

Con†Stellation XVII Hydra

Airport Sheraton
October 9-11, 1998
Huntsville, Alabama

- Validated Parking • Author Panels • Science Programs •
- Art Show & Auction • Masquerade • Gaming • Dancing •

Guest of Honor
Mike Resnick

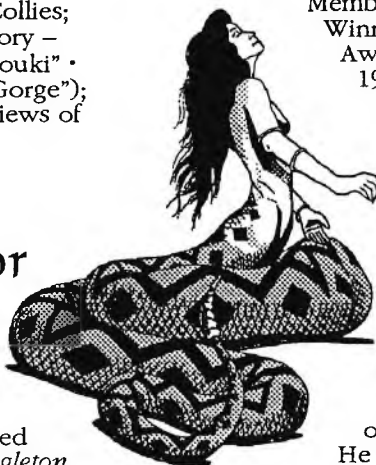
Responsible for many dogs: that is, breeding Collies;
Winner of three Hugo Awards (1989 Short Story –
“Kirinyaga” • 1991 Novelette – “The Manamouki” •
1995 Novella – “Seven Views of Olduvai Gorge”);
Nebula Award (1994 Novella – “Seven Views of
Olduvai Gorge”)

Master of Ceremonies
Tim Powers

World Fantasy Award Winner (1993 – *Last Call*);
Member of the Convocation of Dickheads:
Winner of two Philip K. Dick Memorial
Awards (1986 – *Dinner at Deviant's Palace*;
1984 – *Anubis Gates*)

Artist Guest of Honor
Bob Eggleton

Winner of the Hugo for Best Hair... um, *Best Professional Artist* 1994, 1996, 1997; Chesley Award Winner; his first art book is aptly titled *Alien Horizons: The Fantasy Art of Bob Eggleton*



Fan Guest of Honor
David O. Miller

Art Director for the U.S. Space and Rocket Center from 1987 – 1991; Artist for TSR, White Wolf, Steve Jackson Games and others; We are planning a T-Shirt Retrospective with our T-Shirt Artist, you gotta come for this one! He might bring his cute little dragon too!

Membership Rates:

\$25 through 25 May

\$30 through 11 September

\$35 thereafter and at the door

Children's Rates Available

To Register or Request Information Write to:
(Please Send a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope)
Con†Stellation XVII: Hydra
P.O. Box 4857
Huntsville AL 35815-4857

email to: constell@traveller.com or visit us at our
WWW site: <http://www.hsv.tis.net/~constell/constell/index.html>
Phone: 256-880-8210 ask for Marie (no collect calls, please)

Con†Stellation is presented by NASFA, the North Alabama Science Fiction Association

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Hotel Information

Our hotel this year is the Airport Sheraton again, a Four Points Hotel by ITT Sheraton, 1000 Glenn Hearn Drive, Huntsville AL. The hotel is located in the Huntsville Madison County International Jetplex. Rooms are \$59 (plus all applicable taxes) for 1-4 people per night. For reservations, call them at (800) 241-7873 (which connects directly to this hotel) or (256) 772-9661, mention Con†Stellation for the convention hotel rate, and be sure you make your reservations early. **Parking will be validated for all convention members.** Park in the Short Term Parking Area. A variety of shopping locations and restaurants are nearby, with easy access to the hotel from I-565 and AL-20. Before making reservations, those planning a room party should write (please include SASE) to the general convention address, mark your request **Attention Room Party Coordination**, so that we can assist in blocking you into the room party area.

Children's Information

Children fees, accompanied by adult:
 Ages 0 to 3 (by 9 Oct 1998) Free
 Ages 4 to 10 (by 9 Oct 1998) \$15.00

These rates apply regardless of when the membership is bought. Any child not accompanied by an adult will be charged the adult rate regardless of age. There will be a track of daytime programming for children this year.

Dealers Room

All dealers (and helpers) *must* purchase convention memberships. Table Rate: \$60 for the first 6' table (includes 1 membership), \$40 for each additional 6' table (no membership). Your requests for further information (please include SASE) and payment for tables should be mailed to the general convention address, marked **Attention Dealers Room**. We're sorry but we can't hold tables without payment.

Art Show and Auction

There is a \$12.50 hanging fee per 4' by 4' panel, or for each 6' table in the art show. There is a \$7 fee for entering any number of

prints in the print shop at the art show. No commission is charged for sales in the art show or art auction. Pros may qualify for a free panel or table by sending 4 original pieces of art. Request further information or send payments to the general convention address (include SASE), marked **Attention Randy Cleary**. For mail-in art *only* the address is Mike Cothran, 4107 Newson Road H-5, Huntsville, AL 35805-5376. Please do not mail art to the convention P.O. Box!

Convention Policies

Con†Stellation has a **no weapons** policy with two exceptions. Weapons may be used as a part of a costume in the Masquerade, if approved *in advance* by the Masquerade staff. Dealers may also sell weapons in the Dealers Room, but all weapons must be wrapped securely and taken by the purchaser directly to her/his room or off hotel property. Please tell us if your mailing address has changed since your last Con†Stellation.

Programming

As always, we'll have programming sure to satisfy a wide variety of tastes. Whether it's a Science Panel, an Author Roundtable, or the Art Auction, you will surely find something of interest at Con†Stellation. Join us for Fannish Feud (Toni Weisskopf's gonna), Eat (with) the Guests at our Impress the Guests Party, Watch Authors Write at our Autograph Sessions, See the Giant Hydra (it's captive, for the faint-hearted) and don't forget our Dance, filking till late into the night, and other treats we have in store for you. There's always something that's entertaining to do! ☺

Masquerade

Entertainment during the Judging interval will include a Fashion Show featuring all of David O. Miller's, our T-Shirt Artist, previous Con†Stellation shirts. We also plan to have the Fannish Feud Playoff during this time. Again this year, as an added incentive to enter the Masquerade, \$100 in Cash will be awarded, and we'll have other surprises to be presented as well. Last year's Masquerade was a truly

interesting show, with some unusual costumes. Get busy with those sequins and glue guns now!

Gaming

Computer Gaming Tournaments are only the beginning of our gaming plans. We'll have Battletech, AD&D, Settlers of Cataan, CCGs galore, and more. There will also be Killer Cut-Throat Spades, Board Games, and open tables for you to bring your own games. If you want to run a game contact Mike Ray at (256) 464-9818, or write to the general convention address marked **Attention Mike Ray**. Come early, stay late, win often!

SF Larp

We are very pleased to have last year's LARPmeisters, the *emergency society*, back this year with a new scenario set in the same universe. Continue your old character or jump in fresh! Contact Pat McAdams (include a #10 SASE) at P.O. Box 10054, Huntsville, AL 35801 for all additional information. Separate registration form and fee are required.

Volunteers

Con†Stellation is run by volunteers and we would like you to join us. We need people with various levels of convention experience, including none. We're as busy as a hive in summer around here. We want *you* as a worker bee. Write to the general convention address or call Marie McCormack at (256) 880-8210.

Advertising Rates

Program book size and rates are available upon request. Write to the general convention address marked **Attention Mike Cothran** or call (256) 880-8210 on your nickel.

Con Suite Treats

We serve one of the best selections of munchies in Southern fandom. Who knows what delicious surprises will land next on the tables we set? Bring on the crock pots! There will be a separate Smoker's Con Suite.

We'll See You There!

