



TURNABOUT CINEMA

Ace Attorney Cases as Film Posters

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About

Turnabout Cinema is an Ace Attorney zine that celebrates the popcorn-munching, pearl-clutching courtroom drama in the form of feature film posters, as if designed and curated for the grandeur of the big screens!

We will be showcasing film poster illustrations depicting 50 cases from the six mainline games, the Great Ace Attorney and the Investigations duology, accompanied with pieces of creative writing.

This zine is safe for work and will contain incredibly mild spoilers for all games. The profit will be voted upon by the contributors.

Schedule

20 September — 16 October	Interest Check
01 November — 30 November	Contributor Applications
18 December	Contributor Emails sent
15 January	1st Check-In
12 February	2nd Check-In
12 March	3rd Check-In
09 April	Final Submission
01 May	Preorders Open

Mod Lineup

[Mint](#)

Head Mod, Graphics and Layout

Hello!! I'm Mint, a recent Graphic Design BA graduate and an illustrator. Since February, I've been completely invested in this funny lawyer game series and now I care very much for these characters. While I've had previous experience participating in zines, this will be my first time modding one! Equal parts nervous and excited for this project!

[Bones](#)

Art Mod

I'm Bones, an art student and freelance illustrator with a passion for all things haunting, dark, and tender. I work as the graphics editor for my university's publication and served as the Head Moderator of And the Shadows Look Back: A FE3H Gothic Horror zine, and have been part of numerous other zines. I recently got into Ace Attorney and am very passionate about films and cinema in general, so I'm absolutely stoked to see what everyone comes up with!

[Rae](#)

Writing Mod

Hello everyone! I'm Rae, a full-time researcher, part-time Polly protector and an overenthusiastic film nerd. Although I am relatively new to the Ace Attorney fandom, this game has set up a permanent shop in my head with no sign of being evicted anytime soon. I've been involved in both fandom and non-fandom zines since 2016. This one is special because it combines two of my favourite things—I'm super psyched to be onboard!

[Téa](#)

Shipping and Production Mod

Hi!! I'm Téa and I'm a writer, artist, after-school teacher, and zine enthusiast! I've modded over ten zines, and I just can't stop thinking about these fictional lawyers. I decided to adopt Trucy the second I met her.

[Amihan](#)

Finance Mod

Hey, it's Amihan! I've been doing zines since 2018. I got into Ace Attorney sometime between high school and my first year of college and it's been stuck in my head ever since. Franziska, my beloved ♥

Contributor Information

- All work for this zine must be original and created specifically for this zine.
- It is integral that you notify a mod immediately if you have to drop out of this zine, as we will need to immediately fill in your position.
- Please notify a mod as soon as possible if you require an extension. This will be in effect for the final deadline as well.
- In regards to spoilers: Heavy spoilers can be implied and conveyed through symbolism, but cannot explicitly show it.
- You must be willing to use Discord as the primary mode of communication, as project updates will be shared on our Discord Server.

Please be mindful that not everyone will have played every game in the Ace Attorney series (including TGAA and Investigations), nor would everyone be willing to discuss spoilery topics. We will have a role restricted spoiler channel for this purpose.

Artist Information

- You may be inspired by existing works or style of posters, but we do not accept any blatant parodies of existing film posters.
- These illustrations will feature the full title of the case, to make them feel like film posters. Therefore, please be aware that you must be comfortable with integrating a certain level of typography with your illustration!

You will be asked to create a film poster styled illustration for a case from the Ace Attorney series. This will be restricted to a single page.

Writer Information

For our zine, we will be asking writers to contribute flavor text writing. We will not be involving fanfics, but rather we will be focusing on written works that often appear in the cinema and film-scape.

- Film Reviews: Through film reviews, you are invited to don your critic hat and dissect every detail of the 'movie' as you wish! You may write the review in any tone you choose, be it an amateur blogpost by an anonymous film enthusiast to an esteemed film critic.
- Interviews: You may draw on interviews that are typically conducted backstage, on the red carpet, during promotional periods or even those featured in film festival leaflets or film magazines. They can feature more than one cast member, but must feature at least one of the prominent figures in the chosen game (the prosecutor, defense attorney or their assistants).
- Letterboxd Reviews: [Letterboxd](#) is a social media platform where users can log, rate and write (often short) punchy reviews of movies they've watched. It has become a favourite among movie lovers for many witty 'takes' or reactions written by the audience, as well as many in-depth critical reviews that point out thought-provoking aspects of a film in a platform accessible to anyone.
- Articles: You may write an article on any topic related to cinema/film-making that you can think of. For example, you may want to write an article on "behind-the-scenes" incidents, analyzing a particular facet of the 'movie' and more.

Unlike artists, writers get the choice of writing for the **entirety** of their chosen game (i.e. treating it as a batch of four films) or **one specific case** in their chosen game.

Please be advised that while the mods are willing to consider formats other than the ones already listed, we cannot guarantee your suggested format will be accepted. If this is the case, and you are chosen as a writer, we may ask you to choose an alternative format.

Merch Artist Information

You will be asked to create a piece focusing on your prompt and merch item. You may be responsible for up to two pieces of merch, depending on the complexity of your assignment.

Merch Artists can create anything film/cinema-going themed (i.e: Popcorn, film reels, ticket) or anything related to a case (i.e: the Thinker, Steel Samurai related memorabilia).

Application Guidelines

Artist Applications

- Please select a preference of only **three cases** that you wish to illustrate for.
- We will be asking some artists to illustrate two cases. Please ensure that you select the option in the application form, if you are willing to draw for more than one case.

