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SALUTATIONS!

Well met this fine day fellow traveler into the unknown! Your keen mind has led you to the Scientifiction Exposition: Necronomicon 2008. (Since I'm not very ambulatory in this jar, I'll be your guide to the marvels and miracles of science on display for you this weekend.) From the clockwork automatons to the Ætherships that ply the spaceways, you'll find something for every mad scientist and Igor (or Ygor) in your family. So focus your fine intellect on this guide and

you will
no doubt
have an
energizing
experience at
Necronomicon!



TWO THINGS YOU CAN'T BREAK: RULES OF NATURE & NECRONOMICON

Ahh, rules. I wish that I had followed some of my lab safety rules, then maybe I would be not be bubbling away in this jar. So, read these, and be sure to have your goggles down during all experiments. Violation of these rules may cause ejection from the Con and/or the hotel.

- 1. No Smoking** - The hotel, State of Florida, and Necronomicon have instituted a no smoking policy. The only places where con members may smoke are the bar, on designated smoking floors, and outside.
- 2. Weapons** - No real weapons, bladed weapons, or simulated weapons that shoot a projectile are allowed. Also, if it looks like a real gun, it's not allowed. The only exception is for pre-approved Masquerade participants. All hall costume weapons / props must be approved by a member of Necronomicon staff.
- 3. Badges** - ID badges must be worn prominently on the front of clothing and above the waist at all times. Anyone without a badge will be refused access. If you lose your badge, you must buy a new membership to get another one.
- 4. Behavior and costumes must adhere to Pinellas County decency laws.**
- 5. Quiet time**, except for the first floor, is 10:00 p.m to 10 a.m. For the consideration of all hotel guests, during these hours you are required to keep noise to a minimum on all sleeping floors.
- 6. Disorderly Conduct** - No running in the hotel, yelling, damaging hotel and/or convention property, or fighting will be tolerated. Drunken or disorderly conduct in the Necronomicon function space will result in the member being escorted to his or her room or removed from the hotel.
- 7. Alcohol** shall not be dispensed in public or function areas in the hotel except by authorized hotel staff.
- 8. Signs** - There is no posting of signs except on convention bulletin boards. No signs may be posted in the elevators, on the walls, or on room doors. Bulletin boards and thumbtacks are available at the registration desk.

Damage to the hotel jeopardizes our ability to put on future conventions. To ensure that there will be another Necronomicon, please report any acts of vandalism to the hotel or convention staff.

GUESTS OF HONOR

FREDERIK POHL

Born November 26, 1919, Frederik Pohl has been active in the world of science fiction for over sixty years.

He attended the prestigious Brooklyn Tech high school, but due to the Great Depression, dropped out at fourteen to go to work. While still a teenager, he began a lifelong friendship with fellow writer Isaac Asimov. Both belonged to the Futurians, a New York-based sf fan group.

Pohl launched a career as a literary agent in 1937, and ended up representing half of the most successful writers in science fiction. For a brief period, he was the only agent ever to represent Isaac Asimov.

In time, he moved into writing himself, attracting notice with a series of stories co-authored with friend and fellow Futurian Cyril M. Kornbluth. Perhaps the best known of these was *The Space Merchants*, a dystopian satire of a world run by ad agencies.

His solo work has been equally groundbreaking. In the 50s and 60s, he produced stories that often took a satirical look at consumerism. In the 70s, he won back-to-back Nebulas with *Man Plus* and *Gateway*, first in the Heechee series. He has also published non-fiction in *Playboy* and *Family Circle*, and was the *Encyclopedia Britannica's* official authority on the emperor Tiberius.

He remains an active writer today. *The Last Theorem*, his completion of a novel begun by Arthur C. Clarke, was released earlier this year.

Since 1984, he has been married to SF editor and academic Elizabeth Anne Hull.



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JULIE CZERNEDA

Julie Czerneda launched her career as an SF writer with *A Thousand Words for Stranger*, the first book in her Trade Pact trilogy. *Beholder's Eye*, her second novel, began the Web Shifter series and was a finalist for the Aurora Award.

Since then, she's concluded the Trade Pact trilogy and written two more Web Shifter novels. The latter feature Eslen the Blue, her "most fun" character. *In the Company of Others*, a standalone novel, was a multiple award winner.

She's equally active as an editor. She edits the *Tales from the Wonder Zone* and *Realms of Wonder* anthologies, and was responsible for the award-winning *Space Inc.* She co-edited *ReVisions*, *Under the Cover of Darkness*, and the forthcoming *Ages of Wonder*.

She spent three years completing *Survival*, *Migration*, and *Regeneration*, the volumes in her Species Imperative trilogy, which she regards as her most significant work to date. She's currently working on the Stratification trilogy, the prequel to her Trade Pact books, and *Turn of Light*, her first fantasy. *Misspelled*, her latest anthology, is a humorous look at magic gone wrong.

