Egg-plosion 2025

Rules, Guide, and FAQs

Welcome to the Second year of the Implosion Event put on by the Pentagram City Discord. We are excited for another great year!



What is an Implosion?

An Implosion is a fandom event to publish a load of fanwork all at once. Artists make some amazing art of some kind, and then writers come in and make a story based around that piece of art! It's essentially the reverse of a bang event (in which writers go first and artists afterwards). The Egg-plosion event is specifically designed for Hazbin Hotel and Helluva Boss, so all work should have one or both these shows related to them. This event is not exclusive to the egg bois or Pentious - it's just a fun little pun to relate it back to the Hellaverse.

This will be a four month event. Artists will sign up first and draw something related to our beloved fandom. Artists will sign up September 1st, and sign ups will remain open for 2 weeks. Once you're signed up, you can get to drawing!

Writers sign ups open October 1st and will also remain open for 2 weeks! Claims will be October 17th - 23rd - or until all claims have been submitted. More on claims further down in the document.

Remember that this is for fun first and foremost!

Guidelines

- This event will have a dedicated discord server for creators to discuss the works. All talk
 about the works being made for this event must remain within this server. This includes
 sharing WIPs or posting before posting week. You must have a discord in order to
 participate. All check-ins and claims will be accessed through this server.
- You will be assigned a partner, and work together to bring the art to life. As this is a
 collaborative event, you need to be willing to keep both your partner and mods up to date
 on your progress.
- All works will be posted outside the server on posting week. Art can be posted on your
 preferred platform [tumblr, bsky, X, etc] and fic will be posted on AO3. Instructions for
 how to post and link/embed art within the fic will be shared prior to posting week for you
 to follow and there will be an AO3 collection to share the fic to.
- Due to the nature of the show and content, you must be 18+ to participate.

Here are the links to our

A03 Collection

<u>Bluesky</u>

Tumblr

Communication

Communication is essential to ensuring that everyone is on the same page - from mods to artists to writers. You are working as a team, and mods are here to help. If you are struggling to hit your goals or milestones, you won't be penalized for this - but we do need you to let us know what's going on, especially when it comes to check in dates.

Artist/Author pairs will be added to a private channel within the server and should use this space to communicate about the event. You are strongly encouraged to enable notifications for this channel even if you have the larger server muted.

Rules Regarding Participation

- No racism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia, or any form of discrimination will be tolerated within the server. If these rules are broken, you will be banned from the server and all bang or implosion events hosted by the Pentagram City Discord server.
- This event is not character or ship specific. Ship-bashing will not be tolerated. This
 includes ships that are barred from the event. Artists and authors have a right to create
 anything they want outside of the event and we support that right. Please remain
 respectful to your fellow participants.
- Any sexual pairings depicting a minor, minor/adult pairings and incest are barred from this event.
- Al is completely prohibited from this event and all events hosted by the Pentagram City Discord. Use of Al will result in being banned from this and future events.

Conduct Within the Server

- No bullying within this server. Jokes and banter are more than welcome, but if you are
 unsure how something might be received, feel free to use tone indicators.
- We want this event to be a positive space for all creatives. As such, we will not tolerate
 disparaging of other artists/authors, their works, their events, or other events and
 projects being run in the Hellaverse fandom.
- If moderators have to speak to you privately more than three times about the same issue with your conduct within the server, you will be removed from the event.
- Whilst discussion of explicit content in regards to Hazbin/Helluva ships is welcomed within the NSFW channels, please keep in mind that relating any particular dynamics/kinks etc. back to what a participant might be personally into (sexual or nonsexual if specific kink) has the potential to make some people uncomfortable. Please keep discussion of your own personal fantasies/desires/activities to a minimum in the server, however we have created a thread in NSFW-General for educational/non-explicit discussion around these topics, i.e. for fic writing/art etc. We want everyone here to feel comfortable, so please keep these topics limited to the appropriate channels. Bear in

mind that this server will be closed and re-opened for next year's events, and chats will not be deleted between events - so if you don't want something remaining in the discord for future participants to potentially see, please be mindful of what you share.

