

NOLACON II

NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans—the home of Mardi Gras—opens its heart to the universes of science fiction—and bids for the 1988 world science fiction convention—**NOLACON III**

The worldcon you love—filled with the traditional activities you have come to expect—wrapped within the glorious madness that is Mardi Gras—in the City that Care Forgot—New Orleans.

Room—2,929 sleeping rooms already booked, with another 2,000 close at hand—295,000 square feet of function space already signed up—room for the entire science fiction community, all within one block in the most amazing city on any world—New Orleans.

The Marriott—1,354 rooms, 67,000 square feet of space **The Sheraton**—1,200 rooms, 54,000 feet of space. **The International**—375 rooms, 15,000 feet. Dozens of elevators and convenient access to all floors. And at the hub of NOLACON II, **The Rivergate Convention Center**—159,000 square feet of space. All within 5 minutes' stroll in the Crescent City—New Orleans.

And at a discount, too! NOLACON II has secured a huge percentage break on room prices at all of its hotels. Rooms costing \$90-\$120 now would go for \$55 single, \$60 double. By 1988, the price may change—but the discount will not! You will pay less in the city that knows how to treat its guests—New Orleans.

This is a city of delight—a 24-hour-a-day town! All day, every day, 365 days a year (366 in 1988)—the taverns, the restaurants, the jazz halls stay open. NOLACON II will be right on the edge of the fabulous **French Quarter**, where the party never stops. The legal drinking age is 18. And each of our hotels has agreed to keep a food facility open 'round the clock—just for NOLACON II!

This is a city of tradition. Riverboats still ply Mississippi waters as they did in the days of Mark Twain. Cruises will tour plantation homes, the mysterious bayous, take you to the fantastic Audubon Zoo, entrance you with moonlight concerts on the Marvelous **Mighty Muddy**. Our famous streetcar line celebrated its 150th birthday in 1985. **Filksong parties** will clang and sing their way along New Orleans' finest avenues in reserved cars.

NOLACON II will hail both New Orleans heritage and science fiction tradition. A Mardi Gras theme will infuse all worldcon activities with the Carnival colors: purple, green and gold. The traditional worldcon in New Orleans garb, New Orleans music, New Orleans food, New Orleans fun. And when NOLACON II takes to the streets for its own Mardi Gras parade—you'll learn what it means to catch a doubloon in New Orleans!

Every Mardi Gras parade, every Carnival ball, has a theme. So will NOLACON II. All fandom owes its existence to a band of teenagers in the 1930's—young men and women with a vision of tomorrow. We live in their future—we will honor their dreams.

