

September 2004

Program Schedule

FENCON

"of the fen, by the fen, for the fen"

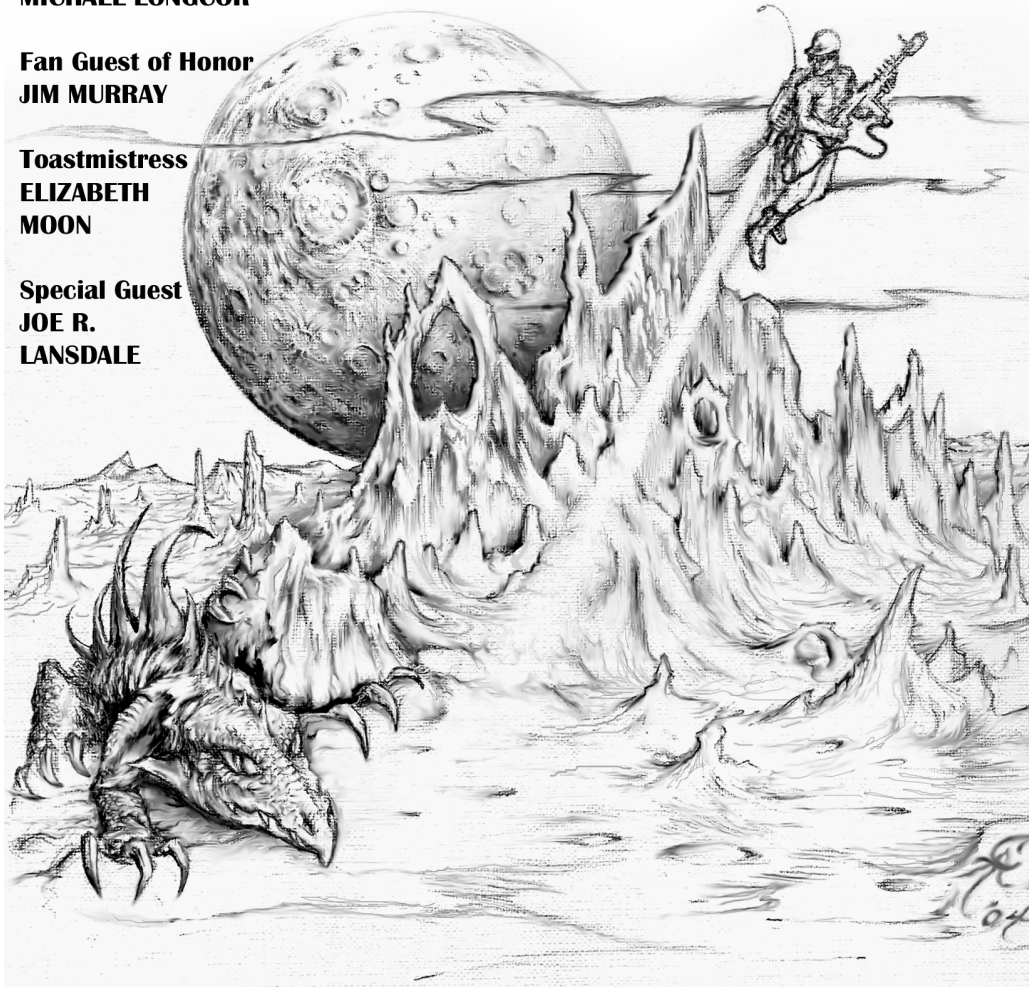
Guest of Honor
LARRY NIVEN

Filk Guest of Honor
MICHAEL LONGCOR

Fan Guest of Honor
JIM MURRAY

Toastmistress
ELIZABETH
MOON

Special Guest
JOE R.
LANSDALE



Convention Guide

Important Words

Badges: You need to wear your badge in a visible place at all times while at FenCon. Your badge is your ticket into all of our events and functions. Anyone seen without a badge in any of our function rooms will be asked to leave.

If you find someone's badge, or lose your own badge, please contact registration or convention operations. Lost badges may require the purchase of a new membership.

Conduct: Conventions are for having a good time and meeting old and new friends. We want everyone at FenCon to have a great time, but we will not tolerate dangerous, illegal, or threatening behavior. FenCon reserves the right to revoke the membership and badge of any person or persons whose behavior is determined to be detrimental to the convention as a whole. Refunds for revoked memberships are at the sole discretion of the FenCon Chairperson.

Hotel: Please be courteous to all guests of the hotel. We are not the only group at the hotel this weekend. So let's all get along and have a great time. Please observe all rules posted by the hotel in various locations.

Smoking: Smoking is prohibited in all convention rooms and public areas, including hallways and the Hospitality Suite. Please only smoke in the hotel's designated "smoking areas."

Alcohol: The legal drinking age in Texas is 21 years old. Any minors found in possession of alcohol and any adults found to be providing alcohol to minors will have their memberships revoked and be removed from the convention. No exceptions.

Please drink responsibly. If you have had too much, please get a room at the hotel, call a cab, or ask a sober friend for a ride. We want to see you all on Sunday...and at FenCon 2005!

Food: No food or drink is allowed in any convention space except the Hospitality Suite.

