

PROGRAMMING

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This of course is all stuff and nonsense. The Golden Age of Science Fiction was the result of a lot of hard work by a lot of people, pursuing their craft for a long, long time. We should always be grateful for their efforts.

Loscon 33's program appeared, without any prompting or intervention by Humanity, back in the late 06s. It was a gift from Roscoe, and was given to all attendees at the Convention for their amusement and enlightenment.

Let us know when you've stopped laughing.

Okay.

The program is the result of a lot of hard work by many people, to include those wonderful folks who have volunteered their time to be on panels. We, the programming committee, are grateful for their efforts.

Go to the panels. Ask questions. Learn something. Enjoy.

(Now for the technical stuff - program times, participants and locations will be provided in the pocket program. Program items are subject to change. All changes will be announced as soon as possible in the daily newszine.)

2006 Hugo Nominations - Our panelists make recommendations for nominees for the upcoming Hugo awards cycle.

Aids Project LA Charity Auction - David Gerrold coaxes your last dime from your wallet during his annual migratory stop. But hey, it's for charity!!

Anime - The Strange And The Silly - Forget plain old robots, combat robot maid shows are their own genre. Or how about a sports anime featuring the game of go? And don't forget the show about the ventriloquist detective...

Anime Invasion - The Early Days of Japanimation in the US - a discussion to include such shows as Astro Boy and Gigantor.

Anime on the Horizon - Great anime shows that you haven't heard about yet!

Archaeology of a Convention (An Interactive Panel) - An experiment in the application of archaeological methodology to the study of the culture of science fiction conventions.

Ariel, Darryl and Hans - Mermaids in myth, literature, cinema and art: mysterious creatures, femme fatales, or just plain cute?

B Movies - A Short Class by Charles Lee Jackson II

Be Afraid of the Amateur? - Will amateur and work at home competition destroy lucrative tech jobs?

Bobbin Lace with Priscilla Atwell

Breaking the Mold - What events are not necessary to science fiction conventions? Do we really need an art show, a masquerade, a consuite?

Bringing Back The Gold - The trials and tribulations of reprinting classic pulp stories - is it worth the effort?

Broad Universe - Readings by the Broad Universe Writers Group

Catholic Sunday Morning Services

"City of Others" - A presentation on Bernie Wrightson's new project with Steve Niles, coming soon from Dark Horse Comics.

The Colors of Your Palette - Tools for the artist from pencils to paper to pixels.

Comic Books to Movies - 40 years ago, it was Adam West. Today, it's Christian Bale. Why is Hollywood finally getting it right?

Congratulations Dr. Frankenstein, It's A Monster! - A retrospective of Frankenstein movies.

Convention Feedback - Love us? Hate us? Let your voice be heard!

Corset Tying - Do you know the right way to tie up your friends? Come to this panel and learn how!

Costuming For Masquerades - Tips and techniques for award winning costumes.

Crochet with Joyce Sperling

The Crazy Years: Will We Survive Or Will We See Nehemiah Scudder? What are the warning signs?

Cross Stitch with Stacey Hallman

Cultures In Conflict - A central theme in numerous science fiction works is when two civilizations come into contact. Our panelists discuss some of the classic first contact stories.

DAWN and SIM Missions - A brief discussion of the upcoming DAWN (asteroid belt) and SIM (extrasolar planets) missions.

Deep Throat: The Conspiracy To Cover Up Life On Mars - Did the Martian rovers find evidence of past life on Mars? What's this about fossils? Why is NASA silent about strange indications seen in rock formations? What color is the Martian sky?

Did Science Fiction Change The World - And Did Anyone Notice? Did science fiction influence the inventions of the 21st century, or was it the other way around?

Doctor Who - What's Next? - The third season is about to start with a relatively new doctor and a new companion. Will they keep us as thrilled as they did the last two seasons?

Doing What The Inklings Did - C.S. Lewis, J. R. R. Tolkien and Charles Williams needed a writing group to get their work done. What did they do in those meetings and what can contemporary writers and writers groups learn from their example?

Drop Spindle Spinning with Priscilla Atwell

The Eaton Collection - A presentation by The University of California Riverside's speciality collection of science fiction, fantasy, and fan-related materials. (This location currently houses our Fan GOH's collection.)

Essential Reading For Writers - What books should be on the writers' bookshelf?

Fanzine In An Hour - Join our panelists as they create a fanzine from whole cloth (or computers and imagination). The fanzine will be written, produced, published and distributed at Loscon.

Flintknapping - A demonstration of the art and science of making stone tools, resulting in the production of an arrowhead.

Friday Evening Erev Shabbat Services

The Future of Fabric - What will we make clothes out of next?

The Gift of Fur - The first days of furry fandom - why did it happen, who was involved, and did they expect it to last until the 21st century?

The Golden Age of Science Fiction Films - What movies are classics and why?

Griffith Observatory - A showing of "The History of Griffith Observatory" DVD, and a discussion of the new renovations.

Harry Potter and The Magic Bullet - Who will die in J.K.Rowling's last Harry Potter novel. Will your favorite character survive?

Heroes - The Super TV Show - a panel discussion on the surprise hit of the season.