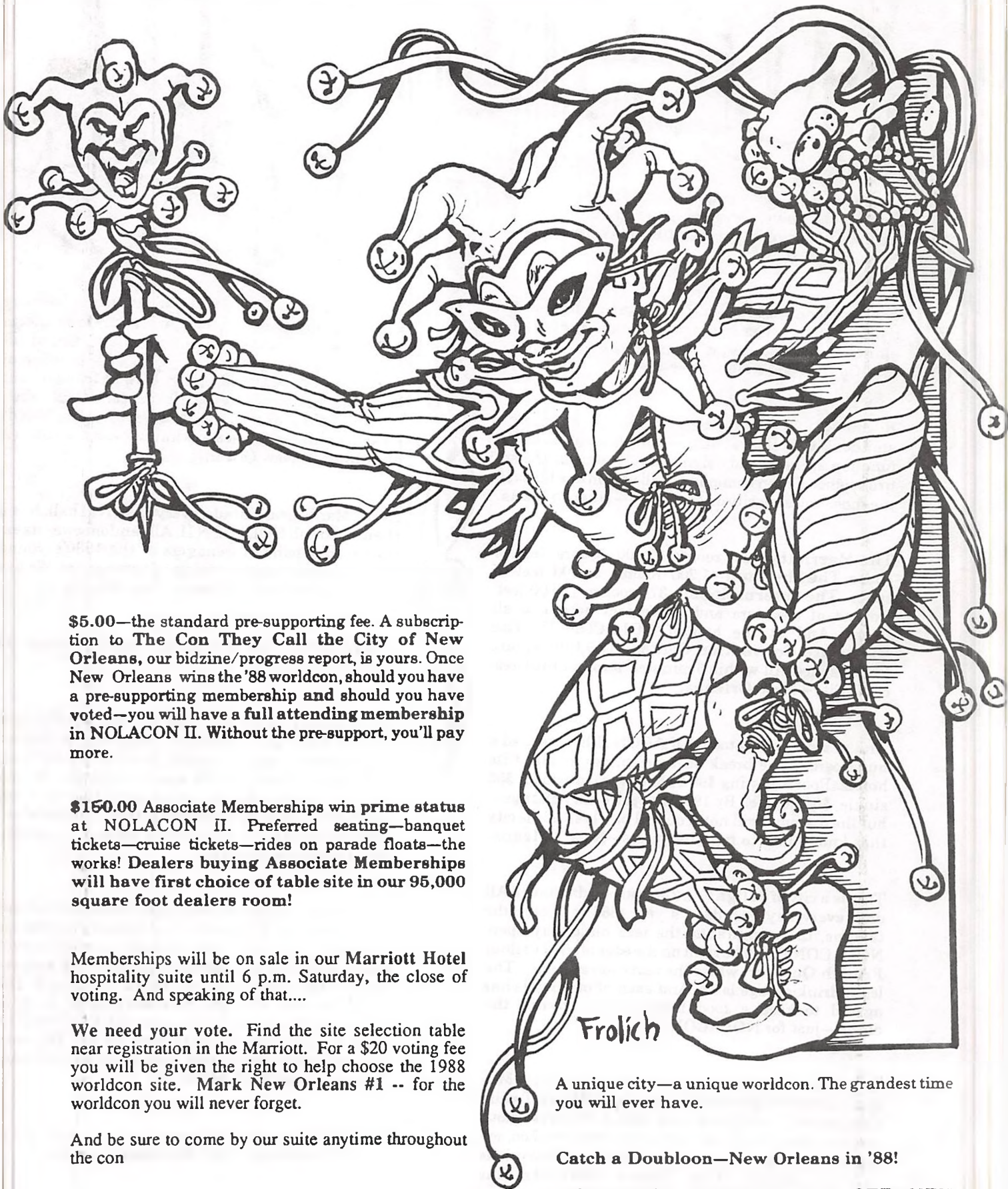
NOLACON II will have as its theme: **homage to First Fandom.**

The founders of s.f.dom will get top treatment at NOLACON II. Preferred seating—prominent programming—and a special place in the uniquely New Orleans jazz march which will open the convention and the Mardi Gras parade which will highlight it. First Fandom will follow the band and ride the floats and win more of the special recognition it uniquely deserves!

But the rest of fandom will find New Orleans a congenial host, too! Film tracks highlighting rarities and retrospectives—video and specialty rooms in every hotel—a variety of programming on every aspect of the s.f. experience, from the works of Philip K. Dick to the works of Edgar Rice Burroughs, from L-5 colonies to feminism to fanzines—NOLACON II has room for all, and will make time for all. The world science fiction convention belongs to all of science fiction—so will NOLACON II.

NOLACON II—New Orleans in '88—will be the greatest worldcon of all. We need your help.

We need your membership. We offer two basic kinds.



\$5.00—the standard pre-supporting fee. A subscription to *The Con They Call the City of New Orleans*, our bidzine/progress report, is yours. Once New Orleans wins the '88 worldcon, should you have a pre-supporting membership and should you have voted—you will have a full attending membership in NOLACON II. Without the pre-support, you'll pay more.

