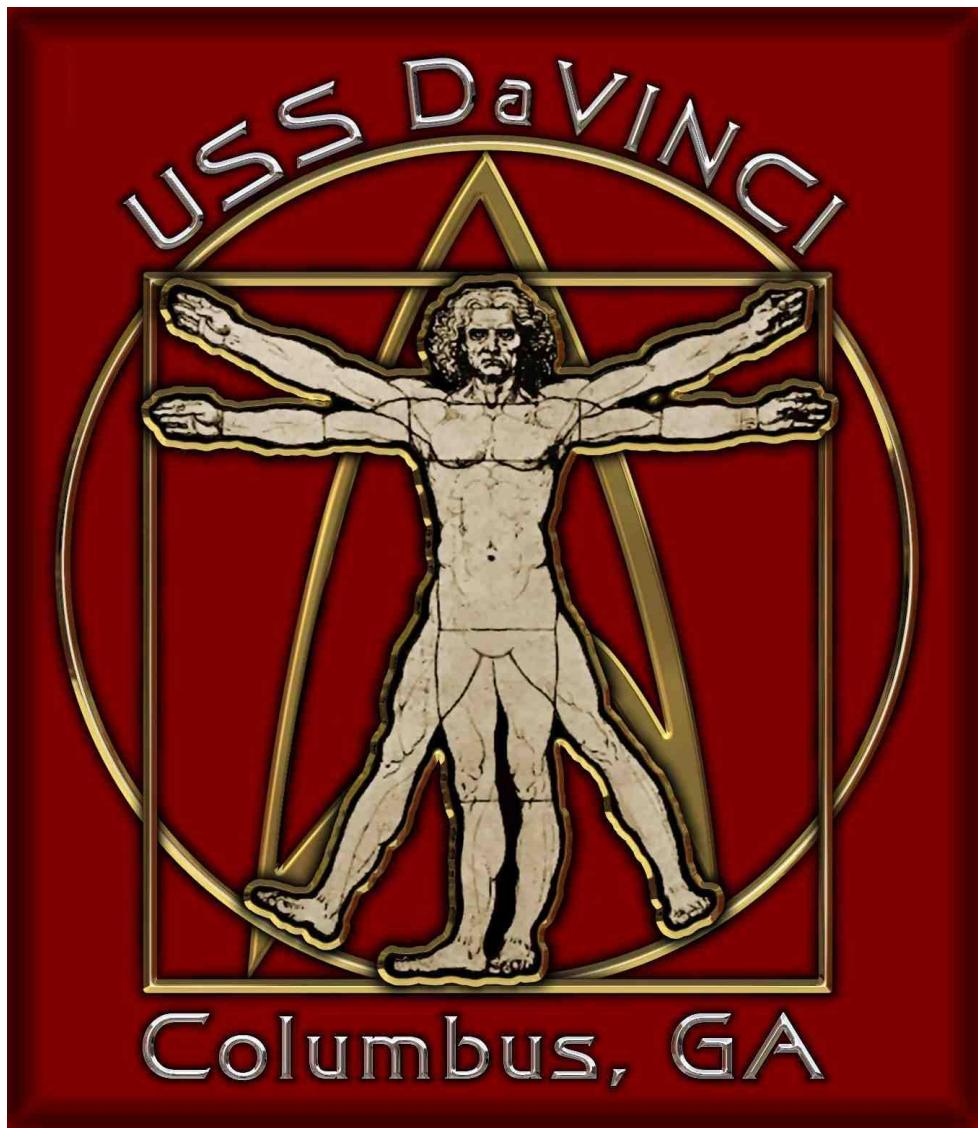


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UPCOMING EVENTS

** 15 December, Night Out/Membership Meeting, Country's (on Broad), 6:30 pm



STARFLEET NEWS YOU CAN USE



Wilbert Adams IV (pictured left) went to see *Zootopia 2* with Sandra Adams, Joseph Perry, Mike Watkins, Karen Pynenburg, and Gregory Newer.

Gregory's National Guard unit has been activated and will be deployed to Washington, D.C. for three months.

"Be safe, Gregory. We look forward to your return."

ACCOLADES

A BIG Bajoran Congratulations go to:

Harold Stewart for promotion to Lieutenant

Gregory Newer for Promotion to Lieutenant

(The above promotions have been mentioned previously, but now we have photos!)



