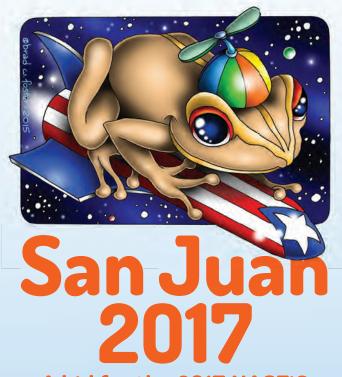


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The North American Science Fiction Convention (NASFiC) is held in years when the World Science Fiction Convention is held outside of North America. Because the 2017 Worldcon will be held in Helsinki, there will also be a NASFiC that year. The site for the 2017 NASFiC will be selected by a vote of the members of the 2016 Worldcon, MidAmeriCon II.

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#### Soy Un Hugo Loser

A lot of things go into holding a Worldcon. One of them is hosting the after-party for the Hugo Awards the year before your Worldcon. The concept was invented at MidAmeriCon by George R.R. Martin and Gardner Dozois. They called it the Hugo Losers Party, and it became a tradition. But things have changed over the years, as George himself describes:

"Even more shamefully, a few years back some irony-impaired nominees decided that they did not like being called "losers," and to soothe their sensitivities the party was renamed "the Post-Hugo Nominees Reception," or something similarly lame. (Everyone but the terminally humorless still calls it the Hugo Losers Party, of course.) And so it went and so it went, right up to LonCon, where Sasquan hosted what had to be the lamest, dreariest, more boring Hugo Losers Party of all time. Or should I say, the worst Post-Hugo Nominees Reception.

"Which brings me back to Sasquan. Following the current tradition, next year's worldcon has to host a party... and I know the KC folks know how to throw a party, so I have no doubt their bash will be a lot better than the dreary one in London. But it will still be a Post-Hugo Nominees Reception."

Because the MidAmeriCon II committee has a sense of humor, and knows what it's for, we decided to take George's challenge head on. So we threw "The Lamest Post-Hugo Nominees Reception Ever," held at Aunties Bookstore/Uncles Games. The photos on the back cover, taken by the incredibly talented Beth Welsh, speak for themselves.

We are certain that Worldcon 75 will throw an amazing shindig at MidAmeriCon II. No pressure, guys.

-Yr. (ob)servant, Murray, Editor

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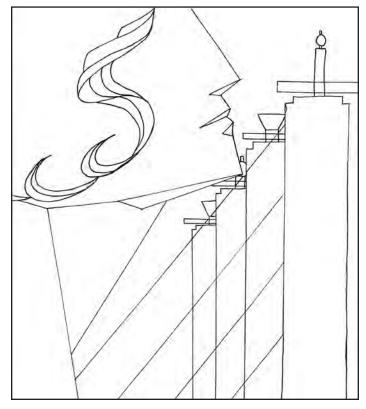
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# A Message From the Chairs

Amazing—here we are, fewer than nine months from MidAmeriCon II. We are so excited about welcoming all of you to Kansas City and the 74th Worldcon! Our entire committee is busy planning many amazing activities for everybody of all ages to enjoy.

The tri-chairs of MidAmeriCon II are looking forward to sharing with you our favorite things about Kansas City. However, we must confess we're having some real trouble keeping such a list short as there are so many fabulous things to enjoy here. We all know that KC is famous for its barbecue, and lamb ribs at Fiorelli's Jack Stack are not to be missed. But there is so much more than BBQ to Kansas City's restaurant scene. Just one example is The American, an outstanding restaurant a short cab ride away whose pastry chef was a semifinalist for the James Beard award. And Michael Smith and the Rieger Hotel Grill and Exchange, both a five-minute drive away, were named as two of the top 10 KC restaurants by USA Today, and are well worth the trip. There are so many more wonderful places to dine all over the city, and many within easy distance of the convention.

History buff? Then the National World War I Museum and Memorial, offering a comprehensive look at the entire war, is for you. The top of the Memorial offers an amazing view of downtown Kansas City. You're also going to want to check out the Steamboat Arabia, a private family-owned museum which features the largest collection of pre-Civil War artifacts ever found, all remarkably well preserved. And it's located in the City Market, an historic area which features a year-round farmers market and dozens of small unique shops.

Got kids? Science City is a fun interactive experience for both kids and adults, and is located in Union Station, right next to Crown Center, which features the Legoland Discovery Center and other family-oriented fun, plus shopping and restaurants. Order a burger at Fritz's in Crown Center and have it delivered to your table by model train!

What about art, you ask? The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art has one of the largest collections in the country, including an extensive collection of Asian art, and was ranked by Time magazine as one of the 10 best architectural marvels around the globe. And don't forget the nearby Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art while you're here. Thre is no charge for admission to the collection, which contains more than 700 works from 1913 to present day. Of course, you don't have to travel far to see great art in Kansas City. Through the One Percent for Art Program, builders are required to set aside one percent of each building construction project's budget for the creation of original art. Kansas City was the first city in Missouri, and one of the first in the nation, to pass such an ordinance. As a result the city is full of spectacular fountains, murals, and sculptures.

In this progress report you will find your nominating ballot for the 2016 Hugos and also for the 1941 Retro Hugos, as the Hugos were not awarded at Denvention 1, the third World Science Fiction Convention. Coincidentally, the first Denvention shared Guest of Honor Robert A. Heinlein with the first MidAmeriCon. You will also find information about our hotels and hotel bookings in mid-January. We've also relaunched our sparkly new website, thanks to our superb marketing team, where you'll find a lot more information.

See you again in PR 3, where we'll have lots more to tell you. And see you all in Kansas City in August for MidAmeriCon II.

Diane Lacey, Jeff Orth, **Ruth Lichtwardt** Team LOL Tri-chairs - MidAmeriCon II



The Nelson-Atkins Museum



The Steamboat Arabia Museum





The Kemper Museum of Modern Art





# Of Hectograph Maintenance and Mormon Trivia:

## Patrick and Teresa Nielsen Hayden

#### by Cory Doctorow

The thing you need to understand about Teresa and Patrick Nielsen Hayden is that they come as a firm: the partnership of Nielsen and Hayden. Lots of married couples rely on one another, but there are days when it feels to me like Patrick and Teresa store parts of their brains in each other's skull. I've stayed on their sofa, taught with them, been edited by them, worked alongside of them, and I'm here to tell you, the extent to which they operate as a unit boggles even the science fictional imagination.

To know the NHs is to be part of a perpetual, ongoing salon about the things that matter to fans—that is, everything. Snag Patrick and get him to hold forth on urban planning, US Civil War history, hectograph maintenance, and trade publishing economics. Get Teresa to tell you about fossils, meteors, Yiddish jokes, Mormon trivia, principled religious excommunication, online moderation, and the use and abuse of language. Or get both of them together and introduce practically any other subject of interest and watch them go at it with the tenacity of terriers and the imaginative freedom of uninhibited kids.

I met Patrick and Teresa on a dial-up BBS in the late 1980s and showed Patrick his first e-book—a Gutenberg text on my Palm Pilot—in the mid-90s at an Ad Astra in Toronto. The following Christmas, we all went out for lunch in New York,



Photo by Beth Gwinn. Used with permission.

and Patrick told me he was going to take Tor into this e-publishing stuff, and by the way, did I have any novels I could send to him? He bought the book I was working on then, Down and Out in the Magic Kingdom, and greenlighted my distributing it as the first-ever, free, Creative Commons licensed download, ever. Quoth the ever-quotable PNH: "E-books had

the worst ratio of dollars earned to hours in meetings of any venture in the history of the business. It was time to try some experiments."

This is why I love having Patrick as my editor: He combines intellectual rigour with hackerish sensibilities. He knows copying's not going to get harder, understands that a certain amount of free online distribution will always take place, and rather than stamping his foot and demanding that the universe rearrange itself to suit his prejudices, he goes out looking for ways of doing business in the world *in media res*.

Of course, the other reason Patrick is a great editor is that he is a great editor. Without fail, Patrick has read my draft novels, looked upon them, and told me the single one important thing that I needed to do to make them vastly better books. Patrick's got a hard-won, fine-tuned sense of what it takes to make the two worlds of any SF novel—the big story of the world the author has constructed and the small story of the people who travel it and illuminate it—mesh like the small front gear of a bicycle and the big, high-torque gear it couples to on the back wheel.

Teresa is the detail person. The small details of language, of people, of relationships, of type and production and aesthetics: Teresa pincers them up with keen fingers, threads them together on an invisible twine of attention and meaning, and puts them somewhere where the world can see—and benefit—from them.

Things you should know about the NHs: I have stayed in three of their places. Each one was homey: an obstacle course of books, manuscripts, rocks, and computers of varying vintages. All have had somewhere for a guest to stay, even it was just a sofa, and all have had frequent guests staying on it. There is an archive they schlep around with them: an enormous collection of odd-sized boxes of fanzines and fan history, saved because someone has to save them. There are always gardens, and they are always adorned with sweet oddments, such as pieces of cornice from the fabled Flatiron Building, home to Tor and the rest of the Macmillan USA empire. Teresa puts up strange and wonderful comestibles, such as booze infused with citrus zest that has been separated from the peel by means of a rasp intended for fine carpentry. Patrick uses two cups and a timer to make his tea.

If you all go for dinner and Teresa picks the restaurant, there will be bugs—giant, butter-drippy lobsters.

Another thing you should know about them: I've been with Patrick and Teresa in situations as varied as high-powered corporate meetings with their boss's boss's boss, salons with Nobel laureates, con suites at small regional cons, classrooms, roadside oyster shacks, and coffee shops of every variety and description. And no matter what or where we are, they are Patrick and Teresa: exactly the same, without a shred of pretension or pandering. What you see is what you get with them, and it's always the genuine article.

Lucky us!

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## Video Archaeology

"As many of you know, Channel 12, KMAC, a service of the Graphic Services Division of the Minneapolis in '73 bid, is producing for you a video record of the entire convention, and, I might add, that this evening's particular broadcast is brought to you by the molecules DNA and C2H3O5."

With those words, Minneapolis fan Jim Young opened a series of poolside interviews during the Meet the Authors party at MidAmeriCon in 1976. Scott Imes and the rest of the KMAC crew videotaped Jim's interviews with Bob Vardeman, Ray Nelson (inventor of the propeller beanie), Spider Robinson, Joe Haldeman, and Larry Niven.

In August, those interviews entered the digital age and were seen for the first time in nearly 40 years. The Vardeman interview is particularly entertaining ... or is that bewildering? Bob poses as Ed Earl Repp in a stream-of-consciousness pastiche of science fiction's pulp roots.



Women & SF: Their Right and Proper Place. L-R: Marta Randall, Amanda Bankier, Susan Wood, Suzy McKee Charnas, and Kate Wilhelm. "The lively panel adjourned for further discussion following the last question about the then-new pronoun debate." In closing, Moderator Susan Wood announced, "By the way, for those of you who came in late, specifically anyone interested in joining a women's amateur press association, please come over to the music room. I have some information on that available."



Jim Young &
Bob Vardeman
at the Meet the
Authors Party:
Jim: "I see. I
understand you
ate Snickers at
that time."

Bob (channeling Ed Earl Repp): "No, it was a Mars bar. I was very science fiction-oriented even then."

MidAmeriCon II's Video Archeology team is working to digitize all of the KMAC videos. Panels, workshops, presentations, interviews, and plays plus the Guest of Honor banquet, Masquerade, and, of course, the Hugo Awards Ceremony.

The original material is archaic by today's standards: reel-to-reel tapes in something called "EIAJ" format and ¾-inch U-Matic cartridges. But on those archaic tapes? Treasure. We're happy to share a few screenshots from the first 4.5 hours of tapes digitized in the initial tests.

If you have ideas, comments, or questions about the Video Archaeology project, please send them to videoarchaeology@midamericon2.org or to MASFFC Inc., Attn: Video Archeology, P.O. Box 414575, Kansas City, MO 64171

# Credits & Thanks A very partial list!

Thanks to Carl Zwanwig, Scott Dorsey, Bill Miller, and Syd Weinstein, we've found a good resource with the expertise and equipment to digitize the archaic tape formats. Our own Matt Jacobson is digitizing the VHS tapes.

FANAC, CanSMOF, and BWAWA (fan history and convention-running groups) have each made generous financial contributions covering about half of the estimated

project expenses. ICG, the International Costumer's Guild, is handling the order digitizing the Masquerade U-Matic tapes. Thanks to their support, we know we'll have a lot of video to share at MidAmeriCon II and beyond!

Minneapolis fan Jeff Schalles organized the hundreds of tapes in the Scott Imes Video Archive. Before that, there were boxes (and boxes and boxes!) and notes on nearly every label. Now there's an inventory. Priceless!

(Note: The tapes aren't all from MidAmeriCon; those are just the ones we're focusing on first for perhaps obvious reasons.)

Margie Lessinger, Scott's widow and fellow member of the KMAC video crew, shares our excitement for the project.

"This is *exactly* what Scott wanted," she wrote. "He had initiated the process; however, it never got finished." We know better than to speak too soon after all these years, but we're thrilled to be working toward finishing the project at long last, and look forward to sharing them. In his poolside interviews, Jim Young said the videos were Minneapolis's gift to fandom. As the current post-supporting chair of the Minneapolis in '73 bid, it seems serendipitous to have a hand in helping move that gift from boxes of tapes in a basement into the digital age.

David Dyer-Bennet, another member of the original KMAC crew, is on the Video Archaeology team. Instant timebinding!

— Geri Sullivan, Video Archaeology



age of typewriters and carbon paper.

