

The Duplicator's Apprentice

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Glasgow in 1995

Breaking the voting record set last year in Chicago, here are the final results of the 1995 Worldcon Site Selection: 1147 for Atlanta, 1310 for Glasgow, 32 for No preference, 11 for "I-95 in '95," 6 blank ballots, 2 for "None of the Above," and 1 for "NY in '95." There were 55 invalid ballots (for one reason or another) for a total of 2564 ballots cast, compared to 2107 votes cast at Chicon V. The convention will be Intersection, running August 24th through 28th, 1995, with Guests of Honor Samuel R. Delany and Gerry Anderson.

Hugo Ceremony Features Dozois Nixon Imitation

-Lori Wolf

The awards ceremony began with the parade of Hugo nominees. Gardner Dozois broke up the audience with his "I am not a crook" Nixon imitation.

Toastmaster Spider Robinson looked very debonair in his top hat and tails. He opened the ceremony with several good jokes, despite his assertion that the committee had mistaken him for a comedian, instead of a Canadian.

The Griffon Award for beginning female writers was presented by its sponsor, Andre Norton, who received a standing ovation. The winner was Elenora Sabin, and the "honor book" (second place) went to Terry McGarry.

Forrest J. Ackerman presented the Big Heart Award to Samanda B. Jeude. Ackerman announced that the Big Heart Award has picked up another sponsor, the order of St. Fantony.

Dave Kyle announced the induction of four new members for the First Fandom Hall of Fame. The new members are Arthur L. Widner Jr., Nelson Bond, Art Saha and J. Harvey Haggard.

A 15-minute slide show retrospective of 50 Worldcons preceded the Hugo awards. The show was a Martin/Robinson production and contained some wonderful views of old program books and original book covers.

A Note From the Chairman

At the Hugo Awards last night, we had an unfortunate occurrance. The winner of the Best Fanzine Award was incorrectly announced as Lan's Lantern, edited by George Laskowski. The actual winner was Mimosa, edited by Dick and Nicki Lynch.

The problem was caused by a MagiCon staff error: the incorrect card was placed in the awards envelope. Toastmaster Spider Robinson, having no advance notice of the winner, read what was printed.

I would like to apologize to George, to Dick and Nicki, and to Spider for this mistake. I wish we could do this over.

Despite what I know was considerable disappointment, George graciously offered to help by asking if he could present the Hugo to the Lynches: I want to thank him for his quick thinking and considerate response.

Despsite this incident, I know you join me in congratulating Dick and Nicki and all the other 1992 Hugo winners.

--Joe Siclari

Stanley Schmidt presented the John W. Campbell Award to Ted Chiang. Eileen Gunn accepted the award on behalf of Chiang and used the only speech she had on file for a past Hugo nominee, "Howard says buy his books."

The Hugos this year were designed and hand painted by Florida artist Phil Tortorici. In addition to being gold-plated in honor of the 50th World Science Fiction Convention, each Hugo base contains a piece of Gantry 26, site of the first successful U.S. satellite launch.

Brad W. Foster won the Best Fan Artist Award. He let me hold his Hugo, and it is really beautiful. Best Fan Writer winner Dave Langford was home asleep in England.

The ceremony was marred by a glitch in the Best Fanzine Award. The card in the envelope said *Lan's Lantern*, so Robinson announced George Laskowski. Unfortunately, the Hugo engraving read *Mimosa*, Dick and Nicki Lynch. Laskowski was very gracious in his return. Nicki was out of the hall, so Dick tried to stall until she could return.

Locus won for Best Semiprozine. Charles N. Brown admitted that he doesn't do it all himself and thanked his staff for all their hard work.

Best Pro Artist Michael Whelan said he thought the award should be the favorite artist, not the best artist, because there are too many fine artists to rate. He added that he felt like a thief, but would take the award anyway. Best Editor Gardner Dozois thanked his wife Susan Casper, his managing editor Sheila Williams and especially Isaac Asimov.

The award for Best Dramatic Presentation went to *Terminator* 2. Van Ling accepted the award on behalf of James Cameron, director and co-writer of the film. Mr. Ling served as the Special Effects Coordinator on the movie.

In addition to winning the Chesley award earlier in the evening, Michael Whelan won the Hugo for Best Original Artwork for the cover of The Summer Queen. His very white suit glowed in the dark

The Best Non-Fiction Book winner, Charles Addams, is "existence challenged," so his award was accepted by Thing. Geoffrey A. Lands seemed nervous but very happy about winning the Best Short Story Hugo. Janet Jeppson Asimov accepted the Best Novelette on behalf of her late husband, Isaac Asimov. She said he had loved fandom and it made his life happier.