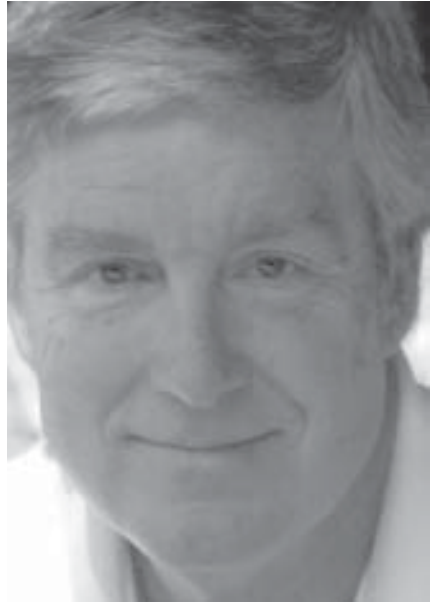
She often does workshops and presentations on SF, writing, and scientific literacy, and is writing a series of features on SF and biotechnology for a college text. She's the SF consultant for *Science News* and produces *Science News for Kids*, a regular feature on their website.



photo by Roger Czerneda

RICK WILBER

Rick Wilber has been writing science-fiction for various magazines and anthologies since the late 1970s. His short fiction has appeared in *Analog*, *Asimov's*, *Fantasy & Science Fiction* and many other magazines in the field, as well as a variety of literary magazines like *Cencrastus* (Scotland), *Poetry Ireland Review*, *GulfStream* and others where he has also published several dozen poems.



Rick's thriller novel *The Cold Road* came out to good reviews (Forge, 2003) and a collected novel, *To Leuchars* (Wildside, 2000) was called a "minor classic" by SFSite.com. His most recent book is a memoir, *My Father's Game* (McFarland, 2007), about growing up with a father who was a major-league baseball player, coach and manager. The book is also about the stresses of caregiving for that father late in his life.

A long-time college journalism professor, Rick is the author of several college textbooks, including *Magazine Feature Writing* (St. Martin's Press), *The Writer's Handbook for Editing and Revision* (McGraw Hill), *Modern Media Writing* (Cengage) and is at work on an introductory media text, *Media Matters*, for Cengage. His novel *Rum Point* is forthcoming from McFarland. He is a journalism professor at the University of South Florida, where he heads the magazine major.



Rick was fiction editor for the online multi-media website, *GalaxyOnline* and served for nearly a dozen years as the editor for *Fiction Quarterly*, the literary supplement of *The Tampa Tribune*. He was also co-editor with Richard Mathews of *Subtropical Speculations* (Pineapple Press), a collection of Florida-themed science-fiction and fantasy short stories by major authors.

He lives in Lewiston, NY and St. Pete Beach, FL, and teaches at USF in Tampa, and so he spends entirely too much time on airplanes fretting over his carbon footprint.

OTHER GUESTS

The amount of effort it takes to plan, design, create, manufacture & assemble the parts of a convention is staggering. This could not have been done without the help of a dedicated group of innovators.

Tracy Akers, Johnny Atomic, D.C. Black, Bruce Boston, Jeffrey Breslauer, Richard Lee Byers, Craig Caldwell, Philip Chien, Julie Czerneda, Malcolm Deeley, George M. Ewing, Glenda Finkelstein, Tony Finkelstein, Lynne Hansen, William Hatfield, Ray Herz, Michael Hinman, Ed Howdershelt, Chris A. Jackson, Carol Jeffers, Miranda Johnston, Michael L. Joy, William R. Logan, Will Ludwigsen, Craig MacDougal, Elissa Malcohn, Philip McCall, Christina McCoy, Christopher McCoy, Jeffrey Mitchell, William Mize, Kendall D. W. Morris, Kendall F. Morris, Kathy L. Nappier, Michael Pinsky, Frederik Pohl, E. Rose Sabin, Bo Savino, T. Devon Sharkey, Marge Simon, Jeff Strand, Andrea Dean Van Scoyoc, Paul Vincenti, Robert Westerfield, M.B. Weston, Rick Wilber, Ross Winn, Joel D. Wynkoop, Ed Wysocki and Tim Zahn.

 <p>resurrection angel a denton ward and monty crocetti mystery william mize</p>	<p>"I touch things, and they tell me stories."</p>
<p>Denton Ward; psychic, alcoholic, agoraphobe</p>	<p>"If I have to take a photo of one more cheating husband, I'm gonna shoot someone."</p>
<p>Monty Crocetti; Private Investigator, punk rocker</p>	<p>Tampa Bay's most original mystery series continues the journey of an emotionally wounded psychic, his punk rock loving, Private Investigator girlfriend and their love for each other.</p>
 <p>everlasting life a denton ward and monty crocetti mystery william mize</p>	<p>"Resurrection Angel", the first book in the series, was nominated for Best First Novel of the Year by the Private Eye Writers of America</p>
<p><i>"William Mize has the rare, raw talent found in only a handful of novelists."</i></p>	<p>Download the first five chapters of each book FREE at http://www.dentonandmonty.com</p>

LOCATIONS OF INTEREST

A PLETHORA OF CURIOSITIES FOR ACQUISITION

A staple of every Exposition is the Vendors Room. Here you will find all the supplies you might need. Whether you're an adventurer bound for some forgotten land, or a stalwart young Miss, looking for a 3/17" occipital left-



leaning heterodyne wrench, you'll likely find it in the North Side of the Grand Bay Ballroom. The room will be open from 12pm to 6pm on Friday, 9am to 6pm on Saturday, and 10am to 4pm on Sunday. Be sure to keep your hands on your wallet, as a number of these fellows moonlight as airship pirates.