Neo-Pros Workshop. L-R authors George R.R. Martin and Wilson Tucker; book editor Sharon Jarvis; agent Kirby McCauley; and magazine editor Ben Bova. A favorite moment? George explaining the mechanics of selling short fiction in the





#### Scenes From the Guests of Honor Banquet



Toastmaster
Wilson "Bob" Tucker



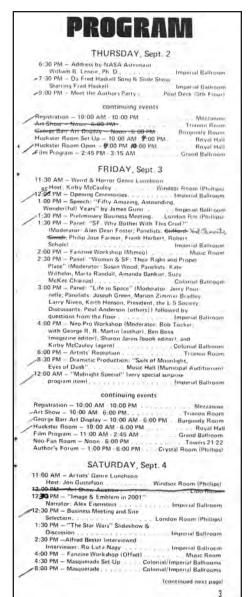
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George Flynn's annotated Pocket Program from MidAmeriCon.

These ARE the droids you've been looking for...





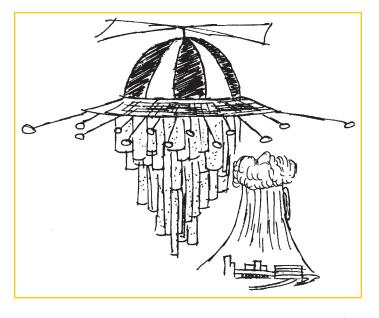
# **Departmental Updates**

#### MidAmeriCon II Fan Fair

What is Fan Fair? At its most basic, it is an exhibit hall; a very, very big exhibit hall-almost 200,000 square feet/5 acres (when we say 'meet you in the back 40', we're not kidding!) It is twice as large as the Chicon 7 exhibit hall and would hold the exhibit halls of both Chicon 7 and Loncon 3!

Creating a "village" out of this large space seems inadequate. How about a fan kingdom? Nah, still thinking too small. How about something fun? This is the Midwest, so how about a state fair? Oh, oh, I know! A World's Fair! A fannish All-Worlds' Fair!

In the spirit of state fair meets World's Fair meets fandom, MidAmeriCon II's Fan Fair will house both old and new in glorious 1930s Art Deco style. We want this to be a space to make people smile, full of innovative ideas to engage a fan at every turn, and a great place to socialize as well as a place to just relax for a while. (All done with fannish panache, of course!) You'll still find all the usual suspects—Dealers Room, Art Show, displays, fan tables, and many fan services like Information and Volunteers, but in addition we're adding a kick-ass dollop of hospitality: the convention-hosted hospitality area (think con suite), a bar of our very own (or maybe a beer garden!!!), mobile food and drink, and parties, parties, parties!!!! But that's not all. There will be fun & games Fan Fair-style, something to engage your attention at every turn whether interesting or silly with a focus on photo ops (so bring your best cosplay!); a sports stadium for those so inclined; and a carnival-like atmosphere with whoas and surprises galore!



#### Exhibit Hall

We have almost 5 acres of space in our Exhibit Hall so we need lots of people to help us create and run fun things there! If you have always wanted to help run a costume repair station, or if you think helping to set up an exhibit (maybe from NASA!) would be cool, or if you would like to teach people how to, oh, juggle, or if you have any fun ideas, send a message to us at exhibits@midamericon2.org. If you don't have an idea but would still like to participate, we have a really long list of things that we think are cool that need people to make them happen. We would love to work with you.

We are also looking for people who like to build things like stage props and Halloween/Christmas decorations. Budget permitting we have some cool plans for the Exhibit Hall that involve a little creativity and construction before the convention starts and during our move-in (which starts on Monday August 15, by the way). Let us know if you can help out on our creative team.

Note to Kansas City Locals: Do you have a large empty garage or basement? We also need space for people to gather to create these props and decorations in the months before the convention and to store them . Let us know if you can help us out.

# **Party Space Discussion Mailing List**

If you are interested in throwing a party at MidAmeriCon II or interested in discussing strategies related to parties, please join our party discussion mailing list by sending an email to party-discuss-join@midamericon2.org with the subject line of SUBSCRIBE. You will receive a return email with some confirmation directions to follow to be added to the mailing list. Once you are added, please introduce yourself to the list by sending a message to party-discuss@midamericon2.org.

If you just have a question about parties and don't want to join the mailing list, send an email to partyinfo@ midamericon2.org.

#### Childcare

Childcare wil be available at MidAmeriCon II. While not all the details have been finalized, we can confirm at this point that: (1) It will be provided by a licensed professional



childcare company, (2) There will be an hourly charge for childcare (with some hours provided free for people with Child memberships), (3) We will be taking advance reservations for childcare starting in the Spring (see the website for updates), and (4) Exact costs and procedures will be in the next Progress Report, coming out in late Spring.

#### **Our Hotels**

MidAmeriCon II is using four hotels: the Kansas City Marriott Downtown, the Hotel Phillips, the Aladdin, and the Crowne Plaza. Bookings will open in January and announcements will be made through social media and email when we have the exact date. To receive these special convention room rates, you must book through the MidAmeriCon II website (midamericon2.org/hotels/).

Our rates are:

Marriott \$129 single/double, \$134 triple/quad Phillips \$129 single/double/triple/quad Aladdin \$119 single/double/triple/quad Crowne Plaza \$129 single/double, \$134 triple/quad

Our housing staff will be available to address your accommodation requests and booking issues starting in January as well, or if you have any questions before then. You can reach them at hotel@midamericon.org.

A number of accessible rooms are available in the Marriott as well as some in the other hotels. When you make your reservation, make sure to specify your requirements.

All of our hotels are within two blocks of the Kansas City Convention Center and Bartle Hall and all have restaurant options. Also nearby is the Power & Light District, known for its large selection of restaurants, bars, entertainment spots, and shops. We are a short walk to a number of restaurants and a large specialty grocery store, Cosentino's, that features a great deli, a wide range of takeout food, and a bakery.

#### Suites

Only a limited number of suites is available. To request a suite, send email to suites@midamericon2.org. Please include your preferred backup hotel for a standard room and whether you need a king or double/double room in case we are not able to satisfy your suite request. If you request a suite by April 30, you do not need to also reserve a room. If we are unable to give you a suite, we will assign a standard room for you at the convention rate.

We will conduct a lottery if there are more requests for suites than we have available suites. All requests that arrive by April 30 will be treated as if they arrived on the same date. Requests that come in after that will be satisfied on a first-come, first-served basis provided that suites are still available. You will be notified if we are able to assign you a suite. Most of our suites are in the Marriott, although if you really want one in one of the other hotels, ask and we'll see what we can do.

#### **Kansas City Marriott Downtown**

Our largest group of rooms is in the Marriott, which is our most modern hotel with the largest elevators. It has two towers connected via skywalk: the Marriott Tower and the Muehlebach Tower. The historic Muehlebach Tower was the site of MidAmeriCon in 1976. It's an easy walk to the convention center, and if you prefer not to go outside, there is an underground tunnel. The current Marriott parking rate is \$18 daily, \$24 valet. (We will update you if that changes before the convention.) Late-night filk will be in the Marriott.

#### **Hotel Phillips**

The Hotel Phillips was voted Kansas City's best boutique hotel in 2015. The Phillips is a beautiful Art Deco hotel, with ornate architecture and large murals on the walls: they even have an artist in residence.

Want something to eat while in the hotel? The 12 Baltimore serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner 7 days a week. It also partners with Boulevard Brewery and uses many of their locally crafted beers in their recipes. Our negotiated parking rates are short-term valet \$12, overnight valet \$22/night.

#### **Aladdin**

The Aladdin is part of the Holiday Inn chain and is also an Art Deco hotel, connected to the convention center via an underground tunnel (or a short above-ground walk). The rooms have work desks, mini fridges, flat-screen TVs, DVD players, and free WiFi. Suites include pull-out sofas.

The restaurant serves breakfast and dinner, and there's also a martini lounge on the mezzanine.

#### **Crowne Plaza**

The Crowne Plaza, also part of the Holiday Inn chain, is a more modern hotel.

Restaurants include the City Grille, a bar, and a Starbucks. They have 12 accessible rooms, an outdoor pool, free WiF, and a parking garage. Our negotiated parking rates are \$10/day for event parking and \$15/day for overnight guests (higher for valet).





#### **Art Show**

MidAmeriCon II will have a wonderfully diverse set of artists displaying all types of artwork. From sculptures to paintings, jewelry and pottery, you can view and buy lots of interesting things. If you are an artist and are interested in being part of the Art Show, send an email to artshow@ midamericon2.org for more details. If you are interested in art and love unique items, be sure to stop by the Art Show! The Art Show will be in Section E of Bartle Hall in the Kansas City Convention Center.

## **ASFA Lounge**

MidAmeriCon II is working with ASFA, the Association of Science Fiction and Fantasy Artists, to have a lounge area in the Exhibit Hall that will include an exhibit describing ASFA for those who are interested in learning more about it. We're hoping to host some exciting events in this space, so stay tuned for more news!

#### **Dealers Room**

MidAmeriCon II has a huge Exhibit Hall to fill and a good portion of that space will be devoted to the Dealers Room. We will have both booth spaces and tables for rent. The prices for these spaces have not yet been determined, but we plan to have a reservation system in place by the time this publication goes to print. Write to dealers@midamericon2. org for more details and to find out how to reserve space.

The Dealers Room will be in Section E of Bartle Hall in the Kansas City Convention Center.

## **Creator's Alley**

Our large Creator's Alley space next to the Art Show and Dealers Room will feature tables that can be rented for just a portion of the convention in four-hour time slots as well as tables reserved for the entire convention. Because the tables in this area will not have as much space as a spot in the Dealers Room, they will therefore be a little cheaper, making them ideal for artists or authors watching their budget. The costs for these spaces should be determined by early in 2016. Send an email to dealers@midamericon2.org to inquire about these spaces and to get on our list.

## **Call for Student Science Posters**

#### Share your research with the public for the chance at a \$100 prize!

MidAmeriCon II is hosting the third annual Worldcon Science Poster Competition. We are looking for high school students, undergraduate students, graduate students, and post-doctoral scholars to share their research with an audience that is very interested in the sciences, engineering, and technology. The winner will receive a \$100 prize for the poster that best communicates science to the general public. Please spread the word about the competition to friends, students, and colleagues so we can make this the biggest poster competition yet. To participate, send an email to Sam Scheiner (posters@midamericon2.org) by July 1. Please include your name, your academic affiliation, the poster title, and an abstract of no more than 100 words.

### **Programming**

Programming will really get under way in late Winter/early Spring of 2016, but we're ready to take suggestions from you so can help us develop a program that will have items of interest to you.

On the newly renovated website, there are forms that will allow you to send us ideas, suggest Special Interest and Discussion groups, and volunteer to be a Program Participant. See these at midamericon2.org/programming/.

Help us!! Remember—you can help us make the Program for MidAmeriCon II the best ever.

# MidAmeriCon II International Film Festival

Adventures in Time and Space... Journeys to fantasy worlds... Things that go bump in the night! Screening films from around the globe...Meeting attending film makers and learning about the behind-the-scenes tals of making their films...And enjoying great stories!

All this and more can be found at the MidAmeriCon II International Film Festival. The Festival will be screening many award winning indie shorts and features in the SF&F, documentary, fan, and horror genres.

The MidAmeriCon II Film Festival will be held at the Convention Center with the format being in two-hour genre themed blocks. A Q&A with any attending film makers will follow between each block. Come and enjoy the film festival experience. For more information, visit the Film Festival area on the MidAmeriCon II website, and see the rules and entry form on pages 17 and 18.

# Retro Hugo Awards Ceremony

Hey hepcats and jitterbugs! Dust off your dance moves and shake out your threads. We're having a swing dance! MidAmericon II will be hosting the Retro Hugo Awards for the year 1941, during which Denvention I was held over the July 4th weekend. The Retro Hugos are awarded for years in which a Worldcon was held and the Hugo Awards were not awarded. (For more information about the rules and creation of the Retro Hugo Awards, see thehugoawards.org/hugo-history/a-short-history-of-the-hugo-awards-process/)



Because most of us are unfamiliar with work from that period, we'll be soliciting and publishing articles by members of the SF community to provide an overview of the works from 1940 that are eligible for nominations.

Nominations for the 2016 Hugo Awards and the 1941 Retro Hugo Awards will open in early January and close in late March. Once the final ballot is set, voting will open in mid-May and close in late July.

In the meantime, noodle on this: We'll bring the swing but you have to bring the moves. If you've always thought about taking swing dance lessons but thought you'd never use it, this is your chance to impress. Period clothing is encouraged but not required. Check the MidAmeriCon II website for updates and inspiration.

# Writers' Workshops at MidAmeriCon II

#### Everything's Up To Date in Kansas City

The writing workshops for MidAmeriCon II are beginning to hum with plans! We'll be matching aspiring/new writers with experienced professional writers for a closed-door critique session sometime during the daytime throughout the convention.

The standard format for these sessions is that three aspiring writers meet with two professional writers for two hours. This year, we might try some new test sessions that are one hour or one half-hour long. We will accept both short stories and novel excerpts across a wide variety of genres and sub-genres.

A page on our website will provide detailed information about how to request a slot. Slots are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Right now, we want to exhort you to brush up that piece of writing you've been working on, to finish one, or even start one and get it ready for next summer.

Finally, if you're a professional writer willing to give aspiring and new writers two hours of your time, please send us an email. We have a few names already, but we're looking for many more.

If you have any questions about the Writers Workshops, please send an email to Oz Drummond at writersworkshops@midamericon2.org.

