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A letter from our Chairman WELCOME!

BRASIL FURFEST 2018 – LIGHTS! CAMERAS! FURRIES! SCENE 3 – TAKE 1

On behalf of Brasil FurFest staff, I'd like to welcome all the actors in a great movie that's gonna be filmed this weekend at Mercure Santos Hotel!

For the third time we gather to celebrate our fandom in style and, this time, it's gonna be cinematographic!

It's a story full of unforgettable moments, laughter, hugs, tears of joy and emotion. The script looks promising and we'll have a happy ending for sure!

There is no bigger show than spending a weekend full of activities and fun with furries! And that's not all! This movie has in its plot meeting old and making new furry friends and renewing friendships that have been lost over time. We're the directors of this production and it's up to us to create the best scenes!

I'd like to thank once again all the furries who have believed and continue believing in hosting a furry hotel convention here in Brazil. The magic is in the union of our community!

And a great work of art is never complete without the talented artists who, very kindly, helped us to illustrate all the material of this year's Brasil FurFest. Thank you all!

Get your popcorn because it's gonna start a movie where we, furries, are the big stars! Enjoy! Silence in the studio.

Lights! Cameras! Furries!

Danny Lauderdale Brasil FurFest Chairman

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- LIGHT!
- CAMERA!
- ACTION! ANDDDD...
- CUT! IT'S DONE!
- OKAY, I'LL TELL THE AUDIENCE!

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- EVERYBODY HAVE A SEAT! THE MOVIE IS GOING TO START!
- WOOHOO!

RRRRRRR...

- "BRASIL FURFEST, BRAZIL'S FURRY CONVENTION"
- SIT DOWN AND ENJOY YOUR POPCORN, BRASIL FURFEST IS ABOUT TO START!

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How Brasil Furfest started ONCE UPON A DREAM

side frame

• February/2016:

Brasil FurFest announcement during Furboliche

• September/2016:

Furries in Santos. First BFF at Mercure Santos Hotel

• August/2017:

BFF 2017 brought together 287 furries from 9 countries.

The desire to hold a furry convention in a hotel in Brazil is longstanding. There has always been the question: Is it possible to do something like this in our country?

The furries that founded Furboliche (Sao Paulo's Furry bowling event held since 2014) believed so.

Since that time, they had planned a hotel event called "Confursao" (abbreviation for Convenção Furry de Sao Paulo, Portuguese for Sao Paulo's Furry Convention), but as they had no experience to hold a large event they decided to organize the bowling, in order to understand the dynamics of Furry Fandom.

In mid-2016, with the announcement of the end of another multi-day event happening in Sao Paulo's countryside, Furboliche staff announced they would make the already planned convention, but the name would change from Confursao to Brasil FurFest. The official announcement was made during Furboliche 5. During the presentation, the logo, photos, and videos of the venue were revealed, and it was said that everything would start with a crowdfunding. More structure and activities for the event would be added depending on the fundraising.

The goal was reached quickly, and the event was confirmed for September 2016.

The first Brasil FurFest, which had the theme "Furries in Santos", took place at Mercure Santos Hotel and brought together 169 furries from all corners of Brazil and 5 countries.

The second edition, which was held at the same venue in August 2017, reached new horizons with the theme "Furries in Space" and 287 attendees from 9 countries.

In both events, there were numerous activities amongst lectures, dance competition, games and even a book launch. And for the first time, a furry event in Brazil held a charity campaign.

Brasil FurFest's goal is to continue to be a meeting point for furry fandom, where furries from here and abroad can spend a unique weekend. The dream is more alive than ever. Thank you for being a part of it.

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FIRST TIME AT BFF?

If it is your première at the convention, here you can find some activities to meet other furries

FRIDAY NIGHT FEVER RAVE

Nothing better than a rave to start this weekend with the right paw! Come and dance to the sound of DJ Paloka! Friday, 22:00 - Vila Room/Hall

SOCIAL MIXER

Make friends and meet furries from Brazil and abroad in two different social mixers (in Portuguese and English)
Saturday, 10:00 – Vila Room

GAMING ROOM

Press play for fun in a room full of board games and an exciting video game tournament! Saturday, 16:00 – Vila Room

FURR-O-KE

Come and take part in this musical night where furries show that optimism exists in incredible musical performances ... or not.

