

Announcements and Letters

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Visit the Warpstock homepage at <http://www.warpstock.org> and on the left side of the page, click on the Warpstock 2025 link.

Announcement

The Warpstock Board of Directors is pleased to announce Warpstock 2025. The annual conference for ArcaOS, OS/2, and eComStation users, administrators, and developers, will be held November 7-9 at the Holiday Inn Little Rock Airport Conference Center in Little Rock, Arkansas..

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Warpstock lasts three days, from Friday, November 7 9:00 AM to Sunday, November 9 12:00 Noon. The meeting is at a hotel near the Little Rock airport. There is a free shuttle to the hotel from the airport. Warpstock will provide lunch and snacks. Arca Noae is providing breakfast at the A/V8 Cafe in the hotel. The conference is designed to be easy to attend.

Registration for on-line viewing will not be required. On-line viewing will be via YouTube stream, and questions may be posed via YouTube Chat as well as IRC. YouTube and IRC access details will be posted at a later date.

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Fact Sheet 1 – For foreign visitors

I have heard serious concerns from some of our past attendees and speakers about attending Warpstock in the USA. I recognize that some USA policies have changed after the November 2024 election.

I'm doing my best to keep Warpstock away from politics. I'm certainly not trying to argue with people about that. I'm just saying that supporting Warpstock neither endorses nor opposes any USA policies. Further, Warpstock is not intrinsically political. The current USA administration has never expressed a view about OS/2.

I'm not qualified to give travel advice. I did a quick search on line and found these tidbits.

The Visa Waiver Program (VWP) is a program of the United States government that allows nationals of specific countries to travel to the United States for tourism, business, or while in transit for up to 90 days without having to obtain a visa.

All incoming passengers who intend to take advantage of the Visa Waiver Program are required to apply for a travel authorization through the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) online before departure to the United States, preferably at least 72 hours (3 days) in advance. This requirement was announced on June 3, 2008 and is intended to bolster U.S. security by pre-screening participating VWP passengers against terrorist or no-fly lists and databases.

Upon application for entry to the United States, you should expect thorough screening procedures at airports and other ports of entry. Your identity and the validity of your visa will be checked against law enforcement databases. You will be fingerprinted and photographed upon entry. You may also be subject to intensive questioning about your immigration status, travel history, the purpose of your visit, background, employment and other issues. This could include a search of your electronic devices.

Warpstock 2021 – Event plan

We will be connecting to Martin's console and switching between us. If you want, you can show slides to test that. Basically, we won't be presenting anything. We're just verifying that each of us can connect as we will expect to do it at Warpstock.

This is the first time Warpstock has been on-line only. In the past, we have offered on-line as a view into the in-person event, and the event was planned with sessions and breaks.

This year, the event is on-line only. To better adapt to the on-line format, the timing of sessions will be more fluid, and much faster. An in person event leads to lots of interaction between participants and with the presenter. On-line has none of that, and the participants have every distraction available to them at home.

For this reason, the tempo of the on-line event is different. While I want presenters to have all the time they need to include the material they want to present, I'd like the presentations to keep audience attention. I am scheduling 15 minutes for most presentations, but that is due to limitations of our web calendar. Take the time you need to make a good presentation.

The first four presentations will be before the break, and the second will be after the break. Each presentation will be followed by a brief call for Q and A and then move right into the next presentation.

There will be time for chat after the second block of presentations. I'm hoping to wind up the whole show in 3 hours, including break time.

Warpstock 2025 - Call for presentations

You are invited to present at Warpstock 2025. Warpstock 2025 will be held November 7-9 at the Holiday Inn Little Rock Airport Conference Center in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Our conference relies on people coming forward to present what they are doing in the OS/2 space. Warpstock tries to make it easy for you to bring a basic slide deck or video to Warpstock, and present your work. If you have built something interesting on OS/2, Warpstock attendees probably want to see it.

Presentations should be relevant to OS/2 users, including ArcaOS and eComStation. Presentations on the history of OS/2 are also welcome.

Presentations will be in person where possible. Remote presentations can be live from your location or you can submit a video and take questions from the audience.

Warpstock 2025 will be available real-time on YouTube live, and lightly edited videos will be available afterward on the WarpEvents channel.

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Spouses/family members/guests/office mates attending sessions also receive great discounts, and non-attending guests are FREE. Students with valid student ID are always welcome to attend sessions at no charge, with full benefits!