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COSPLAY & CRAFTS

The time has come when many of us adorn our abodes with festive décor. Whatever holiday you're celebrating (or not), this month's craft project is something everyone or all ages can enjoy: DIY Star Trek ornaments! This DaVinci exclusive is a print, color, cut out, and glue sort of activity. I did two versions; one with a hole for photos, and one with no photo holes. Ornaments include the Star Trek 'arrowhead' symbol, USS Enterprise-D, original USS Enterprise, Vulcan Salute, and USS Voyager (or USS DaVinci as both are Intrepid class).

Pictured Right: Ornaments featuring a cat wearing goggles on Intrepid-class starship, and a Warcraft Druid bear on arrowhead.



DIY Star Trek Ornaments

Materials:

Photos (can be personal photos, images of your favorite Star Trek character, or your own art)

Printer (if you don't own one, try your public library)

Paper (cardstock recommended; sticker paper if you have it)

Thin Cardboard (cereal box recommended; any similar thin cardboard box works)

Coloring Supplies (Colored Pencils work best; Markers might cause printed lines to bleed)

Glue (gluestick or any craft glue will work)

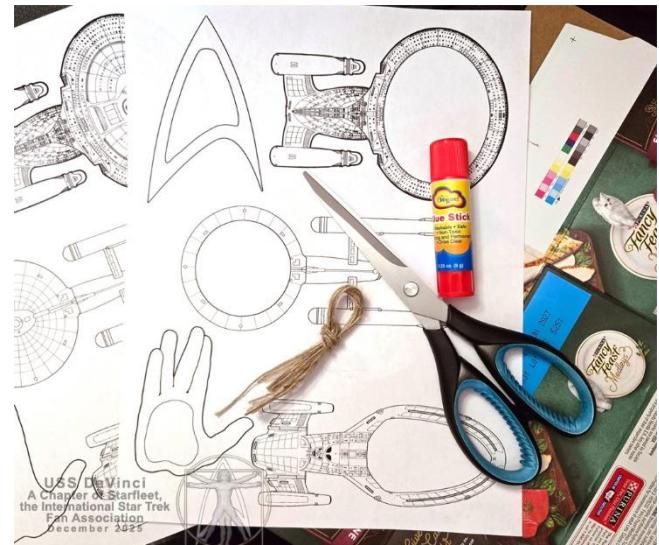
Tape (optional but useful)

Scissors (also recommend Xacto Knife if you have one)

Thin Ribbon or String (any color)

Wire Ornament Hook (optional)

Hole Punch (optional)



Instructions:

1. **Print** the provided ornament pages. (You'll find them below.)

2. **Color ornaments.** This is easiest to do pre-glue. If using markers, be aware they might make the printed lines 'bleed' a bit.

It is recommended to color around the outside edges and back with black so you don't have any white edges showing when you cut out your ornaments.

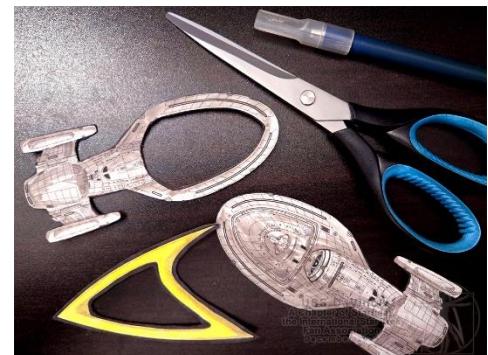


3. **Glue paper onto cardboard.** You can roughly cut out the individual ornaments before gluing if using a smaller box. Make sure to smooth out your glue so the paper doesn't bubble and warp. You don't need a lot of glue to hold the paper on.

If using sticker paper, just peel and stick.



4. **Cut out the shapes.** Be careful, especially if using an Xacto knife. For the photo ornaments, you can either cut out the hole as intended, or leave it solid and glue your cut-to-fit photo on top.



5. **Cut your photos** so they'll fit nicely in the ornament's hole. Cut photos to match the hole outline if you've left your ornament solid. Make sure you like how the images are positioned on the ornament. Glue or tape photos in place.



6. **Decide** whether you want to punch a hole in the ornament for hanging, or glue the hanging loop to the back. Cut a length of ribbon or yarn approximately 9 inches long.

- **If gluing**, tie the ends of your ribbon to create a loop. Glue the knotted end to the back of your ornament. (You can also tape it on, or use hot glue.)

- **If punching a hole**, you will thread your ribbon or string through the hole and tie it to form a loop.

Add a wire ornament hook to the ribbon loop if you so desire.

