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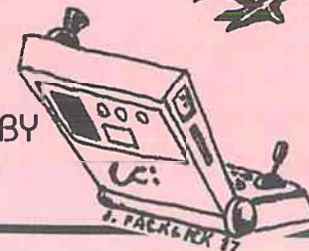
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 ★ VIDEO ROOM ★ GAMING ★ TRAVIA FREE-FOR-ALL ★ PRIZES  
 ★ CONSUITE ★ COSTUME PARTY

**3-Day Membership:** \$12 to Oct. 31: \$15 thereafter  
 Children 8 years old and younger: FREE with adult member  
 Registration hours: . . . Friday: noon to 8 pm  
 Saturday: 10 am to 6 pm  
 Sunday: 9 am to 2 pm

**ALL ADVANCE REGISTRANTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A SPECIAL DRAWING  
 FOR A CARTON OF BOOKS VALUED AT OVER \$50.00!**

## OUR GUEST OF HONOR - GEORGE R.R. MARTIN

. . . is one of the most frequently nominated authors for both the prestigious Hugo and Nebula awards. He won his first Hugo award for the novelette, "A Song for Lya" in 1974. Not contented with that distinction, he went on to win two more Hugos in 1979; one for "The Way of Cross and Dragon" (best short story) and another for "Sandkings" (best novelette). In addition, the Science Fiction Writers' of America chose to award him with a Nebula for "Sandkings." His many works include the popular "Wild Card" series as well as the highly acclaimed novel "The Armageddon Rag." Not a man bound to the printed page, George's television credits include contributions to the new "TWILIGHT ZONE" and, more recently, the just premiered CBS series "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST." Also, before the end of this year, his first major motion picture effort, "NIGHTFLYERS" will be appearing in theaters nationwide. TROPICON VI is proud to welcome this remarkable and versatile writer to South Florida.

## ARTIST GUEST OF HONOR - KELLY FREAS

. . . is one of the most popular artists in the history of science fiction. Kelly's multi-Hugo award-winning illustrations have probably graced the covers of more paperbacks than any other artist. Come join us in welcoming this grand master of SF art to the South Florida area.

## TOASTMASTER - JACK L. CHALKER

. . . is a long time SF writer with many titles to his credit including the popular "Well of Souls" series. An active fan himself for more than thirty years, Jack was toastmaster for Constellation—the 1983 World Science Fiction Convention. Although we don't have any ferryboats for him to ride here in Fort Lauderdale, TROPICON VI is proud to welcome him aboard!

## OUR OTHER CONFIRMED GUESTS INCLUDE

Joseph Green—author Ginger Curry—author Gary Alan Ruse—author  
 Ingrid Neilson—artist Sabrina Jarema—artist Gail Bennett—artist

AND VERY SPECIAL GUEST **ANDRE NORTON**

# TROPICON VI REGISTRATION FORM

Please Register me for TROPICON VI. My payment is enclosed.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

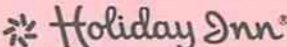
Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the items checked below:

- 3-Day Membership \$12.00 (\$15.00 after October 31)  
 Banquet Ticket \$19.00 MUST be purchased by November 30  
 Dealer's Room \_\_\_\_\_ Table(s) at \$35.00/table. Limit two  
 (includes one membership).

- Art Show \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_ full panel (4'x8')  
 \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_ half panel  
 \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ quarter panel  
 (Please reserve by Nov. 15)

- Volunteer YES! I want to be a trufan and volunteer to help make TROPICON VI a success. I realize that if I'm under 18 I'll need proof of my parent's permission. (NOTE: volunteering is free. Membership in the con isn't.)

Make checks payable to: THE SOUTH FLORIDA SCIENCE FICTION SOCIETY  
 Mail to: SPSFS Treasurer, 4427 Royal Palm Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida 33140

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## HOTEL REGISTRATION REQUEST

TROPICON VI - The South Florida Science Fiction Convention December 4, 1987 - December 6, 1987

PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING RESERVATIONS  
 for 1 to 4 persons at the special room rate of \$42.00 per night

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ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE DATE \_\_\_\_\_ I will have \_\_\_\_\_ persons in my party.  
 Enclosed please find my check for:

ADVANCE DEPOSIT: — One night revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

or please bill my credit card for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Advance Deposit Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: **Oceanside Holiday Inn**  
 and mail along with reservation request to: 3000 East Las Olas Boulevard,  
 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

To register by phone call the Oceanside Holiday Inn at (305) 463-8421. Please be sure to mention that you're with TROPICON VI.