Saturday, 21:00 - Vila Room

MAIN EVENTS

DANCE COMPETITION

Come to take part or cheer for your favorites in this great evening at Brasil Furfest. Make new friends at the audience, laugh with the funniest moments and feel the suspense in knowing the winner of this year is!

Saturday, 21:00 – Porto Room

FURSUIT GAMES

The cutest competition of all times. Have fun with the fursuiters in well-known games with all the limitation a fursuit can have. And tumbles, lots of tumbles! Sunday, 10:00 – Porto Room

FURSUIT PARADE

This is the opportunity to be seen wearing your fursuit or to see your favorite fursuiter. Saturday, 16:00 – Hotel Front Desk Level

QUIZ FURRY

Bring your cellphone and test your knowledge about the furry fandom! The best ones will get a prize! Sunday, 10:00 – Vila Room

CHARITY AUCTION

The most exciting moment at Brasil Furfest, when everyfur bids unique items. All money will be donated to the charity.

Sunday, 16:00 - Porto Room

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HOW TO FIND YOUR WAY AT BRASIL FURFEST

Here you can find the event map, the staff, and volunteers who will be with you this weekend. Do not hesitate in contacting our crew in case of doubts.

STAFF

DANNY, chairman
PATSY, co-chairman
RUBY, co-chairman
NANA, accreditation
TOBERAL, photographer
CASSHAN, lawyer
NIKI, security chief
JIHATDEN, infra-structure
RAZZEK, activities
NITRO, activities
ZENG, support to fursuiters
WHITE, IT

VOLUNTEERS

BFF volunteers are on hand to assist you throughout the event. They are wearing a purple vest.

And you can be a volunteer too! Brasil FurFest is growing very fast, and with the growth, there are logistics challenges as in any other event. We are recruiting volunteers to assist at the convention.

If you are attending the event and are over 18 years old, you are welcome to volunteer. Show up at the staff table in the hallway at Level L and find out what you can do to help.

When you volunteer, you get an exclusive volunteer bottom and credit on Brasil Furfest's 2019 registration.

Check out the rewards table and be a part of BFF!

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EVENT MAP

LEVEL L – It is mandatory having your badge to access the rooms and stay at the hotel's convention center.

FREE WI-FI - Username and password can be seen on signs at the convention center.

CAPTION:

- - Photo spot
- Toilets
- Elevator
- Emergency Exits
- Drinking Fountain
- Staff table

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SCHEDULE ACTIVITIES:

- 1 Opening Ceremony: Convention opening with theme presentation and event information.
- 2 Friday Night Rave: Party to the sound of electronic music to celebrate the beginning of Brasil FurFest.
- 3 Ziper Nas Costas Livestream: Igor Cebarros presents a live on YouTube from BFF.
- 5 Social Mixer (in Portuguese): an Interactive activity that helps in the integration of the attendees.
- 6 Social Mixer (in English): Integration between international and Brazilian attendees.
- **8 Dance Competition Auditions:** Time at which the inscriptions and the eliminatory hearings of the dance competition are going to be held.
- 14 Gaming Room: Place for videogame and board games competitions.
- **17 Dance Competition Grand Finale:** The grand finale of the dance competition, full of rhythm and fun.
- 19 Furr-o-ke: Set free the musical talent that is alive (or not) inside you!
- **21 Quiz Furry:** A questions and answers game about the furry fandom. Bring your cellphone to take part in the competition!)
- 27 Meet & Greet Furry Amino: Meeting of the Amino Furry app in Portuguese users.
- 28 Charity Auction: Bid and help the charity.
- **29 Closing Ceremony:** Conclusion of activities, acknowledgments and the official announcement of BFF 2019's theme.