7. Hang your personalized Star Trek ornament and enjoy that feeling of pride in your creation.

For Double-Sided Ornaments:

If you want double-sided ornaments, glue a no-hole ornament to the back of a corresponding photo-hole ornament. Color the “back” of printed Arrowhead and Vulcan Salute ornaments so they’ll match the “front” side when glued together. The ship ornaments are symmetrical so color the printed “front” side as normal.

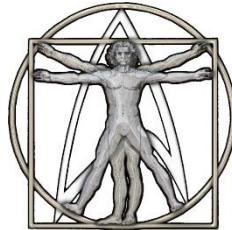


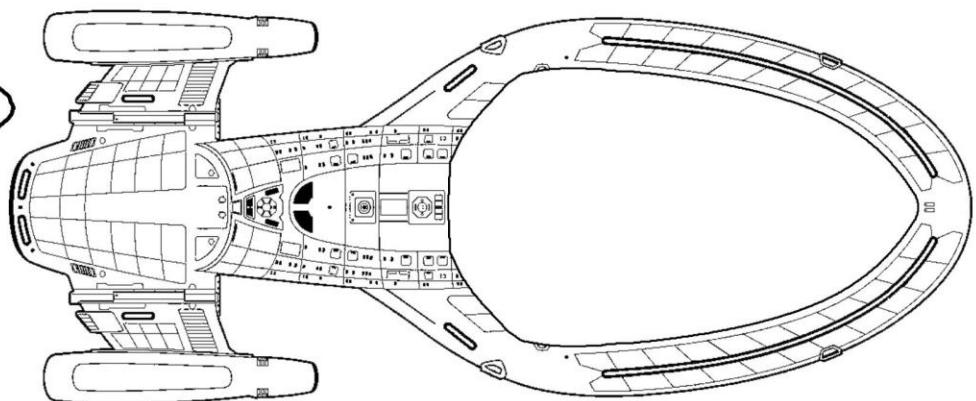
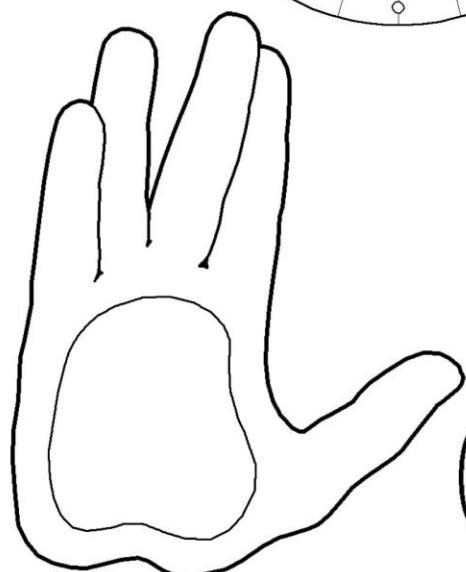
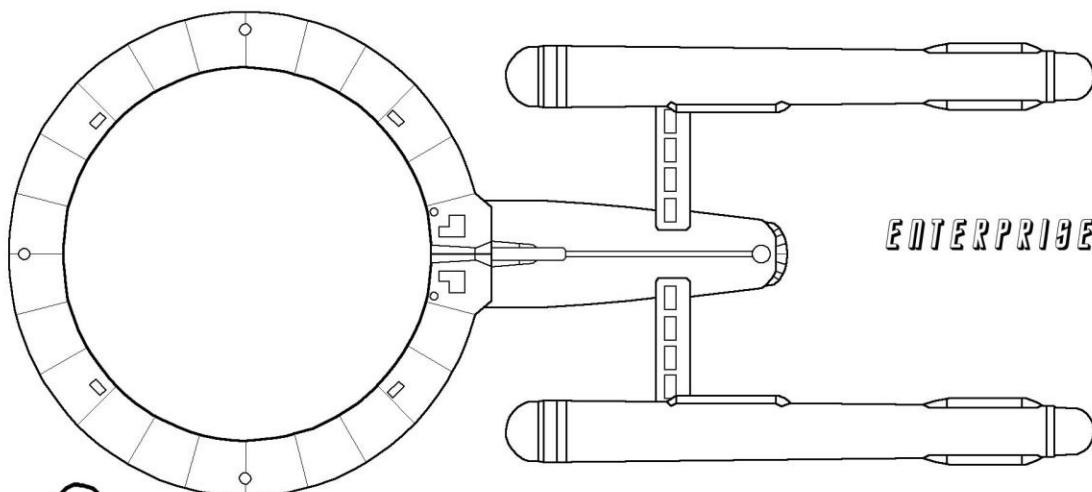
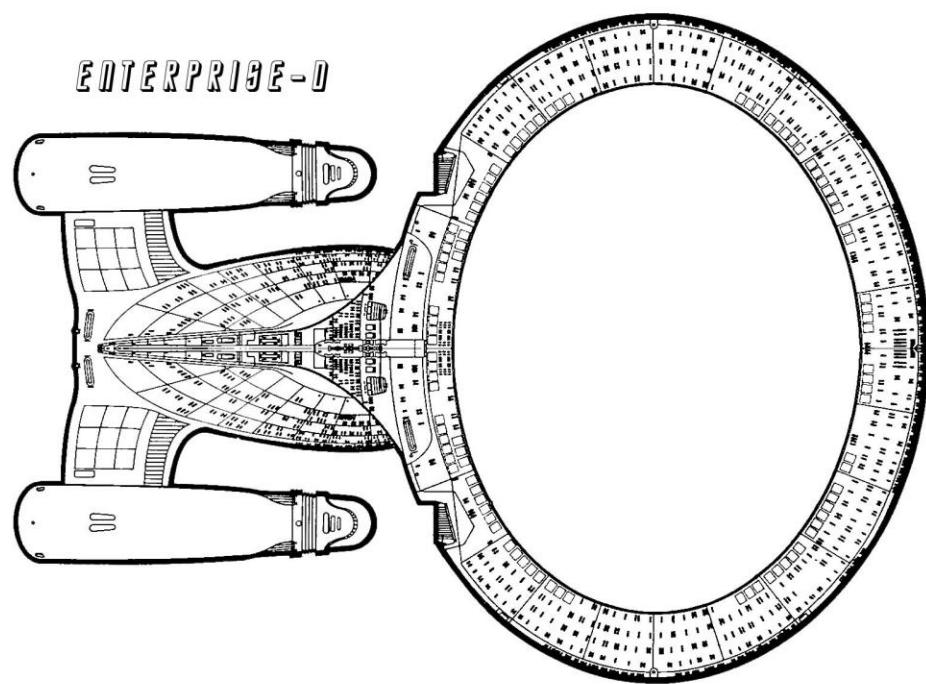
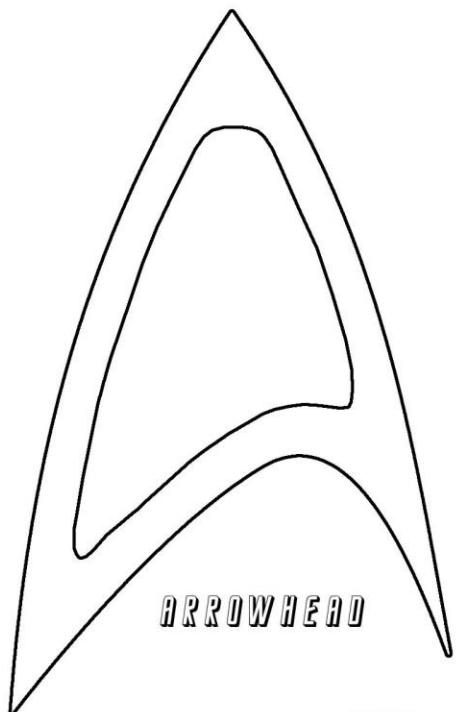
When you get to Step Six above, if gluing your hanging loop, glue loop to “front” side of ornament, then glue “back” side to the “front.” Recommend you clean glue off edges and place it under a heavy object (such as a book) to hold the two sides together flat while the glue dries.

