



# Westercon 66

## *Progress Report 2*

Winter 2013



Westercon 66  
2013 West Coast Science Fantasy Conference

July 4-7, 2013  
Sacramento, California

MISSION:  
Who Is Agent 66???





## Westercon 66 Official Registration Form

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\_\_\_\_\_ **Attending Membership:** For members who plan to attend the weekend; includes convention publications, voting rights (at the members' rate) in the site selection process for Westercon 68 in 2015; admission to all of the regular events, exhibits and activities during the convention. **\$65.00**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Supporting Membership:** For members who won't/can't attend the weekend itself, but would like to stay informed, receive the convention publications, and be entitled to vote at the members' rate in the site selection process for Westercon 68 in 2015. Supporting memberships can be upgraded to attending memberships by paying the difference in membership fees at the time of upgrade (even at the door). **\$30.00**

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Please send this form with your check to Westercon 66, P.O. Box 61363, Sunnyvale CA 94088-1363, USA, or visit our website, [www.westercon66.org](http://www.westercon66.org), and fill out the form there. Please do not send cash. Thank you!

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# AWESOME! WESTERCON 66!

## THE 2013 WEST COAST SCIENCE FANTASY CONFERENCE

Progress Report 2.0

### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMEN

Westercon 66 is now six months away. As we write this, we have nearly 300 pre-registered attending members, and think we are well on track for a lively crowd in Sacramento next July 4th weekend.

Your co-chairs and other committee members have been out and about quite a bit since Westercon 65, spreading the word about our awesome convention at Worldcon in Chicago, Con-volution in Burlingame, Loscon in LA, Bent-Con in West Hollywood, and through a host of podcasts, clubs and other venues.

We've also been adding some key people to our staff, including Diane Osborne as our Volunteer Coordinator, Elayne Pelz as Art Show Director, and Alison Stern to coordinate our children's programming.

We're happy to report that applications for our dealers room were plentiful, enough so that we will definitely have a waiting list once the jury process is complete. We'll be able to start announcing vendors soon. Applications for space in the art show should open in the early part of the year, too.

Those of you who indicated an interest in participating in the program will soon be receiving a link to a program survey, so Chris Doyle and her staff can put your talents to good use. If you didn't indicate your interest when registering, you can log back into the registration system and check off that box on the form, or drop a note to [program@westercon66.org](mailto:program@westercon66.org) to let us know of your interest.

Chris is working hard to create a varied and engaging program -- besides the aforementioned children's program, we intend to include hard science, writing, costuming, art, music and social and cultural topics. We're making room for play, too, with gaming, dancing, some activities to make good use of the Hilton Arden West's giant back lawn, and some hands-on space to make and explore.

All that, of course, ultimately depends on you, the members of the convention. We're building the framework for an event to remember, but it requires the enthusiastic engagement of the membership to fill that framework and make it awesome.

So -- we are starting a membership challenge: if we can reach 500 pre-registered members in the next 6 weeks, we can add a toastmaster to our lineup of guests. We have a couple of excellent candidates in mind, but we're keeping their identities under wraps until we know we can afford to invite one. Here is an opportunity for you to act as a local agent for change -- encourage your friends, acquaintances and club members to join Westercon 66 now, so we know we have the budget to expand our plans. If you need promotional materials, you can download flyers from the Publications page in the About section of [www.westercon66.org](http://www.westercon66.org), or contact our Communications Department via [info@westercon66.org](mailto:info@westercon66.org) if you need something more. Talk us up in your blogs, on Twitter or Facebook -- the more buzz you create, the bigger, better, and more awesome Westercon 66 will be for everyone!

*Kevin Roche & Andy Trembley*

Co-Chairs, Westercon 66

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### HOTEL INFORMATION

Our hotel is the Hilton Sacramento Arden West located at 2200 Harvard Street in Sacramento. Our rate is \$109 per night for single/double/triple/quad occupancy for the dates July 3 through July 9, 2013. Reservations may be made through our custom reservations page at <http://www.westercon66.org/hotel-travel/> or by calling the Hilton Sacramento Arden West at +1-916-922-4700 and mentioning Westercon 66.

Are you throwing a party at Westercon 66? Reserve your room with the hotel and then email your reservation information to [hotel@westercon66.org](mailto:hotel@westercon66.org). We will place you on the party floor.



## HIGH-RANKING INVESTIGATIVE AGENTS (AKA GUESTS OF HONOR)

### Author Guests of Honor: Nicola Griffith and Kelley Eskridge



This powerhouse duo of writers makes their home in Seattle. Nicola is a multi-award-winning novelist and editor of several anthologies. Kelley is the author of a New York Times Notable novel and prize-winning short fiction, and chairs the Clarion West Writers Workshop board.