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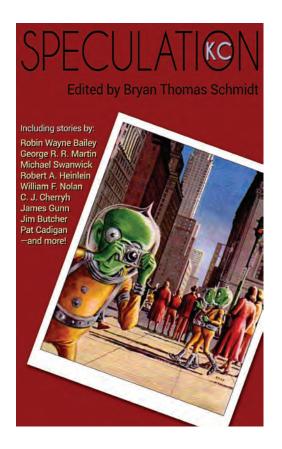
## SPECULATION KC

Edited by local Hugo-nominated editor Bryan Thomas Schmidt (Baen, St. Martin's Griffin), who was also the first book editor to work on Andy Weir's *The Martian*, *Speculation KC* is a star-studded anthology of both new and reprint speculative fiction that features either author or story subject ties to Kansas City.

Stories date from the 1930s up through the present day and include Robert A. Heinlein's personal favorite of his own works, "The Man Who Traveled In Elephants," Larry Niven's Topeka-based "Jigsaw Man," Manly Bannister's "Eena" (the first known female werewolf story), the long-out-of-print George R.R. Martin and Howard Waldrop collaboration "The Men of Greywater Station," Jim Butcher's first Dresden short story, plus new stories by William F. Nolan (*Logan's Run*), Robin Wayne Bailey (*Frost*), John Kessel, John Jos. Miller (*Wild Cards*), Kij Johnson, Pat Cadigan, Phyllis Eisenstein, and many more.

Front cover artwork is by 5-time Hugo winner Ed Emshwiller (Emsh).

Available from KaCSFFS Press, the book publishing division of the Kansas City Science Fiction & Fantasy Society, *Speculation KC* will be available as a 352-page 6"x9" trade paperback for \$16 by pre-order and \$19.95 at MidAmeriCon II. *Speculation KC* will also available as an ebook for \$6.99.



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# WorldCon Speculative Fiction Writing Workshop for Teens

MidAmeriCon II will be hosting a free teen writing workshop led by Diane Turnshek, founder of Alpha, the SF/F/H Workshop for Young Writers. Professional authors will write critiques of submissions prior to the convention. Interested 13-19 year olds will also critique the stories and meet with workshop coordinators for a three-hour critique session during the convention.

Submissions must meet the following criteria:

- Author should be between 13 − 19 years old at the time of the convention.
- Stories must have clear science fiction, fantasy, or horror elements.
- Stories should not be fan fiction or a part of a longer work.
- Length should be between 1,500 and 5,000 words..

For more information, send an email to young-writers-workshop@midamericon2.org.

# Call for Presentations: Campbell Conference at MidAmeriCon II

This year's Campbell Conference serves as the academic track for MidAmeriCon II. Using the MidAmeriCon II theme of "Tomorrow Is Now," we'll discuss the current state and future of science fiction.

Even though WorldCon is the biggest annual gathering of SF fans and professionals in the world, it does not always offer academic programming. This year, rather than hosting a separate Campbell Conference on our usual dates with the WorldCon occurring just a month later in neighboring Kansas City, we decided to combine the two. This strategy offers our regular attendees and award winners the opportunity to be part of the biggest SF event of the year while celebrating the Campbell and Sturgeon Awards.

As officially scheduled presenters for the event, you as a participating SF student or academic have the opportunity to enhance your CV by presenting research to a potentially much wider audience, and to immerse yourself in the world's first and biggest SF event. Win-win!

In addition to a running track of presentations, we also plan to hold our usual round-table discussion. And, of course, we'll celebrate the winners of the John W. Campbell Memorial Award for Best SF novel and the Theodore Sturgeon Memorial Award for Best Short SF, and host a reception for our winning authors.

**Deadline**: Submit an abstract by **January 14, 2016**. We will make final decisions on presentations soon after. We'll use a rolling acceptance beginning with the first submissions, so don't delay!

Full Details: sfcenter.ku.edu/campbell-conference.htm

See you in Kansas City!

### Installment Membership Plan

MidAmeriCon II is happy to provide an Attending Membership Installment Plan for those wishing to pay over a period of time. Our Installment Plan is a great way to "save the rate" since you lock in at the current membership rate when you start the plan. That way, your total membership price never increases even after our rates go up! For those wishing to purchase a Family Membership through our Installment Plan, you will need to email familymembership@midamericon2.org to get started.

Please be aware of the following before choosing our Installment Plan:

- On the membership selection page, you must choose either Installment Plan Adult \$50 or Installment Plan Young Adult \$50 to activate your plan.
- The initial \$50 for your Installment Plan membership is not refundable and Installment Memberships can only be transferred after being paid for in full
- Once you start on the Installment Plan, you will be billed bi-monthly, starting 1–2 months after you join, for:

\$25 until you have paid in full if you joined prior to September 2015,\$30 if you joined October 2015,\$35 after October 2015

Rate per billing goes up as we approach the convention and there are fewer billing cycles. Invoicing will be the first week of every other month with all incomplete installment plans billed in full on July 1, 2016.





You will have 30 days to pay off each invoice. If you fail to pay an invoice within the 30-day period, we will contact you. You may choose to leave the plan and have your conversion payments refunded (less the Supporting Membership and a \$20 processing fee) or stay on the Plan. If you stay on the plan, you will lose the benefits of the "lock-in" conversion rate, and your total conversion fee will be reset to the rate in force at the time. Your existing payments will of course continue to be credited towards your conversion.

You can pay off your Installment Plan at any time by emailing us and we will send you a final payment invoice.

If you need to cancel your Installment Plan or have any questions, please contact installmentplan@midamericon2.org.



# MidAmeriCon II Hugo Base Design Competition

MidAmeriCon II is now soliciting proposals for the 2016 Hugo Award Base design in an open competition. This competition will give artists around the world the chance to create a lasting piece of the most prestigious popular award in the science fiction community.

The World Science Fiction Convention has presented the Hugo Awards for achievement in science fiction, named after author and editor Hugo Gernsback, annually since 1955. Each award features a standardized metal rocket as the central element, with a base design that changes every year, often reflecting the city in which the convention takes place.

#### Rules for Entry

Entry in the competition is open to all. Design proposals must be submitted by midnight Central Standard Time on Tuesday, January 18, 2016.

All submissions should include:

 Drawings, sketches, and/or a fabricated sample of the proposed base unit accommodating the specifications below.

- Cost estimate per base, and estimated total cost for the fabrication and shipping of 40 base units. As a guideline, bases should cost no more than \$150 each to fabricate.
- Lead time needed to make the bases. The contest winner will be selected by late February 2016, and announced shortly afterwards. Delivery of approximately 40 bases to MidAmeriCon II, at an address in the United States, will be expected in June 2016.
- Proof of your ability to either craft the bases or arrange for the work to be done.

Photos of past Hugo awards can be viewed at the official Hugo Awards website at thehugoawards.org/.

To enter the competition, submit proposals either electronically or via the mail. Please include your name and contact information.

The winner of the base design competition will also receive a full (five-day) attending membership for MidAmeriCon II, where they will be invited to take part in the public unveiling of their design Opening Ceremonies and the Hugo Awards Ceremony. The base will also be added to the physical archive of Hugo base designs, and thus be part of the Hugo History exhibit which travels to each Worldcon. The winning design is traditionally kept secret until the Worldcon and strict confidentiality will therefore apply to the winning design until the convention.

We regret that competition entries cannot be returned, and MidAmeriCon II reserves the right to select no entries as the winner.

#### **Electronic submission**

Please email proposals to hugo-base@midamericon2.org Include the information set out above, and a JPG, TIFF, PNG, or GIF image of your design.

#### Postal submission

Please send the information requested above, along with a sketch/drawing/sample base (or a CD or flash drive containing your sketch/drawing), to:

Dave McCarty c/o McCarty Software 2020 N California Ave, Suite 299 Chicago, IL 60647-6319

If you have any questions, please contact the Hugo administrators at hugoadmin@midamericon2.org

#### **Base Specifications**

Proposal must conform to certain general and technical specifications, as follows:

- Bases may be made of wood, metal, lucite, or any other material that has a fixed form. Materials that are fragile, or change form with age or extremes of temperature, are not suitable.
- Bases must be designed in such a way that the silver Hugo rocket, supplied by MidAmeriCon II, is an integral part of the design.
- Rockets will be bolted to the bases from below the tailfins, and must be able to stand on a flat surface.
   Hanging designs, or those which rely on gravity other than Earth standard, are not acceptable.
- Specifications for the Hugo rocket itself are:
  - 13 inches (33.02 cm) tall
  - 2 inches (5.08 cm) across from fin-tip to fin-tip
  - 3 pounds 2 ounces (1.42 kg) in weight
  - Bolt with a 5/16-18 machine screw thread.

- Space must be left on the base for affixing a plaque or plaques indicating (in an easily readable, 12 pt font) the convention, winner, and category of award won.
- The winning design should have a theme highlighting Kansas City and/or the themes and aesthetic feel of MidAmeriCon II. Copyrighted/trademarked elements should not be included, and designs featuring any of these will be disqualified.
- Preference will be given to submissions that include or demonstrate appropriate safe packaging to ship the base in (generally without the rocket attached).
- Additionally, keep in mind that trophies and bases
  will be traveling home in people's luggage or need
  to be shipped. Parts that are fragile, fiddly, or prone
  to fall off are *strongly discouraged*, as is anything that
  would make transportation security officials too
  nervous (the rocket requires enough explanation
  just by itself).

Thank you for participating and best of luck!











# Solution to the Crossword Puzzle in Progress Report 1





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# MidAmeriCon II Cryptic Crossword

# **Barry Haldiman**



- 1. Internet prefix is 10A's type of punk (5)
- 4. 1992 novel by 10A for dummies (5)
- 7. Nomadic emir ruined the 34th Worldcon (11)
- 8. "Opposite of 10A's writing," cracked pun insider (10)
- 10. Toastmaster corrupted Captain Dag (3,7)
- 14. 1987 novel by 10A is what referees do (11)
- 16. Jesus' history conceals what the girl-thing went out for (5)
- 17. Take pleasure in exhaust (3,2)

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- 1. 100 enliven kids' summer spot (4)
- 2. VP's "swinging" cave (5)
- 3. Country of Russian Orthodox's initial infatuation (7)
- 4. Tree is PETA issue, reportedly (3)
- 5. Primarily only snobby cinematics are receiving Hollywood award (5)
- 6. Teensy nodule holds church council? (5)

- 9. Katniss' sister devoured monkey, e.g. (7)
- 10. Inflates shoes (5)
- 11. Rocks' leaderless attitudes (5)
- 12. A fellow representative (5)
- 13. A gullible one at once (4)
- 15. Greek letter on a tire! (3)

# MidAmeriCon II International Film Festival 2016 Offical Rules & Entry Form August 17-21, 2016

MidAmeriCon II will be hosting a film festival during the convention for our attendees, who travel to this five-day event celebrating the science fiction and fantasy genre from all over the world.

If you are interested in participating, please read the following instructions carefully.

#### **General Rules for Entry**

- Films submitted should be in one of the following categories:
  - Short Film (under 60 minutes)
  - Feature Film (over 60 minutes)
- Submitted films must be completely edited and in their final completed form.
- Films can be live action, animation, or a combination of both.

#### **Additional Information**

- Films will be pre-screened by Film Festival staff.
- Submitted films cannot be returned.
- Films may be used for promotional purposes.
- All films will be shown via video projection in a convention center meeting room, not in a theater.

#### What to Send

- Two (2) copies of your film must be sent. Films should be submitted via mail on DVD. H.264 digital video files can be sent online via Dropbox, WeTransfer, Google Drive, or other method. Make sure that your DVD plays on all computer platforms or on DVD region 1 players.
- On a CD in electronic form or a separate sheet of paper, include a brief synopsis of your film not to exceed 50 words, along with a brief bio sheet about

the filmmakers (director or writer), plus one (1) production still for use in any potential publicity.

All films must be postmarked by June 1, 2016, and accompanied by a signed entry form and any required paperwork. Filmmakers with accepted entries will be notified by the end of July.

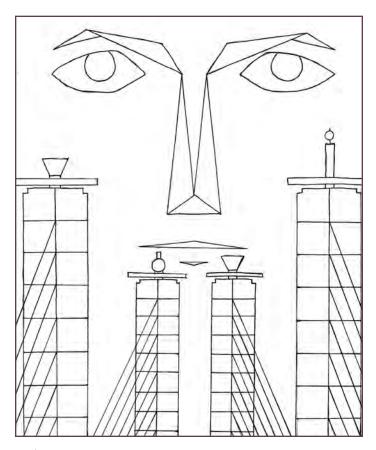
The complete schedule of films will appear on the MidAmeriCon II website, midamericon2.org/, and in the film festival program book distributed at the convention.

Send your DVDs and all paperwork to:

MidAmeriCon II

International Film Festival 2016 PO Box 4718 West Richland, WA 99353 USA

If you have any questions, send email to nt.saenz@gmail.com.



# MidAmeriCon II International Film Festival Official Entry Form

# MidAmeriCon II • August 17-21, 2016 Kansas City Convention Center, Kansas City, MO

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Please read the rules carefully before submitting this form.

Mail 2 DVD copies of your film with this form to:

MidAmeriCon II International Film Festival, PO Box 4718, West Richland, WA 99353 Questions??

e-mail: nt.saenz@gmail.com









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# Please Read These Instructions Carefully Before Casting Your Ballot for the 2016 Hugo Awards & John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer

#### Eligibility to Nominate

You may nominate for the 2016 Hugo Awards and John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer if, on or before January 31 2016, 11:59 PM PST:

- you are an attending or supporting member of MidAmeriCon II (the 2016 World Science Fiction Convention).
- you are an attending or supporting member of Worldcon 75 (the 2017 World Science Fiction Convention).
- you were an Attending or Supporting Member of Sasquan (the 2015 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 hall passes do not.