Nancy Kress spoke of attending the Hugo ceremony at her first Worldcon in 1980. George R. R. Martin won that night and said "I got mine," so she quoted him on receiving her Best Novelette Hugo. She recommended that anyone sitting in the audience, wondering what winning a Hugo was like, should go for it.

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Lois McMaster Bujold thanked the audience for voting for their favorite book last year and for her favorite book this year. She won the Best Novel Hugo for <u>Barravar</u>. Bujold won last year's Best Novel Award for <u>The Vor Game</u>.

Slides accompanied each nomination. Some were pictures of works, some of the people nominated, some of signatures on contracts.

Overall, it was an entertaining evening. Joe Bob sez, "Check it out."

Programming From the Frozen North

Minneapolis in '73 is sponsoring the following special programming in their suite, Room 2525 in the Peabody Hotel:

Sunday, 7 PM: Madeleine Willis, James White and Geri Sullivan visit Oblique House. (Oblique House was Madeleine and Walt Willis' house and headquarters of Irish fandom.)

Sunday 9 PM: Rich Brown will host the "Carl Joshua Brandon Bheerbust", building a bheer can tower to the moon.

Monday 11 AM: Geri Sullivan and Jeff Schalles host "Toad Hall South."

Monday 7 PM: Terry Garey and friends host ReinConation preview.

Monday 9 PM: Laurie Mann joins in to host the Dead Moose Party.

Heard in Passing

These elevators are directionally and space challenged. ... He looked down and saw this guy's head buried in a dinosaur's armpit. ... KC in TK means 2048. Ask any computer nerd. ... Yes, but it's a wet heat. ... me back and see us and we'll give you the antidote for the stuff we t in your drink.

Secret Celebrity Stalks MagiCon

Pick up the current issue of *Asimov's* Magazine. Turn to page 30 (which is the un-numbered page after page 29). Read the left-hand column.

The woman in Stan Asimov's anecdote about the German bookstore is here. Her name is Sabine Kirstein. If you see her, ask to hear the other side of the story.

She is currently unaware that her sister has submitted this information to the newsletter, so just walk up to her and ask about the anecdote. Enjoy her expression of perplexity.

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Lem ... Lem ... Lem ...

There will be a Lemming Reunion at the Clarion Poolside following the Masquerade on Sunday night. Swimsuits are optional; clothing is not optional. BYO Stuff. If you've been to, or live in, the Land of Oz, please come.

Fan Lounge Special Programming

The Fan Lounge is open in the Concourse in front of the Huckster Room. Special program items held on Sunday will be:

- 1 PM: Art Widner hosts "Old Phartz Meet Young Phartz."
- 3 PM: Madeleine Willis discussing Fannish Dinosaurs.
- 5 PM: Jeff Schulles and Geri Sullivan hosting an every 5 year SF party.

7 PM: Jeanne Gomoll and Steve Schwartz will host a Corflu party.

The Fan Lounge is open from 11 AM to 11 PM and has many fanzines for sale, including Guest of Honor Walt Willis' "The Enchanted Duplicator" and Star Trek, Blake Seven, APA and other zines. Imported beer, wine and cocktails is available for sale.

SF Book Club to Celebrate 40 Years

In 1993, the SF Book Club will celebrate its 40th anniversary. In furtherance of their plans to commemorate the occasion, the club is looking for a copy of the first issue of its bulletin *Things to Come*. No, there isn't one in the files. The fan willing to loan a copy will be suitably rewarded. If you can help, please write to the club at 245 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10167.

Attention Photographers!

If you are taking photographs of MagiCon and would like to see them reprinted in a Memory Book, please leave your name and home address with Becky Thomson. There are labeled mail trays in the floor office in the Convention Center in the center of Hall B near the "Artists at Work."

Many more black and white photographs will be needed than color. Financial reimbursement may be possible.

You will be contacted within a month or so with details. Thank you

Occupancy Limited to 12 People

When leaving the Masquerade on Sunday evening, please respect the Elevator Hosts and keep it to 12 people at a time. Yes, it's a little slower, but that way the elevators will still work.

Lost and Found

LOST: A black wristwatch from poolside at the Clarion Hotel. If you find it, please turn it in to the Clarion Security.

FOUND: A book left at the Glasgow in '95 desk at Chicon V and not picked up. If it is yours, please see Mark Meenan in Room 1538 or 1661 of the Peabody Hotel.

Please turn in/pick up lost and/or found items at the Information Booth in Hall B/C of the O4C. Lost badges are at Registration. All of these items are moved to the Conway Room in the Peabody in the evening hours.

It's a long, long way to Tipperary

If you think it's a long walk to the Best Western ... The award for the party furthest from the Convention Center goes to the Science Fiction, Mysteries and More Bookstore, 140 Chambers Street in New York City. The store has been running a party all weekend for those unable to get down to MagiCon.