Weapons: We know. Weapons policies are no fun. But, we don't want to have the convention shut down by the hotel or police, so we have to have one. Apart from the costume contest, no one is allowed to carry any weapon that would be considered illegal in Texas. A pocket knife is fine. A dagger is not. A *sgian dubh* is fine. A claymore is not. (Please use common sense.) Foam weapons are allowed only during the organized role playing games and demonstrations.

Any swords, knives, or other weapons purchased in the Dealer's Room must be wrapped before leaving the room and taken immediately to your hotel room or car.

Autographs: Most of our guests are more than willing to give you their autograph, but please follow these simple rules: Whenever possible, only request autographs during the designated autograph sessions. If there is a line, please limit yourself to 3 items to be autographed per guest. Please do not ask any guest for an autograph as they are leaving or going to a panel, or while they are at lunch/dinner.

Recording: Recording of performances and programming at FenCon is allowed only for the private use of the person making the recording. If a panelist or performer requests that there be no taping or video, please respect their wishes.

5-2-1: Ah, the old convention cliché. Not only for your own enjoyment of the convention, but also for the enjoyment of your fellow fans, please remember the 5-2-1 rule of con going. At least 5 hours of sleep a night, at least 2 meals a day, at least 1 shower a day. Thank you.

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Friday Programming

Time	Main Programming Lone Star I & II
4:00 PM	Is the Internet making the Convention obsolete? D. Gray*, Bahm, Middleton, J. Murray, P. H. Murray
4:30 PM	
5:00 PM	Humorous Science Fiction and why we don't see more of it. Gray*, Simmons, Rainbolt, Eudaly
5:30 PM	
6:00 PM	Stories You Can't Publish Brown*, Niven, Jacob, Steakley, Mayhar
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7:00 PM	How to destroy your career in 10 easy steps Martindale*, Caine, Kosatka, Fletcher
7:30 PM	
8:00 PM	Opening Ceremonies With your host Elizabeth Moon
9:00 PM	Filk Concert Michael Longcor
9:30 PM	Filk Concert Carla Ulbrich
10:00 PM	Filk Concert Jeff and Maya Bohnhoff
10:30 PM	Filk Concert Spriggen
11:00 PM	Filk Concert October Country

Friday Programming (continued)

Alternate 1 Sabine	Alternate 2 Trinity	Reading Room Guadalupe
Writers you should be reading Oliver*, Yeffeth, Turner	The Larry Niven Early Bird Panel Niven	SF poetry jam session with Charlee Jacob and Rie Sheridan P.N. Elrod Reading
Generating Science Fiction and Fantasy Ideas (literary and artistic) M. Bohnhoff*, Sheridan, Jacob, Oliver	Publishing 101 Turner, Caine, Martindale	Elizabeth Moon Reading
How to Run a World Con Bid Bahm*, J. Murray, P.H. Murray	Writers Who Filk, Filkers Who Write Martindale*, M. Bohnhoff, Patterson, Simmons	Rhonda Eudaly Reading Melanie Fletcher Reading
Science Fiction movies that changed my life forever Conrad*	The Changing World of Filk Tyra*, J. Bohnhoff, Ulbrich, Shaddow, Sledge	John Steakley Reading
No S#!T, I was there!!! Convention horror stories & tall tales J. Murray*, Middleton, Singleton, Conrad, D. L. Anderson, Patterson	Yard Dog Jam Session S. Sinor*, Eudaly, Fletcher, Martindale, B. Sinor, Hale, Kosatka, Oliver, Turner	Rachel Caine Reading Julie Fortune Reading
When SF/F is not enough Other fandoms that fill our time Hale*, Caine, Singleton	Sex and The City on the Edge of Forever: A look at Fandom and Sex Claudia T. Smith	David and Mary Gray Radio Play Reading
		Open Filk in Guadalupe and Brazos rooms till dawn

Saturday Programming

Time	Main Programming Lone Star II	Filk Programming Lone Star I
10:00 AM	Interview with the Vampire Writers Caine*, Elrod, Steakley, Jacob, Simmons	What is Filk and Why Should I Care? Patterson*, Martindale, Longcor, Heslin, Middleton, Rodgers
11:00 AM	Science Fiction or Prediction? JPL Solar System Ambassador Ron Dilulio	That's Bizzaro Stand-up comedy and magic
12:00 PM	The Elizabeth Moon Interview with Lee Martindale	Carla Ulbrich in Concert!
12:30 PM		
1:00 PM	World Building for Dummies Niven, Oliver, Steakley*, C.D. Andersson	Filk One Shots and Mini-Concerts Sign up at con registration!
1:30 PM		
2:00 PM	The Jim Murray Show!! hosted by David Lee Anderson	Margaret Middleton in Concert!
2.30 PM		Wm. Mark Simmons in Concert!
3:00 PM	The Joe R. Lansdale Hour presented by Cat Conrad	Jeff and Maya Bohnhoff in Concert!
3:30 PM		
4:00 PM		
5:00 PM	Michael Longcor Filk Guest of Honor Concert!	
6:00 PM	Larry Niven Guest of Honor Address moderated by Elizabeth Moon	

Saturday Programming (continued)

