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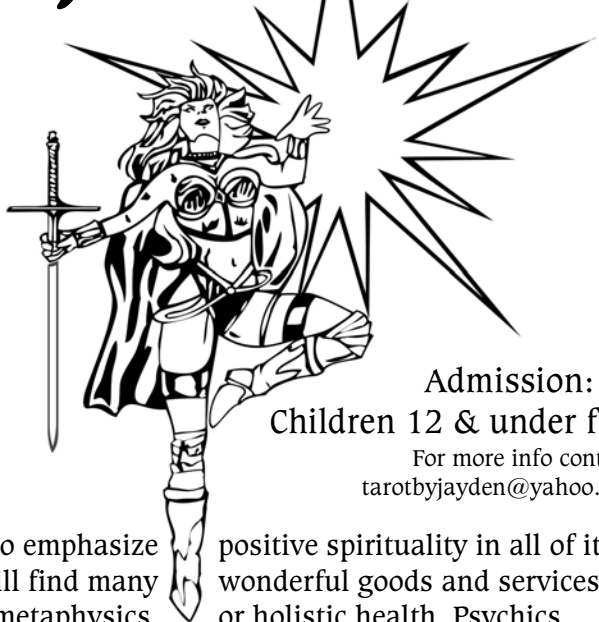
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The 19th Annual Iowa Metaphysical Fair

Saturday, June 7th
11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday, June 8th
11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

In the 4-H Building
at the Iowa State
Fairgrounds,
Des Moines, Iowa



Admission: \$7
Children 12 & under free

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Our fair continues to emphasize potentiality. You will find many related to spirituality, metaphysics, and energy workers of different types will all be available, along with many other specialists. positive spirituality in all of its wonderful goods and services or holistic health. Psychics

Jewelry, crystals, books, and tarot cards
are just some of the wonderful
products for sale.



Welcome to DemiCon 19 —

Your home away from home!

After adventuring across the space time continuum, (actually after hopscotching all over the calendar) DemiCon is back where we belong, on the first full weekend of May. The faculty and Staff of the University of DemiCon 19 wish to welcome you to our campus for a weekend of books, movies, TV, Anime, art, music, costumes, dancing, and plays.

At the University of DemiCon you'll get to meet old friends, such as Rusty Hevelin (toastmaster emeritus), Tadao Tomomatsu (toastmaster), and Joe & Inger Myers (fan guests of honor). You'll also get to meet Visiting Professors Steven Barnes (writer guest of honor) and Mitchell Davidson Bentley (artist guest of honor). You'll also meet other old friends and new friends for the first time.

Friday's campus activities start off with the Dealers' Room and Art Show openings, a boffo sword demo and two discussion panels. Then we'll kick off the evening with Open Ceremonies and the latest offbeat play by the Trans-Iowa Canal Company™.

Whether you're new to our campus, or you're that student that has been with us since 1990, this program book will provide you the information you need to enjoy your weekend. Inside you'll find bios of our guests, information about events, and a listing of times and descriptions of the myriad of panel discussions, workshops, performances, videos, and other fun things to while away the hours.

Welcome home to DemiCon!

The Des Moines SF Society, Ltd.

Our local group

The Des Moines Science Fiction Society, Ltd. (DMSFS) is the local organization that sponsors DemiCon. That is one of our main functions, but that's not all we do.

The club meets twice a month (the second and fourth Fridays) to discuss club business, books we've read, plans for DemiCon, events we host or participate in, games, movies we've enjoyed seeing... really anything that anyone in our SF community has an interest in.

DMSFS publishes and mails a quarterly newsletter, the Paradox. The club has participated in community parades, giving away books or bookmarks to help promote literacy. We have gatherings for birthdays, holidays, Oscar night, movie openings, and often for no reason at all. We also hold two yearly gatherings other than DemiCon. Generally held over New Year's and Labor Day weekend, these SACCs (Semi-Annual Constitutional Conventions)

offer a convention-like experience in a family-like setting.

We hope you'll drop by our next meeting. Remember, we meet the second and fourth Fridays of the month at the West Des Moines Community Center on 5th Street in Valley Junction. Meetings start at 7:00PM, and we often continue the gathering at a local restaurant afterwards. For the latest information and other club-related events, check out our website at www.dmsfs.org or call 515-830-1305. We really would love to have you join us!



The University of DemiCon 19 Faculty and Staff

The folks responsible for putting together this weekend

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Director of Fine Dining (ConSuite)	Andy Wheeler
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Art Show Hours:

Friday:	2:00PM — 6:00PM
Tour:	9:00PM — 10:00PM
Saturday:	10:00AM — 7:00PM
Sunday:	10:00AM — 2:00PM

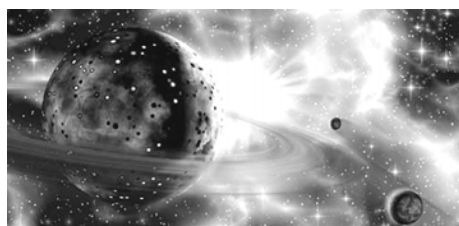
Dealers' Room Hours:

Friday:	2:00PM — 6:00PM
Saturday:	10:00AM — 6:00PM
Sunday:	10:00AM — 2:00PM

Art Auction:

Saturday:	9:00PM
	Wedgewood Room

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Guests of Honor —

Steven Barnes - Writer Guest of Honor

Mr. Barnes has published 21 novels and over 3 million words of science fiction and fantasy. He's been nominated for Hugo, Nebula, and Cable Ace awards. His television work includes *Twilight Zone*, *Stargate*, and *Andromeda*. And his "A Stitch In Time" episode of *The Outer Limits* won an Emmy Award. His alternate history novel *Lion's Blood* won the 2003 Endeavor award. His *Great Sky Woman*, an adventure set 30,000 years ago in East Africa, was published by Ballantine/One World Books in June of 2006. *Casanegra*, an erotic mystery novel written with his wife, American Book Award-winning novelist Tananarive Due and television and movie star Blair Underwood, was published by Atria in July of 2007. Steven is an author, lecturer, and personal consultant who has lectured on creativity and human performance technologies at UCLA, USC, Pasadena JPL, and the Smithsonian Institute.



Mitchell Davidson Bentley - Artist Guest of Honor

Mr. Bentley's work stands at the intersection of high art, illustration and graphic design by drawing from art movements and disciplines spanning two millennia. He incorporates traditions of narrative, Surrealism and abstraction in compositions that explore beauty, science and fantasy. His themes express the hopeful expansion of humanity into the cosmos and celebrate the ever-increasing body of scientific knowledge that will create our collective future.



Joe & Inger Myers - Fhan Guests of Honor

Joe and Inger Myers are our **Fan Guests**. Joe and Inger are long time friends of DemiCon from Kansas City. Joe is an artist in his own right, as well as being a costumer. Inger is lovingly referred to as the "Cookie Imp" and if she offers you a treat, it is sure to be yummy. Both of them are very involved in fandom in Kansas City and always willing to help wherever needed.



Tadao Tomomatsu - Toastmaster

Even though he doesn't have the legs for a kilt, this Oriental Scotsman is just about the best person to have around in a crisis, or any other circumstance.



He not only jumps in to help out, he'll strike up a conversation in any of a number of accents. And what is the secret of Tadao's success? Well, an uncanny devotion to his craft, his friends and fandom. Oh, and timing — Bonsai!

An actor of great determination and ability, Tomomatsu brings forth the subtle emotional resonance of Jack Nicholson combined with the comic timing of Pauly Shore.

So, you ask, what are Tadao's special powers? Well, he can leap a tall building in a single bound, he is faster than a speeding bullet, he can unhook a woman's bra with a single hand. But his strongest power is loyalty & friendship to his friends.

Tadao? Oh, Tadao! Yeah isn't he that awesome yet annoying guy in Inspector Gadget?

Tadao is especially proud of his extensive collection of boxer shorts. He has German flannels, Indonesian silks,

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Easter Island stone shorts (very thin stone) and many others. Tadao will talk for hours about his shorts. Just ask him.