\$150.00 Associate Memberships win prime status at NOLACON II. Preferred seating—banquet tickets—cruise tickets—rides on parade floats—the works! Dealers buying Associate Memberships will have first choice of table site in our 95,000 square foot dealers room!

Memberships will be on sale in our Marriott Hotel hospitality suite until 6 p.m. Saturday, the close of voting. And speaking of that...

We need your vote. Find the site selection table near registration in the Marriott. For a \$20 voting fee you will be given the right to help choose the 1988 worldcon site. Mark New Orleans #1 -- for the worldcon you will never forget.

And be sure to come by our suite anytime throughout the con

Write. Let us know what you would like to do at NOLACON II. Be you a former worldcon chairman or the newest kid on the block, we are very anxious to hear from you, both now and after the bid is won. And we expect to win. Join us.

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A unique city—a unique worldcon. The grandest time you will ever have.

Catch a Doubloon—New Orleans in '88!

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NEW ORLEANS WORLD CON '88



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**CATCH A DOUBLOON . . .
AT THE SCIENCE FICTION MARDI GRAS . . .
NOLACON II! NEW ORLEANS 1988!**

New Orleans, Louisiana . . . the City that Care Forgot . . . home of Mardi Gras . . . Jazz . . . the world-famous French Quarter . . . a living link between the American past and the American future . . . the greatest worldcon you will ever attend. New Orleans . . .

It has been 31 years since Nolacon, the first and only worldcon to be held in New Orleans. Since then, a new fandom has grown with a New city, a city devoted to making visitors welcome, an experience unlike that any other city can offer. Now New Orleans fandom invites the worlds of science fiction to celebrate with it, at a *Science Fiction Mardi Gras*, the 1988 worldcon, *Nolacon II!*

We are home-grown fans, dedicated to the unique heritage of our city. But we are also experienced fans aware of the growth in science fiction and dedicated also to encouraging and supporting change. *Nolacon II* will be a convention steeped in New Orleans tradition, *but alive with newness. It will be faithful to the worldcon glories that have gone before, but ambitious to create new glories and new traditions. Nolacon II* will be a worldcon both traditional and new, mindful of what s.f. fans have come to expect, but determined to give fandom the kind of *good time* they have never known before!

A Science Fiction Mardi Gras, inspired by the glorious Carnival for which our city is famous. The celebration that gave fun its name and the convention that all fandom strives to attend, combined into a Carnival of color and imagination: Mardi Gras and Science Fiction, riverboats and space ships, beignets and timewarps, the elegant past, the fabulous future . . .

Our bid will show you the joys of New Orleans as it convinces you of the ability of our committee. You will hear our plans, judge our facilities even as you learn about the New Orleans traditions and delights that await you. *Catch a Doubloon* —a special *Nolacon II* souvenir doubloon—thousands throng to catch doubloons thrown from Mardi Gras floats . . . When New Orleans people shout "Throw me somethin', mister!" they get a doubloon. When science fictioners shout "Throw me somethin'," they get the most enjoyable worldcon ever!

Come to the New Orleans parties at your next convention! Ask us about our dedicated committee, our growing support, our *unmatchable* hotels and convention centers. *Join Us!* \$5 pre-supporting membership, (Ask about joining our associate committee, too!) The phone number is 504-282-0443.

A Science Fiction Mardi Gras . . . the best of both worlds . . . New Orleans, Louisiana . . . *NOLACON II!*

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IN 1988

Come to **The City that Care Forgot**

and **The Most Fabulous Worldcon of All—**

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On the banks of the Mississippi, beside the fabulous French Quarter, explore the future and relive the past, experience the magic that is New Orleans and the excitement that is science fiction . . .