Alternate 1 Sabine	Alternate 2 Trinity	Reading Room Guadalupe
Women's fiction that features fantasy, SF, and paranormal romance as primary or secondary themes. Archer*, Brown, Rainbolt, Carl	The Testosterone Zone: Explosions, Guns, and Swords. B. Sinor*, D. Gray, C. Conrad, J. Murray, Turner, D. L. Anderson, C. D. Andersson	Ardath Mayhar Reading
Ain't Tolkien So Cool! Carl*, Hale, P. H. Murray, M. Gearhart-Gray, Sheridan	Writing Genre-Related Non-Fiction Kosatka*, Yeffeth, B. Sinor, Fletcher, Caine, Elrod	Lee Martindale Reading
		Libby Smith Singleton Reading
The Art of Writing Screenplays Eudaly*, Steakley, Turner, Anthony	Dear Mr. Fantasy: The Fantasy Novel in SF Moore*, Fletcher, Mayhar, Archer	Joe R. Lansdale Reading
Marketing your Masterpiece P. H. Murray*, Hale, Ulbrich, Sheridan, Rainbolt, Carl, Moore	Judging Books by the Covers: The History and Importance of Art in SF Patterson*, D. L. Anderson, Conrad, D. Gray	Brad Sinor Reading
		Maya Bohnhoff Reading
Belly Dance Workshop	David and Mary Gray Radio Play	Julia Blackshear Kosatka Reading
		Bev Hale Reading
Generic Radio Workshop Rehearsal (open to the public)	A "Stargate: SG-1" Panel Leaf*, Kosatka, Elrod, Caine, Caughey, Fletcher	Teresa Patterson Reading
		Lillian Stewart Carl Reading
The Evolving Role of Women in SF Moon*, Patterson, Archer, Brown, Hale, Singleton, S. Sinor, Martindale, Jacob, Carl, Mayhar	Amateur Astronomy and the Texas Astronomical Society of Dallas Barton, Caldwell	Wm. Mark Simmons Reading

Other Saturday Afternoon Programming in the Brazos Room Includes:

12.00 PM

USS Trinity River holds an open meeting of the Dallas STARFLEET chapter.

1.00 PM

The Basics of Writing Workshop

P.N. Elrod and Rachel Caine offer a 2-hour class on some elementary aspects of the craft of writing.

3.00 PM

IFGS offers a Demo of their Live Action Roll Playing system.

Saturday Evening Programming

7.00 PM

Alternate 1 Sabine	Reading Room Guadalupe	Fan Room Brazos
Generic Radio Workshop. Watch as Fans join the workshop to reproduce a 1950's Classic Radio play before your eyes, using vintage equipment and period techniques to recreate the old fashion sound effects.	Draw, Kid!!! The Illustrators take over the reading room for an hour as our artist guests take challenges from the audience and commit them to paper. D.L. Anderson, Conrad, D. Gray	Why My Robot is not washing my flying car. What Happened to the World of Tomorrow We discuss what ever happened to the future of the 50's now that we have met the new millennium. Simmons*, Archer, B. Sinor

8.00 PM in Lone Star I-II

The FenCon Cabaret

So much more than just a costume contest, Jim Murray is your Master of Ceremonies in a full evening's entertainment including Belly Dancing, Magic, the Masquerade, and the All-Star, Git-Down, Filk-Sing Hootenanny™ featuring Michael Longcor, Jeff and Maya Bohnhoff, and Carla Ulbrich. Seating opens at 7.30

10.00 PM in Lone Star I-II

FenCon Movie Night

Special Guest Joe R. Lansdale presents *Bubba Ho-Tep*, based on his novella of the same name. Mr. Lansdale will introduce the film for us and answer some questions afterwards.

10.00 PM

Alternate 1 Sabine	Alternate 2 Trinity	Reading Guadalupe	Fan Room Brazos
How to write a believable sex scene Brown*, Caine, Fletcher	Cthulhu LARP Until 6.00 AM	Open Filk Until 6.00 AM	Open Filk Until 6.00 AM



Video and Autograph Schedule

Friday

- 2.00 PM The Day the Earth Stood Still
- 3.30 PM Wallace and Gromit:
A Grand Day Out
- 4.00 PM Blake's 7:
"Seek-Locate-Destroy"
- 5.00 PM Firefly: "Trash"
- 6.00 PM Farscape: "Out of Their
Minds"
- 7.00 PM Babylon 5: "The Gathering"
(original version)
- 8.30 PM Buffy: The Vampire Slayer:
"Hush"
- 9.30 PM X-Files: "Bad Blood"
- 10.30 PM Forever Knight: "Feeding the
Beast"
- 11.30 PM The Night Stalker