Together, Nicola and Kelley run Sterling Editing, providing coaching and editing for writers of all experience

levels, categories, and genres.



### Artist Guest of Honor: Eric Shanower and Small Press Special Guest: David Maxine

Eric and David hail from San Diego, and are devotees of all things Oz. Their shared fandom has developed into a comfortable professional life.

Eric is the creator of several Oz-based comic books, the author of Oz novels and the writer for the Marvel graphic novelizations of Baum's Oz books. He's also the creator of the Eisner Award winning Age of Bronze, a painstakingly researched graphic novel of the Trojan War.



David runs Hungry Tiger Press, a small publisher specializing in Oz-related publications. Not satisfied with just publishing books and graphic novels, Hungry Tiger also publishes music, including the Grammy Nominated Vintage Recordings from the 1903 Broadway Musical The Wizard of Oz.



### Fan Guests of Honor: "The Three Who Rule" (Warren Frey, Steven Schapansky, Chris Burgess)

Radio Free Skaro is possibly the most popular, most prolific and charmingly irreverent (but never irrelevant) Doctor Who podcast around. Since August 2006, hosts Warren (in Vancouver, BC) and Steven (in Edmonton, AB) have provided listeners with their brand of amusing Doctor Who praise and punishment. A year later, Chris (also in Edmonton, AB) was added to the team, and The Three Who Rule were born.



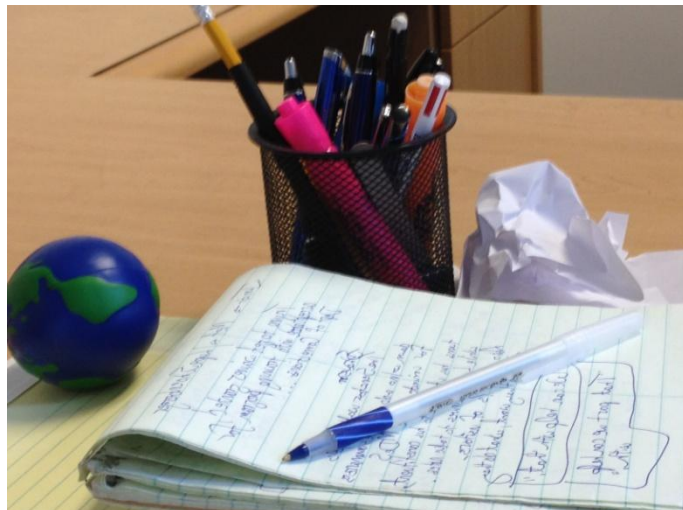
Recommended by Doctor Who Magazine and voted most popular Doctor Who podcast by members of Gallifrey Base, Radio Free Skaro provides an entertaining and diverting listen for the diehard or casual Doctor Who fan.

Warren, Steven and Chris are regulars on the Doctor Who fan circuit, both online and in person at conventions like Gallifrey One and Chicago Tardis

## **SPECULATIVE FICTION WRITERS WORKSHOP**

Do you see your local grocery aisle designations (rice, grains, scrying charms) as a source of plot points for your fantasy novel? Have you secretly outlined a secret, unauthorized biography of Robbie the Robot on Post-it notes "borrowed" from your office supply closet? Do you catch yourself taking notes after an argument with your significant other to capture that "special something" that makes dialogue really pop?

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes," you should consider participating in the Westercon 66 Speculative Fiction Writers Workshop! There, one of our panel of professional writers, editors and agents will have read and offer suggestions on structure, logistics and style for your future Hugo-award winning short story or novel excerpt. Works (submitted in advance) should be science fiction, fantasy, gothic horror or any other fiction with a fantastic element.



Each workshop session lasts for three hours, during which time 2-3 manuscripts will be reviewed.

Pre-registration is required for this very special opportunity; participants must be 18 years or older and able to hear constructive criticism of their work without crying (in public at least). A nominal entry fee may apply. For more information, write to workshop coordinator Adrienne Foster, at [writersworkshop@westercon66.org](mailto:writersworkshop@westercon66.org).

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## **DEALERS ROOM**

Greetings from the Westercon 66 Dealers Room staff. We are currently reviewing the applications received. At this time we can't say exactly how many tables we will offer, because our room space just changed, but we promise you an extensive and diverse selection of dealers and merchandise for the science fiction/fantasy aficionado.

For those who might be interested in having a dealer's table but have not yet applied: we welcome your application, but we remind you that the initial application deadline of December 1, 2012 has come and gone. Any applications received now will automatically go on the waiting list. All dealers on the waiting list will be given due consideration in the event of cancellations, and we will make every effort to give you sufficient advice notice for your preparations. For now, just remember: if you send in an application, you might get a dealer's table... but if you do not send in an application, then you won't get one.

