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PROGRAM UPDATES

Added Items:

Nancy Hightower will be doing a reading Sunday 11am (Griffin).

Participant Deletions:

Walter H. Hunt will not be here on Sunday. Note that his 1pm Kaffeeklatsch is cancelled.

NESFA award winners:

This year's Skylark Award went to award-winning Canadian writer Robert J. Sawyer. It was presented by last year's winner (and this year's Special Guest) Ginjer Buchanan.

This year's revived Gaughan Award went to artist Sam Burley. It was presented by John Picacio and Greg Manchess, who expect great things from the young artist.

Art Show:

Art Show closes at Noon. It reopens for pickup and payment at 1pm. Please complete your pickup and purchase by 3pm. At 12:15 there will be a small auction for pieces that received four or more bids.

Sunday Teardown:

Areas may tear down when they are ready. You can bring down to the Galleria any gear intended for the truck. At 4pm it is all hands on deck, including **you**. Sign up at the Volunteers desk and get double hours toward a Boskone 52 membership. Truck unloading at the NESFA clubhouse will start at 1pm Monday.

SUNDAY HIGHLIGHTS:

- 11am The Dark Universe (Burroughs)
- 12n Interview with NESFA Press Guest Jane Yolen (Harbor I)
- 1pm Economics in Science Fiction and Fantasy (Harbor II)
- 2pm Finding Your Voice as an Artist (Harbor I)
- 3pm Feedback Session (Burroughs)

Boskone 51 Debriefing:

The B51 debriefing starts at Noon on March 2nd (followed by a NESFA business meeting no earlier than 6pm). Committee and staff members are encouraged to attend the debriefing and *not* today's gripe session, which is intended for attendees.

Dead Dog Party:

After teardown on Sunday, meet in the Galleria for the final party.

Kaffeeklatsches: (Galleria)

- 12n Michael Swanwick
David Palumbo
- 1pm Seanan McGuire
- 2pm Neil Clarke
Elizabeth Bear

Autographing: (Galleria)

- 11am Debra Doyle,
James D. Macdonald
& Darrell Schweitzer
- 12n Seanan McGuire &
Melinda Snodgrass
- 1pm Neil Clarke, Craig Shaw
Gardner & Jill Shultz
- 2pm Sara Beth Durst &
Leigh Perry (Toni L. P. Kelner)

Volunteers:

We still need volunteers! Stop by the Volunteer table in the Galleria. For 6 total hours during the con, you get one of several gifts. And for 12 hours, you get a membership to Boskone 52.

Shakespeare's Star Wars cast.



Boskone 51 Art Show Awards

Best in Show - Popular Choice:

Gary Lippincott - "Ruckus"

Art Show Watchman Awards:

Greg Manchess - "Ambush"

David Seeley - "Young Flandry"

Art Show Directors Choice:

Bob Eggleton - "Beyond This Horizon"

Judges Choice:

Jason Cheeseman-Meyer - "The Robot Maker"

Bob Eggleton - "Beyond This Horizon"

Joleen Flasher - "Halloween 2013"

Linda Graves - "Won't You Have an Apple?"

Gary Lippincott - Body of Work

Greg Manchess - Body of Work

David Palumbo - "Fed"

Kudos from Suford Lewis:

The cast of *Star Wars by William Shakespeare* was superb! Boskone 51 wishes to reward every player with an olympic style medal of honor (it's a hall-costume ribbon, but wear it bravely!) Suford caught most cast members but a few escaped when she ran out to get more. If you did not get your ribbon please see Suford way at the back of the office in the Galleria. Thank you for a great show!

Newsletter is online:

You can find all four issues of Helmuth online, including color versions of the photographs, at boskone.org/helmuth.html.

Boskones continue:

Boskone 52 (February 13–15, 2015) will be here before you know it!

Guest of Honor: TBA

Official Artists:

Charles Lang and
Wendy Snow-Lang

Special Guest:

Robert K. Wiener

Featured Filkers:

Maya and Jeff Bohnhoff

Special rates

through March 2, 2014:

- \$40 Adults
- \$30 College students
- \$20 for students K-12

Available at the NESFA Sales Table, in the Huckster Room or at Registration in Alcott.

Registration:

As of Sunday 9am:

940 Warm Bodies

1208 Members

Obi-Wan and Vader's final battle



Boskone Book:

Drop by the NESFA Press sales desk and pick up a copy of the Boskone book, *Letters to the Pumpkin King*, by Seanan McGuire. This is your last chance to get it at the convention rate: \$18 trade; \$30 boxed.

Weather (today):

The sky is blue. It is still winter in Boston.

Hotel Information:

If you decide to stay because of the weather available rooms may be booked at the Boskone rate.

If you have luggage that needs to be stored until you leave, ask the hotel bell staff.

Special Thanks:

Several people helped keep the convention running smoothly, in ways even noticeable to this editor. Many thanks to Erin Underwood, Gay Ellen Dennett, Adina Adler, Rick Kovalcik, and Chip Hitchcock.

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