#### **Deadline**

All ballots must be received prior to March 31 2016, 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 first page of the ballot. 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 2015 work in that category may be found. This information makes identifying the work you intend to nominate easier
- 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 MidAmeriCon II website: midamericon2.org.You will need your membership number and PIN, which is printed on your mailing label, to nominate online.

You may email hugopin@midamericon2.org to request a PIN.

The final Hugo Ballot containing the nominees in each category that received the most nominations will be distributed by MidAmeriCon II in April/May 2016. Only members of MidAmeriCon II (including those who join after January 31 2016) will be eligible to vote on the final ballot. If you have questions, please email <a href="https://hugoadmin@midamericon2.org">hugoadmin@midamericon2.org</a>.

#### **Eligibility**

Works published in 2015 for the first time anywhere or for the first time in English are eligible for the Hugo Awards being awarded in 2016.

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 2015 but first published in the United States in 2015 shall be eligible for the 2016 Hugo Awards unless they have already appeared on a final Hugo Award 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 <a href="https://www.wsfs.org/bm/const-2014.htm">wsfs.org/bm/const-2014.htm</a>.

#### **Exclusions**

The MidAmeriCon II Committee has irrevocably delegated all Hugo administration authority to a subcommittee. Therefore, only Dave McCarty, Will Frank, Tammy Coxen, Diane Lacey, and Joe Siclari are ineligible for the 2016 Hugo Awards.

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# This ballot must be received by Thursday March 31 2016, 11:59 PM PST

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## **Registration Reminders**

If you have any questions or need to change any details of your membership, contact us at registration@midamericon2.org

Memberships can be purchased at midamericon2.org/registration/ or by downloading a form from the website and mailing your payment to:

MidAmeriCon2 Registration PO Box 16 Santa Rosa, CA 95402

Supporting	\$50
Adult	\$185
YA (16-25)	\$100
Child (6-15)	\$60
Kid-In-Tow (0-5)	\$O
Family	Email familymembership@midamericon2.org
Installment Plan	\$50 down payment for each member, then payments over time (see Pages 14-15)

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

#### The 74th World Science Fiction Convention



Nominating Ballot for the 2016 Hugo Awards and John W. Campbell Award

This ballot must be received by 3/31/2016

# Nominating Ballot for the 2016 Hugo Awards and John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer

<b>Best Novel</b> A science fiction or fantasy story of	40,000 words or more, which appeared for the first time in 2015.
Author & Title	Publisher
Best Novella A science fiction or fantasy story b	between 17,500 and 40,000 words, which appeared for the first time in 2015.
Author & Title	Where Published
Best Novelette A science fiction or fantasy story	y between 7,500 and 17,500 words, which appeared for the first time in 2015.
Author & Title	Where Published
Best Short Story A science fiction or fantasy sto	ory of fewer than 7,500 words, which appeared for the first time in 2015.
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<b>Best Related Work</b> Any work related to the fiel	ld of science fiction, fantasy, or fandom, appearing for the first time in 2015, or which has
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Author/Editor & Title	Publisher
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# Please Read These Instructions Carefully Before Casting Your Ballot for the 1941 Retro Hugo Awards

#### **Eligibility to Nominate**

You may nominate for the 1941 Retro Hugo Awards if, on or before January 31 2016, 11:59 PM PST:

- you are an attending or supporting member of MidAmeriCon II (the 2016 World Science Fiction Convention).
- you are an attending or supporting member of Worldcon 75 (the 2017 World Science Fiction Convention).
- you were an Attending or Supporting member of Sasquan (the 2015 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 hall passes do not.

#### **Deadline**

All ballots must be received prior to March 31 2016, 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.

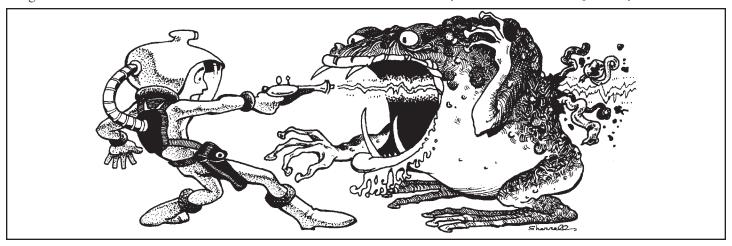
#### How to Nominate by Mail or Online

Please fill in the eligibility section on the first page of the ballot. 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 1940 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 MidAmeriCon II website: midamericon2.org. You will need your membership number and PIN, which is printed on your mailing label, to nominate online.

You may email <a href="mailto:hugopin@midamericon2.org">hugopin@midamericon2.org</a> to request a PIN.

The final Hugo Ballot containing the nominees in each category that received the most nominations will be distributed by MidAmeriCon II in April/May 2016.



Only members of MidAmeriCon II (including those who join after January 31 2016) will be eligible to vote on the final ballot. If you have questions, please email hugoadmin@Mmidamericon2.org.

#### Eligibility

Works published in 1940 for the first time anywhere or for the first time in English are eligible for the Retro Hugo Awards being awarded in 2016.

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: Works initially published outside the United States prior to 1940 are not granted extended eligibility for the Retro Hugo Awards.

Other eligibility rules are included with the specific categories. The full rules for the Hugo Awards are contained in the WSFS constitution available at wsfs.org/bm/const-2014.htm.

#### **Exclusions**

The MidAmeriCon II Committee has irrevocably delegated all Hugo administration authority to a subcommittee. Therefore, only Dave McCarty, Will Frank, Tammy Coxen, Diane Lacey, and Joe Siclari are ineligible for the 2016 Hugo Awards.

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#### This ballot must be received by Thursday, March 31, 2016, 11:59 PM PST

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#### The 74th World Science Fiction Convention



Nominating Ballot for the 1941 Retro Hugo Awards

This ballot must be received by 3/31/2016

# Nominating Ballot for the 1941 Retro Hugo Awards

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## You Make the Rules

### WSFS Business Meeting at MidAmeriCon II

How are Hugo categories determined? Who says how voting works in Site Selection? When can Worldcons raise membership rates?

The Constitution of the World Science Fiction Society (WSFS) (published in this Progress Report) is amended by the WSFS Business Meeting The Business Meeting also creates and amends other rules pertaining to, and requests of, Worldcons and WSFS. What amendments, rules, and requests are made, is decided upon by the members of WSFS, which means by YOU!

Worldcon members = WSFS Members. Every member of the Worldcon in a given year, this year being MidAmeriCon II, is a member of WSFS. There is, in fact, no way to be a member of WSFS other than being a member of that year's Worldcon.

Every Attending member of MidAmeriCon II can attend the Business Meeting, propose changes, debate those changes, and vote on them. Supporting members can propose business, but not attend the meeting and/or debate business.

Changes to the WSFS Constitution, including any changes to the rules for the Hugo Awards, must be approved by votes at two consecutive Worldcons (for example MidAmeriCon II this year, and Worldcon 75 next year in Helsinki, Finland). In addition, new proposals may be introduced each year. The Business Meeting may defeat and amend new proposals. Meetings are conducted under a relatively formal structure, according to (in descending order): The WSFS Constitution and Standing Rules, such other rules as may be published in advance by the current Committee; the customs and usages of WSFS (including the resolutions and rulings of continuing effect); and the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

The Business Meeting page on the convention website (midamericon2.org/what-is-wsfs/) lists the items of business passed on from Sasquan, the 2015 Worldcon, to be debated this year, as well as new business that has been proposed.

To submit Business to the WSFS Business Meeting, please email <a href="mailto:businessmeeting@midamericon2.org">businessmeeting@midamericon2.org</a> with your proposal, a short descriptive title, any explanatory text, and the names of the proposers. You must have 2 proposers both of whom must be at least Supporting Members of

MidAmeriCon II. The deadline for submitting New Business is **August 3, 2016.** 

You can find more information, helpful guides to Robert's Rules, links to recordings of last year's Business Meeting, and copies of the WSFS Constitution, Standing Rules and Resolutions and Ruling of Continuing Effect on the Business Meeting web page.

#### **Business Meeting Dates, Times and Locations**

The location of the all meetings/sessions is to be determined and will be posted on the Business Meeting webpage when it is set. All meetings/sessions will begin at 10 a.m.

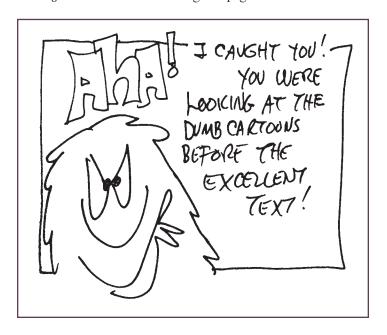
Preliminary Business Meeting: Thursday, August 18\*

Main Business Meeting Session: Friday, August 19

Site Selection Business Meeting (Main Business Meeting Session 2): Saturday, August 20

Main Business Meeting Session 3: Sunday, August 21

\*While its title may make it seem not so, the Preliminary Business Meeting is important as it sets debate time for all business and the motions to Object to Consideration and Postpone Indefinitely are in order. For more information on the Preliminary Business Meeting, Object to Consideration, and Postpone Indefinitely, please see the *Guide to the Business Meeting* on the Business Meeting webpage.



# Constitution of the World Science Fiction Society as of August 23, 2015

## Article 1-Name, Objectives, Membership, and Organization

**Section 1.1: Name.** The name of this organization shall be the World Science Fiction Society, hereinafter referred to as WSFS or the Society.

**Section 1.2: Objectives.** WSFS is an unincorporated literary society whose functions are:

- (1) To choose the recipients of the annual Hugo Awards (Science Fiction Achievement Awards).
- (2) To choose the locations and Committees for the annual World Science Fiction Conventions (hereinafter referred to as Worldcons).
- (3) To attend those Worldcons.
- (4) To choose the locations and Committees for the occasional North American Science Fiction Conventions (hereinafter referred to as NASFiCs).
- (5) To perform such other activities as may be necessary or incidental to the above purposes.

Section 1.3: Restrictions. No part of the Society's net earnings shall be paid to its members, officers, or other private persons except in furtherance of the Society's purposes. The Society shall not attempt to influence legislation or any political campaign for public office. Should the Society dissolve, its assets shall be distributed by the current Worldcon Committee or the appropriate court having jurisdiction, exclusively for charitable purposes. In this section, references to the Society include the Mark Protection Committee and all other agencies of the Society but not convention bidding or operating committees.

**Section 1.4: Membership.** The Membership of WSFS shall consist of all people who have paid membership dues to the Committee of the current Worldcon.

#### Section 1.5: Memberships.

**1.5.1:** Each Worldcon shall offer supporting and attending memberships.

- **1.5.2:** The rights of supporting members of a Worldcon include the right to receive all of its generally distributed publications.
- **1.5.3:** The rights of attending members of a Worldcon include the rights of supporting members plus the right of general attendance at said Worldcon and at the WSFS Business Meeting held thereat.
- **1.5.4:** Members of WSFS who cast a site-selection ballot with the required fee shall be supporting members of the selected Worldcon.
- 1.5.5: Voters have the right to convert to attending membership in the selected Worldcon within ninety (90) days of its selection, for an additional fee set by its committee. This fee must not exceed four (4) times the site-selection fee and must not exceed the difference between the site-selection fee and the fee for new attending members.
- **1.5.6:** The Worldcon Committee shall make provision for persons to become supporting members for no more than one hundred and twenty-five percent (125%) of the site-selection fee, or such higher amount as has been approved by the Business Meeting, until a cutoff date no earlier than ninety (90) days before their Worldcon.
- **1.5.7:** Other memberships and fees shall be at the discretion of the Worldcon Committee.
- 1.5.8 No convention committee shall sell a membership that includes any WSFS voting rights for less than the cost of the Supporting Membership required by Article 4 in the selection of that convention.

**Section 1.6: Authority.** Authority and responsibility for all matters concerning the Worldcon, except those reserved herein to WSFS, shall rest with the Worldcon Committee, which shall act in its own name and not in that of WSFS.

#### Section 1.7: The Mark Protection Committee.

**1.7.1:** There shall be a Mark Protection Committee of WSFS, which shall be responsible for registration and protection of

the marks used by or under the authority of WSFS.

1.7.2: The Mark Protection Committee shall submit to the Business Meeting at each Worldcon a report of its activities since the previous Worldcon, including a statement of income and expense.

**1.7.3:** The Mark Protection Committee shall hold a meeting at each Worldcon after the end of the Business Meeting, at a time and place announced at the Business Meeting.

1.7.4: The Mark Protection Committee shall determine and elect its own officers.

#### **Section 1.8: Membership of the Mark Protection** Committee.

**1.8.1:** The Mark Protection Committee shall consist of:

- (1) One (1) member appointed to serve at the pleasure of each future selected Worldcon Committee and each of the two (2) immediately preceding Worldcon Committees
- (2) One (1) member appointed to serve at the pleasure of each future selected NASFiC Committee and for each Committee of a NASFIC held in the previous two years, and
- (3) Nine (9) members elected three (3) each year to staggered three-year terms by the Business Meeting.
- **1.8.2:** Newly elected members take their seats, and the term of office ends for elected and appointed members whose terms expire that year, at the end of the Business Meeting.
- **1.8.3:** If vacancies occur in elected memberships in the Committee, the remainder of the position's term may be filled by the Business Meeting, and until then temporarily filled by the Committee.