- Please check what somebody's 'DM' role status is. If they have 'no DM' in their role selection, respect this choice and keep conversation within the server only. If you have selected 'no DMs', please note that Mods may still contact you if we are unable to contact you within the server.
- Moderator DMs are always open if you have concerns within the server.
- Feel free to ask a mod for further clarification if needed.

Basic Timeline

There's a lot that goes into an event. Stages and steps we need to take to ensure that everything is on track and everyone understands what's going on, so we're going to break it down here.

- **Sign-ups:** There will be a sheet that all participants must fill out before joining the server. You should double check deadlines for sign-ups for the role(s) you wish to take. Artists sign-ups are open September 1st-15th. Writers sign-ups are open October 1st-15th.
- Artists: Once you're signed up, you can get started on your work. You are free to do
 whatever scene you want, be it comic or single panel. It's up to you what format your art
 will take.
- Claims: October 8th-15th Artists will submit their pieces to be shown to the authors.
 October 26th, writers will submit their claims for the art they most prefer to write for. Art will be viewed anonymously, so authors won't yet know who is creating what. Claims will be sorted by the mods to ensure that everyone gets something from their choices list.
- Writers: Once you've gotten your artist, you will be added to a private channel to discuss
 the artwork with your artist. If the artist already had an idea in mind, work with them to
 bring that idea to life or if they would prefer your interpretation, work together to make
 something you both feel happy with.

• **Posting Week:** The most exciting part is sharing all our hard work with everyone outside the server. This will be when we post the art and fics that accompany them - an epic implosion of work for the whole fandom to enjoy! Posting week is January 4th-11th.

Full Schedule

Artist Sign Ups Open	September 1st
Artist Sign Ups Close	September 15th
1st Artist Check-In	September 21st-23rd
Writer Sign Ups Open	October 1st
2nd Artist Check-in	October 5th-7th
Submissions	October 8th to 15th(No extensions here)
Writer Sign Ups Close	October 15th
Claims	October 17th to 23rd
Assignments	October 25th
Partner Check-In	October 27th-29th
3rd Artist/1st Writer Check-In	November 9th-11th
2nd Writer Check-In	November 23rd-25th
4th Artist/3rd Writer Check-In	December 14th-16th
4th Writer Check-In	December 28th-30th
Posting Week	January 4th - 11th

Sign ups

Sign ups will open on September 1st (Artists) and October 1st (Writers) and the google form will be shared on our <u>tumblr page</u> and on our <u>bluesky</u>.

You are welcome to sign up for more than one role. However, if you want to be both a writer and artist, you cannot claim your own artwork. You must work with a different writer. This will allow the collaboration part of this event to be maintained. You can see more information about this under Double Dealings.

There will be a beta reader role within the server, to help you find somebody to work with if needed. It is not mandatory, and you are able to use an external beta reader if preferred.

For writers, there will also be an option to sign up as a pinch hitter. Pinch hitters are authors who can jump in if another author decides to drop out. This will ensure that by posting week, everyone has a partner to post with.

Artists

Artwork Guidelines

You don't need any previous experience with implosion events or any writing events to join, and there is no specific skill level you need - this event is just for fun!

You must be able to create some kind of visual art for this event. This includes but is not limited to traditional art, digital art, animatics, etc.

You can create your work with a specific plan or summary in mind and submit this for writers claims - or you can create something with no plan or summary and give your writer artistic freedom to interpret it how they might like. You will have the options to list your preferences and dislikes when submitting - i.e 'Likes; found family, QPR, cuddling', 'Dislikes; explicit sexual content, gore'

Allowed Content

Any art submitted to the implosion must be entirely new and made specifically for the event. If you have a WIP that hasn't been posted anywhere, you can also use that. It cannot have been previously posted outside of the server.