VISIOGRAPHICAL IMAGES PRESENTED WITH LIMITED RISK

A veritable wizard of illusion who simply goes by the name of "OZ" is the head of our VisioGraphical department. Using his revolutionary Magneto-Optical Stimulation of Retinal Nerves, he has created a medium to display myriad images to astound and amaze you. Stories from the near and far east will play out continuously in the Pier & Skyway rooms over the weekend. Of particular note are the special "SteamPunk" marathon, and of course the Anime track. Our fine friends from MetroCon will have some special panels in the Pier Room (Video 1). Check the Panels list in the back of the book for times. Protective goggles are recommend for those viewing over four hours of material. Management will not be responsible for melted optics if protection is eschewed.

ON THE STEWARDSHIP OF JUVENILES

Our Exposition is a wonderful place for those members with a talent for eugenics to show off the fruits of their, um, labors. It matters not if you are trying for stronger, faster, or extra limbs; all will be welcome here. But there comes a time when "parents" need a break for special seminars. Thus, we offer the service of licensed, certified guardians to mind your little constructs. This will be available on Friday from 6pm to Midnight and Saturday from Noon to 4pm and 6pm to Midnight on the 15th floor. Check the grid schedule for room number.

A COLLECTION OF GAMES OF CHANCE,

STRATEGY, AND PREVARICATION

Unknown to most, there is a hidden world buried in the depths of the Convention. Only those adventurers with keen minds and stout hearts ever dare to venture there. Puzzles, traps and sudden death await around every corner. This is actually what attracts these stalwarts to the dreaded Gaming Area. Located west of the St Pete Ballroom, the Gaming Guardians are waiting to present you with challenges of the RPG, Board, and Card varieties. LARPing is also on hand for those who really want to live the adventure. For those with a more technical bent, there is a network of Difference Engines running Combat Reality simulations in the Williams room. All in all, a delightful challenge for those who enjoy facing death before breakfast.



MARTIN ARNOBIT

1960 - 2008

Artist



Dancer



Gamer



Friend

You will be missed.

A FINE REPAST IS SET

The Convention Suite at Necronomicon is a favorite of many patrons, and has been favorably compared to those of much larger establishments. This year, it can be found on the lofty 15th floor with a view that dominates all that lies below it. One vertical people mover will be set to express between One and Fifteen. Potions and victuals can be found here to sustain you in your 32nd waking hour of fevered activity. For the safety of innocent bystanders, all items must be consumed on the premises.

A MEMORIAL TO GREAT CTHULHU

IN ITS THIRD YEAR; WITH ICE CREAM

Friday night at 7pm will see a devious experiment in human nature. The St Pete Ballroom will open with free Ice Cream available for anyone who requests it. But there's a catch. The supply of the frozen repast is insufficient. Independent observers will monitor the decay of civility as a veritable frenzy erupts over the simple sweets. While the ensuing chaos will be fascinating to watch, special security will be standing by with Electro-Zap Wands to keep the experiment from contaminating other events.



DO NOT CUT IN THE ICE CREAM LINE

THE DICHOTOMETRIC NATURE OF YGOR / IGOR

AS IT EFFECTS ETHANOL METABOLIZATION

Where would we the scientists and inventors be without those who toil tirelessly under our oppressive yokes? Minions of all kinds, the cliché Igers if you will, have always been there to do our dirty work for us. It's high time we show some appreciation for their slavish devotion. Friday night at 10pm in the Convention Suite will see the world famous Ygor Party. Come join in the revelry and hoist a glass of beer to your favorite lackey. (You must be at least 662,256,000 seconds old to be served alcohol.)

MARVELOUS MASQUERADERS FLAUNT THEIR ATTIRE

Whether you are an adventurer off to the mines of Boskone, or a madboy releasing his latest monster to “show them all!”, it’s important to be dressed your best. To all in that endeavor, we will be presenting a showcase of the grandest fashions from across the Empire and neighboring dimensions. Those wishing to participate should sign up at Convention Registration before 4pm Saturday. Those wishing to witness the spectacle should be in the St Pete Ballroom on Saturday night. Seating begins at 7:30pm and the pageant will start promptly at 8pm.



THE OUTRE WALK AMONGST US AND ARE AWARDED PRIZES

While many participate in the Masquerade, many others prefer prefer to display their finery in more casual fashion. As their gallant efforts should not be ignored, we hold the Hall Costume Contest during the day on Saturday. Secret judges will circulate amongst the crowd awarding ribbons to those in the finest costumes. Inventors are cautioned against wearing their 40-foot-tall dueling armor. The ceilings are just too low.