#### Article 2-Powers and Duties of Worldcon **Committees**

**Section 2.1: Duties.** Each Worldcon Committee shall, in accordance with this Constitution, provide for

- (1) administering the Hugo Awards,
- (2) administering any future Worldcon or NASFIC site selection required, and
- (3) holding a WSFS Business Meeting.

**Section 2.2: Marks.** Every Worldcon and NASFIC Committee shall include the following notice in each of its publications:

"World Science Fiction Society," "WSFS," "World Science Fiction Convention," "Worldcon," "NASFiC" "Hugo Award," the Hugo Award Logo, and the distinctive design of the Hugo Award Trophy Rocket are service marks of the World Science Fiction Society, an unincorporated literary society.

**Section 2.3: Official Representative.** Each future selected Worldcon Committee shall designate an official representative to the Business Meeting to answer questions about their Worldcon.

Section 2.4: Distribution of Rules. The current Worldcon Committee shall publish the WSFS Constitution and Standing Rules, together with an explanation of proposed changes approved but not yet ratified. The Committee shall distribute these documents to all WSFS members at a point between nine and three months prior to the Worldcon, and shall also distribute them on paper to all WSFS members in attendance at the Worldcon upon registration.

**Section 2.5: Bid Presentations.** Each Worldcon Committee shall provide a reasonable opportunity for bona fide bidding committees for the Worldcon to be selected the following year to make presentations.

Section 2.6: Incapacity of Committees. With sites being selected two (2) years in advance, there are at least two selected current or future Worldcon Committees at all times. If one of these should be unable to perform its duties, the other selected current or future Worldcon Committee shall determine what action to take, by consulting the Business Meeting or by mail poll of WSFS if there is sufficient time, or by decision of the Committee if there is not sufficient time. Where a site and Committee are chosen by a Business Meeting or Worldcon Committee pursuant to this section, they are not restricted by exclusion zone or other qualifications.

Section 2.7: Membership Pass-along. Within ninety (90) days after a Worldcon, the administering Committee shall, except where prohibited by local law, forward its best information as to the names and postal addresses of all of its Worldcon members to the Committee of the next Worldcon.

**Section 2.8: Financial Openness.** Any member of WSFS shall have the right, under reasonable conditions, to examine the financial records and books of account of the current Worldcon or NASFiC Committee, all future selected Worldcon or NASFiC Committees, the two immediately preceding Worldcon Committees, and the Committees of any NASFiCs held in the previous two years.

#### Section 2.9: Financial Reports.

- **2.9.1:** Each future selected Worldcon or NASFiC Committee shall submit an annual financial report, including a statement of income and expenses, to each WSFS Business Meeting after the Committee's selection.
- 2.9.2: Each Worldcon or NASFiC Committee shall submit a report on its cumulative surplus/loss at the next Business Meeting after its convention.
- **2.9.3:** Each Worldcon or NASFiC Committee should dispose of surplus funds remaining after accounts are settled for its convention for the benefit of WSFS as a whole.
- **2.9.4:** In the event of a surplus, the Worldcon or NASFiC Committee, or any alternative organizational entity established to oversee and disburse that surplus, shall file annual financial reports regarding the disbursement of that surplus at each year's Business Meeting, until the surplus is totally expended or an amount equal to the original surplus has been disbursed.
- **2.9.5:** All financial reports shall include the convention's name, mailing address and other contact information, including the name of the person certifying and submitting the report and, if applicable, the name of the convention's parent organization, its tax-exempt status, the location of incorporation, its address, website, email and other contact information, and the names and titles of its current officers.

#### Article 3-Hugo Awards

**Section 3.1: Introduction.** Selection of the Hugo Awards shall be made as provided in this Article.

#### Section 3.2: General.

- **3.2.1:** Unless otherwise specified, Hugo Awards are given for work in the field of science fiction or fantasy appearing for the first time during the previous calendar year.
- **3.2.2:** A work shall not be eligible if in a prior year it received sufficient nominations to appear on the final award ballot.

- **3.2.3:** Publication date, or cover date in the case of a dated periodical, takes precedence over copyright date.
- **3.2.4:** Works appearing in a series are eligible as individual works, but the series as a whole is not eligible. However, a work appearing in a number of parts shall be eligible for the year of the final part.
- **3.2.5:** In the written fiction story categories (3.3.1-3.3.4) and 3.3.6), an author may withdraw a version of a work from consideration if the author feels that the version is not representative of what that author wrote.
- Section 3.2.6: The categories of Best Novel, Novella, Novelette, and Short Story shall be open to works in which the text is the primary form of communication, regardless of the publication medium, including but not limited to physical print, audiobook, and ebook.
- **3.2.76:** The Worldcon Committee shall not consider previews, promotional trailers, commercials, public service announcements, or other extraneous material when determining the length of a work. Running times of dramatic presentations shall be based on their first general release.
- **3.2.87:** The Worldcon Committee may relocate a story into a more appropriate category if it feels that it is necessary, provided that the length of the story is within the lesser of five thousand (5,000) words or twenty percent (20%) of the new category limits.
- **3.2.98:** The Worldcon Committee may relocate a dramatic presentation work into a more appropriate category if it feels that it is necessary, provided that the length of the work is within twenty percent (20%) of the new category boundary.
- **3.2.109:** A Professional Publication is one which meets at least one of the following two criteria:
  - (1) it provided at least a quarter the income of any one person or,
  - (2) was owned or published by any entity which provided at least a quarter the income of any of its staff and/or owner.
- **3.2.**1110: The Worldcon Committee is responsible for all matters concerning the Awards.

#### Section 3.3: Categories.

- 3.3.1: Best Novel. A science fiction or fantasy story of forty thousand (40,000) words or more.
- **3.3.2: Best Novella.** A science fiction or fantasy story of between seventeen thousand five hundred (17,500) and forty thousand (40,000) words.
- **3.3.3: Best Novelette.** A science fiction or fantasy story of between seven thousand five hundred (7,500) and seventeen thousand five hundred (17,500) words.
- **3.3.4: Best Short Story.** A science fiction or fantasy story of less than seven thousand five hundred (7,500) words.
- **3.3.5: Best Related Work.** Any work related to the field of science fiction, fantasy, or fandom, appearing for the first time during the previous calendar year\_or which has been substantially modified during the previous calendar year, and which is either non-fiction or, if fictional, is noteworthy primarily for aspects other than the fictional text, and which is not eligible in any other category.
- **3.3.6. Best Graphic Story.** Any science fiction or fantasy story told in graphic form appearing for the first time in the previous calendar year.

#### 3.3.7: Best Dramatic Presentation, Long Form.

Any theatrical feature or other production, with a complete running time of more than 90 minutes, in any medium of dramatized science fiction, fantasy or related subjects that has been publicly presented for the first time in its present dramatic form during the previous calendar year.

#### 3.3.8: Best Dramatic Presentation, Short Form.

Any television program or other production, with a complete running time of 90 minutes or less, in any medium of dramatized science fiction, fantasy or related subjects that has been publicly presented for the first time in its present dramatic form during the previous calendar year.

**3.3.9: Best Editor Short Form**. The editor of at least four (4) anthologies, collections or magazine issues (or their equivalent in other media) primarily devoted to science fiction and/or fantasy, at least one of which was published in the previous calendar year.

- **3.3.10: Best Editor Long Form.** The editor of at least four (4) novel-length works primarily devoted to science fiction and/or fantasy published in the previous calendar year that do not qualify as works under 3.3.9.
- 3.3.11: Best Professional Artist. An illustrator whose work has appeared in a professional publication in the field of science fiction or fantasy during the previous calendar year.
- **3.3.12: Best Semiprozine.** Any generally available nonprofessional periodical publication devoted to science fiction or fantasy, or related subjects which by the close of the previous calendar year has published four (4) or more issues (or the equivalent in other media), at least one (1) of which appeared in the previous calendar year, which does not qualify as a fancast, and which in the previous calendar year met at least one (1) of the following criteria:
  - (1) paid its contributors and/or staff in other than copies of the publication,
  - (2) was generally available only for paid purchase,
- **3.3.13: Best Fanzine.** Any generally available nonprofessional periodical publication devoted to science fiction, fantasy, or related subjects that by the close of the previous calendar year has published four (4) or more issues (or the equivalent in other media), at least one (1) of which appeared in the previous calendar year, that does not qualify as a semiprozine or a fancast, and that in the previous calendar year met neither of the following criteria:
  - (1) paid its contributors or staff monetarily in other than copies of the publication,
  - (2) was generally available only for paid purchase.
- **3.3.14: Best Fancast.** Any generally available nonprofessional audio or video periodical devoted to science fiction, fantasy, or related subjects that by the close of the previous calendar year has released four (4) or more episodes, at least one (1) of which appeared in the previous calendar year, and that does not qualify as a dramatic presentation.

Provided that unless this amendment is re-ratified by the 2016 Business Meeting, Section 3.3.14 shall be repealed, and

Provided that the question of re-ratification shall be automatically be placed on the agenda of the 2016 Business Meeting with any constitutional amendments awaiting ratification.

- **3.3.15: Best Fan Writer.** Any person whose writing has appeared in semiprozines or fanzines or in generally available electronic media during the previous calendar year.
- **3.3.16: Best Fan Artist.** An artist or cartoonist whose work has appeared through publication in semiprozines or fanzines or through other public, non-professional, display (including at a convention or conventions), during the previous calendar year.
- **3.3.17:** Additional Category. Not more than one special category may be created by the current Worldcon Committee with nomination and voting to be the same as for the permanent categories. The Worldcon Committee is not required to create any such category; such action by a Worldcon Committee should be under exceptional circumstances only; and the special category created by one Worldcon Committee shall not be binding on following Committees. Awards created under this paragraph shall be considered to be Hugo Awards.

#### Section 3.4: Extended Eligibility.

- **3.4.1:** A work originally appearing in a language other than English shall also be eligible for the year in which it is first issued in English translation.
- **3.4.2:** Works originally published outside the United States of America and first published in the United States of America in the previous calendar year shall also be eligible for Hugo Awards.
- **3.4.3:** In the event that a potential Hugo Award nominee receives extremely limited distribution in the year of its first publication or presentation, its eligibility may be extended for an additional year by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the intervening Business Meeting of WSFS.
- Section 3.5: Name and Design. The Hugo Award shall continue to be standardized on the rocket ship design of Jack McKnight and Ben Jason as refined by Peter Weston. Each Worldcon Committee may select its own choice of base design. The name (Hugo Award) and the design shall not be extended to any other award.
- **Section 3.6: "No Award".** At the discretion of an individual Worldcon Committee, if the lack of nominations or final votes in a specific category shows a marked lack of interest in that category on the part of the voters, the Award in that category shall be canceled for that year.

#### Section 3.7: Nominations.

- **3.7.1:** The Worldcon Committee shall conduct a poll to select the nominees finalists for the final Award voting. Each member of the administering Worldcon, the immediately preceding Worldcon, or the immediately following Worldcon as of January 31 of the current calendar year shall be allowed to make up to five (5) equally weighted nominations in every category.
- **3.7.2:** The Committee shall include with each nomination ballot a copy of Article 3 of the WSFS Constitution and any applicable extensions of eligibility under Sections 3.2.3 or 3.4.
- **3.7.3:** Nominations shall be solicited only for the Hugo Awards and the John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer.

#### Section 3.8: Tallying of Nominations.

- **3.8.1:** Except as provided below, the final Award ballots shall list in each category the five eligible nominees receiving the most nominations. If there is a tie including fifth place, all the tied eligible nominees shall be listed.
- **3.8.2:** The Worldcon Committee shall determine the eligibility of nominees and assignment to the proper category of works nominated in more than one category.
- **3.8.3:** Any nominations for "No Award" shall be disregarded.
- **3.8.4:** If a nominee appears on a nomination ballot more than once in any one category, only one nomination shall be counted in that category.
- **3.8.5:** No nominee shall appear on the final Award ballot if it received fewer nominations than five percent (5%) of the number of ballots listing one or more nominations in that category, except that the first three eligible nominees, including any ties, shall always be listed.
- **3.8.6:** The Committee shall move a nomination from another category to the work's default category only if the member has made fewer than five (5) nominations in the default category.
- **3.8.7:** If a work receives a nomination in its default category, and if the Committee relocates the work under its authority under subsection 3.2.7 or 3.2.8, the Committee shall count the nomination even if the member already has made five (5) nominations in the more-appropriate category.

#### Section 3.9: Notification and Acceptance.

- **3.9.1** Worldcon Committees shall use reasonable efforts to notify the nominees finalists, or in the case of deceased or incapacitated persons, their heirs, assigns, or legal guardians, in each category prior to the release of such information. Each nominee finalist shall be asked at that time to either accept or decline the nomination. If the nominee finalist declines nomination, that nominee finalist shall not appear on the final ballot.
- **3.9.2** In the Best Professional Artist category, the acceptance should include citations of at least three (3) works first published in the eligible year.
- **3.9.3** Each <u>nomineefinalist</u> in the categories of Best Fanzine and Best Semiprozine shall be required to provide information confirming that they meet the qualifications of their category.

#### Section 3.10: Voting.

- **3.10.1:** Final Award voting shall be by balloting in advance of the Worldcon. Postal mail shall always be acceptable. Only WSFS members may vote. Final Award ballots shall include name, signature, address, and membership-number spaces to be filled in by the voter.
- **3.10.2:** Final Award ballots shall list only the Hugo Awards and the John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer.
- **3.10.3:** "No Award" shall be listed in each category of Hugo Award on the final ballot.
- **3.10.4:** The Committee shall, on or with the final ballot, designate, for each nomineefinalist in the printed fiction categories, one or more books, anthologies, or magazines in which the nomineefinalist appeared (including the book publisher or magazine issue date(s)).
- **3.10.5:** Voters shall indicate the order of their preference for the nominees finalists in each category.