There is no set theme or ship for this event. You can make up to two related works for this event. If you wish to create more after the event and continue working with your writer, you are

welcome to - however the event socials will only be sharing the original two made during posting week. If you decide to make a comic strip, please make sure it is not more than seven panels.

NSFW: This year, we are allowing NSFW art. Claims will be divided into SFW and NSFW.

Please ensure all NSFW conversation and content remains in the NSFW channels. Everything must be tagged and images spoilered accordingly. Failure to do so can result in your message being deleted and a reminder issued from mods. While we understand that it is easy to forget where you are in a server, repeated instances may jeopardize your future participation in the event.

Whilst a lot of content is permitted, no writer will be forced to create for something that makes them uncomfortable.

A reminder: No AI is permitted, and no underage/incest content will be allowed in this event

OCs: While you are welcome to draw your OCs, please keep in mind that an author might not want to write a fic involving them.

Writers

Word Count: The minimum word count is 2,000 words. There is no maximum word count - just make sure that whatever goal you set is attainable within the timeframe.

Communications: As previously mentioned, you will be added to a private channel for you and your artist. You can discuss whether they had anything in mind for their art - or whether they want to brainstorm something together. Please endeavor to keep all event related chat within the server. If you do decide to communicate outside the server, it is mandatory to inform the mods and keep the mods updated on everything regarding the event.

NSFW: You will be asked in the sign up if you are willing to write NSFW. This content will be allowed in the event, however all discussion for it will be restricted to the appropriate channels for those who would rather not see it.

The NSFW art pieces will be labeled from 101 onward to make it clear that those are NSFW in claims for easy navigation. Everything will be spoilered and tags will be posted above them.

Pinch Hitters

A pinch hitter is a backup writer who will jump in for any writer that may dropout during the event. You may not be called to fulfil your role as a pinch hitter, but all sign ups are appreciated.

Guidelines

If you are signing up as a pinch hitter, please be mindful of the time left in the event - and only accept a work if you are confident and comfortable with writing something in a potentially limited amount of time. If a dropout occurs too close to posting week and you accept the work as a pinch hitter, extensions will be provided if needed.

Claiming a work as a pinch hitter: If a writer drops out and a pinch hitter is required, the work will be posted in the 'pinch hitter bids' channel. Anybody interested in it can put themselves forward here.

Sign-ups: The option to sign up as a pinch hitter will be available in the sign up sheet. For this event, you are permitted to sign up only as a pinch hitter. Pinch hitter roles will be separated between SFW and NSFW. You may also claim the Pinch Hitter role within the server at a later date.

Double Dealings

You are permitted to sign up as both an artist and a writer.

If you wish to sign up for both, you will only be permitted to do so if you have made all your previous check-ins on time - or asked for an extension. If there are extenuating circumstances, this will be taken into account - however if you have needed reminders to do your check-in as an artist, you will not be allowed to sign up as a writer. This is to ensure everything runs as smoothly as possible for both participants and mods.

Beta Readers

Sign ups for beta readers will be open at the same time as writer sign ups, however if you are already in the event you may claim the role at a later date.

Writers can request a beta in the #beta-reader-request channel in the server and wait for a response.

There will be instructions within the channel as to how to proceed.

If you cannot find help within the server, you can use an external beta reader - but please do not publicly advertise what your story is about before posting week.

If you're unsure where else to look for beta help, you can message mods and they can direct you somewhere helpful, or you can look in <u>Pentagram City's Discord Server!</u>

Check-Ins

Check-ins will be scheduled throughout the event. This is a set timeframe in which you will report your progress to the mods. Guidelines for how much/what kind of progress and a full schedule will be detailed below.

An announcement will be made at the beginning of the check-in period. If you fail to check-in or ask for an extension, it will be marked as a missed check-in. A mod will contact you in your private channel once prior to warnings being sent.

Two missed check-ins will result in being removed from the event. If this occurs, you will be on probation for the next event as detailed prior.

If you require an extension, please inform mods as to the reason, and date you would like to check in by (up to one week maximum from original check-in date). We do understand that sometimes things come up which will make staying on track harder, however you do need to keep a clear line of communication open with us.