OBSCURE AND ARCANE KNOWLEDGE FOR FUN & PROFIT

It has been said that Knowledge is Power. For those who quest for secrets Man was not meant to know, that knowledge is an OBSESSION! With it, you can WARP reality to your every WHIM! You can STRIDE AMONGST THOSE PATHETIC FOOLS LIKE A TITAN! HA, THEY SAID YOU’D FAIL, BUT YOU SHOWED THEM! THEY SHALL RUE THE DAY... WHAT?... HUH?... I am... Oh, Dear... Dreadfully sorry. Uhm. You can put your knowledge to good use in several different contests for mental agility.

- Friday at 9pm, there will be the Movie One Liners challenge. St Pete Room 1 will be the location for this popular event. Over-actors are encouraged to attend.

- Join us for the Main Necronomicon Trivia Competition Saturday at 2pm in St. Pete Room 2. Sign up at Registration and we will assign you to a team. Vie for Pseudo-cash prizes in an unholy marriage of *Jeopardy!* and *Win Ben Stein's Money*.
- On Saturday evening at 10pm, the Harbor View Room will fill with the Siren sounds of sweet music. The *Name that Tune* challenge will pit you against other audience members in a brawl of brains to recall the movie or TV source.

AN ARTISTIC EXTRAVAGANZA FOR BROWS HIGH AND LOW

You might be able to build a death ray cannon that can wipe a small town off the map, but if it doesn't look elegant, then you'll get no respect from your peers. Art is as much a part of good science as electrocuting assistants. At the Art Show, you'll find eye-pleasing examples of the artist's work. Open from Noon to 7pm Friday, 9am to 6pm Saturday and 9am to 4pm Sunday. Stop in, tour the exhibit, and bid on those pieces that that would look best in reading lounge of your castle. Those items that have 3 bids will go to auction on Sunday morning at 11am in St Pete Room 1. Please be generous, as many purchases help to fund expeditions to lost continents.

A notice to parents and guardians - it is our policy to allow artistic nudity in the pieces hung in the art show. If you have minors with you, we suggest you walk through the show first to see if there are any works you wish to steer young ones away from.

ROUSING SONGS TO FIRE THE SPIRIT & IMAGINATION

They said it couldn't be done! They said it SHOULDN'T be done! But it WAS done! Long ago a crazed genius twisted the laws of sound to combine the simple folk song with the parody. Thus was born the monster, FILK! To honor the rampages of FILK, followers will gather over the weekend to sing songs of its mad reign across the decades. This cheerful cacophony will occur on Friday from 3pm to 5pm in the Harbor View room; Again at 11pm in the Harbor View; and lastly, Saturday starting at 9pm in the Bayboro room.

And let us not forget the Japanese cousin of Filk that destroyed Tokyo several time in the pervious century. KARAOKE will live again on Friday night in the Harbor View room at 8pm. Participants will revel in its madness and give up their sanity to the little, bouncing ball.

A GRAND GALA GATHERS:

A KING & QUEEN OF THE PROM ARE CHOSEN

I remember when I was attending Transylvania Polygnostic University. We used to have fabulous dances for all the students. I always ended up dancing with a women who had two left feet. That's what happens when Constructs are allowed to attend. Still, everyone and everything is invited to come to the Necronomi-Prom, a gala event to be held Saturday at 9:30pm in the St Pete Ballroom. We encourage you to dress appropriately in your finest top hat and brass goggles. It meshes well with our theme of *Space: 1899*. Or you can wear chain mail, power armor, or a funeral shroud; we don't care as long as it's your best. A fine Victrola Jockey will provide music to fire the spirit and move the feet. Before the evening ends, a King and Queen of the Prom will be chosen from the crowd. What a jolly good way to spend the evening!



Sherri Wetherill 1960 ~ 2008



A Stone Hill member,

A great Artist,

A wonderful co-director,

*And no one could have
asked for a better friend.*

OF OFFSPRING, CANINES & THE GENEROSITY OF MAN

It behooves all ladies and gentlemen of high moral fiber to help those what toil in the service of the greater good. To this end, Necronomicon supports Kids & Canines. This local group teaches at-risk high school students to train service dogs. Their work enhances their social skills and academic performance, and the dogs go on to assist the disabled with their daily needs.

To benefit this worthy cause, we donate a portion of our proceeds. We are also raffling a fabulous prize at the Ice Cream Social. Enjoy the confection and be generous.

WORKSHOPS & SPECIAL EVENTS

(WARNING: IMPLOSIONS MAY OCCUR)

Aside from numerous panels, (listed at the end of this manuscript) we are offering some special events to mention. A quick summary follows.