#### Section 3.11: Tallying of Votes.

**3.11.1:** In each category, tallying shall be as described in Section 6.4. "No Award" shall be treated as a nomineefinalist. If all remaining nomineesfinalists are tied, no tie-breaking shall be done and the nomineesfinalists excluding "No Award" shall be declared joint winners.

- **3.11.2:** "No Award" shall be given whenever the total number of valid ballots cast for a specific category (excluding those cast for "No Award" in first place) is less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of final Award ballots received.
- **3.11.3:** "No Award" shall be the run-off candidate for the purposes of Section 6.5.
- **3.11.4:** The complete numerical vote totals, including all preliminary tallies for first, second, . . . places, shall be made public by the Worldcon Committee within ninety (90) days after the Worldcon. During the same period the nomination voting totals shall also be published, including in each category the vote counts for at least the fifteen highest vote-getters and any other candidate receiving a number of votes equal to at least five percent (5%) of the nomination ballots cast in that category, but not including any candidate receiving fewer than five votes.

Section 3.12: Exclusions. No member of the current Worldcon Committee or any publications closely connected with a member of the Committee shall be eligible for an Award. However, should the Committee delegate all authority under this Article to a Subcommittee whose decisions are irrevocable by the Worldcon Committee, then this exclusion shall apply to members of the Subcommittee only.

Section 3.13: Retrospective Hugos. A Worldcon held 50, 75, or 100 years after a Worldcon at which no Hugos were presented may conduct nominations and elections for Hugos which would have been presented at that previous Worldcon. Procedures shall be as for the current Hugos. Categories receiving insufficient numbers of nominations may be dropped. Once retrospective Hugos have been awarded for a Worldcon, no other Worldcon shall present retrospective Hugos for that Worldcon.

#### **Article 4–Future Worldcon Selection**

#### Section 4.1: Voting.

- **4.1.1:** WSFS shall choose the location and Committee of the Worldcon to be held two (2) years from the date of the current Worldcon.
- **4.1.2:** Voting shall be by written ballot cast either by mail or at the current Worldcon with tallying as described in Section 6.4.

- **4.1.3:** The current Worldcon Committee shall administer the voting, collect the advance membership fees, and turn over those funds to the winning Committee before the end of the current Worldcon.
- **4.1.4:** The site-selection voting totals shall be announced at the Business Meeting and published in the first or second Progress Report of the winning Committee, with the by-mail and at-convention votes distinguished.

#### Section 4.2: Voter Eligibility.

- **4.2.1:** Voting shall be limited to WSFS members who have purchased at least a supporting membership in the Worldcon whose site is being selected.
- **4.2.2:** The supporting membership rate shall be set by unanimous agreement of the current Worldcon Committee and all bidding committees who have filed before the ballot deadline. If agreement is not reached, the default fee shall be the median (middle value) of the US dollar fees used in the previous three (3) Worldcon site selections.
- Section 4.3: Non-Natural Persons. Corporations, associations, and other non-human or artificial entities may cast ballots, but only for "No Preference". "Guest of "memberships may only cast "No Preference" ballots. Memberships transferred to individual natural persons may cast preferential ballots, provided that the transfer is accepted by the administering convention.
- Section 4.4: Ballots. Site-selection ballots shall include name, signature, address, and membership-number spaces to be filled in by the voter. Each site-selection ballot shall list the options "None of the Above" and "No Preference" and provide for write-in votes, after the bidders and with equal prominence. The supporting membership rate shall be listed on all site-selection ballots.

#### Section 4.5: Tallying.

- **4.5.1:** The name and address information shall be separated from the ballots and the ballots counted only at the Worldcon. Each bidding committee should provide at least two (2) tellers. Each bidding committee may make a record of the name and address of every voter.
- **4.5.2:** A ballot voted with first or only choice for "No Preference" shall be ignored for site selection. A ballot voted with lower than first choice for "No Preference" shall

- be ignored if all higher choices on the ballot have been eliminated in preferential tallying.
- **4.5.3:** "None of the Above" shall be treated as a bid for tallying, and shall be the run-off candidate for the purposes of Section 6.5.
- **4.5.4:** All ballots shall be initially tallied by their first preferences, even if cast for a bid that the administering Committee has ruled ineligible. If no eligible bid achieves a majority on the first round of tallying, then on the second round all ballots for ineligible bids shall be redistributed to their first eligible choices, and tallying shall proceed according to Section 6.4.
- **4.5.5:** If "None of the Above" wins, or if two or more bids are tied for first place at the end of tallying, the duty of site selection shall devolve on the Business Meeting of the current Worldcon. If the Business Meeting is unable to decide by the end of the Worldcon, the Committee for the following Worldcon shall make the selection without undue delay.
- **4.5.6:** Where a site and Committee are chosen by a Business Meeting or Worldcon Committee following a win by "None of the Above," they are not restricted by exclusion zone or other qualifications.
- **4.5.7:** Where a site and Committee are chosen by a Business Meeting or Worldcon Committee following a tie in tallying, they must select one of the tied bids.

#### Section 4.6: Bid Eligibility.

- **4.6.1:** To be eligible for site selection, a bidding committee must file the following documents with the Committee that will administer the voting:
  - (1) an announcement of intent to bid;
  - (2) adequate evidence of an agreement with its proposed site's facilities, such as a conditional contract or a letter of agreement;
  - (3) the rules under which the Worldcon Committee will operate, including a specification of the term of office of their chief executive officer or officers and the conditions and procedures for the selection and replacement of such officer or officers.
- **4.6.2:** The bidding committee must supply written copies of these documents to any member of WSFS on request.





**4.6.3:** For a bid to be allowed on the printed ballot, the bidding committee must file the documents specified above no later than 180 days prior to the official opening of the administering convention.

**4.6.4:** To be eligible as a write-in, the bidding committee must file the documents specified above by the close of the voting.

**4.6.5:** If no bids meet these qualifications, the selection shall proceed as though "None of the Above" had won.

**Section 4.7: Site Eligibility.** A site shall be ineligible if it is within five hundred (500) miles or eight hundred (800) kilometres of the site at which selection occurs.

#### Section 4.8: NASFiC

If the selected Worldcon site is not in North America, there shall be a NASFiC in North America that year. Selection of the NASFiC shall be by the identical procedure to the Worldcon selection except as provided below or elsewhere in this Constitution:

**4.8.1:** Voting shall be by written ballot administered by the following year's Worldcon, if there is no NASFiC in that year, or by the following year's NASFiC, if there is one, with ballots cast at the administering convention or by mail, and with only members of the administering convention allowed to vote.

4.8.2: NASFiC Committees shall make all reasonable efforts to avoid conflicts with Worldcon dates.

**4.8.3:** The proposed NASFiC supporting membership rate can be set by unanimous agreement of the administering Committee and all bidding committees who have filed before the ballot deadline. If agreement is not reached, the default fee shall be the median (middle value) of the US dollar fees used in the previous three (3) Worldcon site selections.

**4.8.4:** If "None of the Above" wins, or if no eligible bid files by the deadline, then no NASFiC shall be held and any supporting membership payments collected for the NASFiC site selection shall be refunded by the administering convention without undue delay.

#### **Article 5–Powers of the Business Meeting**

#### **Section 5.1:WSFS Business Meetings.**

**5.1.1:** Business Meetings of WSFS shall be held at advertised times at each Worldcon.

**5.1.2:** The current Worldcon Committee shall provide the Presiding Officer and Staff for each Meeting.

**5.1.3:** Standing Rules for the Governance of the Business Meeting and related activities may be adopted or amended by a majority vote at any Business Meeting. Amendments to Standing Rules shall take effect at the close of the Worldcon where they are adopted; this rule may be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

**5.1.4:** Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of (in descending order of precedence) the WSFS Constitution; the Standing Rules; such other rules as may be published in advance by the current Committee (which rules may be suspended by the Business Meeting by the same procedure as a Standing Rule); the customs and usages of WSFS (including the resolutions and rulings of continuing effect); and the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

**5.1.5:** The quorum for the Business Meeting shall be twelve members of the Society physically present.

**Section 5.2: Continuation of Committees.** Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, any committee or other position created by a Business Meeting shall lapse at the end of the next following Business Meeting that does not vote to continue it.

**Section 5.3: Constitutional Pass-along.** Within two (2) months after the end of each Worldcon, the Business Meeting staff shall send a copy of all changes to the Constitution and Standing Rules, and all items awaiting ratification, to the next Worldcon Committee.

#### **Article 6–Constitution**

**Section 6.1: Conduct.** The conduct of the affairs of WSFS shall be determined by this Constitution together with all ratified amendments hereto and such Standing Rules as the Business Meeting shall adopt for its own governance.

Section 6.2: Natural Persons. In all matters arising under this Constitution, only natural persons may introduce business, nominate, or vote, except as specifically provided otherwise in this Constitution. No person may cast more than one vote on any issue or more than one ballot in any election. This shall not be interpreted to prohibit delivery of ballots cast by other eligible voters.



**Section 6.3: Electronic Voting.** Nothing in this Constitution shall be interpreted to prohibit conducting Hugo Awards nominating and voting and Site Selection voting by electronic means, except that conducting Site Selection by electronic means shall require the unanimous agreement of the current Worldcon committee and all bidding committees who have filed before the ballot deadline. Valid paper ballots delivered by any means shall always be acceptable. This section shall not be interpreted to require that such elections be conducted electronically, nor shall it be interpreted to allow remote participation or proxy voting at the Business Meeting.

Section 6.4: Tallying of Votes. Votes shall first be tallied by the voter's first choices. If no majority is then obtained, the candidate who places last in the initial tallying shall be eliminated and the ballots listing it as first choice shall be redistributed on the basis of those ballots' second choices. This process shall be repeated until a majority-vote winner is obtained. If two or more candidates are tied for elimination during this process, the candidate that received fewer firstplace votes shall be eliminated. If they are still tied, all the tied candidates shall be eliminated together.

**Section 6.5: Run-off.** After a tentative winner is determined, then unless the run-off candidate shall be the sole winner, the following additional test shall be made. If

the number of ballots preferring the run-off candidate to the tentative winner is greater than the number of ballots preferring the tentative winner to the run-off candidate, then the run-off candidate shall be declared the winner of the election.

**Section 6.6: Amendment.** The WSFS Constitution may be amended by a motion passed by a simple majority at any Business Meeting but only to the extent that such motion is ratified by a simple majority at the Business Meeting of the subsequent Worldcon.

**Section 6.7: Commencement.** Any change to the Constitution of WSFS shall take effect at the end of the Worldcon at which such change is ratified, except that no change imposing additional costs or financial obligations upon Worldcon Committees shall be binding upon any Committee already selected at the time when it takes effect.

The above copy of the World Science Fiction Society's Constitution is hereby Certified to be True, Correct, and Complete:

Kevin Standlee, Presiding Officer Linda Deneroff, Secretary 2015 WSFS Business Meeting

## **WSFS-Standing Rules**

## Standing Rules for the Governance of the World Science **Fiction Society Business Meeting**

**Group 1: Meetings** 

Rule 1.1: Meeting and Session. The Annual Meeting of the World Science Fiction Society shall consist of one or more Preliminary Business Meetings and one or more Main Business Meetings. The first meeting shall be designated as a Preliminary Business Meeting. All meetings at a Worldcon (preliminary, main, or otherwise) shall be considered a single "session" as defined in the Parliamentary Authority (see section 5.1 of the WSFS Constitution), regardless of whether such gatherings are called "meetings" or "sessions."

Rule 1.2: Preliminary Business Meeting(s). The Preliminary Business Meeting may not directly reject, pass, or ratify amendments to the Constitution; however, all

motions adhering to a Constitutional amendment are in order if otherwise allowed. The Preliminary Business Meeting may not refer a Constitutional amendment to a committee unless the committee's instructions are to report to the Main Business Meeting. The Preliminary Business Meeting may not postpone consideration of a Constitutional amendment pending ratification beyond the last Preliminary Business Meeting. The Preliminary Business Meeting may not amend a Constitutional amendment pending ratification. The Preliminary Business Meeting may consider any business not expressly forbidden to it by the Standing Rules or expressly reserved to the Main Business Meeting.

Rule 1.3: Main Business Meeting(s). The Main Business Meeting may reject, pass, or ratify amendments to the

Constitution. One Main Meeting shall be also be designated as the Site-Selection Meeting, where Site-Selection business shall be the special order of business.

Rule 1.4: Scheduling of Meetings. The first Main Meeting shall be scheduled no less than eighteen (18) hours after the conclusion of the last Preliminary Meeting. No meeting shall be scheduled to begin before 10:00 or after 13:00 local time.

**Rule 1.5: Smoking.** If smoking is allowed in the place where the Business Meeting is held, the Presiding Officer shall divide the room into smoking and non-smoking sections at the beginning of each meeting.

**Rule 1.6: Recording of Sessions.** The Presiding Officer may arrange for the recording of meetings in any medium and for the distribution of such recordings. Individual members may also record meetings at their own discretion, subject to the will of the assembly as authorized by rule 5.9.

#### **Group 2: New Business**

#### Rule 2.1: Deadline for Submission of New Business.

The deadline for submission of non-privileged new business to the Business Meeting shall be fourteen (14) days before the first Preliminary Meeting. The Presiding Officer may accept otherwise qualified motions submitted after the deadline, but all such motions shall be placed at the end of the agenda.