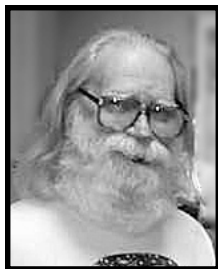
I am absolutely sure that I saw him in a 1938 production of "Mr. Moto goes to the Opera." He was an extra in the back, but I spotted him. There's no mistaking Tadao. (Members of the Los Angeles Science Fiction Society)

Rusty Hevelin - Toastmaster Emeritus

You've seen Rusty Hevelin around for years, the guy with white whiskers who looks like Santa Claus or Dumbledore or Gandalf, depending on your frame of reference or religion. He looks like a nice guy who may be a bit eccentric. Usually he isn't wearing shoes. Usually he is wearing a T-shirt. He's always quick with a smile, a laugh or a hug.

You probably know that he's been a dealer (or huckster in fan-speak) for many years. He's a serious collector of pulp magazines and is the main organizer of PulpCon every year. He's a very popular guy who's been a Fan Guest-of-Honor at the World Science Fiction Convention (Denvention in 1981) and a number of other conventions. He's been the perennial Toastmaster at this convention, from the beginning. Rusty has been a fanzine¹ fan for years, too, publishing several of his own and contributing to several APAs². He's helped to run World Science Fiction Conventions and attended them all the way back to Denvention in 1941. He's also on panels at conventions, telling folks how to enjoy their first convention, what forgotten books are still worth reading, how to take care of your book and magazine collection, or reminiscing about the old days. He's a master panel moderator and auctioneer.

I think I'll try to tell you a few things you may not know about him.



- ◆ He went to his first science fiction club meeting, over sixty years ago, under an assumed name.
- ◆ He's a veteran of World War II, almost killed by a sniper in the South Pacific.
- ◆ He's the world's best organizer of stuff. Joe calls him the "Vampire Packer."
- ◆ He has 4 grown sons, John, Scott, Bruce and Will.
- ◆ He got rid of his couch to make room for books.
- ◆ He dated Coretta Scott before she married Martin Luther King, Jr.
- ◆ He knew Rod Serling of "The Twilight Zone" when they were students at Antioch in the '50s.
- ◆ He's traveled to all fifty states.
- ◆ He used to be a shy man.
- ◆ He's never smoked and doesn't like alcohol.
- ◆ Several books have been dedicated to him, including my husband's *The Coming*.
- ◆ Several SF and fantasy artists, including Don Maitz, have used him as a model.
- ◆ He was an actor for a short time in college, where he worked with John Lithgow's father.
- ◆ He recruited the team that developed the first re-entry nose cone for a rocket, making space exploration possible.
- ◆ He's older than he looks, but younger than most of us.
- ◆ He's been "Tuckerized"³ in several books.

So get to know Rusty if you have the chance. He'll tell you the story behind each of the facts above, if you ask him. (Gay Haldeman)

Footnotes:

1. Fanzine: Amateur magazine put out by science fiction fans.
2. APA: Amateur Press Association. A closed group of people who contribute to a regular fanzine.
3. Tuckerized: Bob Tucker (author Wilson Tucker) used to use his friends as characters in his books. When an author uses someone's name for a character, it's now known as Tuckerizing.

Other Guests —

Writers, Artists, and Singers

Sara M. Butcher's work comes mostly from self-motivation to learn the human figure. The daughter of an art teacher and a crafter creative, her interest in art began at an early age. Finding strength and inspiration in the spirituality of Christianity, her work has become all encompassing for love, peace, harmony, and honor. One of our local artists, Sara teaches art to children and teenagers at the Des Moines Art Center.

John and Denise Garner have both been going to science fiction conventions since the 1980s. Both have won many awards for their artwork at conventions throughout the Midwest, and with good reason. They are DemiCon favorites for their friendly personalities, as well as for their art. Denise will once again host her Saturday afternoon tea party, and the couple is planning to host Karaoke in their hotel room. While John seeks the holy grail of the most decadent chocolate dessert in the universe, Denise makes, wears, and sometimes sells exotic hats.

Erin McKee, DemiCon 4's Artist Guest of Honor has been painting professionally for the past thirty years. However, she's been an artist all of her life. Erin's style blends a realistic style with elements of fantasy. While working primarily in acrylics, pastels, and lately digital media, she has also done works on scratch board and with pen & ink.

The great Luke Ski, also known as Luke Sienkowski, lives in Madison, Wisconsin. He is a cartoonist and caricaturist in addition to his work in comedy music. He has performed at science fiction and gaming conventions across the U.S. Mr. Ski has released many albums, and is a favorite on the Dr. Demento show. He has been called "the next Weird Al", partly because he's the only one other than Mr. Yankovic to hit Dr. Demento's #1 "Funny 25" spot two years in a row with different songs. Check out his website at lukeski.com.

Cynthia Williams loves to write romance and her favorite worlds to play in are science fiction and paranormal. She is happily married to her hero, whose characteristics come through her story's heroes. She currently lives in Minnesota, in a house built at the height of the bomb scare of the '50s — her writing room has three foot thick walls of reinforced concrete.

Susan Satterfield is the author of seven published short stories: "Mirror of His Soul" and "The Changing," both appearing in *Eldritch Tales*, and "A Perfect World," appearing in the Yard Dog Press anthology, *Stories That Won't Make Your Parents Hurl*, in November of 2000. Her chapbook, *Mirror Images*, was published by Yard Dog Press in May of 2002. "The Lady Killer" and "Sweet Teddy" appeared in an anthology entitled *Small Bites* in September 2004. She is also the author of "A Bubba Poet" found in *The International House of Bubbas* and "What Goes Around" from the anthology *Flush Fiction*. Susan's seventh short story entitled, "Close Encounters of the Bubba Kind," can be found in the Yard Dog Press anthology *Houston, We've Got Bubbas*. She has a number of writing projects on (and sometimes under) the table. She is an English Instructor at Longview College in Lee's Summit, Missouri where she lives with her extended family including four dogs, five cats, and assorted fish.

Lars Pearson is one of the foremost experts on "Doctor Who" in North America. He thanks God that the new series has finally silenced those who preferred to overlook the original show's imagination in favor of giggling over how the spaceships looked like dish soap bottles. He's also pleased that the new show has gotten his wife interested in "Doctor Who." (Although her new-found rabid interest in "Doctor Who" fanatic is slightly disturbing. It worries him when she starts randomly asking him under what conditions the TARDIS console pulsates.) Pearson cut his teeth as an editor for "Wizard: The Guide to Comics", then founded Mad Norwegian Press — a publisher of SF reference guides and novels — in 2001. The company ethnically made less sense when it was based in New Orleans (he had the option of getting married by a voodoo priestess, if that tells you anything), but it now resides in Des Moines, Iowa, where it is surrounded on all sides by corn and pastry-baking Scandinavians. Pearson has authored, edited or published 11 books on "Doctor Who" (with something like nine more on the way), plus guide-books on "Angel", "Buffy the Vampire Slayer", "Transformers" and more. He served as editor of "Faction Paradox", a series of science fiction novels that recently concluded with a young woman traveling back in time to do her thesis on Sherlock Holmes, only to wind up sleeping with him. Pearson wishes his own thesis had been half as exciting.

Other Guests continued...

Christa Dickson spends her nights thinking far too hard about the Whedon-verse. While this trait is not especially useful in her nine-to-five existence, it does make for interesting bar conversation. It also has the side benefit of resulting in books with elaborate sub-titles like “Dusted: The Unauthorized Guide to Buffy the Vampire Slayer” and “Redeemed: The Unauthorized Guide to Angel,” which she co-authored with her delightfully wordy husband Lars Pearson and professional madman Lawrence Miles. There are times when she wonders why she continues to subject herself to this madness, since it tends to dull the shininess of her hobbies. But then she'll find herself in a conversation about cosmology of demons and get all giddy like a schoolgirl. When she's not pondering the intricacies of the vampire invitation rule or wondering how fast Spike's hair grows, she enjoys yoga, whipping grass and cooking things that contain no meat. She currently spends her days making web sites go for Iowa Public TV. Occasionally she dreams in code. She wishes she wouldn't, as it tends to make her mornings more pixellated around the edges.

