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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 for complete details.

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MEMBERSHIPS
\$60 for Thurs. - Sun.

For more information, visit Memberships at norwescon.org. You can [register online](#). Please note, we only accept cash or credit as payment for memberships at the door.

ConCom Meeting Dates & Times
Saturday:

Norwescon eNewsletter

March 20:

MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE

Online registration closes on March 31st. Purchase your \$60 weekend membership and avoid having to fill out forms when you get to the convention.

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!](#)

Visit the EXHIBITORS PAGE

The Art Show is sold out and has a waiting list. The Dealers' room is sold out too. All lobby tables have been reserved.

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

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 at norwescon.org.

Norwescon Information Network

Staying up to date on what's happening with Norwescon has never been easier!



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Live Journal

Curious about who is showing & selling at Norwescon 34 this year? Visit the Exhibit page for links to listings of Artists and Vendors. There's a list of panelists on Programming page and schedule information is beginning to be posted.

Sunday Special Event - PARANORMAL FAIR

Curious about ghosts, ESP, strange occurrences and odd artifacts? Interested in Tarot psychic reading? Want to know more about Palmistry or Shamanism? Then come to Paranormal Fair on Sunday in Grand 3 where we have esteemed guests who will provide interesting information about many things outside of your average daily experience. Please check out their websites and come prepared to be amazed! Some of our awesome participants include:

- A.G.H.O.S.T. (Advanced Ghost Hunters of Seattle-Tacoma) <http://www.ghost.us/>
- Jeff Davis, Author of Weird Washington <http://www.weirdwashington.us/>
- The Northwest Museum of Legends and Lore <http://www.seattlechatclub.org/museum.html>
- Philemon of Elemental Entertainment [http://www.elementalentertainment.com/Elemental Entertainment/Welcome.h](http://www.elementalentertainment.com/Elemental_Entertainment/Welcome.h)
- The Seattle Metaphysical Library <http://www.seattlemetaphysicallibrary.o>
- Tom Hopp, Shamanism Researcher <http://thomas-hopp.com>
- Mylee Starhawk, Channeling psychic and teacher of Shamanism
- Carol Best, Psychic
- Galyna Whyteowl, Divination
- Dixie Gaspard, Pagan Priestess and Tarot reader

Please join our special guests as they share their experiences, talents, and knowledge during the Sunday Paranormal Fair.

Convention Tip: purchase a full-weekend membership even if you're only planning on attending on Sunday, the last couple of years we sold out before Sunday.

Norwescon Charity Art Auction

As many of you are aware Norwescon presents an art auction on Sunday of convention. It's actually two auctions in one; we not only auction the art that's been on during the convention, we also auction donated art, jewelry, and other fan-favorite benefit our chosen charities. This year we are continuing to support Clarion West Wri Workshop and Northwest Harvest.

Something very special we wanted you to know about our charity auction this year; family of our good friend and long time volunteer Audrey Penty have donated many of most cherished pieces of art in her name. Audrey was an avid collector of art and pieces that have been donated to this year auction are very special, most of which framed and ready to hang. We have pieces from Michael Whelan, Rob Carlos, J Bergsma, John R. Gray III Monique Livingston and more.

The Norwescon Art and Charity Art Auction is a heck of a lot of fun to watch and even more fun to participate in....watch the bids fly and the humor soar, help support our writers become professionals, and help our community in these still-tough times.

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





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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](#).

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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! 1 on a task or two to help make Norwescon 34 that much better than it already is. [Contact us today!](#)

Hugo Nominees Announcement Event

At last year's Eastercon (British National SF Convention) an experiment was made with live announcement of the Hugo nominees by the 2010 Hugo Administrator Vincent Docherty to a packed local audience, combined with live online coverage of the event.

This year, the experiment is being taken one step further, with the Hugo Nominees being co-announced at this year's Eastercon (Illustrious) and at Norwescon 34. The nominees will be announced jointly by the 2011 Hugo Administrator Vincent Docherty at Eastercon and by the chair of the 2011 Worldcon (Renovation) Patty Wells at Norwescon 34, with each taking it their turn to announce the nominees in a category, and with the whole event being covered live online. The event will take place on Sunday 24th April at 10pm (UK Time)/2pm (Pacific).

Renovation is very grateful to Norwescon 34 for providing the opportunity to announce the nominees of science fiction's illustrious award in a presentation spanning East and West. Come and see if your favorite work or author will be a nominee, and find out the winners at Renovation in Reno, August 17-21 at the 69th annual Hugo Awards Ceremony.

Autograph Sessions

There are two autograph sessions this year. They are both scheduled for Saturday and convention membership is required to participate.

Autograph Session 1 2 pm Grand 2

Patricia McKillip, Kinuko Y. Craft, Jim Butcher, Shannon K. Butcher, Lou Anders, John Alexander, Michael Alexander, Steven Barnes, Greg Bear, M.H. (Maggie) Bonham, Butler, Kurt Cagle, Alan M. Clark, Bruce R. Cordell, Heather Dale, Caren Gussoff, John Johnson, Wayfarers Moon, Dani Kollin, Eytan Kollin, Ted Kosmatka, Nancy Kress, L. Lewis, Todd Lockwood, Edward Martin III, Susan R. Matthews, Mike Shepherd Moscoe, David Nordley, J A Pitts, Mark Rahner, Kat Richardson, Mary Rosenblum, Lizzy Shanr, Jeff Sturgeon, Sam Sykes, Mark Teppo, Gordon Van Gelder, Dameon Willich, I Youngmark

Autograph Session 2 3 pm Grand 2

Patricia A. McKillip, Kinuko Y. Craft, Jim Butcher, Shannon K. Butcher, Lou Anders, A Alexander, Anina Bennett, S. A. Bolich, SatyrPhil Brucato, Rob Carlos, Brenda Coe, Nathan Crowder, James C. Glass, Roberta Gregory, Paul Guinan, Eileen Gunn, Jay L. Stina Leicht, R.L. McSterlingthong, Darragh Metzger, Joshua Palmatier aka Benjamin T. Kevin Radthorne, Cat Rambo, Mary Robinette Kowal, Ken Scholes, Jack Skillingstad, G. Robin Smith, Renee Stern, Rodney Thompson, K Wiley, Christine Winters, Stan!

As always, participants subject to change, please check the Daily 'Zine and NWC errata sheet for any additions or deletions.

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