Saturday

- 2.00 AM The Andromeda Strain
- 4.30 AM Blake's 7: "Gambit"
- 5.30 AM Destination Moon
- 7.30 AM Danger Mouse
- 8.30 AM Star Wars Holiday Special
- 10.00 AM Star Trek-The Animated
Series: "The Slaver Weapon"
- 10.30 AM The Simpsons: "Treehouse
of Horror"
- 11.00 AM Firefly: "The Message"
- 12.00 PM Coupling: "Night Lines"
- 1.00 PM Doctor Who:
"The Curse of Fenric"
- 3.00 PM Strange: "Episode One"
- 4.00 PM Buffy: The Vampire Slayer:
"Once More With Feeling"
- 5.00 PM Blake's 7: "Rumours of Death"
- 6.00 PM X-Files: "Soft Light" and "Avatar"
- 8.30 PM Chicken Run
- 10.00 PM Army of Darkness
- 11.30 PM Wallace and Gromit: The Wrong Trousers

Sunday

- 12.00 AM The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy
- 3.00 AM The Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai
- 5.00AM Quantum Leap: "The Color of Truth"
- 6.00 AM Blake's 7: "Orbit"
- 7.00 AM Babylon 5: "Coming of Shadows" and "Severed Dreams"
- 8.30 AM Farscape: "Revenging Angel"
- 9.30 AM Firefly: "Heart of Gold"
- 10.30 AM MacGyver: "Eye of Osiris"
- 11.30 AM Andromeda: "Starcrossed" and "Day of Judgment, Day of Wrath"
- 1.00 PM Stargate SG-1: "Window of Opportunity" and "Rite of Passage"
- 2.30 PM Monty Python and the Holy Grail

Be sure you stop by the Autograph table in the Lone Star Lobby throughout the weekend. You never know who may sit down to sign for an hour or so.

Autographing Schedule

Friday

- 5.00 PM *open*
- 6.00 PM Rainbolt, Sheridan
- 7.00 PM M. Bohnhoff, P.H. Murray

Saturday

- 11.00 AM Friend of Fen GOH
autograph session:
Niven, Longcor, Moon,
Murray, Lansdale, Mayhar
(Friend of Fen only for first
30 minutes)

- 12.00 PM Caine, Conrad, Jacob
- 1.00 PM Eudaly, Turner
- 2.00 PM C.D. Andersson, Archer,
Carl
- 3.00 PM B. Sinor, S. Sinor
- 4.00 PM Kosatka, Oliver, Steakley
- 5.00 PM *open*

Sunday

- 11.00 AM Niven, Elrod
- 12.00 PM Fletcher, Moon
- 1.00 PM Martindale, Singleton
- 2.00 PM Hale, Simmons
- 3.00 PM *open*

Sunday Programming

Time Main Programming Lone Star II

10:00 AM	An Hour with Ardath Mayhar Moderated by Joe R. Lansdale
11:00 AM	Mixing genres: Books that don't know in what section they belong Caine*, Lansdale, Brown, Archer, Jacob
12:00 PM	Hey Kids! It's a Comics Panel! Conrad*, Niven, Lansdale, Hale, Singleton
12:30 PM	
1:00 PM	The Use of Magic in Fantasy M. Bohnhoff*, Sheridan, M. Gearhart-Gray, Hale, Mayhar
1:30 PM	
2:00 PM	Pitchforks and Torches Tell the people in charge what you liked, didn't like, and what you want to see next year.
2:30 PM	
3:00 PM	This Is Not Your Father's Science Fiction C.D. Andersson*, Niven, Elrod, Lansdale
4:00 PM	'Ya canna fight the laws of physics!' How to avoid bad science C.D. Andersson*, Gray, Moon
5:00 PM	Closing Ceremonies

Sunday Programming (continued)

Filk Programming Lone Star I	Alternate Programming Trinity
Dealing With Agents Sheridan*, B. Sinor, Yeffeth, Simmons, Moore	FanFic vs. Original Fiction: The pros and cons of playing in someone else's sandbox. Julie Fortune*, Eudaly, Kosatka, Oliver, Singleton
	The Role of Religion in Contemporary SF/F Martindale*, C.D. Andersson, Hale, Oliver
FenCon Salute to Texas Filk: Filk concert Lee Martindale	Improvisation and the Art of Story Telling Claudia T. Smith
Filk concert Mary Miller	
Filk concert Teresa Patterson	Fight Club <i>How to write an effective fight scene</i> by Rob Preece and Lisa Montgomery
Filk concert October Country	
Filk concert Spriggen	Upcoming from BenBella Books Yeffeth, Caughey
How to Improve your Filk Performance Tyra*, Ulbrich, J. Bohnhoff, M. Bohnhoff, Gypsy, Sledge	Why rejection makes you a better writer Kosatka*, Caine, Eudaly, Fletcher
How to get the most from a filk circle M. Miller*, Abbott, Martindale, Patterson	History and Moral Philosophy in Science Fiction B. Leaf*, J. Murray, Bahm
<p style="text-align: center;">FenCon 2004 is over! See you at the Dead Dog Party. Thanks for coming and see you in 2005!</p>	

Schedule of Events

Friday:

- 2.00 pm** ***Lone Star III-IV***
Dealers Room Opens
Rio Grande
The Day the Earth Stood Still
- 3.30 pm** ***Rio Grande***
Wallace and Gromit: A Grand Day Out
- 4.00 pm** ***Lone Star I-II***
Is the Internet making the SF Con Obsolete?
From Community to Collectables, the things we used to only find at the con we can now get on the web. How much will this change the future of cons?
Gray*, Bahm, Middleton, J, Murray, P. H. Murray
Sabine
Writers You Should be Reading
Who are the greats of tomorrow and the forgotten masters of the past? Our panelists discuss the books and writers that we must not miss.
Trinity
The Larry Niven Early Bird Panel
An open discussion with our guest of honor for those of you that made it here early. Think of it as a dinner party with Mr. Niven, only without the food!
Guadalupe
Poetry Jam with Charlee Jacob and Rie Sheridan
Brazos
The FenConversation Pit
An open room to sit and talk and solve all the world's problems.
Open until 11.00pm
Rio Grande
Blake's 7 – "Seek-Locate-Destroy"
- 4.30 pm** ***Guadalupe***
P.N. Elrod Reading
- 5.00 pm** ***Lone Star I-II***
Humorous Science Fiction and Why We Don't See More of It
Some very funny people talk about the art and challenges of writing the stuff that makes us laugh.
Simmons*, Eudaly, Gray, Lansdale, Rainbolt
Sabine
Generating Science Fiction and Fantasy Ideas
Panelists discuss how they really get their ideas and give suggestions on how we can get ideas of our own.

M. Bohnhoff*, Jacob, Oliver, Sheridan

Trinity

Publishing 101

How-to advice about getting your story in print.

Turner*, Caine, Martindale

Guadalupe

Elizabeth Moon Reading

Rio Grande

Firefly – “Trash” (unaired in the US!)

6.00 pm Lone Star I-II

Stories You Can’t Publish.

What do you do when you write a great story that you know you can’t sell to anyone?

Brown*, Jacob, Niven, Steakley

Sabine

How to Run a Worldcon Bid

Our crew of Fen from Kansas City talk about their experiences bidding for the 2006 Worldcon and their new “KC in 2009” bid.

Bahm*, J. Murray, P.H. Murray

Trinity

Writers Who Filk, Filkers Who Write

Several of our guests do both. Here they discuss the differences and pitfalls of each.

Martindale*, M. Bohnhoff, Simmons, Patterson

Guadalupe

Rhonda Eudaly Reading

Rio Grande

Farscape – “Out of their Minds”

6.30 pm Guadalupe

Melanie Fletcher Reading

7.00 pm Lone Star I-II

How to Destroy Your Career in 10 Easy Steps

Learn from the mistakes of others. Panelists discuss blunders and mistakes they have seen and made through the years.

Martindale*, Caine, Fletcher, Kosatka

Sabine

Science Fiction Movies that Changed Our Lives Forever

Cat Conrad leads this open discussion about the SF movies that made us fans.

Trinity

The Changing World of Filk

From a Radio Shack tape recorder to modern hard disc recording, what a long strange trip it has been for the world of filk music.

Tyra*, J. Bohnhoff, Shaddow, Ulbrich

Guadalupe

- John Steakley Reading
Rio Grande
Babylon 5 – “The Gathering”
- 8.00 pm** **Lone Star I-II**
Opening Ceremonies
 Toastmistress Elizabeth Moon conducts the proceedings as we welcome our members and introduce our guests.
- 8.30 pm** **Rio Grande**
Buffy: The Vampire Slayer – “Hush”
- 9.00 pm** **Lone Star I-II**
Filk Concert - Michael Longcor
Sabine
No S#!T, I Was THERE!
 Convention horror stories and tall tales as told by the people who lived them. Hosted by Jim Murray with D.L. Anderson, Conrad, Middleton, Singleton.
Trinity
The Yard Dog Jam Session
 Selena Rosen could not make it this year, but a whole lot of the people she publishes are. Find out the real stories behind the Bubbas!
 S. Sinor*, Eudaly, Fletcher, Hale, Kosatka, Martindale, Oliver, B. Sinor, Turner
Guadalupe
 Rachel Caine Reading
- 9.30 pm** **Lone Star I-II**
Filk Concert - Carla Ulbrich
Guadalupe
 Julie Fortune Reading
Rio Grande
X-Files – “Bad Blood”
- 10.00 pm** **Lone Star I-II**
Filk Concert - Jeff and Maya Bohnhoff
Sabine
When SF is Not Enough
 An open discussion about the other fandoms that fill our time
 Hale*, Caine, Singleton
Trinity
Sex and the City on the Edge of Forever
 Claudia T. Smith brings her frank discussion panel, about fandom, sex and all that implies, to FenCon. Adults only please!
Guadalupe
David and Mary Gray Radio Play
 Everyone is invited to read through an old-time radio script together. It really is a blast, you need to stop by!

