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## WesterMAL Daily Newsletter: Thursday July 5, 2018

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### Day 0

Thank you to everyone who joined us yesterday during our “Day 0” light programming. We were pleased (and a little overwhelmed!) by how many of you dove right in. Our registration staff thanks everyone for their patience and kind words while the Day 0 kinks were sorted out.

### Thursday Highlights

- Our first kaffeeklatsches of the convention start off at 10 AM in Thunderpass and continue through 3 PM. Grab a drink and come for fascinating conversation with interesting people!
- Don't miss the Westercon and Worldcon Bids panel at 11 am if you're interested in possible future locations for these conventions. The site selection table for Westercon 73, and the Seattle bid to host it both have tables in the Atrium across from registration. Stop on by!
- Opening Ceremonies is at 6 PM in Main Events, just behind registration on the 2nd floor. The traditional Westercon ice cream social, sponsored by Denver-based MileHiCon will follow immediately after on the 12th floor. Grab your ice cream and find a seat for VIP speed chatting, a meet & greet event with our Guests of Honor.
- New to the convention scene? Feel awkward around other people? Come to the So Charming, Not Creepy panel at 8 pm in Serenity for tips and tricks to navigate this amazing world!

### General Highlights

- Several of our panel rooms on the ground floor are dedicated to a single programming track: The Science Track can be found in Stargazer; the Art track is in Dragon Keep; Bristlecone is our WesterKids room; and River Song is our filk room. We also have two local steampunk groups hosting parlors on the 12th floor!
- Art Show Tours: Don't know where to begin at our art show? Take a tour! Friday at 1 PM and Saturday at 10 AM. Sign up ahead of time at the Info Desk on the 2nd floor.
- Don't miss the Masquerade/Costume Contest at 3 PM on Saturday! Sign up ahead of time at the Info Desk.

### Panelist & Guest Updates:

- Our Entertainment Guest of Honor, Andrew Mayne, has been delayed by a filming commitment and will arrive late Thursday evening. He is looking forward to being here!
- Panelists Graham Lau and JR Monks will not be able to attend, but we are pleased to welcome Blair Bartlett to the art track!
- We have to send the program to print several weeks before the convention, and changes inevitably occur. We try to keep the web site up-to-date: <https://www.malcondenver.org/schedule/>, and you can find a summary of changes at the Info Desk.

Want to submit something for the newsletter?  
Please email it to [newsletter@westercon71.org](mailto:newsletter@westercon71.org), or drop it off at the Info Desk!

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