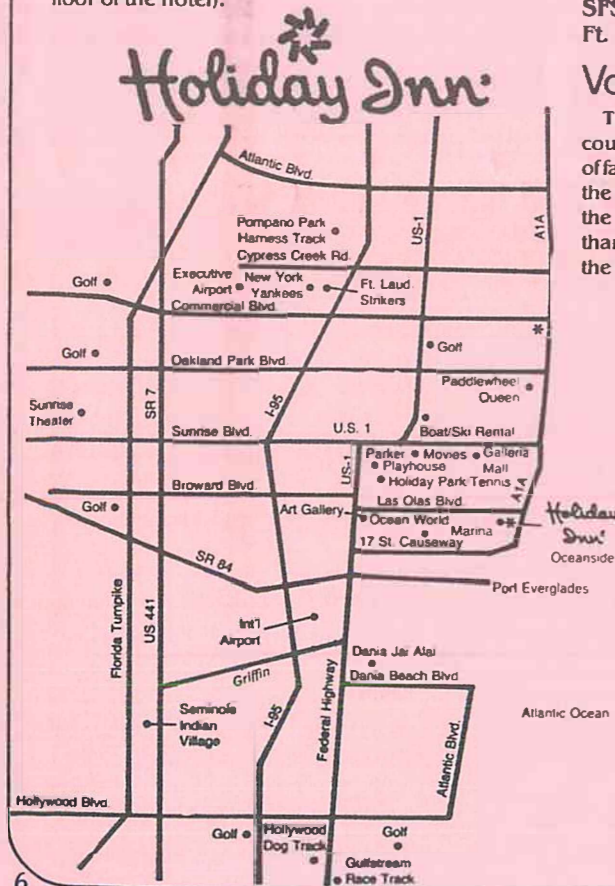


## So How Do I Get To the Con?

**FROM THE SOUTH:** Take Interstate 95 NORTH to the Griffin Road exit. Head EAST until you get to U.S. 1. Turn left (NORTH) on U.S. 1, past the Fort Lauderdale International Airport and see below.

**FROM THE AIRPORT:** When you exit Fort Lauderdale International Airport, head NORTH on U.S. 1 (Federal Highway) for about two miles and turn right (EAST) at S.E. 17th Street (there's a Bojangles restaurant on the southeast corner). Stay on the road (it'll curve north) for about three miles until you get to the Oceanside Holiday Inn on your left—the stuff on your right is sand with a LOT of water just behind it.

**FROM THE NORTH:** Take Interstate 95 (or the Florida Turnpike) SOUTH to the Sunrise Boulevard exit. Head east until you see famous Fort Lauderdale beach (where the fans are) directly in front of you. Turn right (SOUTH) on North Atlantic Blvd. and continue south a couple of miles until you see the Oceanside Holiday Inn on the southwest corner of Los Olas Boulevard (the Button lounge is in the first floor of the hotel).



## SFSFS

TROPICON VI is sponsored by the South Florida Science Fiction Society (SFSFS), a non-profit organization established for literary and educational purposes.

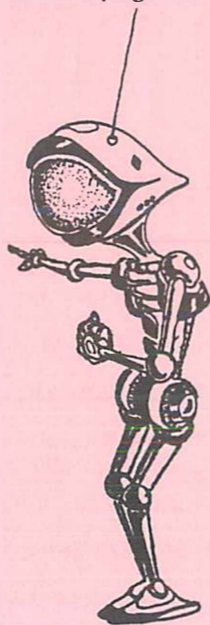
SFSFS meets monthly in Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach locations to enjoy lively discussions, meet visiting professionals and other guest speakers. The club produces a magazine to which members contribute stories, artwork, and articles related to the F&SF field. A monthly newsletter keeps members up-to-date on meetings, club outings, local events of special interest and club discounts.

