

InterGalactiCon

San Diego

Steve "Captain" Kirk

InterGalactiCon Founder and CEO



"For us nerds, there's nothing better than freeing your fandom, being your true self with people that love what you're into as much as you do."

THE ORIGIN STORY

A year ago, Steve "Captain" Kirk led a normal life. Then, much like Liam Neeson, he realized that his career and passion had given him a very particular set of skills.

After decades in corporate life, including as a global executive for PlayStation, and two decades building the hacker convention DEF CON from 150 attendees to 25,000, he could bring people together just like Captain Kirk and run events with the precision of Spock.

A life-long gamer, founder of a lightsaber combat school, host of a Star Wars podcast, and someone who proudly flies the flag of the Rebel Alliance outside his house, he has the geek cred to lead.

Steve left his job and gathered the Guardian Council, a dream team of nerds from every fandom, to build InterGalactiCon.

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“InterGalactiCon brings the best parts about fandom to the forefront. We’re reclaiming our freedom to geek out how we want.”

CHARACTER SHEET: LEVEL 97 KIRK

Convention Skill

F7 Productions – Owner

Event management and production firm

DEF CON – Chief of Operations and Chief Network Architect

Over 19 years, Kirk helped build DEF CON from a 150-person meetup to the world’s largest hacker convention at 25,000 attendees

Business Power

Sony Computer Entertainment (PlayStation) – Sr Director Global IT

Managed staff of 150+ people globally and a \$40M+ budget

Insomniac Games – Director of IT

Lead the strategy and design of network architecture and enterprise security

Dell – Windows OS Technical Manager

Served as engineering liaison between Dell and Microsoft

Blackhat Networking Corp – President and CEO

Self-owned and managed local ISP service and network security consulting

Geek Cred

"Lost Tales of the Republic - The Purge" – Executive Producer

3-episode Star Wars-based story of original content

San Diego Sabers – Co-Founder and High Council Member

Real world lightsaber combat training group

San Diego Sabers Radio Podcast – Host and Founder

Weekly Star Wars podcast

“If being a nerd has taught me anything, it’s that a ragtag group of unlikely heroes can do incredible things if they work together. When we organize, we have the power to geek out how we want, not how the overlords tell us to.”

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