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Friday's Highlights

Opening Ceremonies, 7:00 PM, Trinity
Sure, the Con has been open all day, but this is where it "officially" begins. Stop by and meet all our guests and find out about the great weekend of programming we have lined up for you.

*John Aneallo Guest of Honor Concert
8:00PM, Trinity*

Come join our musical GoH at a special concert Friday night.

*Birthday Party for Peter David
10:00 PM, ConSuite*

ORAC is holding a birthday party for Peter David! Open to all convention members.

Check the Convention Guide for the Autograph Schedule and Readings Schedules – don't miss time with your favorite guests!

Program Schedule Updates

While we do our best to ensure all programming is locked in so you know what to expect, life happens. Pick up a "**Pink Sheet**" that includes any changes made since the Convention Guide went to print.

We regret to announce that Dr. David Hanson, our Science Guest of Honor, will not be attending FenCon IX. He has been grounded in Hong Kong with a medical problem and is unable to get clearance to fly until next week. Dr. Hanson sends his regrets.

In the Video Room

Today is quite special for the video room. Peter David's birthday is this weekend, and we are celebrating with an afternoon of his work. We start with the two sci-fi westerns he wrote for Full Moon Entertainment; *Oblivion* and its sequel *Backlash: Oblivion II*. We follow up with the two episodes of *Babylon 5* that he wrote, *There All Honor Lies* and *Soul Mates*, and we finish with his episode of *Crusade, Ruling from the Tomb*. Today is also National Hobbit Day, and in celebration, we will be screening the classic Rankin/ Bass *The Hobbit* animated movie later this evening as part of our late night animation block.

Gaming Hours

Friday: opens at 6:00 PM, runs all night

Saturday: 24 hours

Sunday: runs all day, closes at 4:00 PM



Room Parties

WhoFest will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of Doctor Who on Nov. 22-24, 2013! But we are starting the party early - stop by our room party on Friday night at 9:00pm and try some of our patented Sonic Screwdriver Punch and have some fish fingers and custard.

Look on the party board at the convention to find out the where & when for this and other festivities.

Book Early for 2013

We've already booked FenCon X! The dates are October 4-6, 2013. However, this is also TX-OU weekend, and the hotel expects to fill quicker than normal. Details coming soon.

Charity Support

FenCon is proud to support our charity organization LIFT. Carter BloodCare will be here Saturday, and a benefit CD party will be held to support The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research.

Special Art Exhibition

FenCon will be hosting a special showing of original art from TSR Hobbies, the creators of the *Dungeons and Dragons* role-playing game, *DragonLance* series of novels, and *Dragon Magazine*. The artworks are from the private collection of our guest, Diesel LaForce. Join us for a rare look at some historic images that helped shape the gaming industry of today.

On exhibit you will see artwork like the original covers to the *Greyhawk* book from 1976, and Thomas Canty's cover to *Dragon Magazine #2*. Many other great and iconic pieces of art will be displayed in the FenCon Art Show. Diesel will be available during the convention so feel free to approach him at any time. He would be more than happy to discuss his collection with you.

Mobile Access

The full schedule is on our mobile site: <http://m.fencon.org/>.

Create your own Schedule

Trying to find your next panel in the Convention Guide? Create your own custom schedule on our site: <http://www.fencon.org/Login.aspx>.

Notes from Around the Con

Lazy Dragon is offering a FREE gift at our table in the Dealer Room with purchase.

Frost Cutlery folding knife with minimum purchase of \$25.00

OR

Hero Edge 27" Full Tang Sword with minimum purchase of \$60.00

(Free items not cumulative, vendor choice of product, 1 item per person per purchase, must be at least 18 years of age, other restrictions may apply)

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 Costumers Anonymous of North Texas (C.A.N.T.) is hosting a sewing room for costumers. Need a costume repair or want to chat about costuming? Come to Room 2081.