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## **MASQUERADE**



Calling All Costumers!!!

Now that you're done working on holiday projects, it's the perfect time to start working on your entry for the Westercon 66 Masquerade! Phil and Kathe Gust will be acting this year as Masquerade Directors. Please contact them if you have questions about the Masquerade, and watch the PR releases as we find out more information about the stage size and location.

Do you just have too many great costumes and are bummed you can't enter them all in the Masquerade? Wear them at the Con anyway and you may win a hall costume award! This year a select band will be roaming the halls hunting for the best examples of wearable art.

Tired of competing, planning to take a year off, or just wonder what the heck all those people are doing in that Green Room?

Contact our Agent Recruitment Center and find out about openings on our team. We can use judges, clerks and naturally calm people to herd cats - er, costumers. We are also recruiting for the Hall Costuming Ribbon Team.

For more details, e-mail Phil & Kathe Gust, Agent Recruiters at [masquerade@westercon66.org](mailto:masquerade@westercon66.org)

## CURRENT ATTENDEES

Nancy Alegria (A)  
Ancilla Allsman (A)  
Carol Ann Alves (A)  
James Alves (A)  
Ambassador Kay (A)  
Annie (A)  
Gene Armstrong (V)  
Hilary Ayer (A)  
Kuma Bear (A)  
Tom Becker (A)  
Judy Bemis (A)  
Phyllis Bennett (A)  
Friend of Shari  
Benson (A)  
Shari Benson (A)  
L.A. Bethel (A)  
William Betz (A)  
B. Laubenheimer (A)  
Gary S Blog (A)  
Kent Bloom (A)  
Kate Boyle (A)  
Mary Boyle (A)  
Matt Branstad (A)  
M. Branstad (A)  
Seth Breidbart (V)  
D. Bretschneider (A)  
Brian C. E. Buhl (A)  
Cheryl Brin (A)  
David Brin (A)  
Garth Brown (A)  
Grant Brown (A)  
Joni Brown (A)  
Jordan Brown (A)  
Kimberlee Brown (A)  
Warren Buff (A)  
Paula Butler (A)  
Randy Byers (A)  
Chuck Cady (A)  
Tasha Cady (A)  
Larry Caldwell (A)  
Stuart Capewell (A)  
Diane Capewell (A)  
Carole (A)  
Carrie (A)  
Craig Carter (A)  
Diana E Carter (A)  
Lee Carter (A)  
Morgan R. Carter (A)  
Gregg Castro (A)  
Sandra Childress (V)  
Walter Chisholm (A)  
Christine (A)  
Chuck Shimada (A)  
Clara Blackheart (A)  
Amy Clark (A)  
David Clark (V)  
Marshall Clevesy (A)  
Craig Cook (V)  
Cynthia Cravens (A)  
Paula CristPickett (A)  
Ctein (A)  
C. Cunningham (A)  
Bud Dangl (A)  
Todd Dashoff (A)  
David-Glenn (A)  
Linda Deneroff (V)  
Scott Dennis (A)  
C. Deviny (A)  
Patricia A Diggs (A)  
Deb Dittmar (A)  
DocCyber (A)  
Laura Domitz (A)  
Christine Doyle (A)  
Dr. Nathaniel  
Blackheart (A)  
DredZena (A)  
Bobbie DuFault (V)  
B Durbin (A)  
Earleen (A)  
Jill Eastlake (A)  
D. Eastlake 3rd (A)  
Ed Buchan (A)  
Alicia Edmunds (A)  
Eileen (A)  
Thomas D Eivins (A)  
Jacqueline Taero  
Elderkin (A)  
Eleanor Farrell (A)  
Karen Emrich (A)  
Eric "in the Elevator"  
Zuckerman (A)  
Eric P. Scott (A)  
Louis Erickson (A)  
Lunatic Esex (A)  
Barney Evans (A)  
Kate Evans (A)  
Evil (A)  
Fargos (A)  
Don Forbis (A)  
Adrienne Foster (V)  
Cynthia Frazer (V)  