- Four authors will read stories to chill you to the bone at the **Scary Stories Pajama Party** on Friday night at 10pm in St Pete Room 2. Hmm, I sense the raising of a tradition from earliest days of Necronomicon.
- Only those over the age of 18 will be allowed to attend the **Adult Scavenger Hunt**. Spectators and would-be participants should gather in St Pete 1 at 10:30pm on Friday. Please have ID available.
- Three cheers for Evil! Come join in **Dr. Horrible's Sing Along Blog** at Midnight Friday in St Pete 2.
- Guest of Honor Julie Czerneda will host **Teaching Science Literacy Through Science Fiction** in St Pete Room 1 on Saturday at Noon.
- Also at Noon, you can see a display of **Medieval Martial Arts** in the Bayboro Room. In fact, you can participate.
- Celebrate the debut of **Julie Czerneda's newest novel** on Saturday at 5pm in St Pete Room 2.
- Devon Sharky has hosted the **Landsknecht Lounge Party** for years at Necronomicon. This year he's rented out Cafe Alma for the occasion. It is open to all members with convention badges and ID to show they are over 21. This will be Saturday night at the address 206 1st Ave, #100.
- For those who missed the **Medieval Martial Arts** Saturday, it repeats on Sunday at noon in the Harbor View Room.
- And finally, we have "**Once More With Feeling**", the Buffy musical, at 1pm Sunday in St Pete Room 2.

The Landsknecht Lounge Oktoberfest Party!

Come celebrate the cool Fall nights with a cold frosty beer! Hosted this year at Café Alma, 260 1st Avenue South #100, just a block away from the Hilton!

Doors open Saturday at 9 P.M. Admission is Free to Con members with badge! Must be over 21!

Free Beer! Cash Bar for other Drinks. Bavarian Menu Available.



Café Alma

Would like to welcome NECRONOMICON to our Oktoberfest weekend!

Join us for brunch, lunch and dinner Friday thru Sunday, October 10, 11, and 12 and receive \$2.00 off any menu item!

Present your Necronomicon Badge and enjoy! More info at www.cafealma.com

PONDERING ON SCIENCE, CRAFT, ART & THE SENTIENT CONDITION

A DESCRIPTION OF WHEN, WHERE, WHAT AND WHO

FRIDAY

3:00 PM

Harbor View
Bayboro

Open Filk – Come start the music at our early Friday filk.— *Host: Bruns*
Writing Workshop – D.C. Black gives you tips and tricks of the writing trade. This is one of three workshops. – *Host: Black*

4:00 PM

Bayboro

Steampunk Fashion – Miranda Johnston gives you advice on Steampunk costuming with emphasis on the clothing. – *Host: Johnston*

Pier Room/Vid 1

The State of Anime: An Examination – A discussion of the present climate of the anime industry both here in the United States and in Japan. *Hosts: Mr Metrocon, CosmoP Justy*

5:00 PM

Harbor View

What's New in TV & Film? – Find out what you “must see” and what you “must miss.” – *Hinman, Lellouche*

Bayboro

Steampunk Gadgets & Props – Our Steampunk aficionados add gadgets and props to the costume mix. – *Jones, Westerfield, Evil Eric* – *Host: Johnston*

St. Pete Main Hall

Autographing – Meet our guests of honor and get your books signed. – *Czerneda, Pohl, Wilber*

7:00 PM

Ballroom

3rd Annual Cthulhu Memorial Eye Scream Social – Join us for this early party and yard sale. – *Host: Hicks*

8:00 PM

Harbor View

Karaoke – Show you've got the musical chops at our own little Karaoke Corner (open till 11pm). – *Hosts: Wiener, Cote*

9:00 PM

Bayboro

Gay Issues in Fandom & Fiction – Panelists (and audience) discussion of fiction featuring themes of interest to gay and lesbian fans and the place of gay and lesbian fans in the fannish community. – *Callen, Dagneau, Hinman* – *Host: Hicks*

St. Pete 1

Movie One-Liners – Think you know movie trivia? Show us what you've got at this Friday night fave. – *Prize Princess: A. Morris, Host: Lung*

St. Pete 2

International Space Station Slide Show – Come see what's exciting and new aboard the space station. – *Host: Mitchell*

St. Pete 3

Independent Films: Joys and Sorrows – Want to make your own movie? You'll find out the good and bad of such an enterprise. – *Atomic, Breslauer, T. Finkelstein, Wynkoop* – *Host: Herz*

10:00 PM

Bayboro

Fan Favorites – Our fan panel talks about what's hot right now in TV, movies and fan fiction. – *Dagneau, Hicks, Hollingsworth, Lellouche* – *Host: R. Morris*

St. Pete 2

Scary Stories Pajama Party – Dress in your jammies, bring your pillow and settle in for some spooky bedtime tales from authors *Jeff Strand, Lynne Hansen, Richard Lee Byers and Andrea Dean Van Scoyoc.*

St. Pete 3

You Don't Have to Write F&SF – Authors who've written in genres other than fantasy & science fiction talk about their reasons for moving outside those genres and how you can make that move. – *Ludwigsen, Mize, Wilber, Weston* – *Host: Joy*

Con Suite

Ygor Party – Decide whether you are an Ygor or an Igor and join the fun of our annual Ygor/Igor Party and gourmet bheer tasting. – *Hosts: K. Morris, E. Carroll*

10:30 PM

St. Pete 1

Adult Scavenger Hunt – Teams vie for prizes in this more or less friendly competition (not for persons under 18 without parental consent in writing). – *Host: Lung*

11:00 PM

Harbor View

Open Filk – Time to play and sing some F&SF tunes with old friends and old friends you've just met. – *Host: Bruns*

