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**GAMESTORM 14 READY TO RETURN TO THE VANCOUVER HILTON**  
***Hundreds of enthusiasts will take part in the weekend-long convention***

**VANCOUVER, Wash.** – In its 14<sup>th</sup> year overall and fifth consecutive year in Vancouver USA, GameStorm is returning to the Vancouver Hilton from March 22-25 to celebrate everything gaming including board games, role playing, console gaming, LARP, and children’s games. With about 1,000 people expected to attend, this annual convention is one of the biggest gaming events in the Pacific Northwest and is sponsored by the Oregon Science Fiction Conventions, Inc. ([www.osfci.org](http://www.osfci.org)).

“GameStorm continues to provide four days of non-stop gaming of all kinds,” said Jason Bostick, head of outreach for GameStorm. “From card and dice games to tabletop role playing, from video and LAN gaming to live action role playing, you will never be wanting for a game.”

In addition to gaming, there will be workshops, a swap meet, a miniatures painting contest, and a game lab, where game creators can test their prototype to the general public. Honored guests this year include Andrew Hackard and Sam Mitschke from Steve Jackson Games, as well as Jason Bulmahn from Paizo Games. These major players in the gaming community will lead panel discussions and provide demonstrations.

Additional entertainment includes the screening of *Going Cardboard*, a feature-length documentary on game designers, publishers, and their fans. Following the film there will be a Q&A with the filmmaker. On Saturday night the Doubleclicks, a local musical duo, will perform their original pieces on geek life and gaming.

“We are thrilled to have the GameStorm convention return to the Hilton Vancouver once again,” said Kim Bennett, President and CEO of the Vancouver USA Regional Tourism Office. “With hundreds of visitors flocking to the downtown core, it’s a great boost for the local restaurants, shops, and businesses. Plus, it’s a fun-filled family event that people of all ages can enjoy!”

For more information, including pricing, please visit [www.gamestorm.org](http://www.gamestorm.org).

**About Vancouver USA Regional Tourism Office**

Vancouver USA Regional Tourism Office (formerly Southwest Washington Convention & Visitors Bureau) is an economic development organization responsible for competitively marketing Vancouver and the surrounding area as a destination for meetings, conventions, and group and leisure travelers. The organization’s mission is to promote Vancouver and Clark County by increasing convention and visitor business. For more information call 360-750-1553, or visit to [www.VisitVancouverUSA.com](http://www.VisitVancouverUSA.com).

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