Music Room — 302

Adam Stemple has been playing music since the age of 6, first cello, then piano, then guitar. He plays most week-ends with his Irish group, The Tim Malloys, and spends his days writing novels (he has 3 out right now) and playing and teaching poker. www.adamstemple.com

Possible Oscar is a Minneapolis, MN based comedy music act that specializes in original and parody songs in rock and hip hop styles. The band formed in 2005 with former members of the atomic rock band The Nick Atoms with the intention of exploring a creative direction that began in The Nick Atoms' waning days. Their musical topics range from video games to nerd love, with stops at comic books and notable Hollywood movie sound effects. They also enjoy wearing T-shirts with their band name on them. www.possibleoscar.com



Orckes & Trolles is a high-energy music trio that specializes in Celtic and piratey songs. Join their crew on Saturday at 2 p.m. in the music room for sing-along fun and a scurvy good time! members.aol.com/Orckes/

The Flatland Ramblers play Celtic and Old-Time tunes on acoustic guitar, banjo, mandolin, cittern, flute, fife and whistle. They also brought a Jew's Harp, and they promise not to sing this year. www.flatlandramblers.com

Toyboat Filk gone horribly right. This is what happens when you take 4 musicians from completely different gene pools and make them play instruments that they aren't usually seen playing. Take some classic filk, some classic rock, some punk rock and some 80s hard rock and what do you get? Say it three times fast and you've got Toyboat! www.toyboatband.com

Bryan Baker (Kaklick Martin) makes some music that can be best described as honkey tonk meets the metaverse. In the album “Roadhouse Ranch and Saloon” he sprinkles ideas like cybersex, furies and pose balls right along with the sawdust; traditional and futuristic at the same time. He also offers straight ahead rock along with social and political commentary in his album “Big Bad World”. Kaklick took the stage in Second Life for the first time back in late 2005, so he is among SL's veteran performers and an early evangelist for the live music scene. www.ka-klick.com

Beth Kinderman is a geek-folk singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist from Minneapolis, Minnesota. Her literate, clever songs about topics including Star Wars, cannibals, Farscape, Firefly, religion, and zombies have earned her comparisons to Jonathan Coulton and Leslie Fish. Frequently accompanied by her band, the Player Characters, she can be found performing at bars, coffee shops, pagan festivals, and sci-fi conventions across the Midwest. Her first CD, “All Of My Heroes Are Villains,” was released in March. She makes her solo Iowa debut this weekend at Demicon. www.bethkinderman.com

Eric Coleman is a songwriter/singer who lives in Ames IA. For the last year or so he has become best known for his shirts. For any other questions go to the stage door after the show. www.eric-coleman.com

The great Luke Ski: you'll find his bio earlier in this book. If you haven't heard Luke, please don't miss this show. Also note that this performance will be held in the Grand Ballroom on 2nd floor, rather than the normal music venue on 3rd floor.

Venue D

Dancing and Carrying On

DemiCon is fast becoming an excellent venue for live performances. The Trans-Iowa Canal Company™ has been around forever and the music room is now in it's fifth year. "Venue D" returns to DemiCon with a collection of talent from across the Midwest. While most of the performers are dancers, we have a surprise or two in store. If you're a performer but didn't get into this year's show, be sure to let us know for next year. This year's show begins at 11:00 PM on Friday night, in the Grand Ballroom.

The Trans-Iowa Canal Co.™ Fhannish Theater

In case you're attempting to attend DemiCon without being subjected to a performance by TICC, you'll find it twice as difficult this year. We have two shows for you to avoid. During opening ceremonies, beware of *Harry Potted and the Deathly Stenches* — the tale of a young fan who discovers a terrible, and smelly, evil, out for revenge. And if that doesn't scare you away, join us at midnight on Saturday for a little adult fare, as we present *TICC After Dark 4: Fhananova*. Definitely leave the kids in the room, or in gaming, as we tell the story of the life of J. Fhananova: that lover of women, science fiction, the space program, SF cons, and women.

Filking Rooms 306 & 307

Filk is participatory music open to anyone who is interested. Any other description would be too narrow. Filk songs as such are usually about science, science fiction, fantasy, history or the Society for Creative Anachronism. They are often new words set to familiar tunes, but may be original words and music, or familiar words sung to the wrong tunes. They are usually humorous, except when they're tragic, angry, or hauntingly beautiful. Filkers have also been known to sing traditional folk songs, Irish ballads, sea shanties, or pop music. Come join in the fun whenever you can!

Gaming Room 320

If you're into gaming, we have plenty of it! We have something for everyone, from kids to adults, and it's going on constantly all weekend! Visit the Game Room to see an

up-to-date schedule. We have card games, board games, and jigsaw puzzles available for you to enjoy in the Gaming Room with friends or with strangers.

Chain of Lies (RPGA Living Greyhawk: Dvyers 07-regional 2) ♦ Run by: Michael Mandt ♦ Sat. 1pm — 6pm
♦ The organized slavery operations in Dvyers have been exposed and scattered, leaving only bands of would-be slavers trying to carve out a living on the illegal trade in human flesh. A growing demand for fighters in the Circle of Crimson Stone has led to an alarming number of allegedly legal indentured servants being thrust into the fighting ring. With the destruction of organized slavery operations in the City of Dvyers, the Dvyers Anti-Slavery League (DASL) has become increasingly focused on what they see as the next worst thing, indentured servitude and the use of these servants in the bloody fights of the Circle of Crimson Stone. (Levels 1-14, character creation rules provided.)

Cave of Shadows ♦ Run by: Jason White ♦ Sat. 7pm — 12am ♦ Along a major Trade route in Faerun, undead shadows have been attacking towns and caravans alike. With casualties already on the rise, a lone priest of Lathandar arrives and tells of a master thief carrying, among other stolen treasures, the vile Crown of Horns. Hundreds if not thousands of miles to some nearby caves. Are these caves the origins of the shadows? Can the treasures be recovered? What other dangers await? Are you brave enough to enter? (Level 6, character creation rules provided on-site.)

Art Show Independence Hall

As one of the best Art Shows in the Midwest, we take pride in the quality of work that artists display with us and the enthusiasm of our buyers.

Bidding for Artwork: You can bid on artwork in the Art Show Display Area. Write your offer on the art bid sheet attached to the piece. Artwork with two or more bids will go to voice auction Saturday night.

If a piece of art in the display area has a "Quick Sale" price listed, a buyer may purchase that piece immediately for that quick sale price — *if* that piece has received no bids. On Sunday, unsold artwork may be purchased for the quick sale price.

Print Shop Artwork: We have artwork for sale in the Print Shop area on a "cash & carry" basis.

We accept cash, checks, or PayPal.

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Saturday Night Art Auction: Artwork with two or more bids goes to the voice auction. Prize-winning artwork (excluding Not for Sale works) will also go to auction. Our auction is also part stand-up comedy, so even if you're not interested in buying any artwork, come and watch the auction. Who knows? You might see a piece of art you can't live without!

Buyers may pick up their auction pieces and quick sale works on Sunday morning, 10AM - Noon.

Interested in meeting the artists or learning about their art? Then be sure to attend the Art Show Tour, or watch them work in the work space area in the Art Show.

Art Show Hours:

Friday:	2:00PM	—	6:00PM
Tour:	9:00PM	—	10:00PM
Saturday:	10:00AM	—	7:00PM
Sunday:	10:00AM	—	2:00PM

Art Auction: Saturday: 9:00PM

Wedgwood Room

Dealers' Room Capital & State Rooms

DemiCon is happy to provide a large room for your thannish shopping spree. Friendly merchants will be bringing in all kinds of items you need and want. We expect to have Anime, T-shirts, Tarot decks and merchandise, jewelry, toys, books, leather and metal work, New Age merchandise, and more! Be sure to come in and explore.

Dealers' Room Hours:

Friday:	2:00PM	—	6:00PM
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Sunday:	10:00AM	—	2:00PM

DMSFS Table Dealers' Room

Come to the DMSFS Table when you just have to purchase a fine souvenir of your visit. Perhaps a DemiCon 19 T-shirt featuring the wonderful artwork of Mitchell Davidson Bentley. If you like TICC, you can purchase a script, a poster, or pre-order a DVD of Friday night's show. Maybe a "Black Company" T-shirt is more to your liking or a lanyard for your badge. This is also the place to pre-order the DVD of the DemiCon 19 Masquerade. And for those who like to plan ahead, don't forget to purchase your membership for next year's con, DemiCon 20!

Volunteers Room 317

The Recharge Room returns for the hard-working people behind the scenes. Now you don't have to worry about missing out while you're pitching in. There will be snacks available in the lounge throughout the convention. If you only have a few hours to give, that's okay.

ConSuite Room 310 & 312

Our usual gastronomical delights and selection of beverages await only your arrival! Spend a few minutes with us or the entire weekend, as your schedule and desires dictate. Our popcorn machine will be warmed and ready... chips, dips, soups, and nuts are set for our menu and we'll have some surprises as well. Be forewarned, though, that we may recruit you to mix drinks or commit a minor neatness. And be sure to check the program book for special events like taste-testing or anything else our mixology experts may dream up.