Bayboro

Slash Fiction – Fans of same sex fiction discuss what's good, bad and ugly about the genre. – *Dagneau, Hinman, Hollingsworth, Powers* – *Host: Hicks*

Midnight

St. Pete 2

"Dr. Horrible" Sing Along – We'll provide the hymnals and you can provide the voices for this web sensation tribute. – *Host: H. Dryer*

SATURDAY

10:00 AM

Bayboro

Plotting a Novel – Writers give tips on how to pace your novel to tell the best story you can. – *Akers, Logan, Sabin, Weston* – *Host: Nappier*

Harbor View

Children's Programming – Maria Hoffmann and crew entertain our youngest attendees. Activities include arts & crafts, storytelling, etc. Parents are asked to attend with their young people. Events for kids run from 10am to 4pm.

St. Pete 1

Florida Unreal Estate – Authors discuss the use of our native state as the location for their stories and novels. – *Byers, Hansen, Hatfield, Mize* – *Host: Savino*

St. Pete 3

Q & A with Julie Czerneda – Join us for an entertaining interview with our guest of honor. – *Host: Herz*

10:30 AM

St. Pete 2

Whose Line Is It? – You've seen the game on TV but check out this SF version and play along. – *Hosts: H. & D. Dryer*

11:00 AM

Bayboro

Defining Romantic Art and Literature – In literary and artistic terminology, "romance" is not a Barbara Cartland thing. Our authors and artists discuss the real meaning of "romance." – *G. Finkelstein, Ludwigsen, McCall, Vincenti* – *Host: Malcoln*

St. Pete 1

Q & A with Frederik Pohl – Guest of Honor Rick Wilber interviews SF legend Frederik Pohl.

St. Pete 3

Business Tips for Creative People – It's not all fun and games in the creative person's realm. Our authors and artists give their tips for dealing with the business of a creative career. – *Atomic, Jeffers, Simon* – *Host: Boston*

12:00 PM

Bayboro

Medieval Martial Arts – Join Tampa Fechtschule members for this hands-on workshop. Wear loose clothing and shoes with good traction. – *Host: Sharkey*

St. Pete 1

Teaching Science Literacy through SF – Guest of Honor Julie Czerneda gives you ideas for helping students, or friends and family, learn science fact through science fiction.

- St. Pete 2 **Voice Acting Workshop** – Well known professional voice actor Jeffrey Breslauer brings back his popular workshop for those who'd like to work as voiceover artists.
- St. Pete 3 **Dystopian Film** – The panel discusses film that depicts societies plagued by poverty, unrest, misery and war. – *Atomic, Hinman, Pinsky, Wynkoop* – Host: *Boston*
- 1:00 PM**
- St. Pete 3 **The Hero's Journey** – As homage to Joseph Campbell, our panelists discuss how a fictional character makes the journey that turns him or her from an ordinary person to a hero. – *G. Finkelstein, Jackson, McCall, Zahn* – Host: *Herz*
- Pier Room/Vid 1 **Animation on American Television - Where To Now?** – We'll examine the decline of animated shows and movies in the last few years and what the future may hold. Hosts: *CosmoP Justy, TBA*
- 2:00 PM**
- Bayboro **Young Adult Fiction vs. Adult Fiction** – Panelists talk about the varying styles and restrictions in writing for young adults as opposed to adults. – *Akers, Hansen, Sabin, Weston* – Host: *Schlabach*
- St. Pete 1 **Keeping the Science in Science Fiction** – Our guests of honor discuss how to keep SF science based instead of turning into fantasy. – *Czerneda, Pohl, Wilber* – Host: *MacDougal*
- St. Pete 2 **Trivia!** – Sign up to compete in our super challenge or come and cheer your favorite team on. – Hosts: *Bruns, D. Dryer, Jones, Warren, Zahn(s)*
- St. Pete 3 **Scientists' Predictions** – Real life science guys talk about what they think the future holds for us. – *K. Morris, K. D. Morris, Mitchell, Wysocki* – Host: *Caldwell*
- 3:00 PM**
- Bayboro **Is Anything Sacred?** – Is there anything that can't be the subject of humor? Our panel gives us their take on sacred subjects as fodder for the humor mill. – *Breslauer, Jackson, Ludwigen, Strand* – Host: *Herz*
- St. Pete Main Hall **Autographing** – Guests of honor *Julie Czerneda, Frederik Pohl, and Rick Wilber* will be available to sign your books.
- St. Pete 1 **Writing Gaming Scenarios** – This one is for you gamers who want to create your own gaming materials either for fun or profit. The panel tells you how to get started. – *Byers, McCoy, McCoy, Winn* – Host: *Schlabach*
- St. Pete 3 **Beginning Jewelry Making** – Artist Rubi Shea (a.k.a. Carol Jeffers) introduces you to the fun of making your own jewelry. Materials provided.
- Pier Room/Vid 1 **METROCON Panel** – A panel devoted to all things METROCON. Details of events, panels, and programming to be held at next year's con. Hosts: *Mr. Metrocon, TBA*
- 4:00 PM**
- Bayboro **Writers' Workshop** – This is the second of D.C. Black's workshops for fan fiction writers and those who aspire to write professionally.
- St. Pete 1 **Getting Your Work on the Net** – Publishers and authors tell you how they got their work on the net and how you can too. – *Howdershelt, Chris McCoy, Nappier* – Host: *Savino*
- St. Pete 2 **Dr. Morris Explains It All for You** – Dr. Kendall F. Morris, professor and scientist, shares this entertaining lecture on the scientific method—the basis for all good science.
- 5:00 PM**
- Bayboro **Linking Poetry and Art** – Poets and artists suggest ways in which their creative pursuits can accentuate each other. – *Boston, Deeley, Malcoln* – Host: *Simon*

