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News from Norwescon - July 2021



Announcing Waypoint Norwescon: A Virtual Mini-Con November 6–7

Announcing our virtual fall event! We sure miss our Norwescon family. While we are planning an in-person, onsite event in 2022, we don't want to wait until next spring to see you. Please join us November 6–7 for a virtual mini-con.



We are planning two stages of content to enjoy, with panels, readings, NS special events, along with our open lounge for reunions and socializing. This event will help Norwescon raise money and ensure our solvency going forward. Watch for announcements on our website and social media as we confirm guests and schedule events - registration will open soon. We look forward to seeing you!

Norwescon 44 COVID Policy

Norwescon is more than just a convention: it is a community. As such, we all have a duty to protect each other and keep our community safe.

Norwescon 44 will be following all applicable local



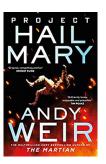
mandates, and additionally, will require all attending members to show proof of full vaccination and wear a mask at all times while inside.



What does that look like? Upon arriving at the hotel, you will need to put on a mask, and keep it on at all times unless you are in your own hotel room, outside, or actively eating or drinking. At registration, you will need to provide your proof of vaccination, with the final shot being on or before March 31, 2022 to receive your badge. Seating will be less compact than you may be accustomed to. Try to maintain social distancing.

The Norwescon 44 team is watching the progression of the pandemic closely. We'll follow the science and make changes as necessary to keep our members, staff, and professional guests safe. If you have questions or concerns about the COVID-19 vaccines available, please check out this great web page from the CDC: Myths and Facts about the COVID-19 vaccines For our FAQ, and any updates to our policy, check out our web page: Norwescon 44 COVID Policy.

Norwescon Book Club



Norwescon's Bibliophiles, the Norwescon Book Club, is meeting online on Monday, September 20, to discuss *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir. The Bibliophiles are in the process of selecting new books for October and November. To join, find us on Facebook: Norwescon's Bibliophiles

First Meeting for Norwescon 44 - This Saturday!

Our first convention planning meeting of the year is just days away - Saturday, September 18, 10am, on Zoom. <u>Link Here</u>

Help Wanted!

We're looking for a few great folks to help us out with our spring convention. Interested in being a part of Norwescon?

Information Table Manager - The mission of the Info Table is to help our members have a great convention experience. We're looking for someone to hire staff manage the schedule and coordinate with other departments

Contact memberservices@norwescon.org if you're interested.

For Programming department positions (following), contact programming@norwescon.org:

Pro Check-In Staff - Working in Cascade 1, you'll help check-in our panelists and performers.

Stage Management Staff - No heavy lifting required! Help us keep the batteries in the clocks fresh and give time cues to our panelists.

Writing Class Coordinator - Keep track of signups and communicate with applicants leading up to the con, then manage the writing classroom at the con.

Hands-on Workshops and Writing Classes Assistant - Help check people into our very popular hands-on workshops and writing classes.

Youth Programming Assistants - Assist our Youth Programming track lead and help lead activities for our youngest NorwesKids.

Tween Track Lead - Put your experience with tweens into action developing panels and activities for our 8 to 12-year-old NorwesKids.

Norwescon Writers Workshop - Submission Deadline January 1, 2022

NWW is a Milford-style workshop: a peer-to-peer critique facilitated by professional writers, editors, and agents. There are no fees beyond your Norwescon 44 membership to participate. For information about how to apply and more, click <u>here</u>.



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