

# RAVENCON

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

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### FRIDAY 6:00 PM

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#### WELCOME TO SHIELD

Cove Suite (Room 802) – 50 minutes

New agents are assigned code names and assessed on map-reading abilities. (Children will pick out code names and be given a tour of RavenCon.)

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### SATURDAY 9:00 AM

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#### SHIELD TECH TRAINING

Cove – 30 minutes

New Agents will begin assembling their gear for their first official mission and will be assessed on information gathering skills. (Children will be making binoculars with toilet paper tubes.)

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### SATURDAY 9:30 AM

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#### SHIELD UNDERCOVER TRAINING

Cove – 30 minutes

New Agents will study and practice the fine art of disguise.

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### SATURDAY 10:00 AM

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#### SHIELD INTERROGATION TRAINING

Cove – 30 minutes

New Agents will be assessed on their interrogation techniques. (Children will be playing a variation of Hedbanz Guessing Fun Board Game.)

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### SATURDAY 10:30 AM

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#### SHIELD CRYPTOGRAPHY TRAINING

Cove – 30 minutes

New Agents will study and practice cryptography. (Children will be reading and practicing codes.)

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### SATURDAY 11:30 AM

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#### SHIELD MISSION #1

Cove – 30 minutes

New Agents will undertake their first mission. The mission is to retrieve artifacts stolen by HYDRA and hidden within a maze of lasers. (Laser maze is an obstacle course made of yarn.)

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### SATURDAY 12:30 PM

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#### SHIELD MISSION #2

Cove – 3 hours

SHIELD has received information that HYDRA is planning to sabotage RavenCon. All agents report. (This is the beginning of the Scavenger Hunt. Attention Con Goers: Children will be looking for tiny Tesseract cylinders. These are highly unstable and can only be handled by trained SHIELD operatives; if you see them throughout the convention, please do not remove them.)

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### SATURDAY 5:00 PM

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#### READING: THE TELL-TALE HEART

Cove – 50 minutes

Many people will tell you that their earliest memory of Edgar Allan Poe is hearing "The Tell-Tale Heart" as a child. So we encourage all kids (of any age) to come and experience Poe's classic story for the first (or 101st) time.

Panelists: *Michael D. Pederson*

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### SATURDAY 6:00 PM

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#### COTTON BRACELET WORKSHOP

Cove – 2-hour workshop

Tie a complex Turk's-head in string to make a bracelet. Ages 8 and up. Limit of 10 participants at a time. Adults are welcome to come and try their hand at making a cotton bracelet as well.

Panelists: *Loren Damewood*

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### SUNDAY 9:00 AM

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#### KIDS AND REAL MONSTERS

Anna – 50 minutes

What are your favorite monsters? Are they real? How do we know? Join a scientist and monster researcher to talk and think about your favorite monsters and why they scare you. (For parents and kids together.)

Panelists: *Sharon Hill*

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### SUNDAY 1:00 PM

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#### CHILDREN'S WRITING WORKSHOP

Cove – 2-hour workshop

Today, when anyone, including children and teenagers, can self-publish in the genres of science fiction, fantasy, horror and paranormal, any young adult can benefit from a workshop on the basics of writing. The participants will work on a short story and discuss the basics of editing.

Panelists: *Pamela K. Kinney*