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April 21 - 24, 2011, SeaTac, WA

Norwescon is the Pacific Northwest's Premier Science Fiction and Fantasy convention. The 2011 convention is scheduled for April 21 - 24, 2011, at the DoubleTree Hotel Seattle Airport. Visit [norwescon.org](http://norwescon.org) for complete details.

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February 2011

MEMBERSHIP MAIL-IN DEADLINE

**Mail-in registration closes at the end of this month. As of March second, only online registration will be available at that time the rate will also increase to \$60 for a full-weekend membership.**

PHILIP K. DICK AWARD NOMINEES ANNOUNCED

The judges of the 2010 Philip K. Dick Award and the Philip K. Dick Award Nominees are...

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**MEMBERSHIPS**  
\$50 UNTIL MARCH 1ST

For more information, visit Memberships at [norwescon.org](http://norwescon.org).

You can [register online](#) or download the [pre-registration form](#).

### ConCom Meeting Dates & Times

**Saturdays:**  
September 11  
October 9  
November 13  
December 11  
January 8  
February 12  
**March 12**  
April 9

**Exec Team Meeting:**  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**General ConCom Meeting:**  
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Post Meeting Social:**  
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

For more information visit [Staff/Volunteers](#) at [norwescon.org](http://norwescon.org)

### Hotel Info

**THE NORWESCON ROOM BLOCK AT THE DOUBLETREE HOTEL IS SOLD OUT!**

We have arranged for a Norwescon rate at the DoubleTree's sister hotel:

**Hilton Seattle Airport & Convention Center**  
17620 International Blvd  
SeaTac, Washington

**Rate:**  
\$129.00 per night

For more information visit [Hotel Info](#)

Philadelphia SF Society, along with the Philip K. Dick Trust, are pleased to announce seven nominated works that comprise the final ballot for the award:

YARN by Jon Armstrong (Night Shade Books)  
CHILL by Elizabeth Bear (Ballantine Books/Spectra)  
THE REAPERS ARE THE ANGELS by Alden Bell (Henry Holt & Co.)  
SONG OF SCARABAEUS by Sara Creasy (Eos)  
THE STRANGE AFFAIR OF SPRING HEELED JACK by Mark Hodder (Pyr)  
HARMONY by Project Itoh, translated by Alexander O. Smith (Haikasoru)  
STATE OF DECAY by James Knapp (Roc)

First prize and any special citations will be announced on Friday, April 22, 2011, at Norwescon 34 at the Doubletree Hotel Seattle Airport, SeaTac, Washington.

### This Year's Sunday Special Event - Paranormal Fair

We are seeking people to present at our Paranormal Fair! Do you have an unusual interest, hobby or job you can talk about? Contact [specialevents@norwescon.org](mailto:specialevents@norwescon.org)!

### CURRENT HAPPENINGS

Content, we have content, really.

We're about two months out from this year's convention and things are really starting to bubble and churn. You should start to see more and more things going up on the website. Currently we have a list of showing artists, attending pros, a good bit about planned special events and information about finding a place to stay. Soon you will see a printable Progress Report and initial schedules will start to appear.

### Open Submissions - First Pages Writing Panel

First pages are important! In this workshop, participants submit the first 250 words of their book with no personal identification. The leaders will read each piece aloud in turn and discuss what does and doesn't work as well as what expectations it sets up for the overall book. Authors remain anonymous, although they are welcome to ask questions afterwards. Limited to 10 participants. To participate, please send your 250 words to [programming@norwescon.org](mailto:programming@norwescon.org), with the subject line "First Pages". The panel will be held on Sunday, April 24, 2011, at 11 a.m.

### 2nd Norwescon Meet & Greet

AFK Tavern and Norwescon are thrilled to bring you the first day of the tavern live launch on the **third of March**. Bring in a membership from before Norwescon 10 and get a automatic 10 percent off your personal order. Each hour on the hour AFK

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[norwescon.org](http://norwescon.org).

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The Norwescon  
eNewsletter

The eNewsletter is an online publication that is made available to Norwescon members and friends of the convention. In other words, anyone can sign up to receive the eNewsletter!

If you have any questions about your membership status, please [e-mail the Member Services Department](#).

Tavern will give one lucky winner a prize from their big box of surprises starting at 8pm. When you are at AFK try out the X-box area, or the ever popular rock band area. You can check out a game from the games on tap menu or even run a game at table top game if you want to. Speaking of menus they have a brand new menu that is up and ready to go and drink specials being premiered for the next three days of fun and games. For reservations please send a e-mail to [events@afktavern.com](mailto:events@afktavern.com)

## ARTIST'S ALLEY

Artist's Alley is in full swing and is shaping up to be even more of the place you need to visit during the con. From maille artisans and sculptures to illustrators and comic book artists, we will have it all. Quite a few of our artists are participating in the Art Show as well, so if you have any questions about how they do what they do just stop by and ask! This is the place you can learn a little about the art of making art and see everything up close and personal. How do you make chain maille? How do you start a digital painting? How do you layout a comic book page? How do you design metal sculpture? All your questions can be answered here.

## NORWESCON 34 BANQUET - You're invited!

What a great way to start your Norwescon weekend!

Join us in Grand Ballroom 2 to dine with our Guests of Honor. Our honored guests will speak, we will present several awards and scholarship donations, and you may win a prize!

### **The Norwescon 34 Banquet**

**Thursday, April 21, 2010**

**5PM - 7PM**

**\$30 per person**

If you have any questions, [drop us an email!](#)

## VOLUNTEERS

**We can't do it without you!**

You can help make Norwescon happen, especially when you [volunteer](#) time to assist with making sure everything runs smoothly and tasks are completed. This doesn't just happen while the convention is taking place. It starts the day before the convention and continues until the Monday following the convention.



By volunteering you can earn cool prizes, share in some of the behind the scenes fun, and compete for great rewards! And don't forget that by volunteering your time, you also get some great food and privileges at the convention, and during the summer at the Volunteer Picnic too! Take on a task or two to

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Summer at the Peninsula Home Co. take on a task of the to help make Norwescon 34 that much better than it already is. [Contact us today!](#)

Please visit the [publications page](#) for a link to the latest [Progress Report](#). In addition, if you were considering submitting an ad for the program book, the deadline is March 1, 2011.

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