



Jazz Dragon Logo by Rachael Mayo

KANSAS CITY IN 2006

A BID FOR THE 64TH WORLD SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION

AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 4, 2006

SOME REASONS TO COME TO KANSAS CITY IN 2006

- ✦ **Tradition.** 2006 will mark the 30th anniversary of Kansas City's last Worldcon, MidAmeriCon. Fandom followed the Republican National Convention and the Shriners and outpartied them both. While that kind of challenge can't be guaranteed, we think the time has come to do it again.
- ✦ **Great New Facilities!** Overland Park's new state-of-the-art convention center includes:
 - 237,000 square feet of total space
 - 60,000 square foot exhibit hall
 - a multi-purpose facility with stage
 - multiple meeting room spaces
 - Over 1100 rooms connected to or immediately adjacent to the convention center
 - Over 5,000 rooms within a 10 minute drive

The attached Sheraton hotel has:

 - a 12,000 square foot ballroom
 - 13,000 square feet of meeting rooms
 - 25,000 square foot courtyard
 - *All hotel and convention center parking will be free*
- ✦ **People.** Our Bid Committee includes fans from the midwest and throughout the country with experience working local and regional cons, as well as WorldCons. Our local group hosted the Nebula Weekend in 1997 and 2002. ConQuesT (now in its fourth decade) is renowned as one of the finest (and most fun) cons in the midwest. Members of our committee are also part of the group hosting the 2003 World Horror Convention here.
- ✦ **Convenience.** Kansas City is in the heart of America; it's a major transportation hub with easy travel connections and a modern, spacious airport. You'll be amazed at how little you'll have to pay for hotel rooms and fine dining in the Kansas City area. The convention center is directly adjacent to a major interstate and is easily accessible from any direction.
- ✦ **Attractions.** Kansas City is famous for its jazz, blues, fine dining, barbecue and its park-like, scenic beauty. In addition, there are many attractions awaiting your discovery, including the Kansas City Zoo, the Harry S Truman Library and Museum, the Nelson-Atkins Museum (with a massive expansion to be completed in 2005), the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, several riverboat casinos, the world-renowned Country Club Plaza shopping district and much more, all within thirty minutes of the convention.

The Bid Committee believes we can make Labor Day weekend 2006 one of the most memorable in WorldCon history. We invite you to join us in the effort by presupporting our bid at one of the four levels explicated below. Support levels can be upgraded any time prior to the vote. Look for parties sponsored by "The Redheads from Hell" (it's not just a hair color, it's an attitude) at conventions across the country for the next year to sign up, or fill out the handy form below. We thank you for your support, and look forward to seeing you in 2006.

The benefits listed will be received if you vote in Toronto in 2003 and we win.

Presupport: \$20 US
\$31 Can, £13, €20, ¥2315
supporting membership
1/2 credit for conversion

Preoppose: \$25 US
\$39 Can, £16, €25, ¥2895
supporting membership
1/2 credit for conversion

Yardbird: \$50 US
\$77 Can, £32, €50, ¥5788
attending membership
listing in program book

Count Basie: \$100 US
\$154 Can, £64, €112, ¥11575
attending membership
listing in program book; a bid t-shirt & more

For Up to Date Information on All Aspects of the Bid, see our Website: www.midamericon.org
Questions? Comments? Just want to chat? Our email address is: MidAmeriCon@kc.rr.com

THE KANSAS CITY IN 2006 BID COMMITTEE

Margene Bahm, *Bid Chair*

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PRE-SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP FORM

I wish to join in the fun, and so am purchasing the following pre-supporting memberships:

_____ Presupport@\$20 _____ Preoppose@\$25
_____ Yardbird@\$50 _____ Count Basie@\$100

T-shirt with Jazzdragon logo (4-color on gray)

_____ S-M-L-XL-2XL \$15 _____ 3X-4X-5X \$20 _____ Total

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email address* _____



Make checks (in U.S. funds) payable to Kansas City in 2006 and mail to:
Kansas City 2006, P.O. Box 414175, Kansas City, MO 64141-4175

* Your email address will be used to contact you with information concerning the bid only. It will not be sold, rented, traded, bartered, given away or used to gain access to adult web sites.