### Please Read These Instructions Carefully Before Casting Your Ballot for the 2018 Hugo Award, WSFS Award for Best Young Adult Book, & John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer Eligibility to Nominate

You may nominate for the 2018 Hugo Awards and John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer if, on or before December 31, 2017, 11:59 PM PST:

- you are an attending or supporting member of Wordcon 76 (the 2018 World Science Fiction Convention).
- you are an attending or supporting member of Dublin 2019 (the 2019 World Science Fiction Convention).
- you were an attending or supporting member of Worldcon 75 (the 2017 World Science Fiction Convention).

Note: Young Adult and military memberships count as attending memberships and are eligible to nominate. Child memberships, one day memberships, and any form of hall pass do not.

#### Deadline

All ballots must be received prior to Friday March 17 2018, 11:59 PM PDT. Please mail as early as possible to ensure that your ballot will be counted. Paper ballots should be mailed to:

Hugo Nominations c/o Dave McCarty 2020 N California Ave, Suite 299 Chicago, IL 60647, USA.

Taping the ballot shut is permissible in USA domestic mail; however we recommend mailing your ballot in an envelope. Ballots mailed outside the USA must be in an envelope.

## How to Nominate by Mail or Online

Please fill in the eligibility section on the previous page. Do not forget to sign the ballot – we will not count unsigned ballots.

- You may nominate up to five persons or works in each category. However, you are permitted (and even encouraged) to make fewer nominations or none at all if you are not familiar with the works that fall into that category. The nominations are equally weighted: the order in which you list them has no effect on the outcome.
- "No Award" will appear automatically in every single category on the final ballot there is no need to include that choice on the nomination form.
- If your nominee is not well known, please provide a source where his or her 2017 work in that category may be found. This information makes identifying the work you intend to nominate easier for us.
- Please type or print clearly. We cannot count illegible ballots.
- Please note that items may be relocated to a different category by the Hugo Awards Administrator if they are within 20% of the category boundary (such as in the case of the written fiction and dramatic presentation categories).
- Online nominations will be available via the Worldcon 76 website: www.worldcon76.org
- . You will need your membership number and PIN, which is printed on your mailing label, to nominate via the web. You may email hugopin@worldcon76.org to request a PIN.

The final Hugo Ballot containing the nominees in each category that received the most nominations will be distributed by Worldcon 76 in April 2018. Only members of Worldcon 76 (including those who join after

December 31, 2017) will be eligible to vote on the final ballot. If you have questions, please email hugoadmin@worldcon76.org.

## Eligibility

Works published in 2017 for the first time anywhere or for the first time in English are eligible for the Hugo Awards being awarded in 2018.

Books are considered to have been published on the publication date, which usually appears with the copyright information on the back of the title page. If there is no stated publication date, the copyright date will be used instead. A dated periodical is considered to have been published on the cover date, regardless of when it was placed on sale or copyrighted. Serialized stories or dramatic presentations are eligible in the year in which the last instalment appears.

**Extended Eligibility for non-US published works**: per section 3.4.2 of the WSFS Constitution, works originally published outside the United States prior to 2017 but first published in the United States in 2017 are eligible for the 2018 Hugo Awards unless they have already appeared on a Hugo Award final ballot.

Other eligibility rules are included with the specific categories. The full rules for the Hugo Awards are contained in the WSFS constitution available at www.wsfs.org/rules-of-the-world-science-fiction-society/.

### **Exclusions**

The Worldcon 76 Committee has irrevocably delegated all Hugo administration authority to a subcommittee. Therefore, only Dave McCarty, Deb Geisler, John Pomeranz, Kevin Standlee, and Kevin Roche are ineligible for the 2018 Hugo Awards.

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