

WORLD CON 76 SAN JOSE 2018

AUGUST 16-20
MCENERY CONVENTION CENTER



FROM THE CHAIR

PROGRESS REPORT: ZERØ.1

We're thrilled to be hosting the 76th World Science Fiction Convention in San Jose! Thanks to everyone who supported the bid, and thanks, too, to everyone who cared enough about Worldcon to invest their time and resources in the Site Selection process. For the latest info, visit our website at www.worldcon76.org!

We've got some stellar Guests of Honor already confirmed, and will be adding more in the near future. I hope you'll be astounded by the guests we've invited! San Jose is a place that rewards and celebrates creativity. Where people, in their day jobs, advance science and technology, only to go home and create more. Where being smart and nerdy is the mainstream. We have a great partner in Team San Jose and the McEnery Convention Center, home to a number of our local and regional fannish events.

Please join us over the next two years while our team at SFSFC builds your Worldcon of the Future! There will be many opportunities (and some surprises) along the way for you to join in as we make it a reality.

Kevin Roche
Conference Chair

REGISTER FOR WORLDCON 76

We are using RegOnline.com for registration. Register at www.regonline.com/worldcon76
These prices are effective Feb. 1, 2017 through Aug.1, 2017

Membership	Standard	Conversion from Supporting
Supporting	\$50	Not Applicable
Adult Attending	\$190	\$140
YA Attending (15-21) Active Duty Military Attending	\$90	\$40
Child Attending (6-14)	\$60	\$10
Kid in Tow (Under 6)	\$0 (no voting rights)	\$0 (not applicable)

All Worldcon 2018 voters automatically have a supporting membership in Worldcon 76, by virtue of paying the "advance supporting membership" (voting) fee. Pre-supporters and pre-opposers who wish to upgrade online will be contacted with their discounted conversion options; Friends of Bid and Enemies of Bid who voted will automatically be converted to Adult Attending, and Venture Capitalists will automatically be converted to Adult Attending.

GUESTS OF HONOR

BOB WILKINS
(GHOST OF HONOR)



"Watch Horror Films, Keep America Strong!" was Bob Wilkin's slogan as TV host of several decades of horror and science fiction films programs in Northern California. From Sacramento to the Bay Area,

Bob's dry wit and cheap cigars punctuated the commercial breaks in front of some of the flimsiest sets and craziest props on TV. Whether he was acting out an episodic skit, or hosting as who's who of fantastic actors, Wilkins was the lynchpin of local television movie night tradition.

CHELSEA QUINN YARBRO



Two life-changing things happened to Chelsea Quinn Yarbro in 1968: she attended her first WorldCon and she sold her first story. Since then, she has attended many more conventions and published 81 works of short fiction in multiple genres and is presently working on her 95th sold book.

As well as science fiction, Yarbro writes mysteries, horror, non-fiction, westerns, young adult, and fantasy, most under her own name, but some under pseudonyms. By the time the 2018 WorldCon rolls around, she plans to be at work on her 100th sold book.

PIERRE & SANDY PETTINGER



Attending conventions since 1981, and active in costuming since 1983, Pierre and Sandy Pettinger won their first costuming award at the World Science Fiction Convention in 1986. Their expertise and love of the form drove them to win more awards than can be listed here, but notably includes 4 Worldcon Best in Show awards. They are also active in costume judging, and masquerade management, as well as serving in executive positions in the St. Louis Costumers Guild (a.k.a. The St. Louis Ubiquitous Tailoring Society, or SLUTS), a chapter of the International Costumers' Guild. (True Fact: They were committee members for San Jose's last worldcon, ConJosé in 2002, and ran our masquerade there.)

SPIDER ROBINSON



In writing, Spider Robinson found a way to escape from his job guarding a New York sewer. Almost immediately he created one of the best known and loved places in Science Fiction and Fantasy; Callahan's Place. Writing with humor, a singular imagination, and a grounded sense of what people are really all about, his rise to fame was immediate and accelerated. His reputation today is supported by dozens of books, several series, an impressive array of short stories and a wealth of essays and reviews.

Married for over 30 years to dancer, teacher and occasional co-writer, the late Jeanne Robinson, Spider Robinson provides us with stories displaying signature thoughtfulness, wit, irreverence, and unique insights into the human condition.

EDGAR PANGBORN
(GHOST OF HONOR)



An American writer of mystery, historical, and science fiction, Edgar Pangborn was the son of a supernatural fiction writer and a dictionary editor. Leaving his Harvard musical studies incomplete, he shifted to a career in fiction. Initially he wrote pulp detective and mystery stories under a pseudonym as he developed his craft, then shifted in the 1950's to science fiction and mystery writing in a humanist style that would inspire the next generation of writers such as Peter S. Beagle and Ursula K. Le Guin.

More than 25 years after his death, Pangborn's sister left his papers and literary works, including many not previously published, to Beagle who worked to bring the best of them into print.