A note for extensions: These are not to be requested only if you are not at the progress marker as per the timeline - we still request you check-in with what you have and details as to why you may not have met the requirements, and what you are planning to do to catch up. Extensions will be granted for circumstances where checking in is not possible, such as technical difficulties, medical or family emergencies, or natural disasters. If you will be traveling or unavailable during check in time, please reach out to a mod or check in early.

Guidelines for Check-Ins

Writers and Artists must provide a short summary of their current progress as detailed below.

- Check-Ins will be submitted through Discord Ticket Bot.
- Check-in times run for two days, and you are allowed to check in up to two days early.
- **Content Warning-** Any art containing gore or anything related to NSFW must be spoiled and marked with an appropriate warning tag.
- Being dishonest about your progress, especially if this results in an unfinished piece for the event will result in you being added to the probation list for future events.
- Finished Works- If you have already finished your work before the last check-in, please still show up and make sure that you are still checking in. We want to make sure that you are still active in the server and the event. You still must be able to communicate with your partner as well, especially when it comes to posting.

Missing Check-Ins

- If you have not contacted a mod within 24 hours of the check-in [or extension date]
 closing, a mod will reach out to you with a reminder and a 24 hour window for you to
 open a ticket. Failure to do so will be considered a missed check-in, barring reasonable
 extenuating circumstances.
- Missing two check-ins in a row without reaching out to any mods regarding extensions/exceptions will mark you as having dropped out of the event.
- Emergencies: Real Life comes first. If there's something that comes up and impedes your ability to continue, please let us know as soon as you're available to do so. We can come up with a solution that works for you.

Artist's Check-In

There are four mandatory artist check-ins throughout the event, two before writers join and two after you have been assigned your writing partner.

Requirements

Check-in 1: Concept/ initial sketches/ thumbnails and a brief explanation of your piece.

Check-in 2: Cleaned up sketches and/or lineart.

Check-in 3: Flat colours done.

Check-in 4: Shading/Rendering done. This should be as close to your final version as possible with minimal tweaking from here on out.

If you are finished, you can check in via discord without having to fill out the form unless you want to. There will be a dedicated channel for those that are finished.

Writer's Check-In

There are four mandatory writer check-ins.

Requirements

Writer check-ins must include current word count, expected word count, and a file containing your fic so far.

While there isn't an outline requirement, you will be required to provide a general idea of what the fic will be at the first check-in. This can be an outline, general plan, or just brainstorming notes.

Check-In Schedule

Check-In	Date	Progress
1st Artist Check-In	September 21st-23rd	Sketches/ Thumbnails/ Concept of your idea
2nd Artist Check-In	October 5th-7th	Cleaned sketches or lineart
Partner Check-In	October 27th-29th	Confirm you have access to your channel/ have spoken to your partner

3rd Artist Check-In / 1st Writer Check-In	November 9th-11th	Artists: Flat colors done Writers:Outline/Plan for fic/Evidence of plotting or brainstorming and estimated word count
2nd Writer Check-In	November 23rd-25th	Writers: minimum of 40% of the fic done
4th Artist / 3rd Writer Check-In	December 14th-16th	Artists: Shading/ Rendering done, work is mostly finished Writers: Minimum of 70% of the fic done
4th Writer Check-In	December 28th-30th	Fic should be finished and undergoing editing
Posting Week	January 4th - 11th	Posting!

Submissions

Submissions are when the artist will submit their work for the writers to make their choices when it comes to claims. Submissions will require all tags and warnings for your piece.

