New Players Guide

We're really glad that you're joining Star Army, or at least thinking about it. This guide is going to give you all the most important information that you need to know about Star Army and guide you through some initial setup.

What is Star Army?

Star Army is a primarily a community for role-playing, writing, and world-building. We create characters and try to imagine being in their situations, writing their dialogue, thoughts, and actions. We're also constantly creating new parts of our shared world.

The core element of our universe is the Star Army of Yamatai, a military force reminiscent of those you might see in popular science fiction media or anime. Yamatai is part of several playable factions in the Star Army setting, each of which has its own flavor, roleplay opportunities, and technologies.

Star Army can sometimes contain mature themes, so we only allow adults (people 18 or older) to join.

The Setting

Earth is merely a legend at this point in the far future. Instead, Star Army takes place in a huge galaxy called Kagami. The Kagami Galaxy is largely unexplored by the playable factions, which share a particularly fertile corner of the galaxy called the Kikyo Sector.

Technology

Common technologies in the Star Army setting include FTL drives, androids, synthetic life, brain-uploading, aetheric energy, nanomachines, forcefields, and 3D holograms.

Languages

The common galactic standard language is called Trade. Other languages can be found here: Languages

Playable Factions

You can make characters in any faction you like and in as many factions as you life. Your options are:

- Yamatai: a young transhuman utopia with its powerful Star Army, which fights to preserve order in the sector
- Nepleslia: an ancient cyberpunk nation where survival is only guaranteed by your gun skills (it's not actually guaranteed)
- New Dusk Conclave: a recently-created nation of outcasts from Yamatai and Nepleslia, now forging their own identity
- Neshaten: fox anthros that faces both internal and external growing pains within their kingdom.
- Independent: Because you think laws are for chumps

Some of these playable factions have sub-factions and subcultures within them, such as the Elysian Celestial Empire and megacorporations like Origin Industries.

Recent Events

The current year is YE 45 (OOC: 2023) The factions of the Kikyo Sector recently fought off an invasion in the Kuvexian War. Now a new era of exploration is beginning!

Here's some other recent events that occurred in the last few years:

- YE 43
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  Battle Of Glimmergold
- YE 43
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  Galactic Swap Meet of YE 43
- YE 43
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  Rebuilding Tange
- YE 43
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  Ryu Keiretsu And Yugumo Corporation Agreement of YE 43
- YE 43
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  Victory Day YE 43
- YE 43

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[Special Election Of YE 43](#)
- [YE 44](#)
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[International Relations Conference Of YE 44](#)
- [YE 44](#)
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[Arrival of the Norians](#)
- [YE 44](#)
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[Establishment Of The Bellflower Party](#)
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[Re-Establishment Of The Fifth Expeditionary Fleet](#)
- [YE 44](#)
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[Candy Festival Of YE 44](#)
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[Departure Of The Combined Colony Fleet](#)
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[Hinamatsuri](#)
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[Liberation Of Hanako's World](#)
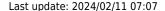- [YE 45](#)
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[Third Mishhuvurthyar War](#)
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[Tsukimi YE 45](#)

- For recent OOC Announcements, see https://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/forums/news/
- For recent In-Character News, see https://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/forums/headlines/

Joining Roleplays

We recommend joining Open Roleplaying threads the day you join. You're here to RP, right? You don't need any prior approvals to join Open RPs. That's what makes them open. You can find them in the Open Roleplaying forum. You can also make your own thread. We suggest posting an interest check in the OOC and Plot Planning forum to find partners prior to starting it. There's also a #looking4rp channel on our Discord server to arrange RPs.

Star Army has an excellent guide to roleplaying here: Roleplaying.

There's some long-term RPs we call plots, and they're listed here: plots. When plots are seeking players they post what they're looking for here: Characters Wanted. You can creating a character for your favorite plot or for general use.

Current Open RPs

These are the latest topics in the Open RP forum (with the time of the latest post in parentheses):

- (One Shot) Mind the Merchant (2024/05/27 15:23)
- Welcome to the Mining Guild! (2024/05/13 17:02)
- [Open RP] Children's Day (2024/05/10 20:27)
- Rusted Gains (2024/04/27 17:19)
- [Open RP] Trip to the Scrapyard (YE 46) (2024/04/15 21:35)

- [Open RP] The Hanami Festival of YE 46 (2024/04/12 01:10)
- [Open RP] Welcome to the Kikyo Sector (YE 46) (2024/04/08 22:47)
- The Snow Globe: Yule Festival at Pisces International Station [Open RP] (2024/01/07 18:59)

Adding to The Setting

In addition to adding to the Star Army Universe with roleplaying, you can also submit pages to become a permanent part of Star Army's lore and canon.

- Star Army Creator Mentor Program
- Submission Rules

Play With Privacy

You do not have to provide a real name to participate (See Important Privacy Note - "Real Name" Field on the Wiki). You do not have to provide your gender or location. We take your privacy seriously and will protect it to the best of our ability. For full privacy details, see Privacy Policy.

Your Checklist

Here's what we recommend:

1. Read the Site Rules
2. Register an account on the forum (look for "Register" near the top right)
3. Register a wiki account link (this is separate from your forum account)
   - Note: You don't have to provide your name[1]
4. Post an introduction in Introductions and New Players
5. Join the Discord server and say hello. Usually there's someone available to mentor you through character creation.
6. Make your first characters: See Creating A Character (Feel free to ask questions on Discord as you do it)
7. Join any Open RP thread

Questions and Assistance

Getting into Star Army is easiest when you ask someone to mentor you through it, and we're happy to do that! If we haven't volunteered yet, just ask! You've got questions: there are many ways to get answers or help:

- Post on the forums (Ask questions in the Introduction forum or Setting Discussion).
- Talk to people in the Discord chat

- You can also contact Wes, the admin: Start a Conversation with Wes
- If you can't log in or register, email wes@stararmy.com

Star Army uses advanced anti-spam methods that may occasionally flag a legitimate user for further review based on IP address, Email, username, or other characteristics.

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https://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/threads/important-privacy-note-real-name-field-on-the-wiki.66515/

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