Room Parties Fourth Floor

The fun doesn't stop just because the sun goes down. There's plenty of enjoyment to be had at the Room Parties conveniently located on the 4th Floor. A variety of themed parties will take place on both Friday and Saturday nights. We remind all Convention members to party responsibly, and to contact Security for assistance if needed.

Hotel Information The Hotel Fort Des Moines

The hotel is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It has a generous amount of function space, a fan-friendly staff, and a feeling of elegance.

The meeting rooms for programming sessions are on the 2nd and 3rd floors. The Grand Ballroom is large enough to provide seating for all of those wishing to attend Opening Ceremonies, the Masquerade, and Venue D. Check out the ConSuite — just step off the elevators on the 3rd floor and you're there. You're welcome to take your snacks and drinks to events on 3rd floor, just be sure to clean up after yourself.

Please don't take refreshments to 2nd floor.

Parties will be on the 4th floor. For easier, quicker and healthier access use the stairs.

The entire hotel is now non-smoking.

The pool is accessed from the south end of the 6th floor. A hotel room key card is required for entry. The pool hours are 5:30AM until Midnight. A nice sized lap pool, hot tub, and sauna are available. An exercise room is also available on the 6th floor. We hope you enjoy your stay at this hotel.

Anime Room 318

DemiCon again has a video room dedicated to Japanese Anime. If you haven't experienced this art form before, here's your chance. The schedule of features to be shown is TBA.



DemiCon Costume Contests Two Ways To Have Fun!

The **Hall Costume Contest** takes place in Independence Hall on Friday Night between 9:30 and 10:30PM. Just put on your costume and stop on in! The Judges are there, the photographer is there and your spiffy "Hall Costume Participant" ribbon is waiting for you. Winners will be announced and photos shown during the Masquerade Halftime on Saturday night.

The **Formal Masquerade** takes place Saturday night. There are forms to fill out and a tech walk across the stage. It's very structured. You will show your costume and presentation on the DemiCon 19 stage. Theatrical lighting and music

can be used to enhance your presentation. Rules and timetables are located elsewhere in this book and forms can be found near the masquerade poster on the Hotel's 2nd floor.

Formal Masquerade Saturday, May 3, 2008, 7:00PM

12:30PM: Masquerade meeting - MANDATORY for contestants
1:00PM: Tech Walks begin. Be on time for yours.
6:00PM: Green Room Opens. Adult contestants should arrive by 6:30. Contestants under 13 should arrive by 7:00 unless instructed otherwise by the Masquerade Director.

Contestants are required to attend the Masquerade meeting at 12:30PM on Saturday and should bring a completed entry form and any music they plan to use. The preferred format for music is CD.

Contestants are required to take a tech walk across the DemiCon stage. For the convenience of all, tech walks will be scheduled by sign up. All props, music and footwear are to be brought to the rehearsal walk.

All contestants are required to arrive in the green room prior to the beginning of the Masquerade.

There are 2 categories for competition and one for display.

Apprentice: costume designed and executed primarily by someone under 13 years of age on the event date of May 3, 2007.

Artisan: costume designed and executed by someone 13 years of age or above on the event date of May 19, 2007.

Exhibition: costume worn for display/non-competitive purposes.

The Masquerade Coordinator will be available at posted times during the convention to answer questions and assist with forms. When in doubt, ask at the 12:30 meeting.

Any and all prizes, ribbons and awards are at the sole discretion of the Judges.

Masquerade Rules Guidelines to live by

1. All participants must be registered members of DC 19.
2. All contestants must complete and turn in the required paperwork and participate in a rehearsal walk. The Forms can be found near the masquerade poster on the 2nd Floor of the hotel.
3. Entries are allowed a maximum of two minutes for presentation. Music to accompany your entry is encouraged. The preferred format is mp3 or CD.

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Masquerade Rules continued...

4. A parent or guardian must supervise all child participants at all times.
5. Costumes that are past winners in any DemiCon Costume Contest are not eligible for competition in the Masquerade and may be worn for exhibit only. This also applies to costumes worn in the Hall Costume Contest on Friday night or any other time prior to the Masquerade while at DemiCon. Commercially available / mass produced costume pieces are not permitted without significant modification.
6. Costumes must be completed prior to arrival in the Green Room. Emergency repair and final assembly of large props or costumes is permitted.
7. Weapons of any type must be approved by the Masquerade Coordinator in advance. Only those deemed safe will be allowed on stage. Those using a weapon of any type assume all risk by signing the Masquerade entry form.
8. The following cannot be allowed on stage for any reason: nudity, pyrotechnics or flame of any type, live animals (service animals excepted), projectiles, liquids, chemicals, foods.
9. If you are planning something unusual, let us know well in advance. We want to work with you to present your entry at its very best.

10. The Masquerade Coordinator is sole arbiter of what will be allowed and reserves the right to eliminate an entry that may endanger the audience, participants, or venue. An entry may also be eliminated for failure to comply with any of the previous rules or for any other reason deemed sufficient. Please keep in mind that the rules are here to protect us all. No one has ever been asked to leave a DemiCon Masquerade. By working together, we can keep it that way.

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Programming Schedule - By Title*

Programming Legend:




				
Guest of Honor Present	New Attendees Recommended	Youth Oriented	Child Oriented	Adult Audience

* As of printing. Last-minute additions will be posted with program grid wall posters displayed throughout the Con.



Friday

Anime Video Room (318) Friday 9:00 PM to Saturday 2:00 AM ♦ Panel, Media ♦ Watch the latest anime and some of your old-time favorites, too. Anime provided by Orlando Winters from Odyssey Anime.  


Art Show (Art Show Room) Friday 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM
♦ Art Show is open.

Boxers or Briefs? (Wedgwood Room) Friday 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Mike Anderson, Tadao Tomomatsu, Robert Uy - What, if anything, do you think your favorite superhero would wear beneath his or her costume? What makes you think that?   

Comics Today (305) Friday 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Jeremy Bement, Lars Pearson - Major events, new

series, new companies...the comic book industry is bigger today than it has ever been. Learn about upcoming comic series, latest rumors, and what is new in the mighty world of comic books with the manager of Mayhem Comics and Games.  

Consuite Open (Consuite 310 & 312) Friday 9:00 PM to Sunday at 2:00 PM   

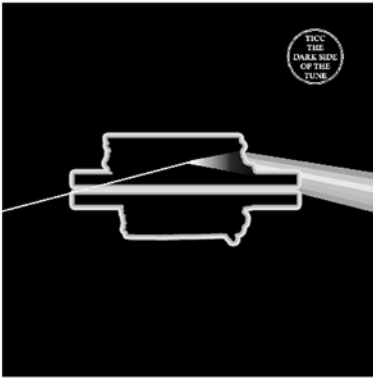
DMSFS Boffo Sword Demo (Independence Hall) Friday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM ♦ Demonstration ♦ Greg Abba, Bill Griffey, Ba3b Harper, Tadao Tomomatsu - Have you always wanted to swing a sword? Here is your chance ... see how we do it in a safe way.    

DemiCon Fhannish Film Festival (Grand Ballroom) Friday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Contest, Media ♦ The DemiCon Fhannish Film Festival returns. **continued...**

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(No, not that way... though we may be open to discussions.)