Artists will be allowed to only select a maximum of two cases from the Phoenix Wright Trilogy. For every other game, you are only **limited to one case per game**. For artist applications, please note that due to the anticipated popularity of these games, the Phoenix Wright Trilogy and the Great Ace Attorney will be treated as one game each. You are not allowed to choose more than one case from both installments of TGAA.

Please ensure that the following are present in your application:

- A link to your portfolio (this can be a google drive link, social media account, website e.t.c)
 - While we expect to see a minimum of 10 pieces, we will not fault you for not reaching this quota and having less than this expectation will not disqualify you from consideration.
- Links to 3 pieces of completed illustrations that best showcase your style abilities
 - Additionally, poster artwork is not necessary either and a lack thereof will not affect your application.
- Our focus for looking through applications will be on composition and colour usage.

Writer Applications

- Please select a preference of only **three games** that you wish to write for. For a list of the games covered, please refer to our [case appendix](#).
- Each writer selected will be writing one piece for one game.

Please ensure that the following are present in your application:

- A link to your portfolio.
 - AO3 pages can be considered your portfolio if you do not have a separate one for non-fanfic works.
 - Having less than the expected number of works (5), will not fault you from consideration.
- Links to 3 pieces of completed written works **up to 2000 words long each** that best showcase your style and abilities.
 - These pieces can overlap with the submissions in your portfolio.
 - These **do not** have to be **AA-related** and **can be excerpts from a longer piece** of written work!
 - If you submitted an excerpt from a longer piece of work, you can submit the full body in your portfolio.
 - If they are AA-related, it would be helpful if you could indicate the presence of any **spoiler-y** content!
 - Additionally, these writing pieces **do not** have to be in the format or medium we will be looking to feature in the zine, and lack thereof will not affect your application.
- Our focus for looking through applications will be on style and tone.

Merch Artist Applications

- We will be asking you to submit a total of **3 prompts for potential merch** items.
- We will have a limited selection of merch options we are looking to include

- However if you do have an additional idea for a piece of merch that is not included in our list, we will have an extra section for you to pitch this idea to us.
 - Please note that this may not be necessarily guaranteed, as it will come down to financial feasibility.
- Please ensure that you have a link to your portfolio, **ideally** including samples of previous merch work.

FAQ

What is the minimum age requirement for this zine?

Contributors must be at least 16 years old!

Are ships allowed in this zine?

No. Despite the inherent romanticism of Wrightworth, no ships will be featured in this zine.

★PW: dickgumshoe★

Should I have drawn Ace Attorney fanart to increase my chances of being selected as a contributor?

It is not imperative to show us Ace Attorney fanart. While it would be nice, it will ultimately not affect your application.

Are samples of art relating to cinematic designs or samples of writing related to film critique required?

For both these instances, samples are not required and will not affect your application if not present.

Can I still apply even if I haven't played all the Ace Attorney games?

Yes, you can.

Can I still post my finished work anywhere before the zine is finished?

Contributors are asked to refrain from posting their full work until the zine has been shipped out. There will be a period where contributors can post previews of their work during pre-orders, but the full work should not be posted anywhere during this time.

Game + Case Appendix

*Please note for artist applicants, some of these cases will have been already selected by our guest artists and mods and therefore would not be available for selection. We will indicate this with an asterisk next to the case.

Phoenix Wright: Ace Attorney Trilogy

- **Phoenix Wright: Ace Attorney**

- The First Turnabout
- Turnabout Sisters
- Turnabout Samurai
- Turnabout Goodbyes*
- Rise from the Ashes*

- **Justice For All**

- The Lost Turnabout
- Reunion, and Turnabout
- Turnabout Big Top
- Farewell, My Turnabout

- **Trials and Tribulations**

- Turnabout Beginnings
- The Stolen Turnabout
- Recipe for Turnabout
- Turnabout Memories
- Bridge to Turnabout*

Apollo Justice: Ace Attorney

- Turnabout Trump
- Turnabout Corner
- Turnabout Serenade
- Turnabout Succession*

Ace Attorney: Dual Destinies

- Turnabout Countdown
- The Monstrous Turnabout
- Turnabout Academy
- The Cosmic Turnabout
- Turnabout for Tomorrow*
- Turnabout Reclaimed

Ace Attorney: Spirit of Justice

- The Foreign Turnabout
- The Magical Turnabout*
- Rite of Turnabout
- Turnabout Storyteller
- Turnabout Revolution (Part One – United States)
- Turnabout Revolution (Part Two – Khura'in)
- Turnabout Time Traveller

Ace Attorney: Investigations

- Turnabout Visitor
- Turnabout Airlines
- The Kidnapped Turnabout
- Turnabout Reminiscence*
- Turnabout Ablaze

Ace Attorney: Investigations II

- Turnabout Target
- The Imprisoned Turnabout
- The Inherited Turnabout
- Forgotten Turnabout
- The Grand Turnabout

The Great Ace Attorney Chronicles

- **Adventures (Dai Gyakuten Saiban 1)**

- Adventure of the Great Departure
- Adventure of the Speckled Band
- Adventure of the Runaway Room
- The Clouded Kokoro
- Adventure of the Unspeakable Story*

- **Resolve (Dai Gyakuten Saiban 2)**

- Adventure of the Blossoming Attorney
- Memoirs of the Clouded Kokoro
- Return of the Departed Soul
- Twisted Karma and His Last Bow + The Resolve of Ryuunosuke Naruhodou*