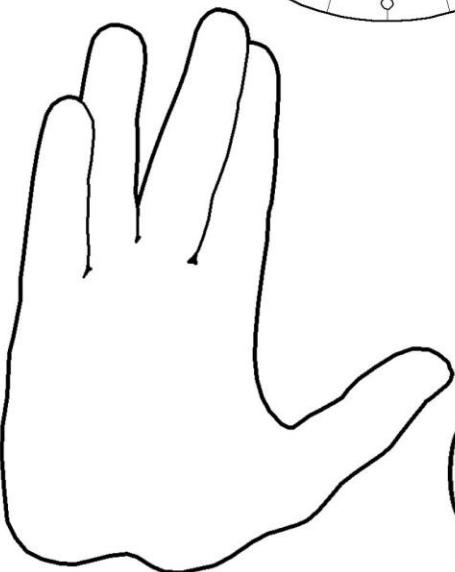
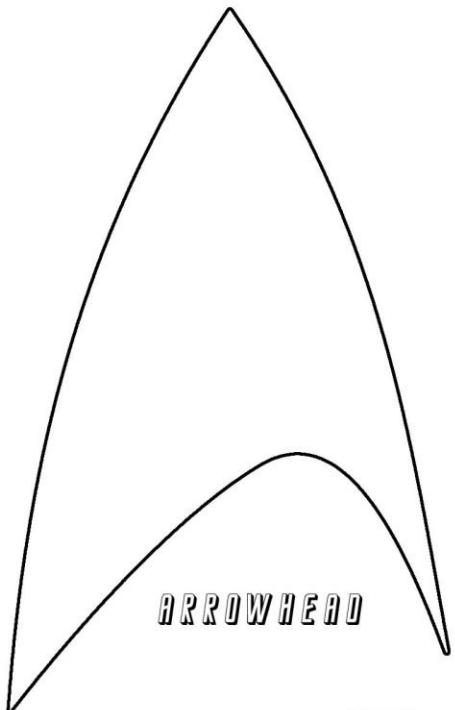