WITH FURSUITERS:

16 Fursuit Parade: Fursuit parade around the hotel. *If it rains, photoshoot (Porto Room).

20 Fursuit Games: A competition for fursuiters with lots of cuteness and some tumbles.

WITH GUESTS OF HONOR:

15 Special Meal: Guests of Honor and Super Sponsors lunch at Da Franco Restaurant (CO level).

18 Fox Amoore Live: Musical presentation of the guest of honor Fox Amoore. *In English

31 Meet & Greet Crash Azarel: Photoshoot with the fursuiter and guest of honor Crash Azarel. *Hallway at Level L

PANELS AND WORKSHOPS:

9 Anthro Character Design 2 with El Ranno: Panel about character creation for animations and illustrations using examples of arts and games like Rivals of Aether.

10 Characters Into Action with Cristóbal Jofré: How to create characters and turn them into a story, using the comic book "Franko - Fables of the Last Earth" as an example. *In Spanish

11 Illustration and Composition with Hwei Chow: Interactive activity on the creation and development of the scene in illustrations, focusing on ideas and feelings transmission through images.

12 Narrative Structure with Hreter: Learn and exercise basic narrative concepts so that your work, be it a short story, a comic book or a game, gets more fun and efficient. **13 Furry for Parents:** Roundtable about the furry fandom with the parents and followers of BFF's attendees.

22 Movie Session - XDragoon 10 years with Felipe Marcantonio: A film session with

XDragoon animations and a panel with the author commenting on the series trajectory.

23 Yellow September with Pulguiinha Lira: Panel about Suicide Prevention, with video presentation with arts of several furries who collaborated with the project.

24 Harmonious Interactions in the Furry Fandom with Setzer & Wage: Panel on themes related to online and offline behavior. How disagreements arise and how to avoid or minimize them.

25 Furries in the Seventh Art with Furry Brasil: Anthropomorphic animals have always been in movies. From Fleischer Studios' animations to Zootopia, the Furry Brazil team is going to make a comprehensive timeline of the furry landmarks within the seventh art.

26 Storytelling & Worldbuilding with Policho: A panel on how to tell stories, where to place them, what details are important in creating a narrative and what gives you credibility. *In English

ART ACTIVITIES:

4 Dealers Den: Market with the sale of furry art and handicrafts.

7 Artist's Room: A place with tables for the illustrators.

RULES OF CONDUCT

Brasil FurFest has as a goal being a friendly and respectful event for everybody in the furry fandom. To avoid misunderstandings about acceptable behavior at a furry convention, we suggest you read and follow these rules of conduct. Keep in mind these rules apply throughout the convention on the public areas where the event happens.

GENERAL RULES

Any actions that cause interference to the progress of the event, that affect the relationship between the participants and/or between the participants and the staff, that cause material damages to the hotel and/or places hosting event activities, will result in the immediate expulsion of the attendees involved. The rules of conduct below overlap the other rules of the regulation and must be fully respected:

All attendees must be kind to other attendees, event staff, hotel guests, employees of the commercial establishments linked to the event and other persons attending the event. All attendees must respect and follow the warnings given by the staff of the event. Brasil FurFest will not tolerate any forms of harassment or intolerance (moral, physical, prejudice, intimidation, not respecting the space of others), physical or verbal violence, creepy behavior towards attendees and/or staffs, clothing showing or simulating intimate parts, material damage to venues related to the event.

In case of non-compliance with the above rules, all attendees involved and/or guests of the rooms will be held responsible.

REGISTRATION AND BADGES

Everyone must carry an original identity document (or one that has public faith), which has a photo, at the time of accreditation. Certified copies or photos are not considered valid documents, by Brazilian law.

Participants agree to use the badge provided for the event throughout the convention. Badges can and will be requested by staff at any time in all convention activities.

HOTEL RULES

It is forbidden dumping (on the floor, through the windows) or lack of hygiene in any dependence of the hotel, including the rooms.

If damages are caused at the hotel, all attendees involved and/or guests of the rooms will be held responsible.

It is forbidden to have more people in the room than the hotel allows, by Brazilian law.

PARTIES AND MEETINGS

Meetings in the hotel rooms cannot make excessive noise after 10 pm, according to the Law of Silence.

It is forbidden to make parties or meetings in the corridors and public areas of the hotel. In case of excessive noise, in any place, only a warning will be given by the staff of the event. The second warning will be made by hotel staff accompanied by the police authority.

