

## About Lucca Games

**Lucca Games** is the Italian salon dedicated to **Intelligent Games** (role games, board games, collectable card games and 3-dimensional wargaming) and **Fantastic Imagination**. Set up in 1993, in the course of just a few years the exhibition has proved to be an inspired idea: a policy decision that has succeeded in highlighting the close links between the world of games and the world of cartooning, bringing together new and old trends in culture and entertainment, from the traditional comic to computer graphics, fantasy sagas to simulated battles, illustration to board games, and narrative to game design. Over the years, **Lucca Games has become the most important games exhibition in Italy** and is one of the most important internationally. Why? Because it was conceived as something more than an ordinary games fair, seeking to unite the spirit and enjoyment that enlivens such events with the atmosphere of a great festival, a space for games and the imagination where visitors can play the part of the hero or meet a famous author or have the opportunity to preview and try out the next big releases. Acting as guides on this trip through the games medium are the cleverest game writers in Italy and the most successful publishers who come to the fair each year and mingle with young people from fandoms and clubs. **Demonstration tables** where everyone can try out the games under the guidance of expert animators; meetings and competitions; **seminars on genre fiction**; **exhibitions of work by great fantasy illustrators and a Performance Area** for Live Painting; a **Meeting Room** for quizzing **artists** of the calibre of Brom, Rick Berry, Phil Hale, Justine Sweet, Ciruelo, John Howe, Brian Froud, Larry Elmore, Angelo Montanini, Giuseppe Palumbo and Paolo Parente and with **game designers** and **writers** such as Richard Garfield, Margaret Weis, Joe Dever, Valerio Evangelisti, Alan Dean Foster, George R.R. Martin and Jervis Johnson. Finally, there are the prestigious **Best of Show** prizes, awarded to the best productions in the show. Lucca Games is all this and much more.