How the Wyrm Worked: 2024 Retrospective

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In 2024, Wyrmworks Publishing took bold strides to make tabletop roleplaying games (TTRPGs) more accessible, inclusive, and impactful than ever. We helped you make lives better through TTRPGs, and together, we're making a difference. Here's what we achieved this year:

Breaking New Ground in Braille TTRPG Accessibility

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We converted all our published titles to digital braille, and thanks to our encouragement and assistance, DriveThruRPG now has **13 braille titles available** from us and other publishers. What began with zero braille publishers in 2023 now includes **six**.

Virtual Tabletops (VTT) and Adventure Publishing

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Additionally, we released new adventures, including <u>Ascent to</u> the <u>Depths of Dread</u>, and contributed to projects like <u>Weapons of Myth</u> (Jeff Stevens Games) and <u>Zander's Guide to Zombie Hunting</u> (Scoundrel Game Labs).

Expanding Access and Community Impact

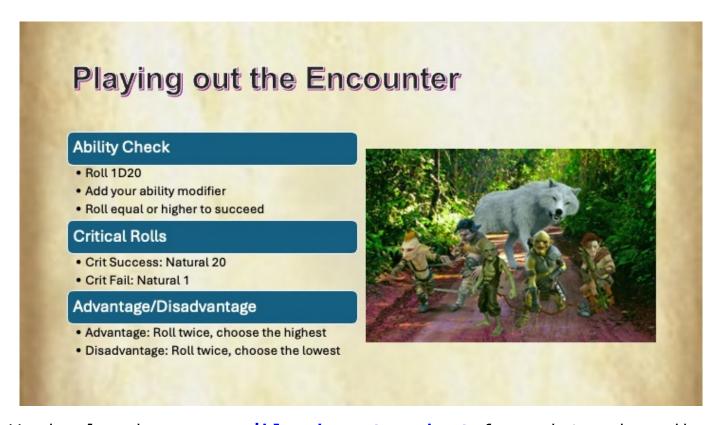
- Community Copies Donated: With support from patrons, we provided \$4,170 worth of free products to those unable to afford them, including:
 - Digital <u>Limitless Heroics Coloring Book</u>: 194 copies
 - Digital <u>Limitless Heroics Full Edition</u>: 80 copies
- Therapeutic Applications: Multiple therapists reported incorporating our content into their gaming groups, demonstrating the real-world mental health impact of inclusive TTRPG design.
- Lair Pages: We added 38 new entries to <u>our online</u> <u>compendium</u>, bringing the total to 1739 resources.

Advocating for Inclusion in TTRPGs

We gave a presentation on inclusive gaming and podcasting at the <u>University of Minnesota's Institute on Community Integration</u>, spreading the message of accessible TTRPGs to new audiences.

We <u>partnered</u> with **disabled**, **neurodivergent**, **and mentally ill freelancers**, ensuring authentic representation in our work.

We also created <u>Crowdplay</u>, a system to run D&D encounters for dozens or hundreds of players at once. Our test involved 100 players across local and virtual platforms at the same time, and we <u>released the system for free</u>.

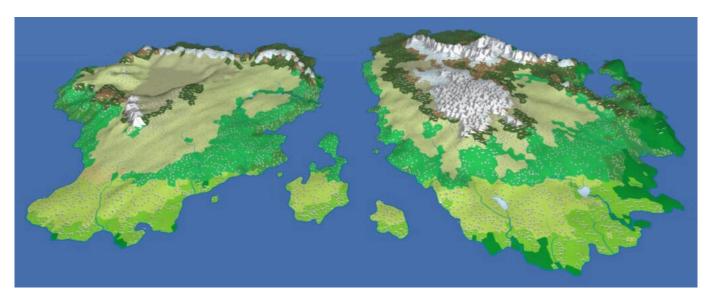


We developed an <u>accessible character sheet</u> for print and reading disabilities, ensuring no one is left behind.

Creating in Andovir

The <u>world of Andovir</u> continues to grow with new tools for immersive gaming. This year, we developed **six languages** to model

improved cultural accessibility in the game, <u>all available in</u> the Lair.



We also released <u>Stoneharbor</u>, the first AccessPunk city supplement, demonstrating AccessPunk principles.

Collaborations and Charity Work

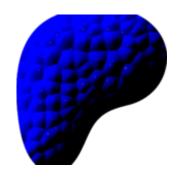


- Sponsored Game Creators: We supported creators in countries unable to run Kickstarter campaigns, empowering voices in the global TTRPG community.
- Charity Contributions: We participated in the Rio Grande do Sul Flood Charity Bundle, which raised enough to fund nearly seven improvised shelters.

Strengthening the Hoard and Community

We sent **22 notes of encouragement** in our email updates. Thank you to everyone who responded with kind words—your feedback helps silence our inner critic. If you're not already signed up, join the Dragon's Hoard for updates and encouragement!

Additionally, I am volunteering to DM for a D&D group of a dozen teens at our local library, inspiring the next generation of TTRPG players.



Encourage Inclusivity and Join Us on Patreon

We couldn't have achieved this without you, and the work isn't done. Support us on Patreon to help us continue making lives better through TTRPGs.

Plans for 2025



The view from my front yard in the summer

We haven't mastered divination magic, so we have lots of plans but don't always know what life will bring in the coming year. (In 2024, we moved from Minnesota to Leadville, CO. We never imagined that, and it consumed our entire summer and more, but it's been great for our family.) And thanks to my ADHD, time blindness makes predicting timeframes difficult, but here's our plan:



- <u>Free5e</u>: A Free Open-Source Dungeons and Dragons Alternative. Fully free, Creative Commons D&D core books—accessible, affordable, and open for everyone. <u>Launching March 4 on Kickstarter</u>
- Ready-to-Roll: Feyweather Friends: Last Minute, No Prep D&D 5e Adventure \$1. Seal the Far Realm breach! No Prep Needed D&D Adventure for 1-2 players level 1-4 with lots of eyeballs, tentacles, and fey magic!
- <u>Limitless Champions Adventures</u>: Adventures featuring disabled & neurodivergent NPCs for inclusive game spaces

If you're interested in these projects, <u>follow them on</u> Kickstarter!