

# HELMUTH

## Speaking for Boskone

Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2004

Volume 41, Number 3

Brought to you by Sarah Prince, Laurie Mann and Ruth Sachter

### Registration Numbers

At the door numbers, as of 1pm Saturday:

Full: 157  
Fri: 17  
Sat: 74  
Sun: 2  
Staff : 38  
288

Preregistration numbers

Paid: 463  
Free: 134 (Program, performers)  
Life: 198  
795

**Total: 1083**

### Meisha Merlin Is Now in the Dealers' Room

Look for the Balance of Trade sign.

### Restaurant Guides

They've been reprinted and are available again at the Registration area (Independence) on the second floor.

### Saturday Night Parties

Columbus in 2007, 9pm in 908.  
RISFA-North, 9pm in 920.

### Meetings

WSFS Mark Protection Committee today at 5pm in the Sheraton hotel bar.

Havdalah tonight at 6:15pm in room 2257 of the Sheraton South Tower.

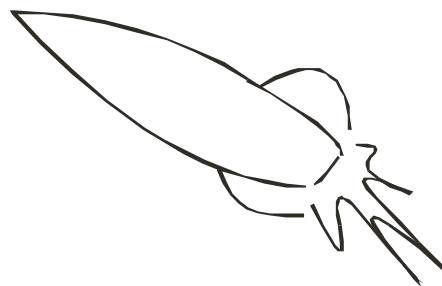
"The Influence of SF & Cyberpunk on Anime and Vice Versa," a discussion led by Tim Liebe in Kent, Saturday, 4:30-5pm.

### Tonight's Events

Independence West, 8pm

### Guest of Honor Interview

David Hartwell interviews Stephen Baxter  
NESFA and Boskone Awards  
Hal Clement Charity Auction to benefit the  
Joslin Diabetes Center



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### Errata

Helmuth apologizes for misspelling Susan de Guardiola's name in Issue 2. Helmuth also erroneously stated that the reprinted restaurant guide was available in the information desk, it's available at registration.

### The Firefly Easter Egg

If you bought the Firefly DVDs and didn't find the Easter egg, it's on disc four. From the menu, go to Special Features, and select "Joss Whedon Sings the Theme." Click to the left of that option. When the hidden icon lights up, click on it to display Jayne Singing "The Hero of Dognesville."

**Bob Devney** – where are you when we need you?

### 2004 Nebula Nominations Novel

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*Diplomatic Immunity*, by Lois McMaster Bujold

*The Mount*, by Carol Emshwiller

*Light Music*, by Kathleen Ann Goonan

*The Salt Roads*, by Nalo Hopkinson

*Chindi*, by Jack McDevitt

*The Speed of Dark* by Elizabeth Moon

#### **Novellas**

"Potter of Bones," by Eleanor Arnason

"The Empress of Mars," by Kage Baker

"Coraline" by Neil Gaiman

"Stories for Men," by John Kessel

"Breathmoss," by Ian MacLeod

#### **Novelettes**

"Mask of the Rex," by Richard Bowes

"Of a Sweet Slow Dance in the Wake of

Temporary Dogs," by Adam-Troy Castro

"Ownz0red," by Cory Doctorow

"The Empire of Ice Cream," by Jeffrey Ford

"The Wages of Syntax," by Ray Vukcevich

#### **Short Stories**

"Knapsack Poems," by Eleanor Arnason

"The Brief History of the Dead," by Kevin

Brockmeier

"Goodbye to All That," by Harlan Ellison

"Grandma," by Carol Emshwiller

"What I Didn't See," by Karen Joy Fowler

"Lambing Season," by Molly Gloss

"The Last of the O-Forms," by James Van Pelt

#### **Scripts**

*Minority Report*, by Scott Frank and Jon Cohen [Based on "The Minority Report," by Philip K. Dick]

*Where No Fan Has Gone Before*, by David A. Goodman [Futurama Television series created by Matt Groening]

*Spirited Away*, Hayao Miyazaki and Cindy Davis Hewitt & Donald H. Hewitt

*Finding Nemo*, Andrew Stanton, Bob Peterson and David Reynolds

*The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers*, Fran Walsh & Philippa Boyens & Stephen Sinclair & Peter Jackson [Based on *The Lord of the Rings*, by J.R.R. Tolkien]

9am-5pm. This meeting is open to all committee members

#### **Art Show Reminders**

To vote for the Art Show Popular Awards, complete your ballot by 10pm tonight, Written bidding closes at noon on Sunday, Auction from 1-2.

#### **Call for Volunteers**

As always, Boskone needs you to give a few hours of your time to help us run the convention. We need people to guard doors, run errands and help out with Registration and the Con Suite. We encourage volunteers to stop by the Information area on the second floor (near the stairs).

#### **The Boskone Dinner Thing: Meet & Eat!**

Want to meet other fans at Boskone? Come to Information (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) and create your own meal group or sign up for an existing one. This is a mechanism for fans with similar interests in SF and food to get together in an informal atmosphere.

The Berkshire Grill is closed this weekend. Irene Harrison recommends breakfast at the Pour House, on Boylston Street across from the Hynes, near the fire house. This place is fast, cheap and while it looks like a bar the breakfasts are great!

Flamers over in the Prudential Mall Food Court is open for breakfast and was relatively line free this morning.

#### **News for Helmuth**

Bring news for future Helmuths to the Information area on the second floor. You can submit online line art for the printed edition or digital photos for the online addition (at [www.nesfa.org](http://www.nesfa.org)). Helmuths will be distributed at the Information area, in the Independence Foyer (Registration) and in the Con Suite.

#### **Noreascon 4 Monday Meetings**

They will be in the Gardner and Hampton rooms on the third floor the Sheraton, from