DRESS CODE

It is mandatory for all people involved in the event to wear clothing that covers the intimate parts, in all areas of public access, during the entire period of the event.

Fetish costumes and/or demonstrations of fetishes during the event, even if only a part of the composition or all of a costume or costume, are prohibited.

Costumes that simulate children and baby characters (babyfur) are prohibited.

It is forbidden to use body paint without prior permission of the staff.

Sexual behavior or behavior that exceeds the limits of public display of affection is prohibited. It is prohibited to display photos or any graphic material with human or anthropomorphic pornography (yiff) in public places.

ALCOHOL AND OTHER SUBSTANCES

Attendees who get drunk and who are in a state of incapacitation will be taken to their rooms and an ambulance will be called.

Any participant caught in possession of drugs, narcotic or other substances not allowed by law will be denounced and/or taken to police authority.

Smoking is prohibited in any closed environments by Brazilian law, including hotel rooms.

Other rules of conduct may be announced as the event unfolds.

All the attendees agree with Brasil FurFest's regulation, available at http://brasilfurfest.com.br/en/rules/ .

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- At least 6 hours of sleep, 2 meals and 1 bath per day.
- Before taking a photo with someone, ask for permission
- Don't awoo at the hotel balconies after 10 pm. \$350 penalty.
- Wear clothing in public areas. Believe me, the mystery is better.
- Respect each other's space. Everyfur has its own space on the scene.
- Do not pull the fursuiters' tail. They will get very angry and rightly so.
- Have your badge with you at all times. Taking fingerprints from furry fingers is hard.
- Avoid controversial subjects. No one can handle politics anymore.
- Do not take pictures inside the fursuit lounge. Respect privacy.

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"They were going to duel for something, but they decided to go to the Saloon to celebrate Furry Fandom."

Crash Azarel and Fox Amoore in

Brasil FurFest. An adventure in the Old Southeast... of Brazil.

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CINEMATOGRAPHIC GUESTS OF HONOR

The magic of cinema is created putting video and audio together. Brasil FurFest's guests of honor could not fail to represent this perfect union, which makes the seventh art so passionate!

VIDEO: To represent video, we brought the owner of the biggest Brazilian channel of exclusively furry content on Youtube, Crash Azarel, one of the most recognized figures among Brazilian furries. Now it's your turn to meet him.

AUDIO: To represent audio, Brasil FurFest is welcoming a true legend of furry fandom, Fox Amoore. His songs are a fever among the furries of several countries and now it is time for Brazil to appreciate this talent closely.

CRASH AZAREL

He always introduces himself the same way: "Hello! I'm Crash". This is Crash Azarel, a captivating gray wolf that, besides being a fursuiter, is the owner of the biggest Brazilian channel of exclusively furry content on Youtube.

He is very charismatic and his performances on his channel – besides drawings of his fursona – made him one of the most famous Brazilian furries abroad.

Nowadays, this assertive wolf from Salvador, Bahia, is truly the furry ambassador of Brazil in social networks and also in events of our fandom overseas. In 2017 he attended the Spanish furry convention, Furrnión, and after Brasil FurFest, Crash is going to Berlin, Germany,

to attend Eurofurence, the furry convention of the old continent. But this is just the beginning! Crash already got invitations to attend other international conventions in the coming years.

Besides being a fursuiter and YouTuber, Crash likes to draw his fursona. In his own words: "I like to draw, fursuit and commission arts of my fursona! It makes a little bit difficult to decide if I'm a fursuiter, an anthro artist or just a furry art lover."

At Brasil, FurFest 2018, in addition to joining a photoshoot on Sunday, Crash will be one of the judges of the Dance Competition, showing his immense charisma and cuteness at the event's gala evening.

SEE MORE AT www.youtube.com/crashazarel

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FOX AMOORE

An outstanding artist, Fox Amoore is one of the most well-known furries in the world when it comes to musical content. His talent as a composer and performer crossed the borders of the furry fandom, reaching the music industry.

Fox's live performances are unique and have spread all over the world. He has performed in places such as Albert Hall and Cavern Club in Liverpool. In addition to the concerts, this Scottish artist has built a global reputation with his inspirational works. Fox has already recorded two albums at the famous English studio Abbey Road.

