<u>SEACON</u>-- the 19th World Science Fiction Convention-- <u>1961</u> <u>"HUGO" Nomination Ballot</u>

Each year, the annual World Science Fiction Convention contributes trophies to be awarded for outstanding achievement in the field of science fiction and fantasy during the preceding year, in various catagories.

These trophies are named the "Hugo awards" in honor of Hugo Gernsback, who first produced a general-circulation magazine (<u>Amazing Stories</u>, in 1926) devoted solely to scientification. They are now standardized to the design originated by Ben Jason of Cleveland, Ohio, who manufactures the actual trophy-figures for the presentations.

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Your nominating-entries on the ballot below will be rated by points on a 5-4-3-2-1 system in order of your listing, whether or not you fill out all the blanks. So vote accordingly; this is the best system available just now; it seems adequate.

Best Novel:	Best Novelette or Short Story:
1	1
2	2
3	3.
4	4.
5	5.
Best Professional S-F Magazine:	Best Professional Artist:
1	1.
2	2.
3	3.
4	4.
5	5.
Best Fanzine (amateur non-profit effort): 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Best Dramatic Presentation (audiovisual): 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

HUGO NOMINATIONS

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