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Who will go home with the Demi for Fhans' choice and Judges Choice? See the entries and vote. Awards will be given at closing ceremonies. **A Y C**

Dude, Where's My Flying Car? (308) Friday 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Dave Reed, Peggy Miller, Mark Hagerman - So, how soon are we going to have a flying car in the driveway? What about that Martian Colony? Some of these things are right around the corner and some are a long way out. Come by and get an update on the current state of the art. **A Y**

Eric Coleman (Music 302) Friday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ What can I say about Eric that he wouldn't say himself. Flibber-t-gibbit. He's a satirical songwriter/singer. He has been the music GoH at Archon. He's played music at nearly every convention in the midwest - just try to get him to stop singing. Come see him try to pull himself out of his overwhelming shyness and perform on the music room stage. <http://www.eric-coleman.com>

Fanzine History (Governor Room) Friday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Greg Prickman, Rusty Hevelin, Lynette Lehman - A collection of fanzines printed between the 1930's and the 1990's and collected by Mike Horvat was donated to the University of Iowa library. Mr. Prickman is the Special Collections Librarian there, Rusty has been involved with SF & F in many forms since the 1930's, and Lynette Lehman has a degree in Library Science and has contributed to Fanzines. Join them for this lighthearted journey through the history of fandom and discover the rich collections available for everyone to see right here in our own backyard. **A Y G**

Filthy Filk (308) Saturday 12:00 AM to 04:00 AM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Diane Dunlap, Robert Uy, Dave Reed. This panel is for adults only, and we don't intend to honor anyone's squeamishness. We will have some songbooks, but bring your own favorites. This is not a bardic circle, but a moderated filk. Everybody will get a chance, but the moderators will provide the structure. ADULTS ONLY **A**

Hall Costume Judging and Pictures (Independence Hall) Friday 9:30 PM to 10:30 PM ♦ Contest, Costuming ♦ Get your hall costumes judged and photographed. **A Y C**

Home Beer Brewing (Wedgwood Room) Friday 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM ♦ Panel ♦ Gregg Parmentier, John Pershing, Troy Menke, April Lindloff - Home brewing is an art that

should be enjoyed by all: on the supply side, the demand side, or both. Come see what tasty diversions our panel of experts brews up for all. **A**

Instant Filk 9 (308) Friday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Workshop, Music ♦ Robert Uy - Join our intrepid band of lyricists in creating an original song parody in less than 60 minutes. Bring your creativity and your talents at rhyming for the 9th annual interactive filk workshop. **A Y**

Lost to the Cosmos (306) Friday 11:00 PM to Saturday 12:00 AM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Gene Miller - A fond remembrance of and farewell to those we lost in the last year, including Arthur C. Clarke, Robert Jordan, Gary Gygax, Charleton Heston, and more.

My Personal X-File (308) Friday 11:00 PM to Saturday 12:00 AM ♦ Discussion, Music ♦ Robert Uy, Warren Westlund - Share your unexplained and paranormal stories with Special Agents Uy and Westlund. The truth is out there. It'll be like telling ghost stories around the campfire. Bring a flashlight! This panel will give you the creeps! **A**

Opening Ceremonies (Grand Ballroom) Friday 7:00 PM to 7:30 PM ♦ Performance, Literary ♦ Welcome to DemiCon 19! Meet the guests of honor, ConCom, and other guests. Hear important announcements, and kick the weekend off in style. **G N Y C A**

Randomly Randy (Governor Room) Friday 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Travis Clemmons, Dr. Karen Nagel, Ann Totusek, Mary Wilson - A group of people perform a dramatic reading. The catch is that the table in front of the people is covered with about two dozen R rated and X rated books. Reader 1 randomly begins reading from one of the books, then stops abruptly. Reader 2 then picks up immediately, from a completely different book. ADULTS ONLY **A**

Reading Erotica (306) Saturday 12:00 AM to 01:00 AM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Mary Wilson. ADULTS ONLY **A**

Scavenger Hunt Meeting (Youth 322) Friday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Contest, Gaming ♦ Nicki Reed, Jenny Adkins - It's a game, it's a party, it's an adventure! It's a weekend-long, youth ONLY, from one end of the Con to the other, Scavenger Hunt! In this day of wonder and technology we're updating the game a bit. 'search items' are not only going to be physical items, they will be audio and video recordings, and photos. You'll split into teams, get the list, and let the fun begin! **Y**

The Trans-Iowa Canal Company Performance (Grand Ballroom) Friday 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM ♦ Performance ♦ The Trans-Iowa Canal Company™ will make you laugh and groan with their unique theatrical performance. Watch as orphan Harry Potted discovers his thannish birthright at DemiCon. **G N Y C A**

Venue D Talent Extravaganza (Grand Ballroom) Friday 11:00 PM to Saturday 12:00 AM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ You think you have a talent? Come show us. Talents must be performance related and no more than five minutes long. **A Y**

Video Gaming (Youth 322) Friday 11:00 PM to 02:00 AM ♦ Panel, Gaming ♦ Like the name says... **Y**

Walk Through the Art Show (Art Show Room) Friday 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Art ♦ Walk Through the Art Show with our artist Guest of Honor Mitch Bentley and other attending artists. **G N Y A**

What if it All Went to Hell? (306) Friday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Cynthia Williams - So the worst has happened; what comes next? Author Cynthia Williams shares her post-apocalyptic view. **A**

Will Quantum Physics Find God? (Wedwood Room) Friday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Jeanette Roth, Mark Hagerman - Discoveries in quantum physics continue to push scientific understanding beyond the Einsteinian model, suggesting that the physical universe is indeed rooted in decidedly non-physical phenomena. Is quantum physics, then, on the brink of finding a bridge between the physical and the metaphysical? **A**

Youth Room (322) Friday 9:00 PM to Saturday 05:00 AM ♦ Room for only Teens ages 12-19. No youth (5-11), children (4 and under) or adults (20 and above) allowed. Check in the teen room for additional fun activities like draw your own costume design, graffiti wall, teen only games, and scavenger hunt updates posted throughout the weekend. **Y**

Saturday Programming:

"Blood Ties" Appreciation (308) Saturday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Elisabeth DeCrane - Come participate in an open discussion of both the Tanya Huff books and the television series that was based on them. **A**

A Chat with the Guests of Honor (Governor Room) Saturday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM ♦ Discussion ♦ Here's your chance to

see all of our Guests of Honor in one room together interviewed by our two toastmasters (master and apprentice), Rusty Hevelin and Tadao Tomomatsu. Author Stephen Barnes, Artist Mitch Bentley and Fans Joe and Inger Myers.

G N Y A

Adam Stemple (Music 302) Saturday 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM) ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Adam Stemple has been playing music since the age of 6, first cello, then piano, then guitar. He plays most weekends with his Irish group, The Tim Malloys, and spends his days writing novels (has 3 out right now) and playing & teaching poker. www.adamstemple.com

A Y

Airplanes Everywhere (Wedwood Room) Saturday 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM ♦ Workshop, Gaming ♦ Spencer Reed, Dave Reed - Do you remember how to fold a paper airplane? We'll teach you - then you can compete for longest flight or best crash or both! Aimed at kids, no matter how old they are. (What's this have to do with science fiction? Write NCC-1701 on the side!)... Paper supplied. **A Y C**

Anime Cell Painting Workshop (305) Saturday 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM) ♦ Workshop, Art ♦ Monica Harper - Do you watch anime? Would you like to know how it's done? Come to this panel to find out. **Y**

Art Auction (Wedwood Room) Saturday 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM ♦ Contest, Art ♦ You want amazing works of art, and you weren't able to buy it at the art show. You're in luck! You'll get a second chance at the Art Auction, and you'll enjoy a fun-filled time as our auctioneers entertain you. **G N Y A**

Astronomy (Governor Room) Saturday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Panel ♦ Brian Adams, Lewis Hainlin, Larry Stevens, Mitch Thompson - Join four of our resident astronomy buffs for a discussion of the night sky and celestial events. Weather permitting, this will be followed by a star-gazing field trip to the top of the parking ramp. **A Y**

Basics of Hat Making (305) Saturday 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM ♦ Workshop, Costuming ♦ Lisa Keipp - There is a \$10.00 materials fee for this workshop. You love hats but you think you couldn't make one. Wrong! Get the basics and learn how to build your own hat. You will leave the workshop with a hat you made yourself! **A Y**

Blood Drive: DemiCon 19 (Independence Hall) Saturday 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM ♦ Workshop ♦ The Heinlein Society and The Blood Center of Central Iowa

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Saturday Programming continued...

are back for another Blood Drive. The need for it continues to grow and this is our chance to "Pay it Forward". You can view the eligibility requirements or sign up to donate at the Iowa Blood Center. Walk ins are welcomed at the convention. **A**

Beth Kinderman (Music 302) Saturday 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Beth Kinderman is a geek-folk singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist from Minneapolis, Minnesota. Her literate, clever songs about topics including Star Wars, cannibals, Farscape, Firefly, religion, and zombies have earned her comparisons to Jonathan Coulton and Leslie Fish. Frequently accompanied by her band, the Player Characters, she can be found performing at bars, coffee shops, pagan festivals, and sci-fi conventions across the Midwest. Her first CD, "All Of My Heroes Are Villains," was released in March. She makes her solo Iowa debut this weekend at Demicon. www.bethkinderman.com **A Y**

Breakfast with Inger (Consuite 310 & 312) Saturday 07:00 AM to 09:00 AM ♦ Discussion ♦ Inger Myers - The best way to start the day: having breakfast with our charming Co-Fan Guest of Honor. She plans to bring home made sweet rolls. There will also be coffee, tea, chai, and probably bagels.