Visit the Warpstock homepage at <http://www.warpstock.org> and on the left side of the page, click on the Warpstock 2025 link. Then select Registration from the event homepage.

If you want to present, please contact me at presenters@warpstock.org. Your presentation will help make Warpstock 2025 a success.

Please include a presentation title and a short description to put on the website. If this is the first time presenting at Warpstock, please include a one-paragraph bio.

Instructions to Warpstock 2025 presenters

Your presentation for Warpstock has been scheduled. Please see the Warpstock 2023 home page: http://www.warpstock.org/staticpages/index.php?page=ws2025_home to see your presentation time and date.

Slides are not required, but if you use them, please be ready to provide your session slides in PDF or OpenOffice Impress format. Your pre-recorded sessions may be in any the following formats: .mp4, .ts, .mov, .flv, .mkv, .avi, .gif, .webm.

In person presentations will have a projector available for slides and/or your computer.

If you are a remote presenter, live input can come to us via most of the popular streaming services (Zoom, Google Hangouts, etc.). Please let us know in advance so that we may be prepared to receive your broadcast.

The standard presentation length is 45 minutes. There will be a question and answer session after each presentation, and a moderator will ask questions posed by on-line viewers.

If you have a video, please submit it ahead of time. We will feed it in and then you can answer questions afterward.

An OpenOffice template for your slide presentation is available on the Warpstock website. Feel free to use them, or to make up your own. It is not required that you use slides at all or that you use OpenOffice.

<http://www.warpstock.org/filemgmt/visit.php?lid=337>

Please send me your presentation ahead of your presentation time so that I may make it available on the Warpstock website. You may e-mail it to me at neil@blondeguy.com.

Letter to attendees

We are looking forward to seeing you at Warpstock 2023 next month on December 1-3 at the Drury Inn & Suites Phoenix Airport in Phoenix, Arizona. We are going to include some participatory sessions that you are invited to join during the conference. Here is a summary of those sessions.

Mountain Standard Time (MST) is 7 hours behind Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).

Thanks for reading

Warpstock Board of Directors

Thanks for presenting at Warpstock

According to YouTube analytics, we got a peak of 72 users watching the stream at the same time and a steady rate of no less than 50 live users after the first session.

The video has been reproduced 133 times since Warpstock live stream ended.

Thank you for presenting at Warpstock. We'd like to make it better. If you have comments or suggestions, please send them to us at president@warpstock.org.

Thanks for attending Warpstock

Warpstock 2023 ended last Sunday. Thanks to all who attended. For those of you who streamed all or part of the meeting, we hoped you enjoyed a taste of the Warpstock experience, and will consider joining us live at a future event.

Warpstock is your conference. We'd like to make it better. If you have comments or suggestions, please send them to us at president@warpstock.org.

You can view the presentations on YouTube. Go to the WarpEvents page at YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNKJf6d69jWt4AD41yEgawQ>

Users with OS/2 can watch the stream in two ways.

- 1) Option 1: Firefox pointing to the WarpEvents site:
- 2) Option 2: Grab the YouTube URL and put it on VLC to view the Live Stream.

Instructions to watch the Warpstock live stream

The Warpstock 2024 conference will be offered via streaming video. If you enjoy the conference in this way, please feel free to send us a donation to help cover the costs of presenting Warpstock.

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=H4ZZPLJ7ZTGFL

A link to the schedule is shown below.

<http://www.warpstock.org/calendar.php?mode=&view=week&month=09&day=27&year=2024>

YouTube

We will be using YouTube Live as our streaming server. Go to the WarpEvents page at YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNKJf6d69jWt4AD41yEgawQ>

Once there, locate the WarpStock 2024 Live Stream URL.

For users with OS/2, streaming from YouTube to Firefox does not work, Dooble does not work, and VLC sometimes works. Grab the YouTube URL and put it on VLC to try to view the Live Stream.

IRC

To ask questions as we go, use IRC on Libera Chat. The URL for the #Warpstock channel is

<https://web.libera.chat/#Warpstock>

Social Networks

There will be up to date information on OS/2 World and the following social networks

Facebook: WarpEvents: <https://www.facebook.com/Warpevents>

Twitter: OS2World: <https://twitter.com/OS2World>