

# Sunset MERCON

## 2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Updated schedule as of 10/3/24, details are subject to change.

Day	Date	Venue	Room	Start	End	Name	Host
FRIDAY	4-Oct	YWCA	Trout	4:30P	7P	Registration	Waves of Koigi
		YWCA	Trout	5:30P	7P	Open Gaming	Waves of Koigi
		YWCA	Bluegill	5:30P	6P	Mersona Development	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH)</b>
		YWCA	Bluegill	6P	8P	Serpentine Bone Divinations	Siren Raye
		YWCA	Pool	6P	7:30P	Monofin Mixer	IL Merpod Staff
		YWCA	Pool	7:30P	9P	Halloween Swim	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH) &amp; Siren Raye</b>
SATURDAY	5-Oct	YWCA	Sturgeon	8A	3P	Registration & Vendor Hall Open	Waves of Koigi
		YWCA	Bluegill	8:30A	10A	Reel It In!	Meara the MerMammal
		YWCA	Sturgeon	9A	10A	Tales from the Sea	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH)</b>
		YWCA	Trout	9:30A	11A	Ships & Masks: A Crafting Space	Whimzsea
		YWCA	Trout	11A	11:30A	Become A Mermaid	Whimzsea
		YWCA	Bluegill	10A	11A	Quiplash	Midnight Muse
		YWCA	Sturgeon	10:30A	12:30P	Serpentine Bone Divinations	Siren Raye
		YWCA	Bluegill	11A	12:30P	Achieving The Look: A Step By Step Fantasy Makeup Application	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH)</b>
		YWCA	Trout	12:30P	2P	Crafting Mermaid Accessories	Adela Red
		YWCA	Pool	12P	12:30P	Meet the Mermaid	Siren Raye
		YWCA	Pool	1P	2P	MerGames	Porcelain Mermaid & Siren Raye
		YWCA	Pool	2P	3P	Competition Rehearsal	<b>Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod Staff</b>
		YWCA	Pool	3P	3:30P	Poolside Photography	Adela Red
		<b>YWCA</b>	<b>Pool</b>	<b>3P</b>	<b>5:30P</b>	<b>Group Swim &amp; Pic</b>	<b>Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod Staff</b>
		YWCA	Pool	3P	3:30P	Poolside Photography	Adela Red
		YWCA	Pool	5P	5:30P	Poolside Photography	Adela Red
		<b>Stoney Creek</b>	<b>Salon B</b>	<b>6:30P</b>	<b>10P</b>	<b>Masquerade Party</b>	<b>Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod Staff</b>
Stoney Creek	TBD	6P	7P	Sunset Photography	Adela Red		
Stoney Creek	Salon B	7P	10P	Masquerade Photography	Adela Red		

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<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>6-Oct</b>	YWCA	Bluegill	7A	8A	PADI Dry Class	<b>Mer Echo (GOH)</b>
		YWCA	Sturgeon	8A	2P	Registration & Vendor Hall Open	Waves of Koigi
		YWCA	Bluegill	8A	8:30A	Meditation	Mermaid Istaria & Waves of Koigi
		YWCA	Trout	8:30A	9A	Tidal Tea Party	Porcelain Mermaid
		YWCA	Bluegill	9A	9:45A	So you think you want a tank?!	The Deep Sea Cyprus
		YWCA	Pool	9A	12P	PADI Basic - Confined Water	<b>Mer Echo (GOH)</b>
		YWCA	Trout	9A	11A	A Vaesen One Shot	Michelle & Kaylee
		YWCA	Bluegill	10A	12:30P	Mermaid Jeopardy	Siren Raye & Pirate Trey
		YWCA	Trout	11A	12P	Who's the Fae?	Midnight Muse
		YWCA	Pool	12P	1P	Group Swim	IL Merpod Staff
		YWCA	Trout	12P	12:30P	Tidal Tea Party	Porcelain Mermaid
		YWCA	Sturgeon	1P	2P	Merfolk Musical Mischief	Mermaid Istaria & Waves of Koigi
		<b>YWCA</b>	<b>Pool</b>	<b>2P</b>	<b>3:30P</b>	<b>Skill Competition</b>	<b>Mer Echo (GOH), Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod</b>
		YWCA	Pool	3:30P	4P	Closing Ceremonies	IL Merpod