- 10.30 pm **Lone Star I-II**
Filk Concert - Spriggen
Rio Grande
Forever Knight – “Feeding the Beast”
- 11.00 pm **Lone Star I-II**
Filk Concert - October Country
Guadalupe
Open Filk until 6.00am
Brazos
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Destination Moon
- 7.30 am **Rio Grande**
Danger Mouse
- 8.30 am **Rio Grande**
Star Wars Holiday Special
- 10.00 am **Lone Star II**
Interview with the Vampire Writers
Five great suckers discuss different approaches to writing the archetypal monster.
Caine*, Elrod, Jacob, Simmons, Steakley
- Lone Star I**
What is Filk and Why Should I Care?
An introduction to the music of fandom.
Patterson*, Martindale, Longcor, Heslin, Middleton, Rodgers
- Sabine**
Women's fiction that features fantasy, SF, and paranormal romance as primary or secondary themes
'Nuff said.
Archer*, Brown, Rainbolt, Carl
- Trinity**
The Testosterone Zone: Explosions, Guns, and Swords
Manly men in SF and the manly things that make them manly.
B. Sinor*, D. L. Anderson, C. D. Andersson, C. Conrad, D. Gray, J. Murray, Turner
- Guadalupe**
Ardath Mayhar Reading

Rio Grande
Star Trek: The Animated Series – “The Slaver Weapon”
 (by Larry Niven!)

11.00 am Lone Star II
Science Fiction or Prediction?
 JPL Solar System Ambassador
 Ron Dilulio

Lone Star I
That's Bizzaro
 Stand-up comedian and magician Bizzaro delights and entertains.

Sabine
Ain't Tolkien So Cool!
 Discussion of the Hobbit, the Rings trilogy, and much more.
 Carl*, M. Gearhart-Gray, Hale, P. H. Murray, Sheridan

Trinity
Writing Genre-related Non Fiction
 Episode guides and essays are only the beginning.
 Kosatka*, Caine, Elrod, Fletcher, B. Sinor, Yeffeth

Guadalupe
 Lee Martindale Reading

Rio Grande
Firefly – “The Message” (unaired in the US!)

11.30 am Guadalupe
 Libby Smith Singleton Reading

12.00 pm Lone Star II
The Elizabeth Moon Interview
 Lee Martindale*

Lone Star I
Carla Ulbrich - in Concert!

Sabine
The Art of Writing Screenplays
 Learn from the Hollywood experiences of these writers.
 Eudaly*, Steakley, Turner

Trinity
Dear Mr. Fantasy
 The Importance of the Fantasy Novel in the World of SF
 Moore*, Archer, Fletcher, Mayhar

Guadalupe
 Joe R. Lansdale Reading

Brazos
 USS Trinity River Open Meeting

Rio Grande
Coupling – “Night Lines”

- 1.00 pm** ***Lone Star II***
World Building for Dummies
 How to create realistic worlds in six days or less.
 Steakley*, C.D. Andersson, Niven, Oliver
Lone Star I
Filk One-Shots and Mini Concerts. Sign up at Con
 Registration
Sabine
Marketing your Masterpiece
 You wrote it and now you have to sell it so others can read it.
 P. H. Murray*, Carl, Hale, Moore, Rainbolt, Sheridan, Ulbrich
Trinity
Judging Books by the Covers
 The history and importance of Art in SF
 Patterson*, D. L. Anderson, Conrad, D. Gray
Guadalupe
 Brad Sinor Reading
Brazos
The Basics of Writing Mini-Workshop
 Best-selling pros offer their expertise to you.
 Caine, Elrod
Rio Grande
**IHOD open meeting + “The Curse of Fenric” special
 edition**
 starring Sylvester McCoy
- 1.30 pm** ***Guadalupe***
 Maya Bohnhoff Reading
- 2.00 pm** ***Lone Star II***
The Jim Murray Show!
 Meet our Fen Guest of Honor and admire his sartorial flair.
 Hosted by David Lee Anderson
Lone Star I -
Margaret Middleton - in Concert!
Sabine
Belly Dance Workshop
 Learn how to shake what your momma gave ya.
Trinity
 David and Mary Gray Radio Play
Guadalupe
 Julia Blackshear Kosatka Reading
- 2.30 pm** ***Lone Star I***
Wm. Mark Simmons - in Concert!
Guadalupe
 Bev Hale Reading

- 3.00 pm** ***Lone Star II***
The Joe R. Lansdale Hour
Featuring our Special Guest, the Champion Mojo Storyteller.
presented by Cat Conrad
Lone Star I
Jeff and Maya Bohnhoff - in Concert!
Sabine
Generic Radio Workshop Rehearsal
(open to the public)
Trinity
A “Stargate SG-1” Panel
Load up your P-90 and dial the gate to adventure and
discussion.
Leaf*, Caine, Elrod, Fletcher, Kosatka
Guadalupe
Teresa Patterson Reading
Brazos
Gaming: IFGS LARP
Rio Grande
Strange – “Episode One”
- 3.30 pm** ***Guadalupe***
Lillian Stewart Carl Reading
- 4.00 pm** ***Sabine***
The Evolving Role of Women in SF/F
An all-star panel looks at female characters through the
decades.
Moon*, Archer, Brown, Carl, Hale, Jacob, Martindale, Mayhar,
Patterson, Singleton, S. Sinor
Trinity
Amateur Astronomy and the North Texas Astronomy
League
Barton, Caldwell
Guadalupe
Wm. Mark Simmons Reading
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Buffy: The Vampire Slayer – “Once More With Feeling”
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 Artists take challenges from the crowd and commit them to paper.
 D.L. Anderson, Conrad, D. Gray
Brazos
Why Isn’t My Robot Washing My Flying Car?
 What happened to the World of Tomorrow promised by SF?
 Simmons*, Archer, B. Sinor