If punching a hole, do so on “front” side of ornament, then glue the two halves together as previously instructed. When glue is dry, align hole-punch over existing hole and punch through the “back.” Now insert your ribbon/string as directed in Step Six.

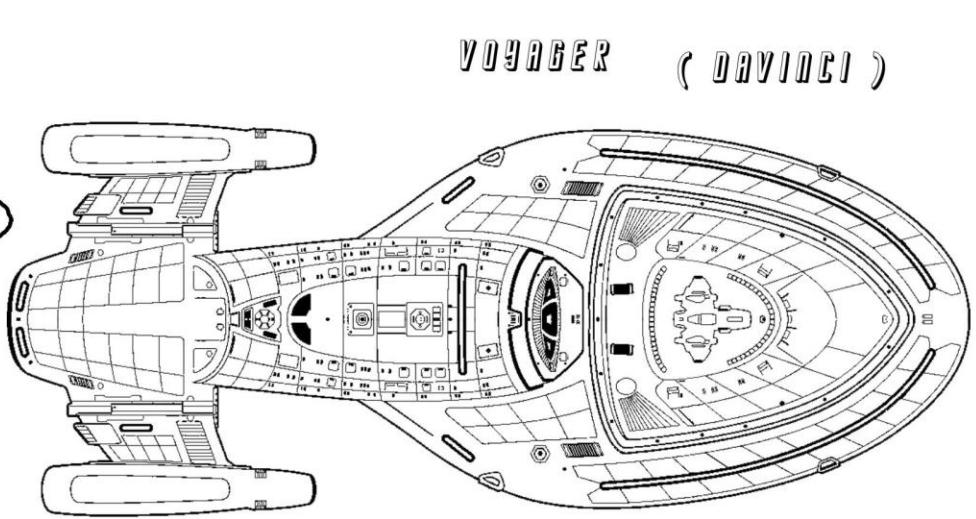
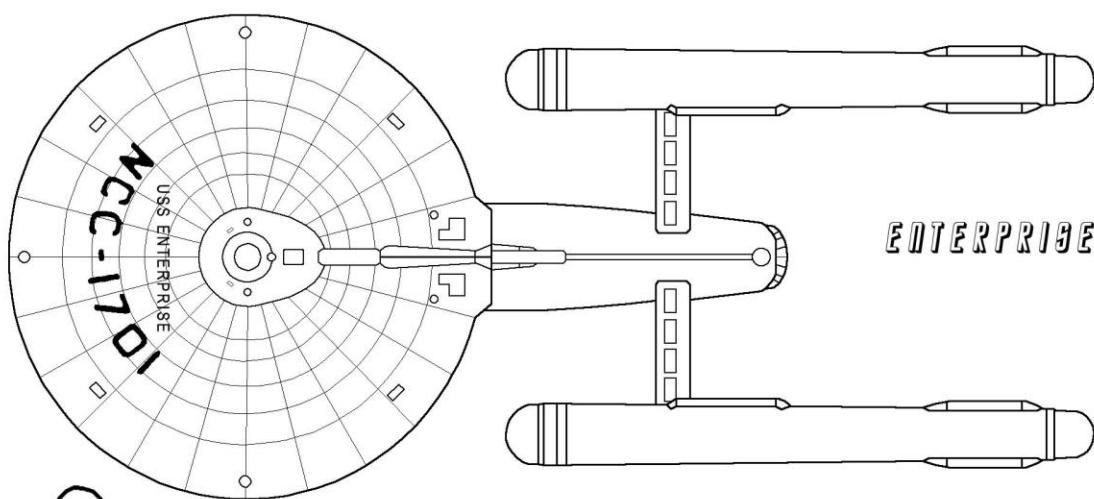
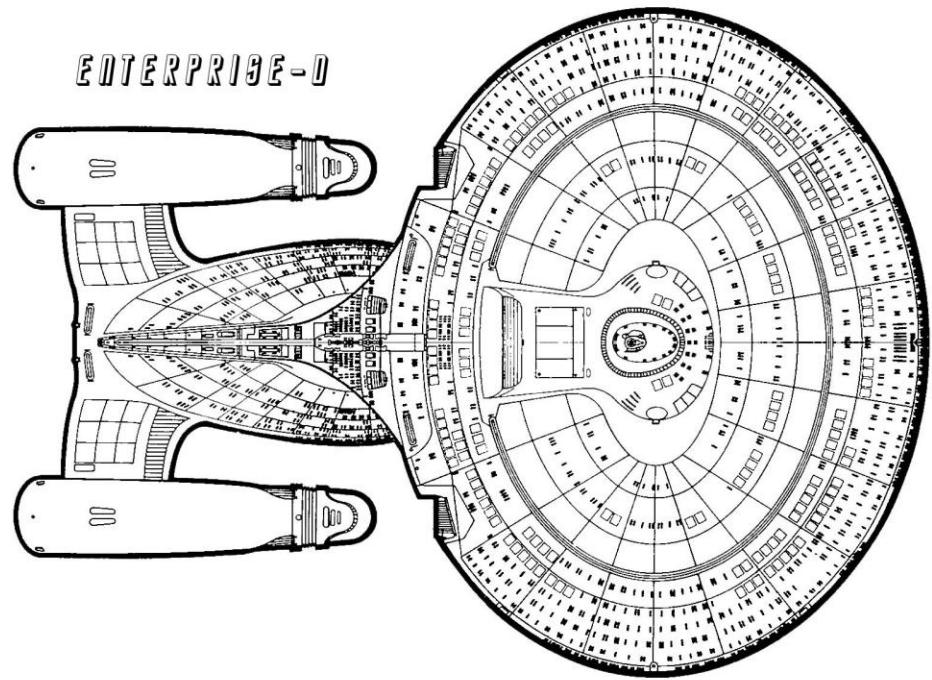
Feel free to get creative! For example, glue a magnet to the back of your ornament and stick it on the fridge. Use them as gift tags, or place them inside a greeting card as a handmade gift. Use your imagination and have fun.







