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## **Chicon 8 Opens Final Hugo Award Ballot and Releases Hugo Voter Packet**

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Chicon 8, the 2022 World Science Fiction Convention, is pleased to announce that voting is now open in the final ballot for the 2022 Hugo Awards, the Lodestar Award for Best Young Adult Book, and the *Astounding* Award for Best New Writer. Eligible members of Chicon 8 have the right to vote in these awards. More information about how to cast a ballot may be found [here](#). If you are not yet a member of Chicon 8, see the [Chicon 8 Membership Page](#) for information about joining the convention. All ballots must be received by 11 August 2022, 11:59 pm PDT (UTC-7).

Chicon 8 has also released the 2022 Hugo Voter Packet, an electronic package of finalist works graciously made available to voters by Hugo Award, Lodestar Award, and *Astounding* Award nominees and their publishers. The Voter Packet is available to Adult Attending, First Worldcon, Young Adult, Teen, Child, Virtual Attending and Supporting members of the convention, to inform their voting choices. This year's Voter Packet includes all finalists in the four main written fiction categories (Novel, Novella, Novelette, and Short Story) as well as selected materials from all finalists in the Best Series and Best Related Work categories. The Packet also includes materials from the majority of finalists in the remaining categories.

The Hugo Voter Packet will remain available until the ballot closes on 11 August.

The winners of the 2022 Hugo Awards, Lodestar Award, and Astounding Award will be announced at the spectacular Hugo Awards Ceremony on the evening of Sunday, September 4, 2022. The ceremony will be hosted by Chicon 8's [Toastmasters](#), Annalee Newitz and Charlie Jane Anders.

The Hugo Awards are the most prestigious award in the science fiction genre, honoring science fiction literature and media as well as fan activities. The Awards were first presented in 1953 and have been awarded every year since 1955 by the members of the World Science Fiction Society (Worldcon members) at the World Science Fiction Convention (Worldcon).

More information about the Hugo Awards can be found at: <https://chicon.org/home/whats-happening/hugo-awards/>.

Any questions about the administration of the 2022 Hugo Awards should be directed to [hugo-help@chicon.org](mailto:hugo-help@chicon.org).

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The 80th World Science Fiction Convention, Chicon 8, will take place in Chicago, Illinois, USA from 1-5 September 2022. For more information about the convention, including current membership rates, visit <http://chicon.org>. All media releases are available at <http://chicon.org/home/about-worldcon/press-and-media/>. Follow us on Twitter at [@chicagoworldcon](https://twitter.com/chicagoworldcon).

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