## PANEL DESCRIPTIONS:

Name	Host	Description
Con Registration	Waves of Koigi & IL Merpod Staff	Pick up your badge. Hours: Friday 4:30-7, Sat 8a-3p, Sun 8a - Noon
Vendor Hall	IL Merpod & Vendors	Shop hand crafted wares! Sat 8a-3p, Sun 8a - 2p
Mersona Development	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH)</b>	How a mersona can benefit professional performances, my journey to finding my mersona, and what you can do to develop yours for either personal or professional purposes! Followed by a Q&A of any and all Mersona related topics! Sign up on the SMC website!
Serpentine Bone Divinations	Siren Raye	Personalized bones readings, individual sign up preferred email serpentinemermaid@gmail.com, walk-ins accepted.
Monofin Mixer	IL Merpod Staff	Not sure what fin might fit you best? Worried about sizing or propulsion? Look no further! Join your podmates at the best informational and hands-on panel about monofin options.
Halloween Swim	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH) &amp; Siren Raye</b>	Get creative at the Halloween Swim! From dark sirens to cosplay crossovers, we cant wait to see what you do!
Open Gaming	Waves of Koigi	Games available for some casual Friday night fun
Reel It In!	Meara the MerMammal	Learn how to edit reels & short form video content using basic editing software and tools. By the end of class everyone will have a 30-45sec reel for their socials!
Tales from the Sea	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH)</b>	Listen to stories from under the sea, read by a real live mermaid!
Ships & Masks: A Crafting Space	Whimzsea	Craft pirate ships to sail at MerGames, a mask to wear at the Masquerade, or whatever your heart desires! Some materials available for use, while supplies last. Additional purchase may be required.
Become A Mermaid	Whimzsea	How can I get started in the world of mermaids? Q&A with Whimzsea, leader of the IL Merpod.

Quiplash	Midnight Muse	Quiplash is the gut-busting battle of wits and wittiness! Just use your phone to play with friends!
Serpentine Bone Divinations	Siren Raye	Personalized bones readings, individual sign up preferred email serpentinemermaid@gmail.com, walk-ins accepted.
Achieving The Look: A Step By Step Fantasy Makeup Application	<b>Mermaid Aycayia (GOH)</b>	A guide for designing and applying a fantasy makeup look. Watch a live "Mersona Makeup" application and follow along with your own! Learn about the products used in achieving a magical makeup application
Crafting Mermaid Accessories	Adela Red	Class for crafting crowns, tops, & accessories. Some shells and craft supplies provided, while supplies last. Additional purchase may be required (more details coming soon.)
Meet the Porcelain Mermaid	Siren Raye	Meet a real live mermaid at the YWCA pool!
MerGames	Porcelain Mermaid & Siren Raye	Light hearted pool games & activities to amuse and entertain.
Competition Rehearsal	<b>Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod Staff</b>	Dedicated pool time for competitors to practice & prepare for the skill competition. <b>REQUIRED FOR COMPETITORS</b>
Poolside Photography Slots	Adela Red	Book a poolside photo slot with Adela Red! Email: theadelaredcrew@gmail.com
<b>Group Swim &amp; Photo</b>	<b>Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod Staff</b>	<b>Calling all Merfolk! Swim with your fin family in a lovely heated pool! Swim casually, coordinate tricks, shoot some content with friends! Group photo at ~4P</b>
Sunset Photography	Adela Red	Book a photoshoot during the sunset with Adela Red! Email: theadelaredcrew@gmail.com
Masquerade Photography	Adela Red	Book a photo slot at the Masquerade with Adela Red! Email: theadelaredcrew@gmail.com
<b>Masquerade Party</b>	<b>Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod Staff</b>	<b>Mysteries of the sea gather in fantastical attire to party the night away. Ages 18+, cash bar available, includes a meal (vegetarian &amp; GF options available.)</b>
Registration & Vendor Hall Open	Waves of Koigi	Register for the con and/or shop hand crafted wares!
PADI Dry Class	<b>Mer Echo (GOH)</b>	The first step of your PADI journey with Mer Echo! Additional registration required.
Meditation	Istaria Mermaid & Waves of Koigi	Aquatic themed morning meditation accompanied by hand pan.
Tidal Tea Party	Porcelain Mermaid	Tiny tea time with Fae
So you think you want a tank?!	The Deep Sea Cyprus	A crash course on tank building, maintenance, materials, and how to perform in a tank safely.
Who's the Fae?	Midnight Muse	An introduction into the world of fae showing off some of the most common fae and how to treat them. Learn the beginnings with the idea of how to create your Fae-sona and join the fae bretheren!
PADI Basic	<b>Mer Echo (GOH)</b>	Start your journey under the waves with the amazing Mer Echo! Additional registration required.

A Vaesen One Shot	Michelle & Kaylee	A tabletop role playing mystery, involving supernatural beings from folklore called “vaesen.” Share in the creation and telling of a story while solving a mystery! Arrive early to make your own character, or choose a premade character. Only 4 spots available, sign up to reserve a spot.
Mermaid Jeopardy	Siren Raye & Pirate Trey	Hold onto your fins as you are quizzed on your knowledge of mermaids and various other aquatic and nautical information and win underwater treasure!!
Sunday Group Swim	IL Merpod Staff	Casual swim with fin family
Merfolk Musical Mischief	Mermaid Istarina & Waves of Koigi	A get together for all who love music to sing, dance, or play an instrument and enjoy the music with other merfolk.
<b>Skill Competition</b>	<b>Mer Echo (GOH), Whimzsea &amp; IL Merpod Staff</b>	<b>Showcase your skills at our premier event! Win custom accessories! Competitors must register. Spectatorship included in pass.</b>

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

<https://www.illinoismerpod.com/sunsetmercon>

#### **YWCA Pekin – Pool Venue:**

Address: 315 Buena Vista Ave, Pekin, IL 61554

Phone: (309) 347-2104

#### **Stoney Creek Hotel – Masquerade Venue & Room Block:**

Address: 101 Mariners Way, East Peoria, IL 61611

Phone: (309) 694-1300

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