including the Ballroom or elsewhere at the Royal Pacific Resort. The hotel staff also reserves the right to ask any attendee to remove his or her mask or face coverings when showing an ID to obtain an alcoholic beverage.

If you have any questions about our Code of Conduct, please feel free to email us at info@infinitus2010.org. Once on-site, if you are having issues, you can find the nearest Please Officer who will be able to direct you to a member of senior staff who can assist you.

We're here to help you, so let us know if you have any questions, find a lost item (or lose one!), or just wanna say hi!

~The Please Officers

Hoot Hoot, Tweet Tweet!

The official tag for Infinitus is #infinitus2010 . So when you tweet about Infinitus, you can use the tag to announce meetups, coordinate with your friends, find each other in #wwohp and more. Also, we'll be attempting a Twitter Trend campaign at different times throughout Infinitus, so stay tuned to (where else?) our [Twitter](#) to be a part of the campaign!

PS: Tempus Tipster says, to vote for The Harry Potter Alliance in the Chase Community Giving Challenge on Facebook, and the HPA could win \$250,000. It takes only 30 seconds. Go to <http://bit.ly/hpaFTW> and vote! Voting ends July 12th, but don't wait. They are competing with over 500,000 organizations. Harry Potter Alliance for The Win!

Special thanks to Stephanie Falcos for The Infinitum mascot, 'Tempus Tipster'.

And don't forget, we're all over the web so friend us, follow us and join us!

- [Our Twitter](#)
- [Our Facebook](#)
- [MySpace](#)
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