

# Official Invitation



# Fandom

Dear Fellow-Members,

Once again it is my duty to write you about our plans for Boskone and to ask your support. But first, *many thanks* to all of you who helped last year to defend Boston from Ghodzilla. At the risk of offending the stalwarts who deal with dinosaurs, search for temples, sail the high seas, etc. etc. with us year after year, I'd like to especially thank Jeff DelPapa, Gary Dryfoos, Hoboken Fandom, John Goding, Sandy Larkin, Rich Lesses, NESFA, John Noun, Jeanne Prisbylla, Pres, Paul Starkis, and Steve Zaretsky.

This year, we will be hosting a "closed" invitation-only party (but open to anyone with this *official* invitation, a BF button, or a BF teeshirt) so as not to violate any of NESFA's ground rules for Boskone XXV. We are not advertising the party at the convention, so it's important that you all help spread the word so that everyone we want to have at the party gets an invitation. Please make copies of this letter and give to any Boskone attendee(s) you feel should be at the party. The party will be held Saturday night, January 30, starting at 9PM. Our suite will almost certainly be in the Marriott, registered under the name of Boheim. Visit us at our club table at the convention for further information. The inevitable Baaad Beatles SongFest will follow the party in the wee hours.

Our theme for this year's party is "Boxboro is Missing!". Ideas (we need more) for decoration include the usual holocaust scenarios, plaintive advertisements on milk cartons, and doctored maps of Massachusetts.

Our pre-party planning and scheming session will be held on Saturday, 9 January 1988, probably in Boxboro (any volunteer hosts?) starting noonish. The usual order of business is rampant work and silliness, followed by dinner for whomever shows. Past sessions have included Ghodzilla painting, tentacle stuffing, a video shoot in a lost temple, button building, sticker coloring, and so forth. Please RSVP if you'd like to attend so we can plan accordingly. If you can't attend the planning session but are interested in helping out BF at the convention (setup, teardown, running the party, staffing the club table, etc.), please let us know.

Now for the annual unpleasantness. Since we are not advertising the party at the convention this year, we really don't know how many people to expect. A substantial portion of our financial support comes from our generous attendees, so..... please let us know if you (and your friends) plan to attend. I am also asking for your financial support before the convention...\$X for loyal-but-impooverished students, \$10 per generous member, and \$15 for the truly flush amongst you. For those of you seeking eternal glory, we'll make you a special BF button with your choice of office for \$25. Which office? Some of the new ones from last year included: Petty Bureaucratic Functionary, Translator for Raymond Burr, officeress of indecisiveness, and Vice President in Charge of Vice Presidents.

I look forward to seeing you all at Boskone.

Respectfully submitted with tattered helmet in hand and claw extended outward,  
your President Deluxe and Chief of Foolishness,

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