PHILCON 2008 The Philadelphia Conference on Science Fiction & Fantasy

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Philcon Proudly Presents Our Guests of Honor

Philcon 2008's Principal Speaker and Guest Artist have not been featured at East Coast conventions in at least five years. This is your chance to meet these giants in the SF and Fantasy world, so don't miss it!

Principal Speaker: Tim Powers

is the author of 12 novels, 4 short story collections, and numerous pamphlets, chapbooks and poems. Many of his novels can be described as "secret history"—stories involving real historical events and people (such as Albert Einstein, Lord Byron, Blackbeard, and Thomas Edison), told from a magical, fantastic or supernatural point of view. His works are intricate, fascinating, wildly imaginative and unlike those of any other writer. Tim has won the World Fantasy Award twice, for his novels *Last Call* and *Declare*.

Guest Artist: John Picacio

is a multiple-award-winning artist who has created cover art for books by the biggest names in the SF and Fantasy world, including Harlan Ellison, Michael Moorcock, Robert Silverberg, and Frederick Pohl. He has won the International Horror Guild award for Best Artist, the Chesley Award for Best Paperback Cover, and the World Fantasy Award (Artist), and has been a Hugo Award finalist. In addition, his illustrations have been selected repeatedly for the prestigious *Spectrum Annual*, showcasing the year's best in contemporary fantastic art. John's art is by turns terrifying, awesome, stunningly beautiful, eerily evocative, and always spectacular.

Special Guest: Scott Christian Sava's

career has encompassed illustration, video game design and production, CGI animation, publishing, comics, and writing—so far! After founding Blue Dream Studios, a full-service CGI animation studio, he created works for such clients as Disney, Nickelodeon and Warner Bros. Scott was the lead animator for the sequels to the *Casper the Friendly Ghost* movies, and has done animation for many children's TV shows including *Power Rangers*. His acclaimed children's books include *The Lab, Pet Robots* and *Ed's Terrestrials*. Scott has done covers, interiors, and coloring for such comics as *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine, Star Trek: The Next Generation, Star Trek: Voyager, Mortal Kombat, Marvel Tales,* and many others. In 2002, he created the digitally rendered art for the four part mini-series, *Spider-Man: Quality of Life.* He is best known as the creator of the 3-D, CGI web and print comic *The Dreamland Chronicles*, which now has over 6,000,000 readers worldwide, and its own line of toys.

Music Guests: The Chromatics

We are very excited to announce that the unique, high-energy vocal band, *The Chromatics*, will be appearing at Philcon! The six-member group performs both covers and original songs, including songs about modern life and science. Several of the members are NASA astronomers, and their album of astronomical songs, *Astro Capella*, has been used in many classrooms, and flew on the space shuttle Discovery. The Chromatives have performed on PBS, CNN, at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum and on the Kennedy Center's Millennium stage, among many other venues. The Chromatics will take the stage during the Masquerade half-time and will also perform a Children's Concert.

Philcon Has Moved

to the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Cherry Hill, NJ. But we're only 5 miles from center city Philadelphia, with a view of the skyline from the hotel. It's still easy to get to Philcon, both by car and by public transit. Plus, our new hotel offers free parking! The former Garden State Racetrack, about ¼ mile up the road, is now a huge shopping center with plenty of restaurants, and there are many more within easy driving distance.

It's Easy to Get to Philcon

If you're coming to Philcon by public transit, you have several options. If you're in Philadelphia or the local area, you can catch the NJ Transit 406 bus at 8th Street north of Market Street. The bus stops in front of the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Approximate travel time is 55 minutes. Those coming from further away can take Amtrak to 30th Street Station in Philadelphia. From there you can use your Amtrak ticket to take the SEPTA train to 8th and Market and then catch the 406 bus. Or take the NJ Transit Atlantic City train from 30th Street Station to its first stop (Cherry Hill). The train stop is ½ mile from the hotel; you can either walk or get a taxi. From the Philadelphia airport, the Rapid Rover shuttle will get you to the Crowne Plaza in about 30 minutes for approximately \$20.00. For more details and options, please see our website at http://philcon.org.

Happy Birthday to You!

If your birthday falls during Philcon, we're having a party for you! All members born on November 21, 22 or 23 are invited to come up to the con suite on Saturday afternoon for a mass celebration with cake, ice cream, funny hats and a sincere "Happy Birthday" from all of us at Philcon.

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Child under 7****		Free with Paying Adult		\$0			
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Memberships must be postmarked by date indicated. Pre-reg ends 10/31. Proper ID is required to register at Philcon.

* Prices shown are for the entire conference. Day rates available at the conference. ** Group rate valid when 10 or more registrations are sent together. *** Student w/ ID or youth aged 13-17. **** No child under age 16 admitted unless accompanied by their parent or adult guardian who must sign a waiver of the conference's responsibility.

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