Submission Guidelines

- You must have an idea of what the finished product will look like.
- If you have an idea that goes a little further than just what's in the piece, please make sure to add the information in the submission form so mods can pass that information down to writers.
- Failure to submit your work on time will be considered a drop out. You have a week to fill everything out, please use it wisely or contact a mod if needed.
- Any identifying information regarding the artist [i.e. watermarks/signatures] must be removed to keep profiles anonymous.
- No late submissions will be accepted.
- The following are things that you will need for Submissions.
 - Title of Work (optional)
 - Short Summary (a vague idea about what you drew)

- Favorite tropes and ships/ Any squicks (things you are personally not comfortable reading) or tropes or ships you do not want to see
- Anything else you'd like the writer to know about your work

Claims

Claims are when writers get to choose which works they'd like to write for.

Claiming Guidelines

- Writers will submit their top 4-7 choices. After claims close, mods will go through the
 claims and assign works based on preference. While we will endeavour to give
 everybody something high on their list, we will be working in a less-claimed to
 most-claimed basis. Everyone will be given something from their list!
- Any discussion of the order of your claims must remain in the writer chat only.
- You might recognise an art style or artist but if that is the case please don't comment
 on this publicly. We would like selections to remain as anonymous as possible
- Every work will have at least one writer assigned to it.

Claiming Instructions

After submissions, the art and notes from the artist will be posted in a writer only chat. Claims will open from October 17-October 23. Mods will review the claims and work on assignments, with assignment announcements on October 25.

For claims: A google document will be provided. This form will require your top four pieces, with the option to go up to seven. Only four claims are mandatory and you must choose all unique works.

Posting Week and Extensions

Please read these guidelines to know how to go about posting week. Participants will be marked as finished for the event once your work has been posted outside the server.

Posting Guidelines

- Posting Week is January 4th-11th.
- When posting outside the server, you do not have to post everything all at once. You can
 update throughout the week if you need to. If you need to post more chapters/artworks
 outside posting week, please let a mod know.
- There will be a collection for this event in AO3. This is completely optional. You can find links in the server for it, or you can ask a mod.
- Participants will have a form to fill out once the first chapter is posted. This is the only
 form you need to fill out even if not all of your fic is posted. This will help mods get a
 spreadsheet with all the links to the works to post on social media.
- Please work with your partner to coordinate posting. See the guidelines below. Mods are available to help if needed.

Guidelines on posting / A handy how-to guide

By: Mothball_Milkshake

- Step 1: Coordinate a posting time between yourselves. You may not be in the same timezone as your partner, but hopefully you can find at least a fifteen minute period in the day where you will be online to work together – this works best when everyone is ready to go with the next step straightaway
- Step 2: AUTHORS: You will post your fic to AO3 and give your artists the link immediately (Note: The 'preview' link also works if you don't want to post the fic without the art).
 Authors need to go first, because AO3 allows you to edit your post – whereas BSKY/X does not
- Step 3: ARTISTS: Copy the link your author has sent you and post your art on BSKY/X/Tumblr – your social media of choice. Make sure you link to the fic in your post, rather than the comments – because many folks like to look at art and do not click into the links in comments, and we want everyone to shine, here!
- Step 4: AUTHORS: Open the link from your artists, open the image in a new tab so it's the IMAGE LINK ONLY, and EDIT YOUR FIC. Embed it either into your fic at the appropriate section or at the start/end notes. The code for embedding the IMAGE LINK, is;

 You also want to highlight your artist, so please put a link to either their MAIN social page, or the link to the post by using the following code:

 TEXTHERE

- So the above might look like; "Art done by the wonderful [Bec], please go check out their socials and follow them!"
- Put this link in the opening note for the fic, as those are more likely to get read. You can share your fic on your socials too, link them in the server, share the artist posts, do everything you can to promote each other's work. And have fun!

Dropouts

If you are unable to continue with the event for whatever reason, please raise a ticket within the server to discuss this with the mods. Dropping out does not put you on probation for any future events, so long as communication about what you are doing is maintained.

The server is only for those participating in the event, we will ask that you leave after you've given your notice of dropping out. Any dropouts that do not leave the server on their own will be removed within 24 hours.

Final Notes

Once you've signed up, please make sure to grab your roles in the server in order to access the proper channels you need to participate in the Event!

Have fun....and stay tuned!