Although Fox Amoore focuses on original modern works, he is also known for his personal interpretations of soundtracks, pop songs, and video game OSTs. His experimental pieces are also very popular, ranging from ragtime to dance and techno. The furry themed songs, which he presents along with Pepper Coyote (they form the duo Foxes and Peppers), are a real fever among furries in several countries, including Brazil.

Fox Amoore is also fursuiter and his fursona is a young magical red fox known as Fox Krystoph Amoore. The story of his fursona is a mystery, although it is known that he was born in another dimension and came here due to a last-minute saving action of his parents.

In addition to being a musician and fursuiter, Fox Amoore is one of the administrators of FurAffinity, one of the largest furry sites in the world.

SEE MORE AT www.foxamoore.com

SCHEDULE INTERACT WITH THE GUESTS OF HONOR

Brasil FurFest is a unique opportunity for furries to meet some of the most well-known characters from national and international fandom.

During the convention this you can take part in some activities with the guests of honor, as stated on the schedule.

You can interact with them during the event as well! Chat, take pictures and get to know them better.

Our guests of honor are here to interact with all the attendees. And one important thing: they don't bite!

Meet & Greet with Crash Azarel

Hall, level L Sunday, 13:00

Fox Amoore Live!

Porto Room

Saturday, 21:00 (during Dance Competition)

Attendees' opinion GREAT REVIEWS NATIONAL E INTERNATIONAL

Furries from Brazil and abroad took part in the first editions of Brasil FurFest. Now some of them share their experiences and the joy of returning.

In 2018 we are celebrating Brasil FurFest's third year, and among furries from Brazil and abroad the event is considered very successful. And there's nothing better than getting to know the opinion of who actually makes this furry convention be what it is today.

We invited four furries who are returning to BFF this year to talk about their experiences and what moves them to go to the event.

We asked Pulguiinha - who is an attendee from São Paulo capital, known for her beautiful cat fursuit – what made her come to Brasil FurFest the first time she did. "The convention itself, the opportunity to spend a few days with friends, in addition to being able to enjoy a furry event," says the cat from São Paulo, who adds that "the quality of the event has been growing as the years go by."

In addition to the dance competition, which is one of her favorite moments, in 2018 Pulguiinha hopes that she will be able to raise awareness among attendees in the panel she is going to present on suicide prevention: "It is a serious matter that should be discussed," she says. Despite the difficult subject, she emphasizes that the feeling she has during the event is always of happiness and that she gets anxious before each BFF.

Happiness is what Kihyen also feels when he takes part in Brasil FurFest. This furry from Rio de Janeiro, who has been in the fandom since 2011, credits the success of the event to the fact that "it is a multi-day event in which everyone has the chance to meet a large number of talented furries from all over the country and around the world".

When asked about the reason for returning in 2018, Kihyen states that "the event is made by the people who take part in it. As the event has grown in recent years and shown new attractions, I have reasons to always return!"

Now, Kihyen wants to discover Santos and get X-Furger's dish-souvenir. "I missed the chance. It is the desire to be everywhere at the same time", he justifies.

Speaking in many places, Kihyen wants "the event to be much more successful! Especially when more furries from all over the world come".

Foreigners are part of Brasil FurFest since 2016. The Paraguayans were the first furries from outside Brazil to register at the convention. Kiliguana, one of the founders of the furries group from the neighboring country, has been a BFF enthusiast since the beginning. "Going to a furry convention has always been my dream to meet and talk with other furries".

We asked this furry veteran, who has been a part of the fandom since the mid-1990s, his favorite moment at BFF. "It's the super sponsor's dinner, where we can sit down and share quiet moments with everyone at the table.

He adds that the fact BFF is the first furry hotel convention in South America attracted much attention. "I hope it keeps growing, that more furries come".

If Paraguay was the first country to send furries to the convention, Argentina is today, after Brazil, the country with more attendees at BFF. Last year there were almost 30 furries from the neighboring country invading our territories.

One of them is Policho, who has been organizing furry events in Buenos Aires with other furries for ten years. He says he came to BFF because "joining hundreds of furries for an event is a special achievement, especially here in South America."