Rule 2.2: Requirements for Submission of New Business. Two hundred (200) identical, legible copies of all proposals for non-privileged new business shall be submitted to the Presiding Officer before the deadline in Rule 2.1 unless such proposals are distributed to the attendees at the Worldcon by the Worldcon Committee. All proposals must be legibly signed by a maker and at least one seconder.

**Rule 2.3: Interpretation of Motions.** The Presiding Officer shall reject as out of order any proposal or motion that is obviously illegal or hopelessly incoherent. In the absence of the maker of a motion or instructions to the contrary, the Presiding Officer shall be free to interpret the meaning of any motion.

**Rule 2.4: Short Title.** Any item of new business considered by the Business Meeting shall contain a short title.

#### **Group 3: Debate Time Limits**

**Rule 3.1: Main Motions.** The Presiding Officer shall designate the default debate time for main motions. The Business Meeting may, by majority vote, set the initial debate time limit for any motion to any positive whole number of minutes.

Rule 3.2: Allotment of Time. If a question is divided, the time limits applicable to the question before it was divided shall apply to each portion of the divided question. Debate time shall be allotted equally to each side of a question. Time spent on points of order or other neutral matters arising from a motion shall be divided equally and charged to each side.

**Rule 3.3: Amendments.** Debate on all amendments to main motions shall be limited to five (5) minutes, allotted equally to each side. Time spent on debate of an amendment shall be charged against the time for the main motion.

Rule 3.4: Motions Allowed After Expiration. Motions that adhere to the main motion shall not be out of order because of the expiration of debate time, but shall be undebatable.

Rule 3.5: Minimum Substantive Debate. If the debate time expires before either or both sides of the question have had an opportunity for substantive debate, any side that has not had such an opportunity shall have two (2) minutes to be used solely for the purpose of substantive debate.

#### **Group 4: Official Papers**

Rule 4.1: Indicating Revisions. The Business Meeting staff shall clearly indicate all changes (including deletions) from the previous year's version when they provide the Constitution and Standing Rules for publication prior to the following Worldcon. However, the failure to indicate such changes shall not affect the validity of the documents.

**Rule 4.2: Corrections.** Any correction of fact to the Minutes or to the Constitution or Standing Rules as published should be brought to the attention of the Secretary of the Business Meeting in question and of the next available Business Meeting as soon as they are discovered.

Rule 4.3: Numbers, Titles, References, and Technical Corrections. Numbers and titles of the various parts of the Constitution and Standing Rules are for the sake of easy reference only. They do not form a substantive part of these

documents nor of any motion to amend these documents. The Business Meeting Secretary shall incorporate into these documents appropriate changes as required by newly adopted amendments. When making any such adjustments required by this section, the Business Meeting Secretary shall change article and section numbers, titles, and internal cross-references as necessary to maintain a consistent, parallel structure, which shall not be altered unless the Business Meeting explicitly so directs. The Business Meeting Secretary may change punctuation, capitalization, grammar, and other wording in the Constitution and Standing Rules only insofar as such changes clarify meaning and enhance consistency, and only insofar as such changes do not modify the substantive meaning of the documents.

Rule 4.4: Submission Deadlines: Reports. All WSFS Committee Reports and all Worldcon Annual Financial Reports (see Constitution Section 2.9.1) shall be submitted to the Business Meeting by no later than fourteen (14) days before the first Preliminary Business Meeting.

Rule 4.5: Availability of BM Materials. All WSFS Committee Reports, Worldcon Annual Financial Reports, and New Business submitted to the Business Meeting before the 14-day deadline (see Rules 2.1 and 4.4) shall be made generally available to WSFS members (e.g. via publication on the host Worldcon's web site) by no later than ten (10) days before the first Preliminary Business Meeting.

#### **Group 5: Variations of Rules**

Rule 5.1: Nonstandard Parliamentary Authority. If a Worldcon Committee adopts for the governance of the Business Meeting a parliamentary authority other than that specified in the Constitution, the Committee must in timely fashion publish information about how to obtain copies of the authority in question.

Rule 5.2: Constitutional and Standing Rule
Amendments. Motions to Amend the Constitution, to
Ratify a Constitutional Amendment, and to Amend the
Standing Rules shall be considered ordinary main motions,
except as otherwise provided in the Standing Rules or
Constitution. An object to consideration shall not be in order
against ratification of a constitutional amendment.

Rule 5.3: Postpone Indefinitely. The motion to Postpone Indefinitely shall not be allowed at the Main Business Meeting, but shall be allowed at the Preliminary Business Meeting. This motion shall have four (4) minutes of

debate time and shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote for adoption.

Rule 5.4: Amend; Secondary Amendments. Secondary amendments (amendments to amendments) are not allowed except when the primary amendment is to substitute.

Rule 5.5: Previous Question. A person speaking to a motion may not immediately offer a motion to close debate. The motion for the Previous Question (also known as the motion "close debate," "call the question," and "vote now") shall not be in order when there is less than one minute of debate time remaining, nor when either or both sides of the debate have yet to speak to a question. Before voting on the motion for the Previous Question, the Presiding Officer shall, without debate, ask for a show of hands of those persons who still wish to speak to the matter under consideration.

**Rule 5.6: Lay on the Table.** The motion to Lay on the Table shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote for adoption.

Rule 5.7: Adjournment. The incidental main motion to adjourn sine die shall not be in order until all Special and General Orders have been discharged.

Rule 5.8: Suspension of Rules. Rules protecting the rights of absentees, including this rule, may not be suspended.

**Rule 5.9: Start/Stop Recording.** If the meeting is being recorded, a motion to Stop Recording or to Start Recording is a privileged motion and shall be handled in the same way as a motion to Enter or Leave Executive Session.

Rule 5.10: Objection to Consideration. An Objection to Consideration shall require a three-fourths (3/4) vote to kill a motion without debate.

#### **Group 6: Mark Protection Committee Elections**

Rule 6.1: Nominations. Nominations for election to the Mark Protection Committee shall be allowed from the floor at each Preliminary Business Meeting. To be listed on the ballot, each nominee must submit to the Secretary of the Business Meeting the nominee's consent to nomination and the nominee's current region of residence. A nominee shall be ineligible if the nominee could not be elected due to the regional residence restrictions. The deadline for submitting such consent to nomination shall be set by the Secretary.

Rule 6.2: Elections. Elections to the Mark Protection Committee shall be a special order of business at a designated Main Business Meeting. Voting shall be by written preferential ballot with write-in votes allowed. Votes for write-in candidates who do not submit written consent to nomination and region of residence to the Presiding Officer before the close of balloting shall be ignored. The ballot shall list each nominee's name and region of residence. The first seat filled shall be by normal preferential ballot procedures as defined in Section 6.4 of the WSFS Constitution. There shall be no run-off candidate. After a seat is filled, votes for the elected member and for any nominee who is now ineligible due to regional residence restrictions shall be eliminated before conducting the next ballot. This procedure shall continue until all seats are filled. In the event of a first-place tie for any seat, the tie shall be broken unless all tied candidates can be elected simultaneously. Should there be any partial-term vacancies on the committee, the partial-term seat(s) shall be filled after the full-term seats have been filled.

#### **Group 7: Miscellaneous**

Rule 7.1: Question Time. During the Site-Selection Meeting, fifteen (15) minutes of program time shall be allocated to each future seated Worldcon committee. During the first five (5) minutes, each committee may make such presentations as they wish. The remaining time shall be allocated for questions to be asked about that committee's Worldcon. Questions may be submitted in writing at any previous meeting. Questions submitted in writing shall have priority over other questions if the person who submitted the question is present and still wishes to ask the question. No person may ask a second question as long as any person wishes to ask a first question. Questions are limited to fifteen (15) seconds and responses to two (2) minutes. If time permits at the Site-Selection Meeting, committees bidding for the right to host any Worldcon whose selection will take place in the next calendar year shall be allocated five (5) minutes of program time to make such presentations as they wish. The time limits in this rule may be modified by majority vote.

Rule 7.2: Dilatory Actions; Misuse of Inquiries. The sole purpose of a "point of information" or "parliamentary inquiry" is to ask the Presiding Officer for an opinion of the effect of a motion or for guidance as to the correct procedure to follow. The Presiding Officer shall treat as dilatory any attempts to circumvent the rules of debate under the guise of points of information, parliamentary inquiries, or other queries and requests.

Rule 7.3: Counted Vote. The Presiding Officer shall take a counted vote upon the request of ten percent (10%) of those members attending the meeting.

Rule 7.4: Carrying Business Forward. Motions other than Constitutional amendments awaiting ratification may be carried forward from one year to the next only by being postponed definitely or by being referred to a committee.

Rule 7.5: Continuing Resolutions. Resolutions of continuing effect ("continuing resolutions") may be repealed or amended by majority vote of subsequent Business Meetings without notice, and shall be automatically repealed or amended by applicable amendments to the Constitution or Standing Rules or by conflicting resolutions passed by subsequent Business Meetings.

Rule 7.6: Committees. All committees are authorized to organize themselves in any lawful manner and to adopt rules for the conduct of their business, which may include conducting balloting by mail and limiting debate, subject to any contrary provisions of the Constitution, the Standing Rules, or instructions given to the committee by the Business Meeting.

#### Rule 7.7: Nitpicking and Flyspecking Committee.

The Business Meeting shall appoint a Nitpicking and Flyspecking Committee. The Committee shall: (1) Maintain the list of Rulings and Resolutions of Continuing Effect (2) Codify the Customs and Usages of WSFS and of the Business Meeting.

#### Rule 7.8: Worldcon Runners Guide Editorial

**Committee.** The Business Meeting shall appoint a Worldcon Runners Guide Editorial Committee. The Committee shall maintain the Worldcon Runners Guide, which shall contain a compilation of the best practices in use among those who run Worldcons.

The above copy of the World Science Fiction Society's Standing Rules is hereby Certified to be True, Correct, and Complete:

Kevin Standlee, Presiding Officer Linda Deneroff, Secretary 2015 WSFS Business Meeting

## **World Science Fiction Society**

#### **Business Passed on to MidAmeriCon II**

The following item was passed at Chicago in 2012 and must be re-ratified by MidAmeriCon II in 2016 in order to remain part of the Worldcon Constitution.

A.1: Short Title: Best Fancast

3.3.14: Best Fancast. Any generally available non-professional audio or video periodical devoted to science fiction, fantasy, or related subjects that by the close of the previous calendar year has released four (4) or more episodes, at least one (1) of which appeared in the previous calendar year, and that does not qualify as a dramatic presentation.

Provided that unless this amendment is re-ratified by the 2016 Business Meeting, Section 3.3.14 shall be repealed, and Provided that the question of re-ratification shall be automatically be placed on the agenda of the 2016 Business Meeting with any constitutional amendments awaiting ratification.

The following items were passed at Sasquan in 2015 and must be ratified by MidAmeriCon II in 2016 in order to become part of the Worldcon Constitution.

#### A.2: Short Title: The Five Percent Solution

Moved, to amend the WSFS Constitution to eliminate the requirement that finalists must appear on at least 5% of ballots in a category, by striking out words as follows:

**3.8.5:** No nominee shall appear on the final Award ballot if it received fewer nominations than five percent (5%) of the number of ballots listing one or more nominations in that category, except that the first three eligible nominees, including any ties, shall always be listed.

**3.11.4:** The complete numerical vote totals, including all preliminary tallies for first, second, ... places, shall be made public by the Worldcon Committee within ninety (90) days after the Worldcon. During the same period the nomination voting totals shall also be published, including in each category the vote counts for at least the fifteen highest vote-getters and any other candidate receiving a number of votes equal to at least five percent (5%) of the nomination ballots cast in that category, but not including any candidate receiving fewer than five votes.

Proposed by: Chris Gerrib, Catherine Faber and Steven desJardins

Commentary: The past few years have seen short fiction final ballots consisting of less than five nominations. This deprives members of the option of voting on a full slate. By removing the 5% rule, we ensure that a full slate is presented in every category.

#### A.3: Short Title: Multiple Nominations

Moved, to amend the WSFS Constitution to eliminate the possibility of a work simultaneously appearing on the final ballot in multiple categories by <u>adding</u> words as follows:

1: Insert the following section after existing Section 3.2.8:

**3.2.X:** No work shall appear in more than one category on the final Award ballot.

2: Insert the following section after existing Section 3.8.6:

**3.8.Y:** If a work is eligible in more than one category, and if the work receives sufficient nominations to appear in more than one category, the Worldcon Committee shall determine in which category the work shall appear, based on the category in which it receives the most nominations.

Proposed by: Warren Buff, Jared Dashoff, William Lawhorn, Michael Lee, Pablo Vasquez

Commentary: The goal of this amendment is to ensure that no work appears on the final ballot in multiple categories. This means that a novel could not appear on the same ballot as a series of which it is a part. Additionally, if a YA category were to be added, a novel could not appear in both the YA and Best Novel categories. It would be the duty of the Worldcon Committee, via the Hugo Administrator and staff, in consultation with the author/creator, as possible, to determine in which category the work would appear.

#### A.4: Short Title: Nominee Diversity

*Moved*, to amend the WSFS Constitution for the purpose of encouraging diversity of Hugo Award nominations by excluding more than two works within a category that are part of the same dramatic series or having a common

coauthor by inserting a new subsection after existing 3.8.4, adding words as follows:

3.8.X: If there are more than two works in the same category that are all episodes of the same dramatic presentation series or that are written works that have an author for single-author works, or two or more authors for coauthored works in common, only the two works in each category that have the most nominations shall be eligible to appear on the final ballot. For the purposes of this exclusion, works withdrawn by their author or authors under Section 3.2.5 shall be ignored.