VULCAN SALUTE



COMIC CORNER NEWS

This is a partial list of Sci-Fi, etc. conventions for 2025. If you know of any upcoming convention that's not yet listed, please feel free to submit it.

December

Dec 6	Sarasota Anime-Fest - Sarasota, Florida (sarasotaanimafest.com/)
Dec 6-7	Enchantment Con - Jacksonville, Florida (www.enchantmentcon.com/)
Dec 7	Charlie's AnimeCon - Fort Myers, Florida (www.charliesanimecon.com/)
Dec 14	Huntsville Anime-Fest - Huntsville, Alabama (thehuntsvilleanimefest.com/)
Dec 18-21	Anime Weekend Atlanta - Atlanta, Georgia (awa-con.com/)
Dec 19-21	Holiday Matsuri - Orlando, Florida (holidaymatsuri.com/)

If anyone has suggestions for conventions coming up in 2026, please submit them for addition to the list. Events already on the list for 2025 will have their dates updated for the new year. (Refer to the January 2025 Pilot for the full convention list of this past year.)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Here are just a few of the following DaVinci personnel, Star Trek celebrities, and historical events that are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this month.

Nuclear-Powered <i>USS Enterprise</i> Retired from Active Service (2012)	1 st
First Self-Sustaining Controlled Nuclear Chain Reaction (1942)	2 nd
Brian Bonsall (Alexander Rozhenko, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	3 rd
Jet Propulsion Laboratory is Transferred from the US Army to NASA (1958)	3 rd
Tony Todd (Kurn, <i>The Next Generation</i> , <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	4 th
<i>Gemini VII</i> Launched (Borman & Lovall 1965)	4 th
<i>Hubble</i> Repaired by Crew of <i>Endeavor</i> (1993)	4 th
Kirstie Alley Dies at 71 (2022) (Saavik, <i>Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan</i>)	5 th
<i>Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country</i> Premieres (1991)	6 th
Building of <i>International Space Station</i> Begins (1998)	6 th
USA's First Attempt to Orbit a Satellite I (<i>Vanguard</i>) in Orbit Failed (1957)	6 th

<i>Star Trek: The Motion Picture</i> Premieres (1979)	7 th
First US Attempt to Orbit Satellite Fails (1957)	7 th
Rene Auberjonois Dies at 79 (Odo, <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	8 th
Rachael Ancheril (Nhan, <i>Discovery</i>)	8 th
SpaceX's <i>Dragon</i> Capsule Becomes First Privately Developed & Operated Spacecraft to be Recovered from Orbit (2010)	8 th
Michael Dorn (LCDR Worf, <i>The Next Generation</i> , <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	9 th
Tommy "Tiny" Lister, Jr. Dies at 62 (Klaang, <i>Enterprise</i>)	10 th
John Colicos (Kor, <i>The Original Series</i>)	11 th
<i>Star Trek: Insurrection</i> Premieres (1998)	11 th
<i>Apollo 17</i> Lands on Moon (Eugene Cernan & Harrison Schmitt, 1972)	11 th
<i>OSCAR 1</i> , First Amateur-Built Satellite, Launched (1961)	12 th
<i>Star Trek: Nemesis</i> Premieres (2002)	13 th
<i>Mariner II</i> Transmits Pictures of Venus (1962)	14 th
First Men to Reach South Pole (Roald Amundsen, 1911)	14 th
Garrett Wang (ENS Harry Kim, <i>Voyager</i>)	15 th
<i>Gemini 6</i> and 7 Fly Up To One Foot of Each Other (1965)	15 th
First Heavier-than-Air Flight (Wright Brothers 1903)	17 th
First Test Firing of the Atlas Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (1957)	17 th
Nuclear Fission Discovered (Otto Hahn & Fritz Strassmann, 1938)	17 th
Majel Barrett-Roddenberry Dies at 76 (Christine Chapel, <i>TOS</i> ; Lwaxana Troi, <i>TNG</i>)	18 th
Jason Mantzoukas (Jankom Pog, <i>Prodigy</i>)	18 th
First Communications Satellite (SCORE) Launched by US (1958)	18 th
Nicole deBoer (Ezri Dax, <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	20 th
Michelle Hurd (Rafaella "Raffi" Musiker, <i>Picard</i>)	21 st
<i>Apollo 8</i> Lifts off for the Moon (1968)	21 st
First Recovery of a VTVL Stage from an Orbital Rocket (<i>Falcon 9</i> SpaceX, 2015)	21 st
Noël Wells (ENS D'Vana Tendi, <i>Lower Decks</i>)	23 rd
Rhea, one of Saturn's moons, discovered by Giovanni Cassini (1672)	23 rd
<i>Rutan Voyager</i> Completes First Nonstop, Non-Refueled Flight Around the World (Dick Rutan & Jeana Yeager, 1986)	23 rd
President G.W. Bush Signs the Commercial Space Launch Amendments Act, Providing Basic Legal Framework for Commercial Spaceflight (2004)	23 rd
<i>Apollo 8</i> First Crewed Mission to Orbit the Moon (1968)	24 th
Rick Berman (Executive Producer)	25 th
<i>Hubble</i> Repaired by Crew of <i>Discovery</i> (1999)	25 th
Wilson Cruz (Hugh Culber, <i>Discovery</i>)	27 th

<i>Apollo 8 Returns to Earth in a Nighttime Splashdown (1968)</i>	27 th
Nichelle Nichols (LT Nyota Uhura, <i>The Original Series</i>)	28 th
LCDR Todd Kes	29th
LCDR Randy Dunn	31st

NIGHT OUT LOCATIONS



December Country's BBQ (on Broad)

Alternates:

Hibachi Buffet

Build Your Own Salad

Red Robin

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Value Their Freedom,
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Blue Sense of Humor**

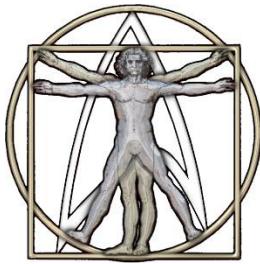
Nov 23 – Dec 21

CAPRICORN - VULCAN



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Control, Judgemental,
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Dec 22 – Jan 20