Policho points out that "there is a very good feeling of unity and belonging, it is as if everyone is giving his best to make this event memorable" and says that one of the things that he liked doing last year was wearing his fursuit all the time.

The porteño furry adds that the BFF has become a great excuse to travel and meet old friends. "I want to spend unforgettable moments with everybody again" and leaves a message: "I'm already saving some money to have the chairman dancing again at the Dance Competition," he says.

They are back!

PULGUIINHA São Paulo, SP, Brazil

KIHYEN Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil

KILIGUANA Asuncion, Paraguay

POLICHO Buenos Aires, Argentina

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XDragoon anniversary
A X YEARS OLD DRAGON
*X means 10 in roman numbers.

Felipe Marcantonio's XDragoon webseries celebrates its 10th anniversary at Brasil FurFest!

One of the most influential digital comics, XDragoon, the series created by illustrator Felipe Marcantonio, known both by furries and general public, celebrates its first decade of existence!

The illustrated webseries that narrates the stories and adventures of the dragons Rocky and Alfred with a human named Renata was created to be an animation project, but because of lack of resources, it became an online comic, having its first chapter released in August 2008.

XDragoon featured four seasons in more than 35 stories, counting more than 1,800 pages available for reading on its official website. In addition to this material, special chapters, publications and a spin-off series called "XDragoon: Rockstar" were produced, what added some preliminary ideas of the project in action.

The XDragoon series was completed in November 2016, but this was not the end because a new project - and the author's old goal - was started: XDragoon - "Fire King", an adaptation of the story that was being published at Neo Tokyo magazine (Escala Publishers).

Throughout 2017, Felipe produced material and had help and support of the Miura Jam channel and the Imagine Sound Thinking studio. The first episode was released on January 22, 2018, National Animation Day, and the artist continues producing new episodes!

Felipe Marcantonio, who was one of Brasil FurFest's guests of honor in 2017, is celebrating XDragoon's ten years of success at this year's event with the presentation of the character's story and a movie session with the animated episodes already produced. XDragoon's movie session is on Sunday, 13:00 at Porto Room.

SEE MORE AT:

xdragoon.com facebook.com/XDragoonSeries youtube.com/XDragoonCanalOficial twitter.com/xdragoon

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A MOVIE SESSION TO CELEBRATE XDRAGOON CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF THE GREATEST BRAZILIAN WEBSERIES SUNDAY, 13:00 – PORTO ROOM

CONCESSIONS By Hreter

They say Hollywood nights are magical. That in this Los Angeles neighborhood, more than anywhere else in the world, dreams become more palpable. It is as if its inhabitants' illusions, altogether, brought the impossible to reality. Like if the movies produced there brought them closer, if just for a small moment, to the ideal world.

For Sofia, it had been some time this wasn't more than a phony chatter. Phony ideas that convinced her, in her youth, to leave her city in the countryside and, with her eyes shining like the spotlights and her chest full of her own dreams, convinced her to try her feline luck in the world's greatest cinema stage. Years were spent feeding her hunger serving coffees and cleaning houses, and more than a decade feeding her own illusions with small parts in humble Productions, little by little capturing better opportunities, meeting people, overcoming obstacles. Many obstacles. Terrible and exhausting obstacles, each of them demanding a piece of herself.

The worst of all, though, was right there, sitting in front of her, angry eyes, twisted muzzle and whipping tail behind her.

-You can't do this – the coyote growled.

Sofia had waited for everything to be ready for the next day's recording and all the production team to leave to talk to the director of her first big project as executive producer. And her best friend.

-You knew this was going to end up happening, Kate – sighed the lynx. She kept a little hope that this conversation was going to be simple – I told you.

-And you remember what I told you when we signed the contract? "Not a chance." – the coyote kept hitting the table every five words, adding seriousness to her words – And even then, I made concessions! Every time we sat to review the script, you bothered me to take something out with this coward producer chat, and I would give in. The pool scene. Remember the pool scene? It was one of the first scenes I explained when I began writing this idea, way back there. You loved it, remember? You were lying in my house's coach, your legs raised 'cause you had been standing all week long in that crappy job. And you fell in love with the characters inside that pool. "And then?" you asked. "What happens next?" What happens is that the pool became this boring kitchen and the conversation had to be rewritten in order to have some old dogs give us some extra millions.

