

# **FENCON IX**

*Dallas/Fort Worth*

*September 21-23, 2012*



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**Special Guest: Karl Schroeder**

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FenCon is a fan-run literary-focused general interest science fiction convention featuring a dedicated filk track, a costuming track, demos, gaming, an art show & auction, panel discussions, science programming, our annual short story contest, open filking, the legendary FenCon Cabaret, a writers workshop, and more than 100 program participants.

### Writers Workshop

This year's Writers Workshop is all about sequence, answering the age-old question: What happens next? Award-winning SF writer Karl Schroeder will lead the group as we analyze the structure and rhythm of novels and novellas including outlining, scene transitions, and plot rhythms. The number of participants is limited so sign up now.

### Short Story Contest

The only limit to our short story contest is your imagination (and 5000 words). The top story will be published in this year's program book. See our website for more details about rules, prize lists, and submission deadline.

### FenKids Children's Program

Our FenKids program is bigger and better than ever before. FenKids is a fun environment for young adults, children and parents to learn and explore. FenKids will feature panels and activities for kids of all ages.

### Gaming & Game Tournaments

It isn't just fun & games anymore. Now it's war. This year FenCon is hosting its first ever Magic: The Gathering tournament. And if that isn't enough, our crack team of Game-Meisters is cooking up lots of gaming goodness for you. Game On!

### Art Show & Charity Auction

They say art feeds the soul. If so, then the FenCon Art Show is your ethereal all-you-can-eat buffet. Original art, sculptures, prints, and more will be available to view and purchase. But wait, there's more! Our Annual Charity Auction will help raise money for this year's FenCon charity.

### Masquerade

Faeries. Airship pirates. Superheroes. Space Cowboys or Urban Wizards. You never know what you'll see at the FenCon Cabaret on Saturday night. Enter your own costume, or just watch the show. But it is more than just a Masquerade, there is a whole evening to enjoy including our infamous All-Star Git-Down Filk-Sing Hootenanny and other surprises. It's fun and may even be legal.

### Science

Sometimes we like our Science without the Fiction at FenCon, and that is why we offer several program items about the real science behind Science Fiction including robotics, space travel, energy and more.

### Demos and Workshops

In case you want some hands on learning and fun, FenCon offers a variety of demos and workshops all weekend long. From costume making to Arduino electronic modules to illustrating a story to writing song lyrics, there is bound to be something to interest you.

### Panels, Concerts, and More

There is so much more to FenCon that it is impossible to fit in an itty-bitty paragraph. If you love live music, listening to authors & scientists & artists and fans, attending workshops & tastings and more, then FenCon is the place to be. Whether you chill out in our Video Room, grab a bite to eat and a hearty helping of conversation in our hospitality suite "The Admiral's Club", go shopping in our huckster room or cruise the parties in the evenings, there is always plenty to do at FenCon.

To get your membership to FenCon IX, please fill out the form below and mail it to:

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**Regular Membership**  
 \$30 before February 1  
 \$35 before June 1  
 \$40 before September 1  
 \$45 at the door

Regular members get:  
 • The souvenir program book  
 • A convention guide  
 • A standard welcome packet

**Friend of the Fen Membership**  
 \$45 before February 1  
 \$50 before June 1  
 \$55 before September 1  
 Not available at the door

Friends of the Fen also get:  
 • FenCon IX t-shirt or tote bag  
 • Your name in the program book  
 • An exclusive autograph session  
 • Bonus goodies and more!

YA 13-21 \$20 before 9/1/12  
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