### FRIDAY

2315 Approx.(when the films finish). The Fan Room Party - free punch, music & everybody welcome, in fact the first room party.

### SATURDAY

- 1100 The Fanzine Review Panel with Alan Dorey, Joseph Nicholas, Greg Pickersgill and Don West. Discussion of the current scene with many digressions.
- 1500 Charades Two hand-picked teams commit mayhem upon each other, well worth a visit, if you've never seen SF-Charades.
- 1600 Fan Room Panel The audience discuss the uses & abuses of Fan Rooms, with participation from the Panel Ian Maule, Joseph Nicholas, Greg Pickersgill and Ian Williams.

#### SUNDAY

- 1145 Slide Show The 1977 Miami Worldcon, as seen through the camera lens of Mike Meara.
- 1500 Fan Room Auction Yes, you too can own your very own Fan Room. Seriously, this auction is in aid of TAFF & GUFF, both worthwhile causes, so if you still have any money left and fancy a rare Fanzine or two (or whatever else may be auctioned) call here and relieve yourself of a financial burden.

We now come to the Main Programme which, unless otherwise stated, takes place in the Main Convention Hall (Port & Starboard Suites) which is clearly indicated on the hotel floor plan, on the section marked SF — Floor. Please note our innate honesty, in that all times indicated above and below, depend on the promptness of the participants & our ability in rescuing them from the bar.

## **PROGRAMME**

### FRIDAY

- 2000 NOVACON 8 Chairman, Laurence Miller, welcomes all.
- 2015 FILM: The Resurrection of Zachery Wheeler we know very little about this item except for it being accompanied by Phil Strick's recommendation.
- 2200 FILM: Flesh Gordon The X-rated 'Flash Gordon' spoof with a million-dollar budget and a heroine called Dale Ardent. Don't worry if you miss it this evening, we are also showing it on Sunday afternoon.

This brings Friday's main programme to a close, but don't forget Joe's Fan Room party.

- 1000 Dr Jack Cohen Starting the morning off with a talk is Fandom's best lecturer on alien life, always interesting and entertaining, make sure you get up early enough for this talk.
- 1100 Just A Minute Chaired by Stan Eling, members of the panel, which includes Jim White & Ken Bulmer, have to speak for one minute on a chosen topic, without hesitation, repetition or deviation.
- 1130 Interval.
- 1200 Have You Ever Been Conned Into A Con A panel of Convention organisers discuss the problems of running conventions and answer your questions.
- 1245/1300 Lunch
- 1400 Just Anne Guest of Honour, Anne McCaffrey will address the convention and then answer questions from the audience.
- 1500 Quick On The Draw A panel of SF artists will sketch their instant responses to a series of subjects which will be provided. Artists include Eddie Jones, Brian Lewis and Ramblin' Jake.
- 1545 Interval.
- 1615 How To Break Into Print/So you want to be an author Panel discussion with Rob Holdstock, Ken Bulmer, Chris Priest and Andrew Stephenson.
- 1700 Book Auction Rog Peyton, in inimitable style, doing his thing.
- 1800 Interval
- 1930 for
- 2000 THE BANQUET- To be held in the main restaurant with Bob Shaw as our Toastmaster (Tickets only).
- 2000 FILMS: 1. Dark Star Starring Dan O'Bannon & Brian Narelle, this film is concerned with a crew of four in a small starship, carrying out an almost endless mission of destruction with intelligent, computer controlled bombs.
  - 2. The Resurrection of Zachary Wheeler.
- 2230 Approx.(very) The Disco in the main restaurant, Fancy Dress optional.

  When the music stops that will conclude Saturday's programme, happy
  Room Parties.

- 1000 The Spaceship Debate alone in the depths of interstellar space, our intrepid explorers, Ramblin' Jake, Liese Hoare, Joeseph Nicholas & Bob Shaw, have only enough oxygen for one to survive. Each one has a few minutes to justify his/her survival at the expense of the others and the final decision depends on the vote of the audience.
- 1030 The Brains Truss Most of your question answered, quoth Joe.
- 1115 Interval.
- 1145 The Dragonquiz: Quizperson Anne McCaffrey.
- 1230 Awards/Prizes presented by Anne McCaffrey, including the NOVA Award.
- 1245 Art Auction Rog & pictures, your chance to own original SF artworks by famous artists (don't forget the convention gets 10% of the proceeds).
- 1330 Lunch.
- 1430 The SCA Bernie Peek, with the aid of slides and friends, endeavours to tell all about The SCA (this stands for Society for Creative Anachronism) and if you want to know all,don't miss Bernie.
- 1515 Interval.
- 1530 FILM: Flesh Gordon if you missed it earlier in the convention, then don't miss your last opportunity at NOVACON 8.

End of film - End of this year's convention. Don't forget to register for next year, Novacon 9, when we can relax and swop reminiscences about the Worldcon.

Please note that there are four categories to vote on in the Art Show. These are the best piece of art in the areas of:— SF, Space Art, Fantasy and Humour. Slips available in the Art Room for your votes.

Finally, we hope that you will all/have all (depending on when you finally read this) enjoy(ed) NOVACON 8 and if you have any suggestions for new events or even improving the con, please let next years committee have them early as it always takes time arranging things (and replacing them when cancelled). Thank you to all those who have attended or supported Novacon's through the years and in particular, NOVACON 8.

# HOLIDAY INN - Floor Plan. NOT TO SCALE