G N Y C A

Build Your Own Boffo Sword DMSFS Style (305) Saturday 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM ♦ Workshop, Gaming ♦ Greg Abba, Bill Griffey, Bo3b Harper - You saw the Boffo sword demo on Friday, and you want your own sword. Here is your chance! Sign up for this workshop. Limited to 15 people. Children and teens must have permission from parents. Small fee for construction material. **A Y**

Build-A-Blinkie Free Workshop (307) Saturday 08:00 AM to 10:00 AM ♦ Workshop, Art ♦ Dale Sulak - Free workshop to build your own 6 LED Blinkie, capable of multiple blinking patterns. No soldering or circuit-building skills required, just a willingness to learn. **A Y**

Build-A-Blinkie Workshop II (307) Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM ♦ Workshop, Art ♦ Dale Sulak - There is a \$10.00 or \$15:00 materials charge (depending on the number of LED's) for this open workshop session. Build your own 19 LED Blinkie stick or 35 LED block. They have infra-red detectors and transmitters that are capable of infecting other Blinkies with one of several patterns. No soldering or circuit-building skills required, just a willingness to learn.

A Y

Cereal and Cartoons (305) Saturday 09:00 AM to 10:00 AM ♦ Panel, Media ♦ Ann Totusek - Bring the kids to enjoy breakfast while watching cartoons. **C**

Chocolate: Aztec Food of the Gods (Consuite 310 & 312) Saturday 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM ♦ Panel ♦ Sarah Macht (a chocolate-based life form), other chocoholics - Enjoy a short presentation on the history of chocolate and how it has evolved from a precious commodity to one of life's simple pleasures. Test your chocolate knowledge with a trivia quiz. Have a divine time sampling various chocolates and writing short comments about the selections. **A Y**

Cookie Tasting with Inger (Consuite 310 & 312) Saturday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM ♦ Panel ♦ Inger Myers - Inger Cookies are nearly legendary in midwest fandom. If you've sampled these goodies, we know you'll be there. If not, come see what you're missing! And the only thing sweeter than the cookies is Inger herself! **G N Y C A**

Costuming Without a Pattern (308) Saturday 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM ♦ Demonstration, Costuming ♦ Joe Myers - You have an idea for a character or a costume, but there are no conventional patterns available. How do you get from concept to completed construction? Join co-Fan GoH Joe Myers in exploring the possibilities. **G A**

Create your own Duct Tape Double (308) Saturday 09:00 AM to 10:00 AM ♦ Demonstration, Costuming ♦ Inger Myers, Greg Abba - A duct tape double is an inexpensive way to have a dressmakers' dummy that really is your size. Watch and learn as Greg wraps up Co-Fan GoH Inger to create her very own costuming alter-ego. **G A Y**

D&D Game (Youth 322) Saturday 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM ♦ Contest, Gaming ♦ DM: Dave Reed - Do you like books about dragons and elves? Ever wanted to be a wizard or a knight? This is a beginner-level dungeon from an experienced Game Master. The gaming system is "Donjon" and it's quick to learn. Characters have been pre-rolled and dice will be provided. Just bring your imagination. Sorry, adults, this is for youth only. **YOUTH ONLY Y**

Demicon 19 Blood Drive (Independence Hall) Saturday 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM ♦ Workshop ♦ The Heinlein Society and The Blood Center of Central Iowa are back for another Blood Drive. The need for it continues to grow and this is our chance to "Pay it Forward". You can view the eligibility requirements or sign up to donate at the Iowa Blood Center. Walk ins are welcomed at the convention. **A**

Denise's Tea Party in the Garners' Room (Mezzanine) Saturday 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Denise Garner, John Garner - Enjoy tea and conversation with Denise. This lovely two hour time is held in Denise's room. Signs will be posted with the room number. **A Y**

Draw Your Own Chibi (306) Saturday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM ♦ Workshop, Art ♦ Nikki Harper, Robert Uy - What is a chibi? How do I draw one? In this workshop, learn how to draw this popular Japanese art style from animè and manga.

A Y C

Electronic Monopoly (Youth 322) Saturday 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM ♦ Panel, Gaming ♦ Like the name says... **Y**

Fhannish Dating Game (Grand Ballroom) Saturday 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM ♦ Contest, Media ♦ MC: Tadao Tomomatsu. Cynthia Williams - Just like the 60's television show. We will get volunteers from the audience. One bachelorette will pick from three men, one bachelor will pick from three women. Each couple will get a "fabulous" gift basket and go on a simple one-hour date. There is a follow-up panel at 11 am on Sunday to report back on the dates. **G**

Flatland Ramblers (Music 302) Saturday 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Our favorite purveyors of traditional American and Celtic music are back! Their web site describes them as "a traditional old-time band, play a lively mix of American mountain tunes and Celtic instrumentals. If you like music of the 1800s as played in 1975, you'll love this band!" www.flatlandramblers.com **A Y**

Hot Guys in Science Fiction (Governor Room) Saturday 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Media ♦ Dr. Karen Nagel, Ann Totusek, Mary Wilson - A group of women talk about the qualities that make a character or an actor truly delicious to them. **A Y**

How Not to Be a Dinosaur (Governor Room) Saturday 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Mark Hagerman, Rose Field - If a comet or asteroid hit the Earth, there would be an initial period of very high temperatures (ca 700° F) and the material that splashed up raining back down, a period of near-darkness as the dust settled out, years of very cold temperatures, and a gradual recovery to "normal". So, if such a thing happened, what could we do to survive? **A**

Illustration versus Fine Art (Wedgwood Room) Saturday 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM ♦ Panel, Art ♦ Artist Guest of Honor Mitchell Davidson Bentley will lead a discussion about this artists' dilemma. **G**

Joss Whedon is My Master Now (306) Saturday 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM ♦ Panel, Media ♦ Lars Pearson, Christa Dickson - With the enduring success of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer", "Angel", and "Firefly", Joss Whedon seems to have the Midas Touch. How will he handle the upcoming "Dollhouse" series starring Eliza Dushku? What's the status of his various comic book series? Join Lars Pearson and Christa Dickson, the authors of "Dusted: The Unauthorized Guide to Buffy" and "Redeemed: The Unauthorized Guide to Angel" as they elaborate on Joss' projects and what you're likely to see from him in the next couple of years. **A Y**

Ka Klick Martin/Bryan Baker (Music 302) Saturday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Bryan Baker (Kaklick Martin) makes music that can be best described as honkey tonk meets the metaverse. In the album "Roadhouse Ranch and Saloon" he sprinkles ideas like cyber-sex, furies and pose balls right along with the sawdust, traditional and futuristic at the same time. He also offers straight ahead rock along with social and political commentary in his album "Big Bad World". Kaklick took the stage in Second Life for the first time back in late 2005, so he is among SL's veteran performers and an early evangelist for the live music scene. www.ka-klick.com **A Y**

Life After Potter (Youth 322) Saturday 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Abbi Adkins, Valerie Speck - Life After Potter Panel: I wait therefore I am. With no new Harry Potter novel to look forward to, why go on? We'll discuss the final book in the series, how we feel about the end, and what comes next for a generation raised on HP. **Y**

Masquerade (Grand Ballroom) Saturday 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM ♦ Contest, Costuming ♦ See an amazing display of costumes that will be judged as they come on stage. MC: Denny Lynch. **N Y C**

Masquerade Meeting (Grand Ballroom) Saturday 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Costuming ♦ **If you are a contestant in the Masquerade you must attend this meeting.** **A Y C**

Medical Quackery (308) Saturday 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM ♦ Panel ♦ Dr. Alan Koslow, Dr. Karen Nagel - The greedy, the incompetent, and the misguided visionaries have fleeced and abused the public in many ways since the dawn of medicine. This panel presents the more memorable examples. **A**

Music After Midnight (Music 302) Sunday 12:00 AM to 04:00 AM ♦ Performance, Music Jam/
Sing-A-Long **A**

Saturday Programming continued...