So if you want to meet people like yourself, interested in all aspects of science fiction and fantasy, interested in the world science and technology are creating, and who enjoy sharing their interests with others, write for more information to:

SFSFS, P.O. Box 70143  
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33307-0143

## Volunteers . . .

TROPICON VI is run entirely by volunteers. It could not and would not happen without the legions of faithful helpers who work before, during, and after the convention. If you'd like to lend a hand "behind the scenes" this year, please let us know. Many thanks in advance for helping to make TROPICON VI the best.



## We're on the beach . . .

Miami Vice notwithstanding, if there's one thing South Florida and Fort Lauderdale in particular is famous for, it's beaches and the glorious weather that makes them usable year-round. This year TROPICON's base of operations is the Holiday Inn Oceanside—directly across the street from the beach, on the corner of A1A and Las Olas Boulevard—the location made famous by "Where the Boys Are." There are more guest rooms and more function space here than we've had access to before, and the staff is anxious to work with our specific needs.

All function space is on the second floor, with easy access from the lobby by escalator or elevator and immediate access from elsewhere in the hotel by elevator (some guest rooms are on the same floor). The ConSuite will be on the third floor beside the elevators, opening onto the pool deck. As many of our people will be blocked into these areas as possible, with a quiet floor available on request.

A disco, bar, and moderately-priced restaurant are in the building, but within walking distance (like from across the street to a block away) are a seafood restaurant, Subway, Burger King, a pizza shop, sandwich shop, two small grocery stores, and probably a few others we've forgotten. There's also a photo shop, souvenir shops, boutiques, bars, T-shirt shops . . . and within a 5-10 minute drive is anything else you could ask for, from fancy restaurants, to chicken take-outs, to full shopping centers.

And all this with the sun and the sand at your toesie-tips, while your friends and relatives freeze up North (hee hee). Join us for a weekend you won't forget—and they'll never forgive you for!

**RESERVE YOUR ROOM TODAY!**

## ★Our SCRUMPTIOUS★ Saturday Night Buffet . . .

This is an all-you-can-eat feast highlighted by George R.R. Martin's Guest of Honor Speech. Tickets are just \$19.00. YOU MUST PURCHASE YOUR BANQUET TICKET BY NOVEMBER 30th. Due to limited seating and the overwhelming popularity of this event, these tickets will sell out fast. Don't get turned away at the door, order your tickets now!

## ConSuite . . .

The convention hospitality room will be open at 6 pm on Friday, providing a place for guests and attendees to meet and talk in a more informal environment. This year the ConSuite opens onto the third floor pool and patio area, providing a casual (and breathable) atmosphere for your enjoyment. Refreshments will be provided. The room will be open throughout the convention except for early morning hours. Consult your program book for more information.

## Art Show . . .

In the past, TROPICON art shows have been highly praised by artists and attendees alike. With the expanded display space available this year, the show promises to be even better than before. Also, you won't want to miss Sunday's art auction as Jack L. Chalker pits fan against fan in a friendly bid for ultimate ownership of that favored piece of crystallized imagination.

Full panels are 4'x8'. Some are still available (see Registration Form for rates). Convention commission is 10%. Please write for tables, special arrangements, or out-of-town shipping instructions or call Becky Peters at (305) 463-5471 (10 pm-1 am).

### Art Show Hours:

Friday . . . . . Noon - 6 pm  
Saturday . . . 10 am-6 pm / Sunday . . . 10 am-6 pm



# PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

## Friday Opening Ceremonies:

Your first chance to meet our guests.

## Trivia Free-For-All:

A unique trivia contest with a few new twists. Show off your SF-IQ and win tokens to spend in the dealers room. With hundreds of chances to win (more than 300) everyone can play—not just teams.

## Kelly Freas Slide Show:

Kelly Freas has graciously agreed to share with us some highlights from his remarkable career in science fiction art.

## Joe Green,

the only person listed as writer on NASA's payroll, will illustrate the status of our space program in a slide presentation that promises to be nothing short of fascinating.