8.00 pm Lone Star I- II
FenCon Cabaret
 Featuring:
 Belly Dancers
 Bizzaro the Magician
 Costume Contest
 The All-Star, Git-Down, Filk-Sing Hootenanny™
 Costume Awards
 Master of Ceremonies is Jim Murray

8.30 pm Rio Grande
Chicken Run

10.00 pm Lone Star I-II
FenCon Movie Night Featuring Bubba Ho-Tep
 with an introduction by Joe R. Lansdale and Q&A afterwards
Sabine
How to write a believable sex scene
 When a man loves a woman/alien/robot/plant very, very much...
 Brown*, Caine, Fletcher
Trinity
Call of Cthulhu
 Live-action role playing into the wee hours
 (Must be out of this room by 6.00 am)
Guadalupe
 Open Filk
 (Must be out of this room by 6.00 am)
Brazos
 Open Filk
 (Must be out of this room by 6.00 am)
Rio Grande
Army of Darkness

11.30 pm Rio Grande
Wallace and Gromit: The Wrong Trousers

Sunday:

- 12.00 am** *Rio Grande*
Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy
- 3.00 am** *Rio Grande*
The Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai Across the 8th Dimension
- 5.00 am** *Rio Grande*
Quantum Leap – “The Color of Truth”
- 6.00 am** *Rio Grande*
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Firefly – “Heart of Gold” (unaired in the US!)
- 10.00 am** *Lone Star II*
An Hour with Ardath Mayhar
Hear a true Texas legend discuss her varied writing career.
moderated by Joe R. Lansdale
Lone Star I
Dealing with Agents
How to sell your work without having to sell your soul.
Sheridan*, Moore, Simmons, B. Sinor, Yeffeth
Trinity
FanFic vs. Original Fiction
The pros and cons of playing in someone else's sandbox.
Julie Fortune*, Eudaly, Kosatka, Oliver, Singleton
- 10.30 am** *Rio Grande*
MacGyver – “Eye of Osiris”
- 11.00 am** *Lone Star II*
Mixing Genres
Books that don't know in what section they belong at the store.
Caine*, Archer, Brown, Jacob, Lansdale
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The Role of Religion in Contemporary SF/F
Martindale*, C.D. Andersson, Hale, Oliver
- 11.30 am** *Rio Grande*
Andromeda – “Starcrossed” and “Day of Judgment, Day of Wrath”
- 12.00 pm** *Lone Star II*
Hey Kids! It's a Comics Panel!

Writing for comic boo...uh, *graphic novels* is harder than it looks.

Conrad*, Hale, Lansdale, Niven, Singleton

Lone Star I

FenCon Salute to Texas Filk:

Filk concert - Lee Martindale

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Improvisation and the Art of Storytelling

with Claudia T. Smith

12.30 pm *Lone Star I*

Filk concert - Mary Miller

1.00 pm *Lone Star II*

The Use of Magic in Fantasy

Magic always has a price, even when you're just describing it.

M. Bohnhoff*, M. Gearhart-Gray, Hale, Mayhar, Sheridan

Lone Star I

Filk concert - Teresa Patterson

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Fight Club

How to write an effective fight scene.

Rob Preece and Lisa Montgomery

Rio Grande

***Stargate: SG-1* – “Window of Opportunity” and “Rite of Passage”**

1.30 pm *Lone Star I*

Filk concert - October Country

2.00 pm *Lone Star II*

Pitchforks and Torches

Tell the people in charge what you liked, didn't like and what you want to see next year. (Yes, we're doing this again next year.)

Lone Star I

Filk concert - Spriggen

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Upcoming from BenBella Books

Find out what D/FW's very own BenBella Books has planned for the near future.

Yeffeth, Caughey

2.30 pm *Rio Grande*

Monty Python and the Holy Grail

3.00 pm *Lone Star II*

This Is Not Your Father's Science Fiction

We have come a long way from the Golden Age. How themes, ideas, and approaches to the craft have changed for the new millennium.

C.D. Andersson*, Elrod, Lansdale, Niven

Lone Star I

How to Improve your Filk Performance

Advice from people on both sides of the microphone about what makes a good performer.

Tyra*, J. Bohnhoff, M. Bohnhoff, Gypsy, Sledge, Ulbrich

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Why rejection makes you a better writer

Pros talk about learning from their mistakes and what they did to get better because of it.

Kosatka*, Caine, Eudaly, Fletcher

4.00 pm *Lone Star II*

“Ya canna fight the laws of physics!” Avoiding Bad Science

Nothing can take away from the reader’s enjoyment of a story more than getting the science wrong. Learn how to avoid this.

C.D. Andersson*, Moon, Gray

Lone Star I

How to get the most from a filk circle

Etiquette, manners, and managing total chaos—what you need to survive and enjoy filk circles at your next convention

Miller*, Abbott, Martindale, Patterson

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History and Moral Philosophy in Science Fiction

An open discussion about some of the more political aspects of science fiction through the years.

