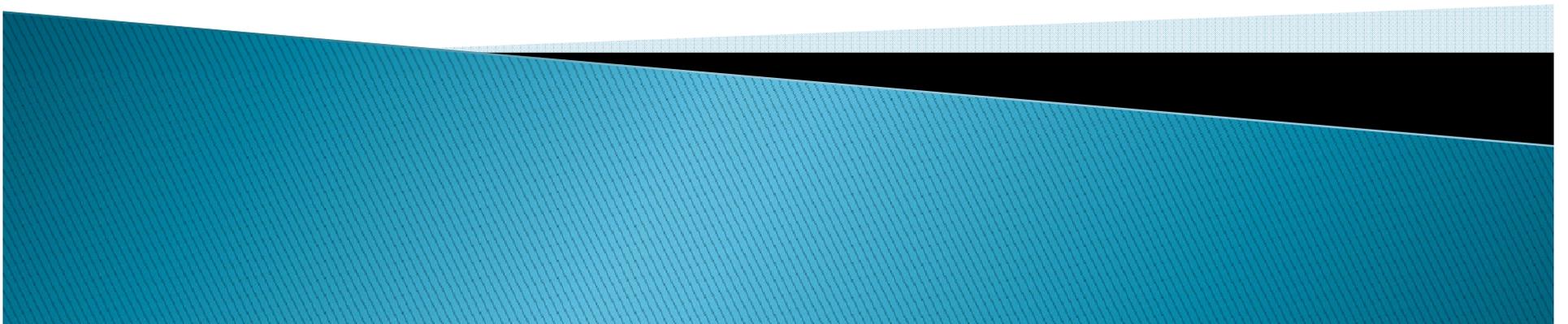
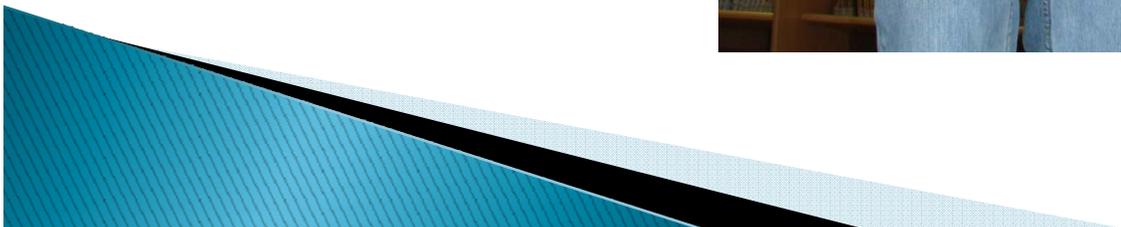


# Anime Conventions & Asian Cultural Programming

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# So, your patrons love anime...



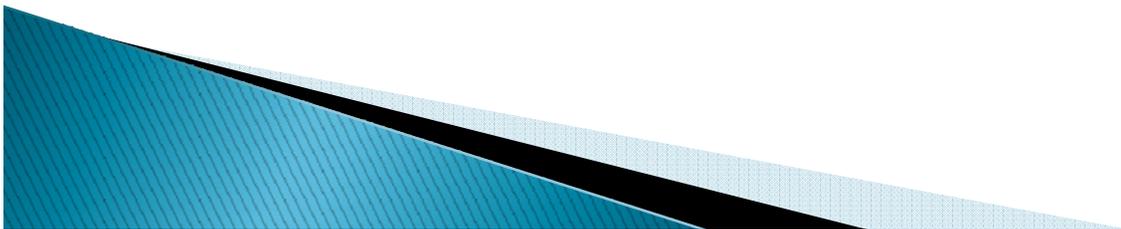
# What is an “AnimeCon”?

- ▶ Large-scale events
- ▶ Conference-like event with sessions, activities, and fun!
- ▶ Chance for participants to pick and choose activities
- ▶ Be prepared with the lingo: “con”, “cosplay”, “gothic/lolita”, “meccha”, etc.