Orckes and Trolls with Knotty Dog (Music 302) Saturday 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Orckes and Trolles is a high-energy music trio that specializes in Celtic and piratey songs. Join their crew on Saturday at 2 p.m. in the music room for sing-along fun and a scurvy good time! members.aol.com/Orckes/ **A Y**

Pizza and Movies - time approximate (Youth 322) Sunday 12:00 AM to ?? AM ♦ **Room for Teens ONLY, ages 12-19.** No youth (5-11), children (4 and under) or adults (20 and above) allowed. Check in the teen room for additional fun activities like draw your own costume design, graffiti wall, teen only games, and scavenger hunt updates posted throughout the weekend. **Y**

Possible Oscar (Music 302) Saturday 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Possible Oscar is a Minneapolis, MN based comedy music act that specializes in original and parody songs in rock and hip hop styles. The band formed in 2005 with former members of the atomic rock band The Nick Atoms with the intention of exploring a creative direction that began in The Nick Atoms' waning days. Their musical topics range from video games to nerd love, with stops at comic books and notable Hollywood movie sound effects. They also enjoy wearing T-shirts with their band name on them. www.possibleoscar.com **A Y**

Presenting the great Luke Ski (Grand Ballroom) Saturday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ He's Back! Presenting the great Luke Ski. You may know him from his dozens of other convention performances all over the US, or you may know him as the most requested artist of the 21st century on the Dr. Demento Show. Either way, this is not a show to be missed. **A Y N**

Pros and Cons of Digital Art (306) Saturday 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM ♦ Discussion, Art ♦ Mitch Bentley, John Garner - Is digital really art? What are the advantages and drawbacks of digital as opposed to the old-fashioned tools like paint and brush? **G A Y**

Reading with Susan Satterfield (Wedgwood Room) Saturday 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM ♦ Reading, Literary ♦ Reading with Susan Satterfield - Ms. Satterfield has had several short stories published, and she has a number of works in progress. She will share a selection from her work with us. **A**

Second Life (306) Saturday 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM ♦ Discussion ♦ Alan Koslow - An introduction to this popular web world. **A**

Seven Secrets (Governor Room) Saturday 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Steven Barnes - Our Author GoH shares tips on the seven best ways of sustaining a high-energy, balanced, and successful life. **G A Y**

Sex in Science Fiction (Wedgwood Room) Sunday 01:00 AM to 02:00 AM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Mary Wilson, Cynthia Williams - Scantily clad warrior women in bikinis, the need to continue the species, brave new worlds and first contact...sex has become part of science fiction. From Captain Kirk's escapades to generation ships, the need to meet and mingle with aliens has brought up issues relating to sex, gender, and procreation. Your panelists will discuss what role sex plays in science fiction, and whether it's just there for titillation or if it can help us answer some meaningful questions. **ADULTS ONLY A**

Star Gazing (Governor Room) Saturday 11:00 PM to 01:00 AM ♦ Discussion ♦ Join us for an observation session from the top of the Allied Parking Ramp, weather permitting. Be at the Governor Room by 11 pm to make sure you connect with the group. Better still, come at 10 to hear the astronomy discussion, too! Brian Adams, Lewis Hainlin, Larry Stevens, Mitch Thompson. **A Y**

TICC After Dark 4 (Grand Ballroom) Sunday 12:00 AM to Sunday 01:15 AM ♦ Performance, Media ♦ You must 18 years old or older to attend this performance. See the stirring saga of the legendary Fhananova as he looks back on his life. Which naturally involves a lot of smooth whiskey, epic flannish adventures, and hot babes. **ADULTS ONLY. A**

Tai Chi (Wedgwood Room) Saturday 08:00 AM to 09:00 AM ♦ Workshop ♦ Steven Barnes - Join our Author Guest of Honor for an enlightening and empowering workout. **G A Y**

Tarot to Tickle Your Funny Bone (Wedgwood Room) Saturday 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM ♦ Discussion ♦ Jeannette Roth, Judy Zajec, Dan Pelletier - Tarot is used to explore serious personal issues and promote spiritual growth. But is there anything so sacred that is can't poke fun at itself once in a while? Check out these light-hearted tarot decks, and the whimsical images that may sometimes reveal things more profound than meets the eye. **A Y**

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Saturday Programming continued...

Tech Rehearsals for the Masquerade (Grand Ballroom)
Saturday 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM ♦ **Closed Except For Contestants Only.**

Teen Cartoons and Cereal (Youth 322) Saturday 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM ♦ Nicki Reed, Jenny Adkins - Everyone loves Saturday morning cartoons and a big bowl of cereal...but does it always have to be in the morning? NO! Come on down around the crack of noon and enjoy some good old-fashioned cartoons and cereal. **YOUTH ONLY** **Y**

Teen Room (in Youth 322) from Saturday 07:00 AM to Saturday 11:00 PM ♦ Room for only Teens ages 12-19. No youth (5-11), children (4 and under) or adults (20 and above) allowed. Check in the teen room for additional fun activities like draw your own costume design, graffiti wall, teen only games, and scavenger hunt updates posted throughout the weekend. **TEENS ONLY** **Y**

Tequila Little Time 2: Exotic Drinks (Consuite 310 & 312) Saturday 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM ♦ Demonstration ♦ Sallie Abba, Susan Leabhart, Diane Dunlap, Al Hohrmann - Join us as we explore the uses of tequila in cocktails and tropical drinks. Adults may sample the various creations, and we will provide some recipes. **A**

The Doctor is In: Doctor Who (308) Saturday 10:00 PM to 11:00 PM ♦ Panel, Media ♦ Jeremy Bement, Tadao Tomomatsu, Lars Pearson - Series 4 of Doctor Who is well underway, and Series 2 of Torchwood has just ended. Learn the latest news, rumors, and everything Who-related, including Torchwood & the Sarah Jane Adventures. **G** **A** **Y**

The General State of Sci-Fi TV (307) Saturday 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Media ♦ Lars Pearson, Christa Dickson - Is appointment viewing dead? Is piracy ravaging studios' ability to make coin off sci-fi series? Can the networks (or FOX, at the very least) be trusted to deploy a sci-fi show properly, and do they still have the willpower to try? Is the current crop of shows exceeding the likes of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer", "Farscape", and so on, or were things genuinely better back in the day? **A** **Y**

Torchwood (Governor Room) Friday 9:00 PM to 10:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Media ♦ Lars Pearson, Christa Dickson - To some fans, the "Doctor Who" spin-off "Torchwood" - currently BBC America's top-rated show - is more exciting and intriguing than the parent show that spawned it. In this panel, Lars

Pearson and Christa Dickson lead a group discussion about everything and anything pertaining to the Cardiff series: its more mature flavor, its embrace of alternate sexuality, and the all-important question of whether Captain Jack Harkness will dump Ianto and run off with the pterodactyl. **A**

Toyboat (Music 302) Saturday 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM ♦ Performance, Music ♦ Filk gone horribly right. This is what happens when you take 4 musicians from completely different gene pools and make them play instruments that they aren't usually seen playing. Take some classic filk, some classic rock, some punk rock and some 80s hard rock and what do you get? Say it three times fast and you've got Toyboat! www.toyboatband.com **A** **Y**

Video Game Challenge (Youth 322) Saturday 11:00 PM to 12:00 AM ♦ Contest, Gaming ♦ Jenny Adkins, Nicki Reed - Are you the top Burn Out racer? Is your Guitar Hero mastery unbeaten? Would you like to take a crack at Rock Band, or burn up some energy stomping it out on DDR? Come and show us what you're made of at the Video Game Challenge. We will pit you against other video game aficionados in a winner-takes-all battle of the electronic arts. **YOUTH ONLY** **Y**

Videos You Should Have Seen By Now (308) Saturday 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM ♦ Panel, Media ♦ Dave Reed - There's this thing on the net these days: YouTube and about a hundred cousins. You hear about the cool stuff people are doing with Internet video, but do you actually go look? Come see a very small and non-representative sample of what's out there. **A** **Y**

Warming Up For Belly (Or Other) Dance & Dance Bag Basics (Wedgwood Room) Saturday 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM ♦ Workshop, Music ♦ Zaphira (AKA Susan Leabhart) will show you how to warm up and stretch for belly dancing. Emphasis will be on strengthening your abs, back, and glutes. This will include floor work, so dress comfortably. A towel or yoga mat may be useful. This session is not for belly dancers only: most people can benefit from these stretches and exercises. As an extra bonus, Zaphira will share her ideas on what every dancer needs in her dance bag. **A** **Y**