The History of Machines in Science Fiction - Computers, destruction devices, robots, faster than light drives, machinery gone insane - a brief history of the machines we love - or hate?

The Horror That is Bernie Wrightson! - Bernie talks about his career as a comic book illustrator, and tells some funny stories too!

Hour 25 - Join Warren James as he interviews this year's Loscon Guests of Honor - William Tenn, Bernie Wrightson and Fred Patten.

How Pros See Fans; How Fans See Pros - Fans and pros talk about their views and opinions of each other.

How To Judge A Book By Its Back Cover - Are the descriptions on the back covers of books worth the paper they're printed on?

I See Dead People - Looking back at B actors in old movies.

Ice Cream Social - Watch Dr. Freeze make ice cream before your eyes. Once again the ice cream social will be providing fun and entertainment with a fix-it-yourself sundae bar and root beer floats. Meet, great, and socialize while enjoying a frozen treat.

Jack Williamson Remembered -- Join our panelists for a look back on the life and works of Jack Williamson.

Knitting with Joyce Sperling

Knitting with Priscilla Atwell

Low Budget Sci-Fi Movie Making - Can you make a decent movie on a shoestring?

Memories of My First Time - Pro authors recall their first professional sale.

The New Battlestar Galactica - It's gritty, but is it great?

The Nine Billion Flavors of God - religion in science fiction and fantasy.

Old or Gold? - Just because it's old doesn't mean it's really a classic.

Opening Ceremonies

Orson Welles And The Panic Of 1938 - A discussion of the history and aftermath of the Mercury Theatre production of H.G. Wells *War of The Worlds*.

Overlooked Golden Age Authors - They were great - they were in the golden age. You might not have heard about them, but our panelists will tell you who they were.

Page 119 - The infamous Page 119 panel - can you judge a book by reading page 119?

Paying The Rent - How to make ends meet while you're writing the great American Science Fiction Novel.

Reading - Fictionados Writers Group

Regency Dance

Rejectionomancy - How to handle rejections, and learning to understand rejection slips are business not personal.

Rock Dances Friday and Saturday

Saturday Morning Shabbat Services

Science Fiction And Fantasy Movies - A Class by Charles Lee Jackson II

Science is Dying - The number of students going into the hard sciences is dramatically declining. How do we get kids back into the physics lab?

Screwing with Einstein - Quantum mechanics, string theory and God's game of dice. Is Einstein still right?

Selling Your Art Professionally - Tips on how to sell your art at convention art shows and professional venues.

SF Tube Talk - A discussion of current science fiction on television. With video clips!

Sir, Turn Your Key! - The ultimate audience participation panel - Mac vs. PC, Coke vs. Pepsi, Windows vs. Linux, Star Wars vs. Star Trek, and other light hearted discussions that fans love so much.

So This is Your Last Con - How to avoid fannish burnout.

Social Blind Alleys - Science promised us a bright shiny future. What happened to put the tarnish on that shine?

Spontaneous Writers Workshop - Need help jumpstarting your writing? Join us for a few writing exercises.

Stitches Through The Ages - a retrospective of stitching from the Victorian Age, through the Regency Era, and up to the modern age.

TAFF Auction - The Trans Atlantic Fan Fund is the oldest fan fund in existence, and its purpose is to bring fans from Europe to America and vice versa. Loscon is pleased to host an auction to help raise money for this worthy fund!

Todd And Ed Nuke Los Angeles - The nuclear genie has been uncorked. Todd McCaffrey and Ed Green discuss the range of possible nuclear calamities. What can we expect and how bad will it really be?

Tom Safer Presents - Cartoons

Too Much Data - 24 hour news, bloggers, cell phone cameras, spy satellites, government scanning email, fanzines online. Are we choking on information?

Trivia For Chocolate - We have chocolate, we have trivia. You do the math!

Two by Two, Hands of Blue - What secrets or plot threads of the Firefly universe didn't we learn?

Vampires In Film - a retrospect celebrating 75 years of Dracula's reign.

Virtual Masquerade - Come and view this year's edition of the famous Loscon Virtual Masquerade! If time permits, we may revisit Kermit DeFraugg in past editions.

What Happened to the Science in Science Fiction? - Is it really science fiction these days, or is it some weird blend of fantasy and mysticism?

What Makes a Good Hall Costume? - How to look great and still be able to sit, stand, and walk around.

What's So Appealing About Time Travel? - Time travel is either possible or impossible depending on the scientist you talk to, but it's still a standard of SF. Why?

Wheel Spinning Demo with Priscilla Atwell

When It Goes Wrong - What happens when an interplanetary spacecraft is a hundred million miles away and something goes wrong?

Who Owns Your Dreams? - Intellectual property rights - protecting your ideas against your employers - do they own your brain?

Why Comics Are Stronger Than Ever - A discussion on why comic books have become a major voice in literature.

Why I Stopped Writing - William Tenn

Why Not To Marry A Writer - Our panelists, led by Fruma Klass, tell us the advice they'd give their sons or daughters about marrying creative people.

William Tenn reading "On Venus, Have We Got A Rabbi!"

Writers and Illustrators of the Future

A Writers' Tool Box - things that writers use, from writers' groups to first readers to mood music.

Writing For Comics and Animation - Tips and techniques for the newcomer.