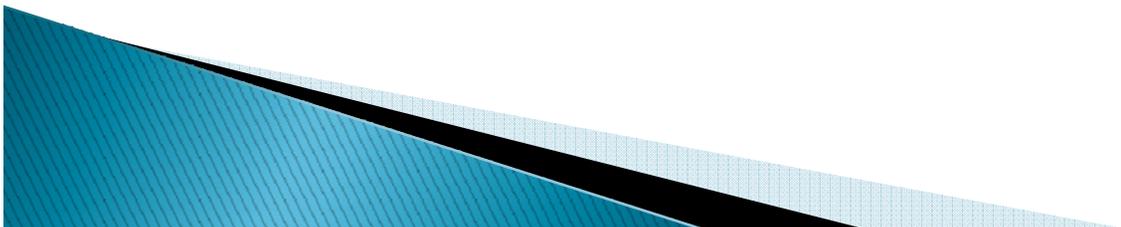
# Programming

- ▶ Asian culture
- ▶ Art
- ▶ Gaming
- ▶ Panels
- ▶ Participant Led Activities & Contests
- ▶ Crafts



# Asian Culture

- ▶ Language instruction
- ▶ Traditions/Festivals
- ▶ Teaching English in Japan
- ▶ Kendo/Martial Arts



# Art

- ▶ Leveled classes
- ▶ Styles & themes
- ▶ Anime graffiti wall \*
- ▶ Art exhibits



# Anime Graffiti Wall



## Supplies:

- Rolls of white butcher paper
- Markers, pencils



# Gaming

- ▶ Dance Dance Revolution & Guitar Hero
- ▶ Yu-Gi-Oh
- ▶ Online games \*
- ▶ GO
- ▶ Chopsticks game \*



# Online Games

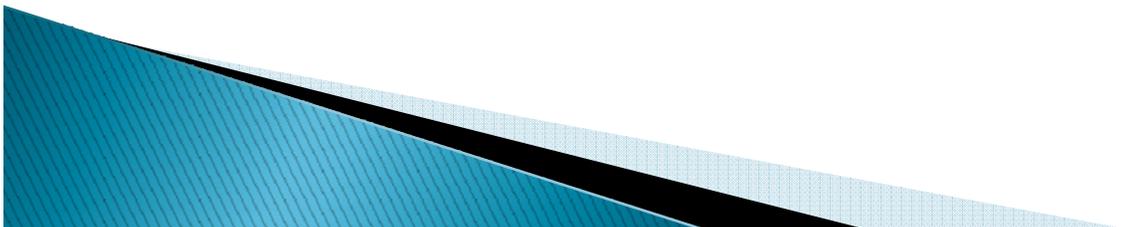
- ▶ Anime-themed “paper” dolls:

<http://www.dressupgames.com/shugo-chara/>

(dress up games)

- ▶ Online Trivia:

- <http://www.sporcle.com/>



# Chopsticks Agility



## Supplies:

- Uncooked rice
- Bowls
- Chopsticks
- Random “stuff”
- Stopwatch

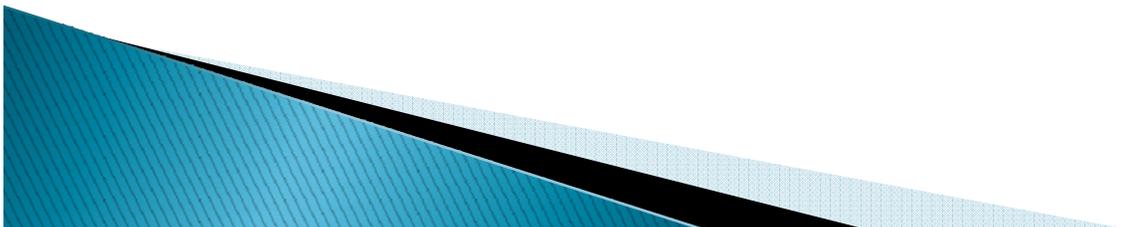
# Panels

- ▶ Make them teen-led
- ▶ Information sessions
- ▶ Hot topics



# Participant-led activities/contests

- ▶ Whose Line is it Anime?
- ▶ Anime Skits/Dances
- ▶ Project Cosplay
- ▶ Harajuku relay \*
- ▶ Ramen Contest \*
- ▶ Anime Debate Club \*



