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A Neo-Retro-Revivalist Convention Flyer

## Minicon 27 Spring 1992

an"ess-eff" (sci-fi) convention in the Finnean Cities of Minnesota (Bloomington & Edina)

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## "Our goal is to be the best in everything we do." —David Dyer-Bennet

Hi there! When the chairman of Minicon 27, David Dyer-Bennet (a.k.a. DD-B), asked me to whip up a little flyer about the upcoming convention, I immediately enlisted the aid of those two leading lights of our fan community, Ken Fletcher and Jim Young, to produce the drawing which appears on the other side of this flyer (thanks, guys!). Having done that, I realized that I had to come up with something to go on this side of the flyer. \*sigh\*

Well, I can tell you that our Author Guest of Honor will be Lois McMaster Bujold, and our Artist Guest of Honor will be Ctein. And there will be other guests to be announced later. I might also mention that Minicon is sponsored by the Minnesota Science Fiction Society (a.k.a. Minn-Stf, the club that put the "t" back into "sf"), and that November 25, 1991, will be the 25th anniversary of Minn-Stf.

"So," I hear you saying to yourself, "What can I expect if I go to Minicon?" Well, you'll find all the basic stuff of most conventions: **programming** on a wide range of topics covering the spectrum of science fiction and fantasy in all of their diverse forms, not to mention topics of special interest to **faans**; an **art show**; a **hucksters**' room; **parties**; lots of other interesting and interested **fen**; and so on. But with a difference. You see, we've been doing this for quite some time now, and we're at least as bored as you are with the ordinary, run-of-the-mill varieties of this stuff. Besides, we have a somewhat larger membership base to draw upon than most other regional conventions. So we try to do everything a little differently, give it some new twist to keep it interesting, and, yes, as DD-B says above, we're striving to offer the **best** in everything. Plus, we have returned to a hierarchical con committee structure this year, which should help make everything run a bit more smoothly and which will allow us to focus more on our goal of quality.

And I'd be remiss if I didn't mention an aspect of Minicon dear to my own heart: music. At a Minicon, you will always find a large number of talented people sitting around making music. I'm told that there's always a filksing at Minicon, but I wouldn't know—I'm off with the people who are playing folk music, acoustic rock and roll, and the like. If that's your bag, come and find me and say "hi".

A final word to think about: We're trying to make Minicon a convention where there are very few, if any, "attendees"—but lots of participants! Come and add your unique contribution to the convention!

Fred A. Levy Haskell, 25 August 1991



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