What Size am I? (306) Saturday 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM ♦ Panel, Costuming ♦ Sheila Lenkman - With every manufacturer using their own size charts these days, it's hard to shop for yourself, let alone someone else. And what is up with the sewing pattern companies? How do you know what size to cut out? For the answers to these questions and more, come to this panel. **A** **Y**

Who Are These Guys? - DMSFS 101 (Governor Room)
Saturday 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Bill Davis,
Susan Stewart - DemiCon 19 is hosted by the Des Moines
Science Fiction Society, aka DMSFS. Learn more about this
“interesting” group of people and what they are doing to
promote literacy and the love of book reading. Learn how
you can join us, and why you might want to! **A Y**

Sunday Programming:

Closing Ceremonies (Grand Ballroom) Sunday 3:00 PM to
4:00 PM ♦ Performance ♦ Say good-bye to DemiCon 19,
and meet the ConCom for DC 20! **G N Y C A**

Damsels in Distress (Wedgwood Room) Sunday 11:00 AM
to 12:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Literary ♦ Travis Clemmons,
Dr. Karen Nagel - A discussion panel that covers the topic of
why so many people are interested in stories where the
pretty girl is placed in peril. **A Y**

Fan Health (Governor Room) Sunday 09:00 AM to 10:00
AM ♦ Discussion ♦ Alan Koslow, Dr Karen Nagel, Steven
Barnes - In general, fhans have more than matched the
national trend toward obesity. What are the causes, and
what can be done to correct the problem? **G A Y**

Fhannish Dating Game Wrap-Up Show (Grand Ballroom)
Sunday 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Media
♦ Cynthia Williams - Find out how our contestants’ “dates”
went, with narrative assistance from sock puppets. **A Y**

Hollywood Today (Wedgwood Room) Sunday 1:00 PM to
2:00 PM ♦ Panel, Media ♦ Tadao Tomomatsu - Join our
Toastmaster for a look at what’s going on in movies and
television. **G A Y**

How to Podcast (308) Sunday 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
♦ Panel, Media ♦ Alan Koslow - What’s out there, and how
do I participate? **A Y**

Masquerade Viewing (North Room) Sunday 12:00 PM to
1:00 PM ♦ Discussion, Costuming ♦ Megan Harper,

Joe Struss - Open to the masquerade contestants only. See
your performance from the night before.

Name That Sci-Fi Tune (Grand Ballroom) Sunday 12:00
PM to 1:00 PM ♦ Contest, Gaming ♦ Bill Davis, Denny
Lynch - Soundtracks are as much a blueprint to a movie as
the story themselves. So can you name the movie that a
song or soundtrack came from? If you want to be a contest-
ant, either email programming@demicon.org or sign up at
the convention. **A Y C**

SF & F Scrabble (305) Sunday 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
♦ Contest, Gaming ♦ Cynthia Williams - Just what it sounds
like - come play Scrabble using genre words. **A Y**

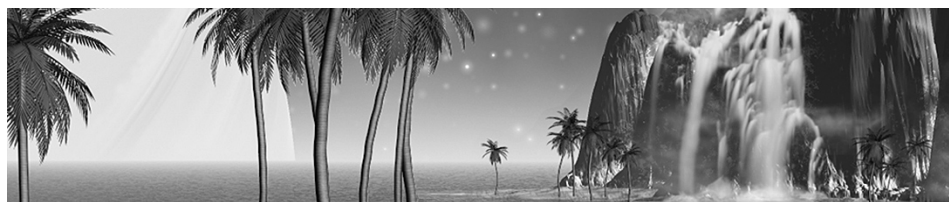
Sci Fi Show and Tell (305) Sunday 11:00 AM to 12:00
PM ♦ Discussion, Art ♦ Rusty Hevelin, Jon Mohning - Do you
have a prized Sci Fi item that you just want to show off and
tell us about? We invite you to do so! **A Y C**

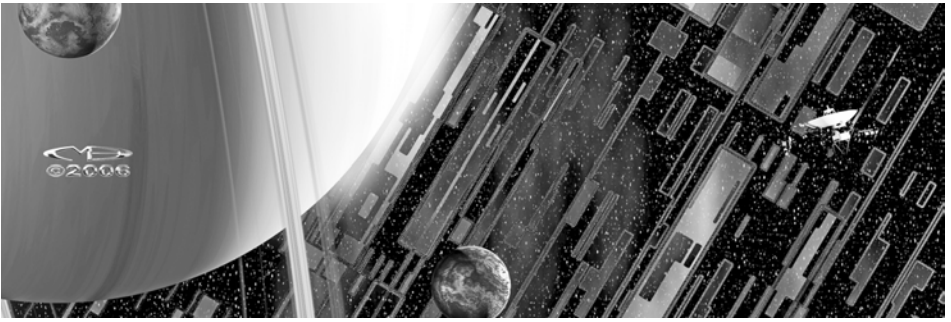
Sewing with Sheila (307) Sunday 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
♦ Workshop, Costuming ♦ Sheila Lenkman - 5 sewing tricks
and techniques you probably don’t know (maybe we’ll even
do 6!). Come and see, it’s never too late to learn. **A Y**

Win, Lose, or Draw (Grand Ballroom) Sunday 2:00 PM to
3:00 PM ♦ Contest, Art ♦ Join in this annual game hosted
by one of our favorite groups, DAGOBAB. Try to guess what
the artists are trying to draw on the board. DAGOBAB and
Artists: Mitch Bentley, Erin McKee, Sara Butcher, Scott Ross,
Nancy Wirsig McClure. **G N Y C A**

Writing Fight Scenes (Wedgwood Room) Sunday 10:00
AM to 11:00 AM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Steven Barnes - Our
Author Guest of Honor will share tips and techniques for
writing exciting and believable fight scenes. **A Y**

What’s So Special About eBooks (308) Sunday 11:00 AM
to 12:00 PM ♦ Panel, Literary ♦ Bill Davis, Mary Wilson -
Information about eBook readers and where to get eBooks,
including legal sources of free eBooks, chapters, and other
reading material. Includes discussion about the Amazon
Kindle and the Apple iPhone. **A Y**





Convention Rules

More helpful suggestions from The Committee

Rule #1-Weapons Policy: All weapons must be peace-bonded; no projectile weapons of any type may be carried or used. Exceptions may be made for certain weapons that are part of the formal masquerade costumes, provided that arrangements have been made in advance with the masquerade director. Any violations of the weapons policy, or refusal to cooperate with the requests of our security staff regarding weapons matters, may result in actions ranging from confiscation of weapons to being evicted from the convention.

Rule #2-Drinking Policy: The drinking age in Iowa is 21. We cannot serve any alcoholic beverages to persons born after May 2, 1987. If you turn 21 during the convention, come see us at registration so we can arrange a special badge for you. The barkeep on duty has the right to card anyone, even if I.D. has been previously presented. Persons hosting room parties are responsible for ensuring that their guests are of legal age before serving them alcohol. Any one serving alcohol has a right and a legal responsibility to refuse service to anyone who may be imbibing irresponsibly.

Rule #3-Badge Policy: Badges are required for all convention functions. Anyone not wearing a badge will be asked to produce it or leave the function space. If you lose your badge, report it immediately at the registration table. If you find someone else's badge, please return it to the

registration table. Burden of proof of lost badges rests with the badge holder, not the convention staff. It's our call whether to replace a badge with a charge or at no charge.

Rule #4-Kids in Tow Policy: All children under age 13 must be accompanied by a paid adult when in convention areas. Parents/Guardians are responsible for controlling the behavior of their offspring. DemiCon is not a day care facility.

Rule #5-Compliance Policy: If you have any problems, suggestions or complaints, please contact a DemiCon staff member, *not* a hotel staff person (unless the problem is with your personal sleeping room). There is always a radio at Registration, the Art Show, the Dealer's Room, and the ConSuite if you need assistance summoning Security or a member of ConCom.

Rule #6: There is no rule six.

Rule #7-Chocolate Policy: Yes, thank you. Preferably dark, please. The more, the better.

Rule #8-Non-Smoking Policy: All areas of the hotel are designated as non-smoking. If you smoke outside, please dispose of cigarette butts appropriately.

Rule #9-Pool Policy: Pool hours are 5:30AM to Midnight. Please respect these hours, and cooperate if you are asked to leave by our security or hotel staff. The pool is on the 6th floor, and you need a sleeping room key to access the area.

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