

NORCON 2003

Oslo, October 3-5

British Guest of Honour: Peter Hamilton

Welcome to the Norwegian national science fiction convention!

SF conventions in Norway are friendly, open and sociable – yet also generally focussed on the literature, films and other cultural categories which constitute the foundations of sf fandom.

Themes for our programme this year include:

- The art and craft of translating science fiction
- Sf and hybrids/crossovers to other genres
- The fantastic in visual mass media: The lowest common denominator or thrilling new aspects of art?
- Heroic fantasy and the Tolkien industry
- The 21st Century Blues – are the grand themes of science and space exploration obsolete in sf?

There will also be quizzes, auctions, a banquet and fannish programming.

The committee may assist any foreign fans who would like to attend in finding reasonably priced (or free!) accommodation, and certainly will set up some tourist / sight-seeing services in Oslo, if there is a demand.

We usually have quite a few foreign visitors, and a reasonable amount of programming in English. Also, most Norwegian fans speak tolerable English, and programme items may be run in a language which the entire audience understands, even if not set up this way in advance.

If you receive this flyer at Eastercon 2003 in Hinckley, and have questions or require more info, please get in touch with Norcon committee members Herman Ellingsen, Johannes H. Berg, Sidsel Horvei or Bjørn Tore Sund, all of whom are attending SeaCon 3. You may also pay for a membership (international (non-Scandinavian) rate USD 20 / GBP 15) if you already have decided to visit Northern Europe's longest running sf con series – this is the 17th Norcon since 1975!

If you need more information, please contact us by mail:

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