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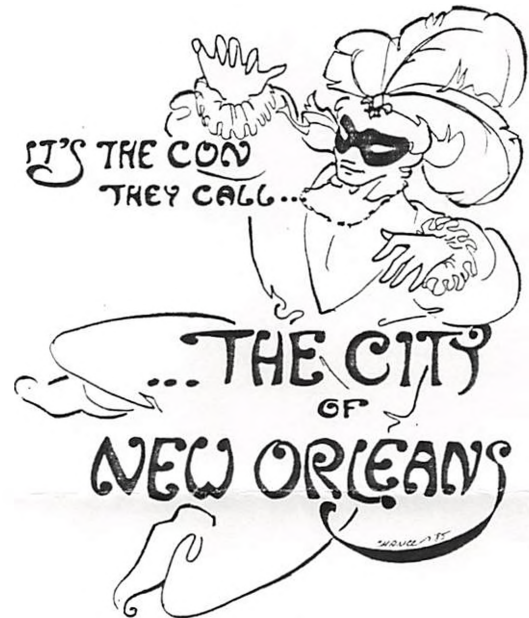
5000 sleeping rooms—hundreds of thousands of square feet of exhibition space—a riverboat wharf, the fabled French Quarter—all within **one block**, already reserved for **the 1988 world science fiction convention . . .**

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Catch a doubloon and join us at our bid parties. Exchange the trinket for a **Hurricane**, the Crescent City's finest drink. Talk to our people. Learn about our city, our committee, experienced fans and the bid they bring you, steeped in New Orleans tradition and worldcon savvy. Meet our fandom! Sample our city! Come to

NOLACON II IN 1988!

Science fiction will never be the same.



PRE-SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIPS \$5

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS (for **everything** the con offers)

\$100

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...THE CITY
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HOW TO VOTE

So here you are at **ConFederation** -- the 1986 World Science Fiction Convention. Enjoy the Hugos, the masquerade, the movies, the convivial madness -- and choose where we do it all again!

Yours is the decision on where the s.f. community gathers for its worldcons two and three years from now. We're **NOLACON II**, seeking the 1988 worldcon fro the City that Care Forgot -- New Orleans. We hope you'll enjoy **ConFederation** to the fullest -- by voting. (For us!) If you haven't already cast your ballot by mail -- here's how you vote:

- (1) **Find the ballot box.** Ballots will be accepted until 6 p.m. Saturday near con registration. Look for the sign.
- (2) **Prepare your ballot.** Whether **ConFederation** will provide a ballot in your registration packet or have one available at the table we do not know. But once you have one, fill in your name, mailing address, and **ConFederation** membership number.
- (3) **Fill in your choices.** Say you're voting for the 1988 worldcon. You'll find a number of choices available -- four contenders, a write-in space, a "No Choice" space. Worldcons are decided on the Australian ballot system, so you place a "1" by your first choice (New Orleans, we hope), a "2" by your second, and so on. A complex system of elimination will figure out a winner.
- (4) **Pay the voting fee.** Yes -- there's the ouch. A twenty-dollar fee is charged for your vote, so bring a check. **But!** That fee guarantees you a supporting membership in the '88 worldcon, no matter who wins. After the vote, a supporting membership will almost undoubtedly cost more than \$20 -- so vote!

And join **NOLACON II**. Up until 6 p.m. Saturday we'll be accepting pre-supporting and Associate memberships in our hospitality suite in the **Marriott**. Associate memberships cost \$150 and offer everything at **NOLACON II** and preferred seating at all functions. Pre-supporting memberships are only \$5, though, and there are benefits.

If you have a **NOLACON II** pre-supporting membership...

And you vote in the '88 race...

And New Orleans wins the '88 worldcon...

... you will have an automatic attending membership in **NOLACON II**. You will never pay less for a worldcon.

New Orleans -- the outstanding bid for 1988. An experienced hometown committee, with large, beautiful hotels, close together and inexpensive. Room for the entire s.f. community in the most exciting city in any world -- New Orleans.

Visit our party suite in the **Marriott**. Read our flyers -- and vote --

For New Orleans -- in 1988.

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