B. Leaf*, Bahm, J. Murray

5.00 pm *Lone Star II*

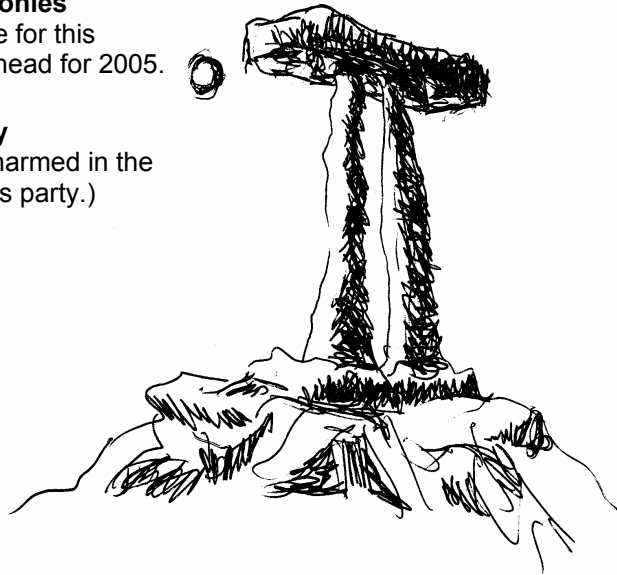
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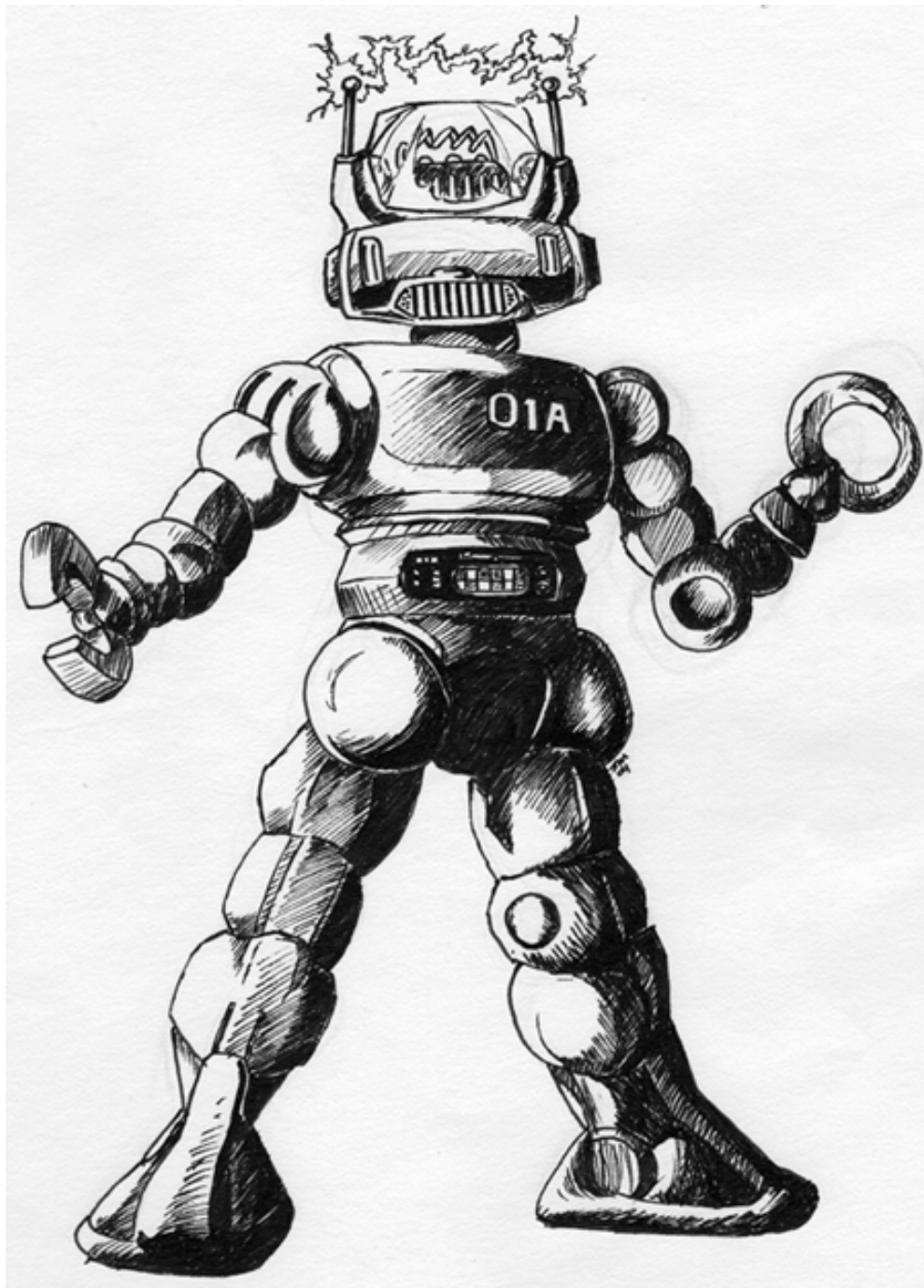
We say goodbye for this year and plan ahead for 2005.

6.00 pm *Con Suite*

Dead Dog Party

(No dogs were harmed in the production of this party.)





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