Proposed by: Donald E. Eastlake 3rd and Jill Eastlake

Commentary: The intent of this amendment to the WSFS Constitution is to increase the diversity of nominations appearing on the final Hugo Award ballot.

With only five nomination slots, an author or dramatic series nominated thrice or more in a Hugo category in one year is occupying 60% or more of those slots and squeezing the rest of the field down to only two or fewer. Even if the number of slots were increased to six, they would be occupying at least half of them. Situations with such three or more works in the same category have become more common recently. Based on a quick scan, it appears this has occurred a total of ten times. But eight of these have been in the last 10 years, while there were only two in the previous 50+ years of the Hugo Award. (Nine of these ten were triples and one was a quintuplet. Eight were of dramatic series episodes and two were for written works.)

Two such works or episodes appearing on the ballot seems less problematic; such doubles have occurred more frequently (28 instances), have occurred in many different categories, and have occurred in years more uniformly spread over the history of the Hugo Award.

This amendment, to the extent possible to achieve the desired effect, strives for simplicity and tries to impose the minimum details on the Hugo administrators. It leaves questions such as who is an author of a written work or whether or not episodes are part of the same dramatic series to the discretion of those administrators.

The restrictions in this amendment apply in a different way to dramatic-presentation works and written works. In the dramatic presentation categories, no more than two works (generally episodes) of the same series would be eligible in the category. In each written category, no more than two

works with the same author or co-authors would be eligible in that category. The following examples illustrate this:

Example 1: If three episodes of the television series *Science* Fiction Trek and one episode of the television series Fantasy Wars would otherwise qualify for the final ballot, the episode of Science Fiction Trek with the least nominations would be excluded. The final ballot would be the two episodes with the most nominations, plus three other works not part of that series, including the Fantasy Wars episode, even if, for example, all four episodes had the same Director or the like and even if all three episodes of Science Fiction Trek had different Directors or the like.

Example 2: Imagine that two novels authored by John Doe, a third novel co-authored by John Doe and Jane Roe, and a short story authored by John Doe would all otherwise qualify for the final ballot. Since all three novels have an author in common, only the two with the most nominations would qualify for the final ballot, with three other novels not having John Doe as an author or co-author filling out the other positions; this would exclude the novel with Jane Roe as a co-author if it had the fewest nominations. Since short story is a different Hugo category, this situation in the novel category would have no effect on the nomination of John Doe's short story.

#### A.5: Short Title: Electronic Signatures

This proposal and an amendment to it were referred to a committee to report back at the Business Meeting at Sasquan, where the amended text was passed and forwarded on to MidAmeriCon II.

Moved, to amend Section 4.4 of the WSFS Constitution to authorize Worldcons to accept ballots with any form of signature or authentication legal in the jurisdiction of the administering Worldcon, by adding words as follows:

4.4.X Worldcons may, with the agreement of all active bids, choose to offer any electronic signature means legal in the seated Worldcon's home jurisdiction.

4.4.Y Worldcons must offer the option to receive a paper site selection ballot regardless of that member's selection for other publications. Should they choose to include other material (such as an addressed envelope and stamp or International Reply Coupon), they may charge a reasonable fee for such materials.

Proposed by: Terry Neill, Janet D'Agostino-Neill





Commentary: This amendment is meant to clarify requirements and simplify submitting legal signatures, whenever the current Worldcon Committee and all the current bidders agree to electronic submission of Site Selection ballots. This year the directive was to print the ballot, sign it, scan it, then email it to Site Selection. There are many forms of legally binding electronic signatures that were not allowed. This amendment will allow any form of electronic signature legal in the jurisdiction of the seated Worldcon.

#### A.6: Short Title: 4 and 6

Moved, to amend the WSFS Constitution to reduce the number of nominations each member can make in each category, to increase the number of finalists appearing on the final ballot and to correct related references to the number of nominations per member by striking out and adding words as follows:

- **3.7.1:** The Worldcon Committee shall conduct a poll to select the nominees for the final Award voting. Each member of the administering Worldcon, the immediately preceding Worldcon, or the immediately following Worldcon as of January 31 of the current calendar year shall be allowed to make up to five (5) four (4) equally weighted nominations in every category.
- **3.8.1:** Except as provided below, the final Award ballots shall list in each category the <u>five six</u> eligible nominees receiving the most nominations. If there is a tie including <u>fifth sixth</u> place, all the tied eligible nominees shall be listed.
- **3.8.6:** The Committee shall move a nomination from another category to the work's default category only if the member has made fewer than five (5) four (4) nominations in the default category.
- **3.8.7:** If a work receives a nomination in its default category, and if the Committee relocates the work under its authority under subsection 3.2.9 or 3.2.10, the Committee shall count the nomination even if the member already has made five (5) four (4) nominations in the more-appropriate category.

Proposed by: Chris Gerrib, Catherine Faber and Steven desJardins

Commentary: The goal of this amendment is to provide a broader base of potential winners and to increase participation in the nominating process. It accomplishes these goals by increasing the number of finalists from five to six. By reducing the number of nominees per member to four, we make it clear that members do not have to submit a full nominating ballot, encouraging participation in less popular categories. For more popular categories, limiting the number of nominees encourages the member to prioritize their selections. Finally, because of the 4-nominee limit, we are more likely to see a broader selection of works.

## A.7: Short Title: E Pluribus Hugo (Out of the Many, a Hugo)

*Moved*, to amend Section 3.8 (Tallying of Nominations), Section 3.9 (Notification and Acceptance), and Section 3.11 (Tallying of Votes) as follows:

#### Section 3.8: Tallying of Nominations.

**3.8.1:** Except as provided below, the final Award ballots shall list in each category the five eligible nominees receiving the most nominations. If there is a tie including fifth place, all the tied eligible nominees shall be listed. determined by the process described in section 3.A.

Insert new section 3.A after Section 3.8 as follows:

#### **Section 3.A: Finalist Selection Process**

- **3.A.1:** For each category, the finalist selection process shall be conducted as elimination rounds consisting of three phases:
  - (1) Calculation Phase: First, the total number of nominations (the number of ballots on which each nominee appears) from all eligible ballots shall be tallied for each remaining nominee. Next, a single "point" shall be assigned to each nomination ballot. That point shall be divided equally among all remaining nominees on that ballot. Finally, all points from all nomination ballots shall be totaled for each nominee in that category. These two numbers, point total and number of nominations, shall be used in the Selection and Elimination Phases.
  - (2) Selection Phase: The two nominees with the lowest point totals shall be selected for comparison in the Elimination Phase. (See 3.A.3 for ties.)

    (3) Elimination Phase: Nominees chosen in the
  - (3) Elimination Phase: Nominees chosen in the Selection Phase shall be compared, and the nominee with the fewest number of nominations shall be eliminated and removed from all ballots for the Calculation Phase of all subsequent rounds. (See 3.A.3 for ties.)

**3.A.2:** The phases described in 3.A.1 are repeated in order for each category until the number of finalists specified in 3.8.1 remain. If elimination would reduce the number of finalists to fewer than the number specified in section 3.8.1, then instead no nominees will be eliminated during that round, and all remaining nominees shall appear on the final ballot, extending it if necessary.

#### **3.A.3:** Ties shall be handled as described below:

(1) During the Selection Phase, if two or more nominees are tied for the lowest point total, all such nominees shall be selected for the Elimination Phase.

(2) During the Selection Phase, if one nominee has the lowest point total and two or more nominees are tied for the second-lowest point total, then all such nominees shall be selected for the Elimination Phase.

(3) During the Elimination Phase, if two or more nominees are tied for the fewest number of nominations, the nominee with the lowest point total at that round shall be eliminated.

(4) During the Elimination Phase, if two or more nominees are tied for both fewest number of nominations and lowest point total, then all such nominees tied at that round shall be eliminated.

3.A.4: After the initial Award ballot is generated, if any finalist(s) are removed for any reason, the finalist selection process shall be rerun as though the removed finalist(s) had never been nominee(s). None of the remaining original finalists who have been notified shall be removed as a result of this rerun. The new finalist(s) shall be merged with the original finalists, extending the final ballot if necessary.

#### **Section 3.9:** Notification and Acceptance.

**3.9.1:** Worldcon Committees shall use reasonable efforts to notify the nominees finalists, or in the case of deceased or incapacitated persons, their heirs, assigns, or legal guardians, in each category prior to the release of such information. Each nominee person notified shall be asked at that time to either accept or decline the nomination. If the nominee person notified declines the nomination, that nominee finalist(s) shall not appear on the final ballot. The procedure for replacement of such finalist(s) is described in subsection 3.A.4.

#### Section 3.11: Tallying of Votes.

**3.11.4:** The complete numerical vote totals, including all preliminary tallies for first, second, ... places, shall be made public by the Worldcon Committee within ninety (90) days after the Worldcon. During the same period the nomination voting totals shall also be published, including in each category the vote counts for at least the fifteen highest vote-getters and any other candidate receiving a number of votes equal to at least five percent (5%) of the nomination ballots cast in that category, but not including any candidatereceiving fewer than five votes. During the same period, the results of the last ten rounds of the finalist selection process for each category (or all the rounds if there are fewer than ten) shall also be published.

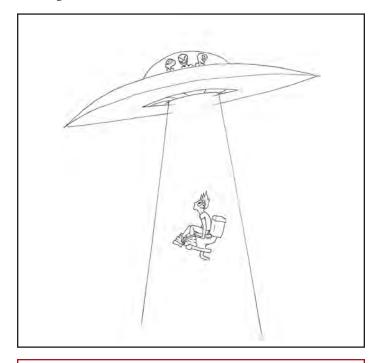
Moved, that unless this amendment is re-ratified by the 2022 Business Meeting, Section 3.A shall be repealed, and Provided that the question of re-ratification shall be automatically be placed on the agenda of the 2022 Business Meeting with any constitutional amendments awaiting ratification.

Submitted by: Keith "Kilo" Watt, Jameson Quinn, Tammy Coxen, Yoana Yotova, Joshua Kronengold, Christopher Battey, David Gallaher, Adam Tilghman, David Wallace, Sara Watt, CJ Cabourne, Steven Halter, P J Evans, David Goldfarb, Seth Gordon, Ginger Tansey, Steve Wright, Catherine Faber, Andy Holloway, Duncan J. Macdonald, Claudia Beach, Derry Earnshaw, Jason Skiles, Soon Lee, David Harmon, Lydia Nickerson, Abigail Sutherland, Lee Billings, Oskari Rantala, Seth Breidbart, Chris Suslowicz, Fragano Ledgister, Lori Coulson, Jeffry Herman, Mark Shier, Buddha Buck, Lenore Jean Jones, David Langford, Christopher Hatton, Rogers Cadenhead

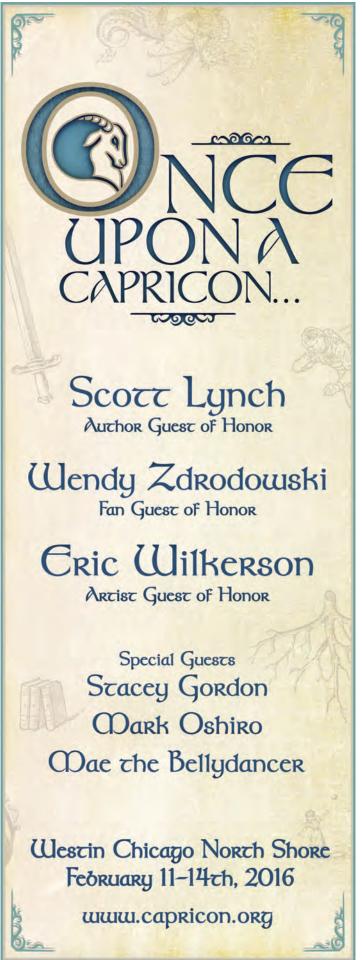
Commentary: "E Pluribus Hugo"—the name of this proposal is also its goal: recognizing the many opinions within fandom as to what nominees might be worthy of the Hugo. It is to be emphasized that this proposal does not change the nominating process from the perspective of Worldcon members: They still list the nominees, unranked, they feel are Hugo-worthy (up to the maximum permitted) in any categories they choose, just as they have in the past. In the past, we have counted the number of nominations each nominee received, and the top five nominees were put on the final ballot. However, because SF fandom typically nominates a variety of different nominees, it was easy for an organized slate to make it so that no other nominees made the final ballot.

Using this system, fandom isn't penalized for nominating a wide variety of nominees. If you nominate something that ends up not having a chance to make the final ballot, then your remaining choices automatically get more of your support instead of just being wasted. In other words, you can safely nominate *anything* you feel is Hugo-worthy. If enough people agree with you, it will make the final ballot. If they don't, that's okay—when that nominee is eliminated, your other choices will have a greater chance of making the final ballot. In this way, by eliminating the least popular candidates each round, fandom slowly converges to a consensus as to which finalists should be voted on to be the Hugo winner.

It is also an explicit goal of this proposal not to disenfranchise anyone. Rather, this proposal seeks to ensure that no group of members—of any sort, minority or majority—can disproportionately dominate an entire category. This system allows the broadest range of nominees that are popular with fandom-at-large to be considered for the Hugo Awards.

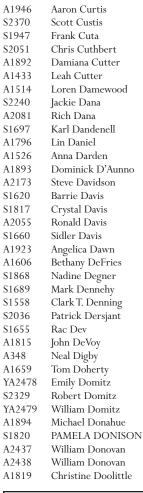


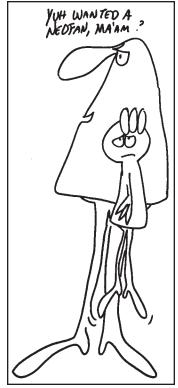
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