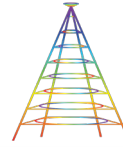


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Summer In The Plaza

Enjoy Summer in the Plaza Friday 8/17 from 5pm to 9pm at Plaza de Cesar Chavez in downtown San Jose.

The event features four different food trucks, a delicious beer garden, lawn games, and live music from local musicians JWB and Mardi Morillo. Plus it will have a walkway featuring thirteen different makers and vendors!

Summer in the Plaza is a short walk from the Convention Center and is a great place to unwind!

Program Updates

BOF: Fountain Pen Fans will be on Friday, Aug 17 at 15:00 in the San Jose Convention Center Market Terrace.

Timothy Phin will be on the panel *Across the Gender Spectrum*

DC in 2021 Worldcon Bid Parties

The DC in 2021 Worldcon Bid crew is looking forward to partying in San José at Worldcon 76. We will be hosting parties starting at 21:00 on Friday and Saturday in the South Tower of the Fairmont. Come find out about our bid to bring the 79th World Science Fiction Convention to Washington, D.C. on August 25-29, 2021.

Boston in 2020 Worldcon Bid Christmas Party

Come to the Boston in 2020 Worldcon Bid Christmas Party in Room 576 Fairmont Hotel at 21:00 Thursday. Celebrate their upcoming Site Selection Vote! It's "No Pants Wednesday" and Santa and the Elves have all kinds of holiday sweets for you. Presents at midnight!

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We understand that being at Worldcon76 is a whirlwind of activity. Events and parties run 24 hours a day, and you can find yourself discussing 19th Century British politics at 03:00. But we want you to survive the weekend, and still be functioning come Monday. So please remember the 6-2-1 Rule.

6 hours of sleep a day. Trust us, your body needs it.

2 meals a day. This means a sit-down experience with food, not a hot dog from the convention center. Use the Local Guide and try something new!

1 shower daily. With soap. Not only will you feel refreshed, but those near you in crowded event seating will appreciate your consideration.

One last thing: stay hydrated. Your body needs water. Carry a water bottle with you and sip from it on a regular basis.

Follow these simple rules and avoid convention burnout.

Worldcon 76 Membership

Supporting Membership \$50
2018 Membership in the World Science Fiction Society (publications and voting rights for Worldcon 76)

Adult Attending \$250
All rights of a supporting membership, plus admission to all general weekend events. (Accommodations not included)

YA Attending (15-21)
All rights of a supporting membership, plus admission to all general weekend events. Age 15-21 determined as of August 21, 2018.

Active Duty Military Attending \$125
Special Rate for Active Duty Military and First Responders. All rights of a supporting membership, plus

admission to all general weekend events.

Child Attending (6-14) \$75
All rights of a supporting membership, plus admission to all general weekend events. Age 6-14 determined as of August 21, 2018.

Kid-in-Tow (Under 6) Free
Kid-In-Tow Memberships must be bought in conjunction with a membership for someone over 18 as of August 1, 2018.

Day Memberships
\$50 Thursday | \$ 80 Friday | \$80 Saturday | \$80 Sunday | \$50 Monday

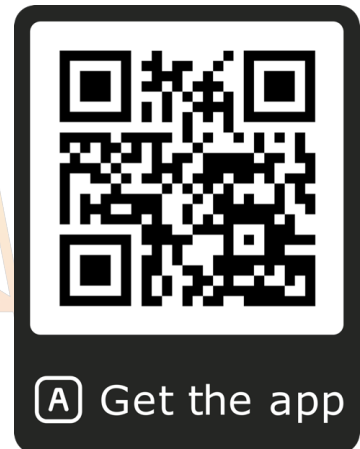
To purchase a membership visit the registration desk or go to www.worldcon76.org/membership

Newsletter Deadline

Early 09:00
Late 17:00

Event Guide Mobile App

View an interactive schedule of everything on the program, read information about the panelists, and view maps and other info right on your smartphone. You can also build your own schedule using the app. The Grenadine Event Guide is available for all Android and iOS devices.



Where is Registration?

Registration will be in “the Hub” at the San Jose Convention Center. When walking in the front entrance of the Convention Center, continue through the lobby. Registration is directly ahead. If entering from either end of the Convention Center, stay on the first level and walk ahead to registration, which will be just off the main hallway.

Registration Desk Hours

Wednesday, August 15, 2018
2:00 PM to 19:30
Thursday, August 16, 2018
9:00 AM to 19:30
Friday, August 17, 2018
9:00 AM to 19:30
Saturday, August 18, 2018
9:00 AM to 18:00
Sunday, August 19, 2018
9:00 AM to 18:00
Monday, August 20, 2018
9:00 AM to 00:15

WSFS MPC Meeting

The WSFS Mark Protection Committee will meet at 2 PM Thursday in 212D. The MPC is the only permanent body of the World Science Fiction Society. It oversees the intellectual property of Worldcon and manages the WSFS-owned websites. This meeting is open to all attending members with an interest in how the World Science Fiction Society manages its service marks and web sites.

The MPC consists of appointees from Worldcon and NASFiC committees and members elected at the Business Meeting. Three elected seats will be up for election this year, with nominations to be taken at the Friday WSFS Business Meeting and the election itself to be held at the Saturday WSFS Business Meeting.

Restaurant Guide

The Worldcon 76 publications team has prepared a printed and digital restaurant and shopping guide to help you find the food you need in and around downtown, as well as last-minute essentials and costuming supplies. Head over to the Information Desk to pick up a printed restaurant guide. Find the digital version as an embedded app on our website at www.worldcon76.org/restaurant-guide, or follow the links on that page to download App Sheet and install the web app as a bookmark on your Android or iOS device.

Convention Center Update

Elevator 4 located in the Convention Center on the Marriott side (next to the garage access doors) will be out of service for our event. Marriott elevators can be used during the convention if access is needed in that area. All other elevators are up and running.

FREE! Worldcon 75 Locus Issue

Going to Worldcon 76 in San Jose? *Locus* has a gift for you:

Free Digital Copy of *Locus*

Last year's Worldcon issue, October 2017 #681, including the Worldcon Helsinki report & photo spread, interviews with James Patrick Kelly & Annalee Newitz, and much more!

locusmag.com/free-worldcon-75-locus-issue/

Print version is available at the *Locus* table in the dealers' room.

Worldcon 76 Scavenger Hunt!

The hunt will take you all over the con finding clues, knowledge, excitement and spacecraft! Fun for all ages and a great way to familiarize yourself with the convention center and spaces. The first clue can be found at Registration and once you've solved that, the Info Desk will be able to help you with more. Every successful hunter will win a prize they can wear with pride!

Party Updates



Darwin's Children Kickoff Party

8/16, 8:00 PM, Fairmont Hotel

Hobbit Party

Bring the Feet! Bring the Adventure! There will be Second Breakfast. The Kiwi's Beak will be open and serving your favourite New Zealand Style Hobbit dessert fare. There will be spot the quote. There will be photo ops Room 576 at the Fairmont

Thursday parties:

476 - Montreal SF

479 - Haikasoru - Science Fiction from Japan

579 - DC in 2021

679 - Chinese Science Fiction party



A group of early arriving fans enjoy the Winchester Mystery House Tour

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