## Art Auction:

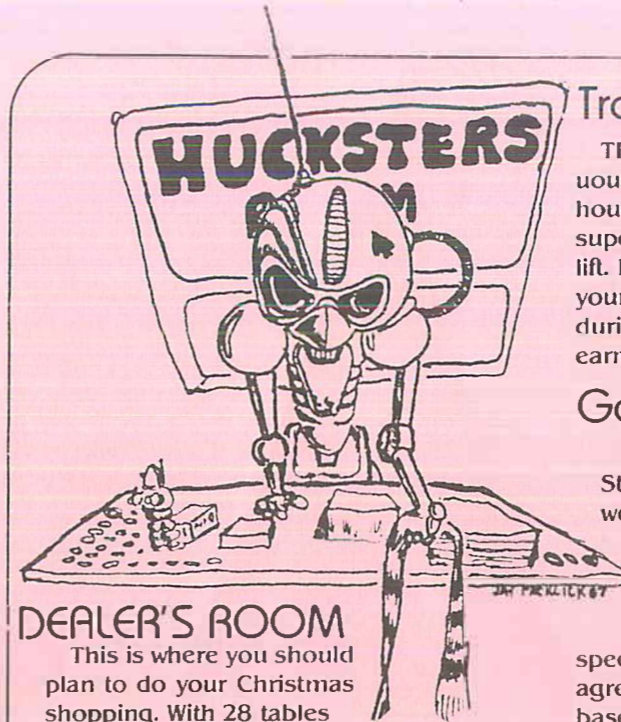
Bid on your favorite pieces or sit back and relax while others engage in "friendly" bidding battles. With Jack Chalker as auctioneer, you can expect more than a little excitement.

## Everything You Always Wanted to Know About George R.R. Martin, But Didn't Know Who To Ask:

An interview with our Guest of Honor.

## Also:

Author readings, panel discussions on everything from gaming to horror to fantasy art, and special presentations on a wide range of SF topics.



## DEALER'S ROOM

This is where you should plan to do your Christmas shopping. With 28 tables this year, TROPICON VI will have the biggest dealer's room it has hosted yet, with a variety of dealers. There'll be BOOKS (hardback, paperback, old, new . . .), jewelry, gaming goodies, art prints, T-shirts — something for everyone, and for every Christmas stocking or Hanukkah bush.

A few tables are still available at \$35.00 each (includes one membership) so if you or anyone you know would be interested in purchasing one, please contact Gail Bennet at (305) 961-2832 after 5 pm.

### Dealer's Room Hours:

Friday . . . . . Noon-6 pm  
Saturday . . . . . 10 am-6 pm  
Sunday . . . . . 10 am-6 pm

## Program Book . . .

One souvenir everyone appreciates at a con is the program book and we hope to make ours a visual treat. In addition to a synopsis of each major programming area, we need artwork: cartoons, fantasy, whatever. Black and white is essential; size is not important.

And of course, we have to PAY for this book, so you are encouraged to advertise with us, what-

## Tropicon Video Lair . . .

TROPICON VI will be running a continuous smorgasbord of films and videos 24-hours-a-day provided that our media supervisor's incurable insomnia doesn't lift. Be prepared to lose some sleep (if not your dinner) in a test of cinematic stamina during the "Saturday Midnight Special" and earn a Survivor's Badge of Honor!

## Gaming . . .

Step through the door of reality into the world of your imagination. TROPICON VI will be presenting a room of role-playing games—from fantasy settings to super heroes—worlds of the far future and distant past. As a special treat, George R.R. Martin has agreed to let us run a "Wildcard" game based on his literary series of the same name. Come adventure with us!

## Costume Party . . .

Feel like a dragon, a keeper, or a creature from mythology? Come to TROPICON's Literary Costume Party. Compete for prizes. Have a picture taken in your very own costume. Have a fannishly good time. Treat yourself to an evening of the unknown—or at least the unexpected. A special prize will be awarded for the best "Wild Card" character from George R.R. Martin's "Wild Card" series.

ever your "product" (be nice—this is a family show). Rates are as follows:

	Members	Non-Members
5x7" (full page) . . . . .	\$25	\$35
5x3½" (half page) . . . . .	\$15	\$20
2½x3½" (¼ page) . . . . .	\$7.50	\$10

Please send all submissions/inquiries to Gail Bennett, 3705 E. Shore Road, Miramar, FL 33023 — or call (305) 961-2831