MEMBERSHIPS

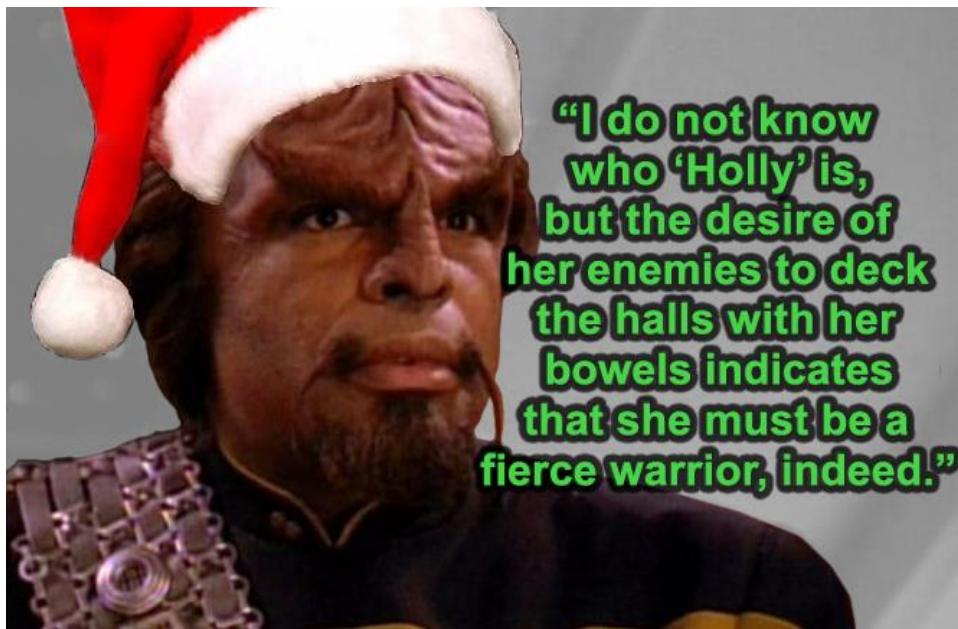


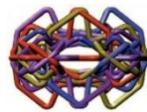
Many of you do not know when your membership in Starfleet is due for renewal. So to help you remember, the following lists your **family** expiration dates.

Please note that if the date is highlighted in **RED**, your membership has expired and you need to renew as soon as possible.

If highlighted in **BOLD** your membership is nearing its expiration, so please renew soon.

Name	Starfleet	Name	Starfleet
Sandra Adams	Expired	Leiko Koone	Apr '26
Robert Anthony	—	Everett Leonard	Feb '26
Michael Allen	Expired	Gregory Newer	Feb '26
Richard Biniasz	Expired	Joe Perry	Nov '25
Steve Brown	—	Karen Pynenburg	Mar '26
Steve Cushing	Expired	Diane Ruhland	Expired
Randy Dunn	Expired	Harold Stewart	Mar '26
Freddy Heller	—	Mike Watkins	Apr '27
Todd Kes	Nov '25	Paula Lee	Mar '26
Jeff Kirkland	Nov '25		





LINKS



Here are a few important web sites relevant to the DaVinci:

USS DaVinci

<http://www.ussdavinci.org/>

Starfleet International

<http://www.sfi.org/>

Starfleet Database

<https://db.sfi.org>

Starfleet Region 2

<http://region2.org/>



Freddy Heller spotted this “Alternate Universe DaVinci” while visiting Rome, Italy. Fittingly, it’s a school for higher education.

LATINUM VAULT

Opening Balance	\$0.00
T-Shirt Sales	+ \$11

Closing Balance \$11



DAVINCI T-SHIRTS

DaVinci t-shirts are still available! The cost is very reasonable: YM to L (\$11); XL (\$12), 2X (\$13), 3X (\$14), and 4X (\$15). Please contact Joe if you'd like to purchase a shirt.

Here is what the shirts look like:



Operations



Science



Engineering

Here is what we currently have in stock:

<u>Operations (Red)</u>		<u>Science (Blue)</u>		<u>Engineering (Yellow)</u>	
Medium	2	Youth Medium	1	Youth Medium	1
Large	0	Small	1	Small	1
XL	3	Medium	2	Medium	4
2X	2	Large	1	Large	2
4X	1	2X	2	XL/2X	0/0

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