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Dear Michael,

Norwescon 36 (2013)

Pre-registration is now open!
The cost for a full-weekend membership is \$55 through December 31st. Rates will increase in January of 2013. Register today for the best rate!

- [Convention Registration*](#)
- [Hotel \(room\) Reservations**](#)

*We offer a \$5 discount for Northwest Science Fiction Society (NWSFS) members. Visit them at www.nwsfs.org

** A deposit equal to the cost of one room night will be charged at the time of reservation; this charge will be fully refundable until Friday, December 28, 2012. For more information on this new policy, please see [this weblog post](#).



Guest of Honor Changes, Additions



Norwescon 36 Guests of Honor

There have been a couple of changes to this year's guests!
Lee Moyer is our Artist Guest of Honor. www.leemoyer.com
Terry Brooks will be joining us as well. www.terrybrooks.net

More information coming soon!

Volunteer! Have a blast!



Volunteering!

Every year hundreds of people come together to make Norwescon a success. Last year, 142 attendees donated a total of 620 hours of their time in between the panels and events they attended, to help keep the convention running smoothly. This averages to just over 4 hours per member.

As you begin to plan your convention experience for this next year, please consider giving back to the convention a little of your time. So whether you have 30 minutes to spare, or a few hours to kill, come on down to the volunteer lounge and lend a hand. It's what makes Norwescon such a success every year!

Thank you,

Elana

Head of Volunteers

volunteers@norwescon.org

Games, amusement, pastime, play, recreation...

GAMING: The Scheduled Gaming signup forms are already on the website, so if you want to run a card or board game (or many) [fill out the form](#). We have upgraded GM status this year for those who qualify by signing up early. We are also looking for volunteers to staff the gaming room during the convention.



EXTENDED GAMING: We are looking for:

- A dealer to run the poker tournament on Saturday during the convention.
- Someone to sponsor/run Magic: The Gathering Tournaments. It would be wonderful to have a sanctioned tournament.
- If you are interested in running a LARP, please [contact us](#) immediately in order to reserve your space!

---- **ATTENTION TECHNICAL PEOPLE!** Are you a DJ or are you thinking about becoming one? We are looking for DJs and dance instructors and are especially hoping to find a young person to run our "Under 21" dance on Friday night during the convention. We are looking for lighting technicians! Special events has several events that need light board masters and spotlight operators. Please contact as ASAP at specialevents@norwescon.org and let your lighting skills shine. (Pun intended, sorry.)

QUEER EYE FOR THE CON-GOER (or similar LGBT mixer): We are seeking someone to run this event this year. If you have an interest or know someone that might, let us know or come to the October meeting.

GENERAL STAFF: Special Events needs a huge number of staff members this year and we have multiple exciting positions open (in addition to the ones listed above).

Come and join us! We are SPECIAL!

House filk? Cypher? Irish Session? You decide!



nwcMUSIC Play Event

I am hosting an nwcMUSIC event on **October 28th, from 2-8pm**. It's a play event at the house - what filkers call a house filk, similar to what hip-hop calls a cypher. It's not entirely unlike an Irish session, for the traditionalists.

It's a gathering for everybody who wants to come out and take turns playing/performing. There's no stage, and no audience - well, no specific one, anyway. People come hang out together; there'll be a circle of chairs, everybody plays. And that's the point: participation. Doing it for the fun of doing it.

It's also going to be a bit of a preview of nwcMUSIC and Norwescon, with flyers and such; there's a good chance that a number of nwcMUSIC attending professionals will put in an appearance.

I really want this to be beyond the normal sort of house filk, or even the normal cypher, even though both of those are really cool. I want this to be a crossover event, because in the end, what nwcMUSIC is about. The reason I **do** this event is participatory culture, and the gathering of the geek tribes Norwescon has always been - moreso, still, than any other convention in Seattle.

And I don't see why we can't do that for geekmusic, too! So:

When: Sunday, October 28th, 2pm-8pm.

Where: Kenmore, Washington

Bus service: 10 minute walk

RSVP to: music@norwescon.org to garner address and directions

We have cats, and used to have birds, but will run a HEPA filter to help with that. There is a flight stairs up to our front door, but they're wide. Once you're up here, everything you need is on one level.

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Norwescon is a science, science fiction and fantasy convention that takes place on Easter Weekend 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!

Sincerely,

Norwescon Publications Team
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