- St. Pete 1 **Destination: Red Planet** – Science guys Craig Caldwell, Jeff Mitchell and Ed Wysocki discuss the possibility of travel to, and colonization of, Mars. – *Host: MacDougal*
- St. Pete 2 **Julie Czerneda Book Debut** – Come and be the first to learn about Ms. Czerneda’s newest novel. It’s more than just a presentation. It’s a little party.
- St. Pete 3 **So, You Want to Self-Publish** – Andrea Dean Van Scoyoc shares her secrets for success in the realm of self publishing.
- 8:00 PM**
St. Pete Ballroom **Masquerade** – This is Necronomicon’s annual costume contest. It’s where you’ll see the best and brightest of our costumed attendees.
- 9:00 PM**
Bayboro **Open Filk** – Join others who enjoy raising their voices in song for this filk session that will almost certainly last into the wee hours of Sunday morning.
- 9:30 PM**
St. Pete Ballroom **Necronomi-Prom** – This is a formal event where you can dance the night away, have a souvenir picture taken, have a chance to be crowned King, Queen or Other of the prom and show off your formal duds or favorite costume.
- 10:00 PM**
Harbor View **SF Name That Tune** – Test your knowledge of F& SF themed music in our annual musical trivia test. – *Host: Harben*
- Midnight**
Harbor View **Sex in Science Fiction, Fantasy & Horror** – Join our night owls for some maybe serious but probably more silly discussion of sex in our favorite genres. – *Logan, Chris & Chrissy McCoy, Savino* – *Host: Hatfield*

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- 10:00 AM**
Bayboro **How to Be a Digital Artist on the Cheap** – Artist *Rubi Shea* (a.k.a. Carol Jeffers) tell you how you can get creative without breaking your bank account.
- St. Pete 1 **Religion in Science Fiction and Fantasy** – The panel discusses the use of religious themes in F& SF. – *MacDougal, G. Finkelstein, Savino, Pinsky* – *Host: Schlabach*
- St. Pete 2 **Creating Alternative Worlds** – Authors give their tips on how to create a believable and yet very different world for fictional works. – *Deeley, Malcohn, Simon, Logan* – *Host: Joy*
- St. Pete 3 **Science Mythbusters** – Our science folks air their pet peeves about common misconceptions in science and take on myths from the audience. – *Caldwell, Mitchell, K.D. Morris, Wysocki* – *Host: Czerneda*
- 10:30 AM**
Harbor View **Whose Line Is It?** – Sunday morning edition of this popular game. Come in and have some fun to start your day. – *Hosts: H.Dryer, D.Dryer*
- 11:00 AM**
Bayboro **Steampunk Props** – Get the lowdown on how to create your own Steampunk accessories: gadgets & props. – *Westerfield, Evil Eric*
- St. Pete 1 **Art Auction** – get some pretties from our artists at this annual event. – *Host: Hicks*
- St. Pete 2 **Julie Czerneda Reading** – Come hear the author read one of her works chosen especially to share with Necronomicon attendees.
- St. Pete 3 **Creating Memorable Characters** – Authors clue you in on how they write the characters you love, or love to hate. – *Akers, G. Finkelstein, Mize, Weston* – *Host: Nappier*

12:00 PM

Bayboro

The Brain-Computer Interface – Our panel of science guys discuss the realities of brain-computer interfaces as they exist today and what will come in the future. – *Jackson, K. Morris, K.D. Morris, Pohl* – *Host: Caldwell*

Harbor View

Medieval Martial Arts – The Sunday edition of this hands-on workshop; wear comfy duds and shoes with traction. – *Host: Sharkey*

St. Pete 3

Work for Hire – Yeah, you'd like to get paid for your original ideas but

St. Pete 2

Making the Switch to HDTV – Got questions on how to make the switch from analog to digital TV? Get the answers here. – *Host: Chiens* sometimes it really pays to start with someone else's idea. The panel talks about the good and bad of working for an established franchise. – *Atomic, Byers, Vincenti, Zahn* – *Host: Winn*

St. Pete Main Hall

Autographing – *Czerneda, Wilber*

1:00 PM

Bayboro

Writers' Workshop – The third of *D.C. Black's* help for writers workshops.

St. Pete 1

Taking Fiction to Audio – Voice actor *Jeffrey Breslauer* and author *Chris A. Jackson* talk about how a print novel becomes an audio book.

