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Norwescon eNewsletter

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Norwescon 35 April 5-8, 2012 SeaTac, WA

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FINAL DAYS OF PREREGISTRATION!

A full-weekend membership is \$65 until February 29, 2012. This represents a 7% reduction in the at-the-door price (assuming we don't sell-out in advance). Membership includes the right to attend the convention, a membership badge, souvenir book, pocket program, member's guide, and post-con report.

[Register via PayPal](#)

For more information, or to register by mail go to the [membership page](#)

[New Room Deposit Policy!](#)

A change is coming in the way we reserve rooms for Norwescon. It is a significant change for our members but we believe it will help us make more convention rooms available for our members at the cheaper convention rate.

Starting with Norwescon 36, we have asked the DoubleTree to collect a one-

This Year's Guests of Honor

Stephen Baxter - Writer Guest of Honor

John Picacio - Artist Guest of Honor

Bridget Landry - Science Guest of Honor

DAW Books - Spotlight Publisher

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Glorious Noise!

Did you know we have a full page of information about the Norwescon 35 music programming on our website? This year there are entertaining nightly concerts and Filk circles. (Don't know what Filk is? There's a panel for that.) We are also offering new opportunities for participation, from an Irish Session, to one designed for convention members to try some of our attending professionals' more unusual instruments.



Don't be one of those folks who says, "If only I'd brought my instrument, then I could play too." Check out the [music page](#) for wealth of opportunities.

Volunteer Now!

They say an army marches on its stomach. If this is true, then a Convention succeeds on an Army of Volunteers... or their stomachs... or sometimes both. Norwescon 35 needs



night room deposit when the room is first reserved. This deposit will remain fully refundable until 90 days before the convention, which for next year would be Friday, December 28, 2012. By agreement with the hotel, all rooms cancelled by this date will be returned to the room block and made available for reservation by other Norwescon members.

[Read more....](#)

Norwescon Special Events

[Are you excited?](#)

Our Sunday Special Event will be action-packed! Come join us for Muggle Quidditch! Since most of us are not wizards, we'll be forced to play on the ground, but that won't stop us from catching the Snitch and having a great time! Rules will be adapted for indoor play from the International Quidditch Association's rulebook. We will have sign-ups in advance, so feel free to contact Special Events if you want to contact Special Events if you want to captian a team or have questions.

MASQUERADE

Get ready, set, SEW! I hope you are all preparing for the Masquerade! Get your costumes and skits together and come join us! There are several categories and the rules are online at the website. Show us what you can do!

DANCES

We will have four dances at the Con this year, including a special Under 21 dance for our younger attendees! Song request forms are available online, so go request your favorites!

Not Too Late for Artists' Alley

Artists' Alley is still taking applications ... for now! If you are an artist but don't know what AA is please check out our information on the site [here](#).

Briefly Artists' Alley is a great way for you to connect with art lovers and to show and share your passion for what you do. Whether you are doing demos, talking about your work or just showing the finished product you will have a great time.

On the website you will find an application and a policies form. Just fill out the online form or email me directly at

artistsalley@norwescon.org

and I will send one to you. If you have any other doubts just check out the links of some of the great artists who have already joined the cause!

David Ketcherside
Artists' Alley Manager
Norwescon 35

YOU!

People with all sorts of skill sets are needed throughout the convention weekend, starting with the Stuffing Party where all those goody bags are put together (a great chance for a sneak peek at what everyone will get!), through the Monday after when everything is packed up and the pizza arrives. Register as a Volunteer early by contacting us at volunteers@norwescon.org or simply come to our Volunteers Lounge during the convention and sign up!

Come and join the fun!

Norwescon 35 GoH Awards Banquet

Tickets are selling fast! Secure yours now.



Start off your Norwescon with our Guest of Honor and awards banquet. It will take place on Thursday, April 5 from 5 - 7 p.m. The event is open to all Norwescon members.

We have several awards to present, and you will get to hear first hand from our honored guests and learn something about many the exciting events that will take place over the weekend. Come and learn about the scholarships Norwescon is donating, and perhaps you will even win a door prize! This year we have a delicious Italian Buffet that you won't want to miss. Tickets are \$40.00 per person and are going fast. You may purchase tickets through PayPal or by mail. Registration forms can be downloaded from the website. Tickets are limited; the price at con will also be \$40.00, but there may not be any tickets left when you get there. Hurry and reserve your place now!

Will you join us in Grand Ballroom 2 for a delicious dinner where you get to wine and dine with the Guests of Honor? What a great way to start off your Norwescon weekend!

[Click here for the banquet menu or to pay online](#)

Maxi's Lounge Exclusive

Open Friday and Saturday nights for Norwescon Members only (21+ WITH ID)

Norwescon 35, in conjunction with the DoubleTree by Hilton Seattle Airport, is pleased to announce that Maxi's Lounge will be open Friday and Saturday nights for the exclusive use of Norwescon 35 attendees. Maxi's will provide a new and exciting space for all attendees 21+ (with ID and Norwescon badge) to drink, eat, dance and hang out. It will be open both Friday and Saturday night starting at 9 p.m. As with any bar, you must be recognizable as the person you your ID - no masks or feature-

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obscuring makeup.



We have two nights of exciting activities and entertainment lined up for you. Get on the first elevator you can, take it all the way to the top, and join us at Maxi's Lounge for an evening you will never forget!



Select the text above and get the #NWC35 schedule!

Norwescon 35 (2012) will be using guidebook to provide online access to our convention hours, schedule, maps, etc. for all members. Select the Guidebook logo to get Guidebook for your phone, tablet, or computer. Please keep an eye on our website, facebook, or twitter feed for information as to when our guide is available.

(You are registered, right)

Norwescon is a science, science fiction and fantasy convention that takes place on Easter Week each year. We are an all-volunteer organization and always have room for more dedicated volunteers. Without members, though, there would be no reason to hold a convention; thank you for your support.

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