-These millions are what pay your salary, my salary, the team's salary and the actors who accepted to work in the first big production of a newbie director – Sofia let her tiredness flow in words – These dogs, old and disgusting as they are, are who are permitting your dream to come true.

-My dream?! My dream was to say important things, to tell stories that mean more than some millions in someone else's pockets. It was to at least be able to feel proud of my work – the coyote threw her arms upwards as if trying to embrace the whole background – This was never my dream.

-You need to be patient, Kate. Do you really think I like to deal with this world? The power play? Feeling vulnerable and powerless? – the lynx curved herself over the table, fist clenched –. It's your first movie. It's our first real movie. If we make this concession now, if the movie s a success, we'll have more voice. More power. We'll be able to do more next time. And even more in the following ones!

-Not a chance. If the movie is a success, we'll have more money. And more money means more responsibilities. And more responsibilities mean more old dogs drooling on our necks during the production – she also bends herself over the table, her hands over Sofia's fist – You can't escape this cycle, Sophie. There'll always be someone bossing us around, making us do what we don't want to, something safe, artificial. We need to break it now. That kiss must be there.

-It's just a kiss... – the words slipped through Sofia's mouth.

Kate approaches her long muzzle to the lynx and kisses her as calm as she did the first time, almost ten years ago, in a private pool they had invaded after drinking enough to feel brave and powerful. Sofia felt her fur shiver, remembering the cold water. Sofia felt a single tear fall down, remembering that kiss' warmth.

-If we keep this way, Sophie – Kate whispered, after separating, eyes staring at Sofia, begging – it will always be only a kiss.

Sofia smiles for the first time that evening and felt the same relief as when she decided, finally, to leave her life behind and move to that city. As if the difficulties that were about to come were not her problem anymore, now that she had made her decision.

-And then what? - she asked with a smile - What happens next?

They say Hollywood nights are magical. A phony chatter that helps to sell the same old stories. But once in a while moment of true magic show up. Rare but powerful, when people give themselves the luxury of bringing to reality a small piece of their dreams. Making, this way, their realities so much more real.

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Charity Campaign A HAPPY ENDING FOR STREET ANIMALS

It is with great pride that Brasil FurFest once again promotes the charity campaign helping NGO SOS Vida Pet Litoral, that helps to keep shelters for Santos' street animals, where we hold the event.

More than being a furry convention, Brasil FurFest also wants to make the difference. With this in mind and following the tradition of the furry conventions held all over the world, one of our activities is a charity campaign.

Brasil FurFest is the first event of the Brazilian furry fandom to collect donations from its attendees.

In 2016, furries donated R\$ 420.00 to Mapan, an entity that collects animals from the street, giving shelter and looking for people who want to adopt pets in a responsible way.

In Brasil FurFest 2017, R\$ 2,668.10 was raised for NGO SOS Vida Pet Baixada Santista, that will again be the entity benefited by our charity campaign. The NGO changed its name to SOS Vida Pet Litoral earlier this year.

The 2018 charity campaign has a similar goal: helping the group support dozens of shelters maintained by ordinary citizens of Santos, who like animals and collect them from the streets on a voluntary basis.

The pets stay with the protectors until they are adopted by people who also love animals.

These shelters, however, only rely on donations of provisions and food to continue to exist.

Brasil FurFest's goal for 2018 is to achieve an even greater value than last year to help this group continue its work.

We invite participants to leave their donations in orange charity cans throughout the weekend. It is also possible to donate by bidding at the Charity Auction on Sunday at 16:00 in Porto Room.

Participate, donate, help. Let's show the world that when we come together, we can accomplish incredible things!

Get to know more about the NGO at facebook.com/sosvidapetlitoral

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Brazil FurFest and Megaplex leaders take a photo together at the closing ceremony of the Orlando convention

Sister conventions UNITED FURRIES OF AMERICAS

Get to know Megaplex, the furry convention of Florida, which along with Brasil FurFest, proves that the furry community has no borders!