St. Pete 2

"Once More with Feeling" Sing Along – Join us for this special Buffy event. – *Host: Chien*

St. Pete 3

Can We Make It to the Moon Again? – Discussion of the plans to go back to the moon and the problems that face those who would make that trip. – *Caldwell, Ewing, MacDougal, Wysocki* – *Host: Mitchell*

2:00 PM

Bayboro

Where Has SF Fandom Gone? – Panelists talk about the changes that have come about in SF fandom and the notion that there is no real SF fandom now. – *Ewing, Hatfield, Pinsky* – *Host: Winn*

St. Pete 1

Going from Amateur to Pro – Authors and artists discuss the process of turning your artistic or writing hobby to your vocation. – *Deeley, McCall, Sabin, Savino* – *Host: Herz*

St. Pete 3

Top Ten Movies – This is the place to bring your list of favorite movies and find out what other people's lists contain. – *Host: Hicks*



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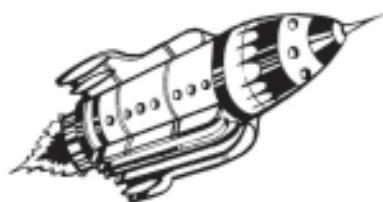
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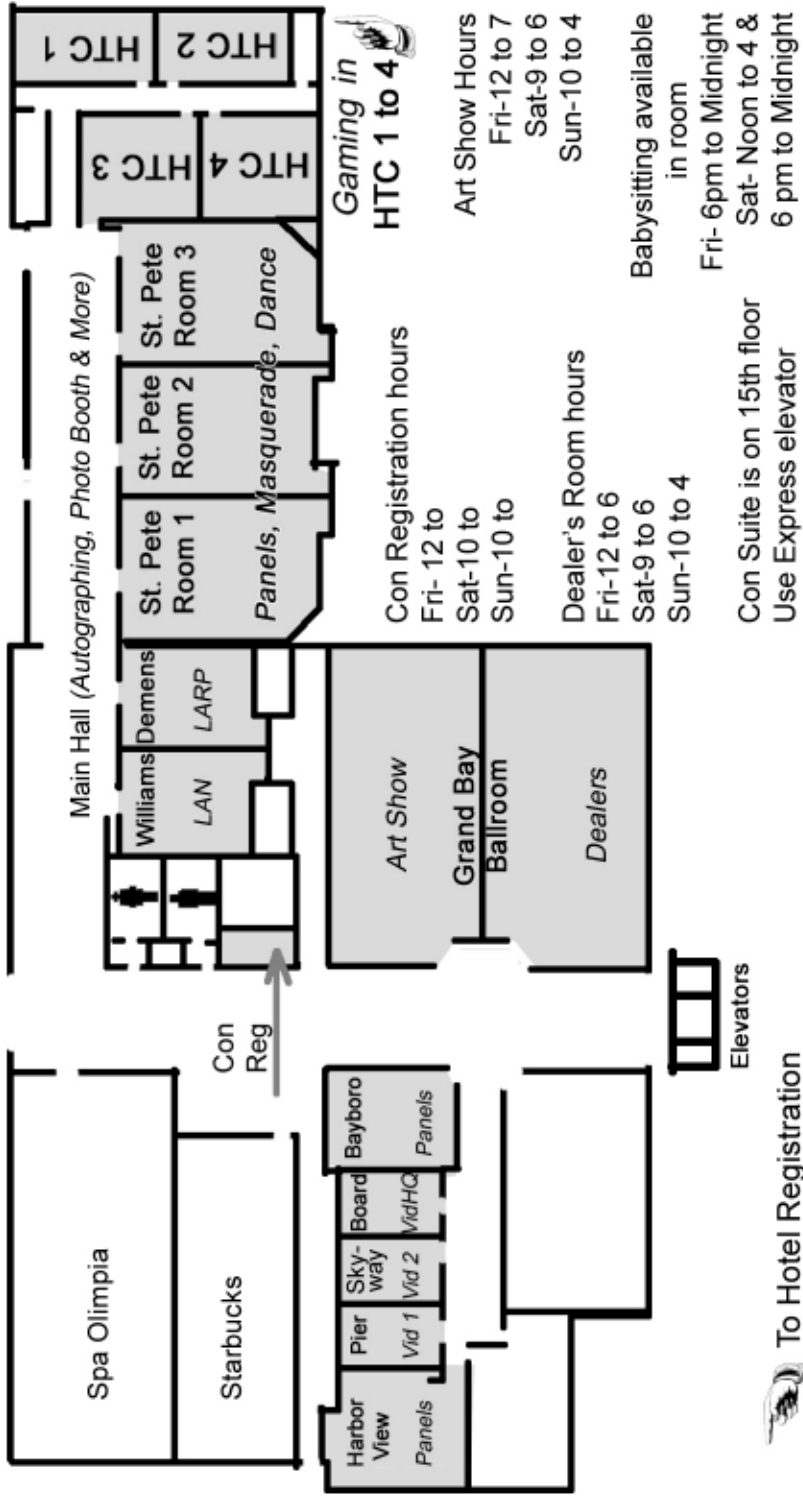
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