# Harajuku

- ▶ Pop tradition
- ▶ Fashion & styles



# Harajuku Relay

## Supplies:

- Random clothing items
- Wigs
- Stopwatch
- Masking tape



# Ramen Noodle Eating Contest



## Supplies:

- Ramen
- Bowls
- Spoons

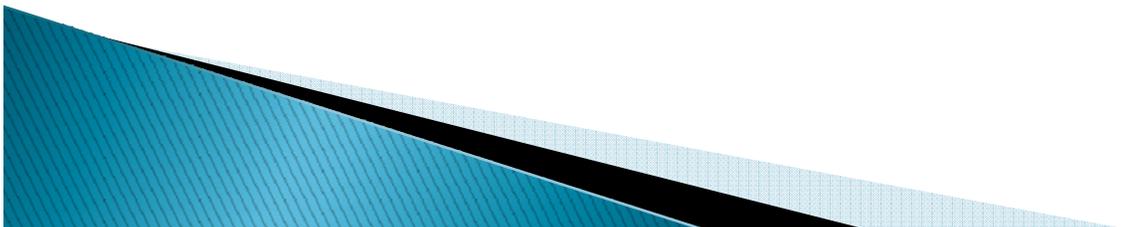
# Anime Debate

- ▶ Burning questions:
  - What anime series deserves a remake?
  - Dubs vs. subs, which is better?
  - Manga vs. anime? Which is better and why?
  - Who is the meanest, baddest, and all-around most stylish team of anime villains? State your reasons why with examples of their badness.
  - Etc.



# Crafts

- ▶ Bento Boxes \*
- ▶ Junk Mail Origami
- ▶ Headbands
- ▶ Candy Sushi \*
- ▶ Kokehsi Dolls \*



# Bento Wha?





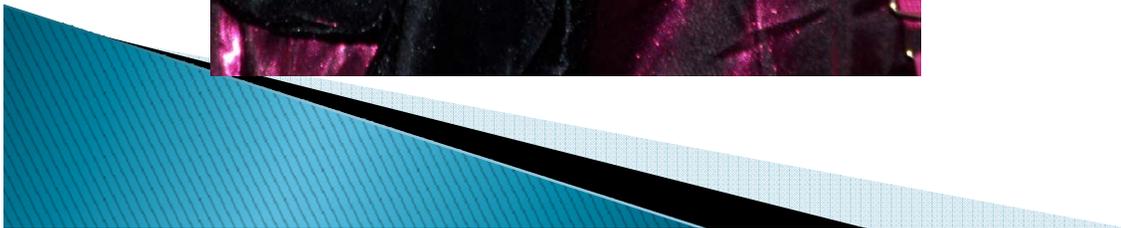
# Make a Bento Box



## Supplies:

- construction paper
- glue Sticks
- scissors
- tape
- pencils

# Bento Box Creations



# Candy Sushi



## Supplies:

- Mini Donuts
- Rice Krispies & Marshmallows
- Fruit by the Foot
- Swedish Fish
- Twinkies
- Gummy Worms

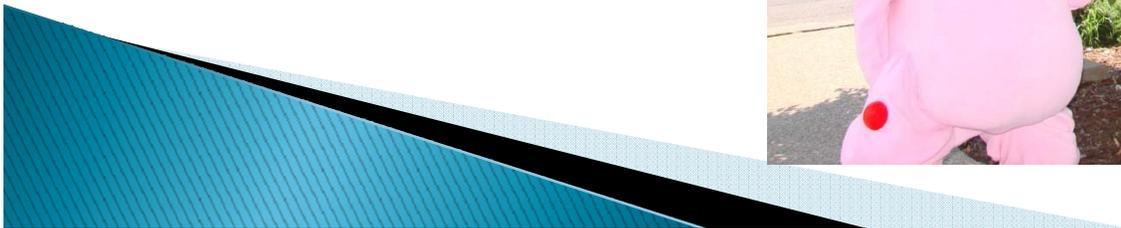
# Kokeshi Dolls



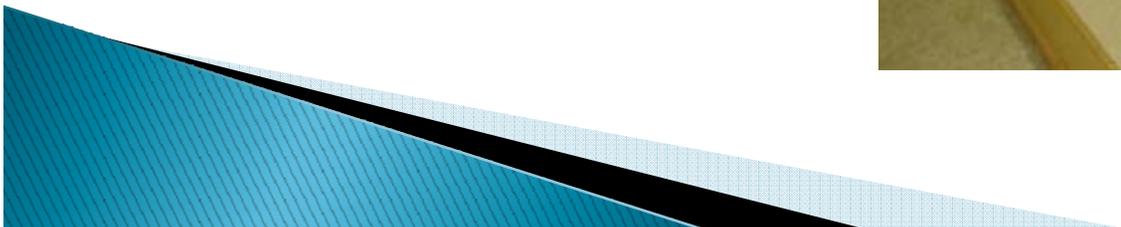
- ▶ See attached instruction sheet



# Cosplay



# Manga-Mobile



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