Furry conventions emerged in the US in the early 1990s and since then have spread throughout the United States and around the world. Orlando, one of the most visited places by Brazilians abroad, also has its great furry convention, Megaplex. And because Orlando has such a strong connection with Brazil, the affinity between Megaplex and Brasil FurFest staff ended up happening naturally in Internet conversations.

In 2017, Brasil FurFest's leaders visited Florida and took part in the convention, a time that was special for both events. In the end, a beautiful tribute with the flags of BFF and Megaplex was performed. It evoked peals of applause on everyone at the closing ceremony, passing on the message that our fandom has no boundaries. After this gesture, the conventions agreed to keep the flag of the partner convention in their respective hotels, marking the friendship between furries of both hemispheres.

The partnership began for real in 2018. Some members of Brasil FurFest's organization worked in Megaplex's staff, in volunteering and event operation areas, knowing the backstage of this great American convention.

An intense experience of exchange of ideas and information started with the intention of incorporating novelties and adding knowledge.

Megaplex is recognized in fandom for bringing some innovations to the big furry events, including streaming live the event via the internet (since 2005) and having been the first furry convention to have a mascot: Pounce, a common panther in the Florida landscape which, unfortunately, is at risk of extinction.

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Created in 2002 to replace the canceled Furry Spring Break event, a group of furries from central Florida decided to start Pawpet Live Experiences with the intention of hosting the furry event that would be called Megaplex Pawpet at the time.

Megaplex's stated goal since then is to provide "a celebration of arts and performance, with a focus on anthropomorphism and fantasy." The programming over the years has focused on promoting furry art, activities for fursuits, puppet shows and improvisation and other types of

performance, such as the famous dance competition. Megaplex today is the eighth furry convention in the world in terms of attendance. In 2017, the event had more than 2.400 furries for 4 days of activities related to our fandom.

But it's not just partying and furries. The Florida event also has its share of social responsibility. Since the first edition of Megaplex, the convention has supported animal rescue NGOs C.A.R.E. Foundation, conducting the ever-attended charity auction, as well as other challenges for fundraising. Since 2010, Megaplex auctions badge number 001 of the following year, already starting the campaign. In 2017, a total of US\$ 12.200 was raised in the charity campaign, an increase of over 30% from the previous year. Over the years, during the auction, C.A.R.E held an interaction between the participants and some animals that are housed by the organization.

Megaplex is the most accessible American furry convention for Brazilians since Florida has several flights to Brazil and the city of Orlando is the most friendly destination for Brazilians visiting the USA.

Here is our tip for anyone who wants to travel and go to great furry conventions in the USA: visit Megaplex. The Florida furries are waiting for you with open arms!

IN 2019

Megaplex next year is going to have as a theme The Greatest Escape, a tribute to magicians like Houdini and also an allusion to escape rooms so common these days. The event will take place at the Caribe Royale resort in Orlando, August 9-11.

More information about the convention at: www.megaplexcon.org

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More events FURRY FANDOM AS BIG AS BRAZIL

The furry events are spreading across the country. United we can do more!

Furries from every corner of our country are more and more gathering in furry events. And this is great news for our fandom.

From north to south, furries are able to meet others and see anthropomorphic arts.

Since 2017 the biggest events in our fandom gather in an internet group that aims to be a space for free cooperation between the organizers.

FLEF - freely translated as "Forum of Furry Events Leaders" - has no leadership, no directors and is available to everyone who wishes to donate their time to organize public events furry-themed, as long as they are repeating and register their participants.

Each event can name three staff members to be part of the forum and collaborate with design and activities ideas, experiences, supplier contacts, among other useful info.

The first face-to-face meeting of FLEF took place during Brasil FurFest 2017, where members of furry events were able to talk and exchange experiences.

Now it's time for the next step. There are big cities and regions in Brasil that still have no events.

FLEF wants to help and offers itself to furries who think about initiating events locally in our fandom.

Let's spread the furry fandom all over Brazil!

On the following board are listed all events that, besides Brasil Furfest, are members of FLEF.

Join in and enjoy ALL furry events, no matter who organizes it, wherever it may be or whatever is its theme.

Let's show furry fandom in Brazil is united and we can always have fun together!

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