Donald Frazer (V)  
L. Brodian Freas (V)  
Donna Freeman (A)  
David Gallaher (V)  
Gambit (A)  
Chris Garcia (V)  
Geo Mealer (A)  
Gerald Gieseke (V)  
Craig Glassner (A)  
Marsha Glassner (A)  
Glenn Glazer (A)  
Bill Glover (A)  
Don Glover (A)  
Jerri Glover (A)  
Vicki Glover (A)  
Jean Goddin (A)  
Barry D Gold (A)  
Lee Gold (A)  
Lynn Gold (A)  
Ari Goldstein (V)  
Joy Goodin (V)  
David Guon (A)  
Kathe Gust (A)  
Philip Gust (A)  
Harold Harrigan (A)  
H Harrigan III (A)  
Lisa D Harrigan (A)  
Lisa Hayes (A)  
Mette Hedin (A)  
Mariliyn Hedtke (A)  
John V. Hedtke (A)  
Allison Hershey (A)  
LA Hildebrand (V)  
Bob Hole (A)  
Rachel E Holmen (A)  
Edward Hooper (A)  
howeird (A)  
Chris Illes (A)  
R. Inch-Partridge (A)  
J. L. Doty (A)  
Jo Rhett (A)  
John W Rogers (A)  
Bonnie Jones (V)  
Lamont Jones (V)  
Mitzi Jones (V)  
Winona Jones (V)  
Joni Brill Dashoff (A)  
Judith (A)  
Julie (A)  
JW (A)  
Cyril Kalbach (A)  
Phyllis Kalbach (A)  
Jordin Kare (A)  
Mary Kay Kare (A)  
Katigra (A)  
Katze (A)  
Adam Kaufman (A)  
Doug Kaufman (A)  
Jerry Kaufman (A)  
Naomi Kaufman (A)  
Wendy Ross  
Kaufman (A)  
Mr Robert D Kelly (A)  
KeyFox (A)  
Cynthia Kloczko (A)  
Daniel Kloczko (A)  
Rick Kovalcik (A)  
Connie Kramke (A)  
Bruce Krawetz (A)  
Kristine (A)  
John Kusters Jr. (A)  
Lady Di (A)  
David Larsen (A)  
Lucas K. Law (A)  
Judy Lazar (A)  
Ruth Leibig (A)  
Lynnette Lewis (A)  
Stephen Libbey (A)  
Jacqueline  
Lichtenberg (A)  
Marie Lim (A)  
Ling Po's Older  
Brother (A)  
Ling Po's Younger  
Brother (A)  
Mark A Linneman (A)  
Bryan Little (A)  
Allison Lonsdale (V)  
Danny Low (A)  
Pamela Lunsford (A)  
Bradford Lyau (A)  
Lycanthrophile (A)  
Aubrey Lyons (A)  
Anne Macko (A)  
Mairi (A)  
Jim Manning (A)  
Sandra Manning (A)  
Beth Marble (A)  
Chris Marble (A)  
Mari (A)  
Mary (A)  
Andrew P. Mayer (A)  
Cheryl McCombs (A)  
Robyn McIntyre (A)  
E McKechnie (A)  
Althea McMurrian (A)  
Caroline Meier (A)  
Greg Meister (A)  
Holly Meister (A)  
Dr. Mary Lou  
Mendum (A)  
Merv (A)  
Brendan Metz (A)  
Stephanie Metz (A)  
Elliott Mitchell (A)  
Rick Moen (A)  
June M Moffatt (A)  
Lance Moore (A)  
Theresa M Moore (A)  
Janis J Moore (A)  
Judy Morman (A)  
Mem Morman (A)  
Micahel Morman (A)  
Susan Morman (A)  
Brad Mosby (A)  
Fred C Moulton (A)  
Muffy Barkocy (A)  
Willow Mungler (A)  
Cathleen Myers (A)  
James Myers (A)  
Spike NA (A)  
Kenneth Nahigian (A)  
Nan (A)  
Nathan Slurm-er (A)  
Nels (A)  
Stephen Nelson (A)  
Mike O'Brien (A)  
Chris O'Halloran (A)  
John O'Halloran (A)  
Dorothy O'Hare (A)  
Ron Oakes (A)  
Tara Oakes (A)  
Obi Wan Kenobi (A)  
Ron Ontell (A)  
Val Ontell (A)  
Kay Pannell (A)  
Michael Parker (V)  
Sharon Parker (V)  
Tony E Parker (A)  
Tory Parker (A)  
Carole Pauls (A)  
Joanne Paulsen (V)  
Elayne F. Pelz (A)  
Lisa M Peters (A)  
Barbara Pickering (A)  
Vaughn A Pickett (A)  
Sharon Pierce (A)  
Max Pinkerton (A)  
R. S. Wells (A)  
Nora Rankin (A)  
Kathhy Raygoza (A)  
Lynette Raygoza (A)  
Stephainie Rector (A)  
M. Retherford (A)  
Ms Ruth M Rezos (A)  
Jo Rhett (V)  
Ric (A)  
Pam Rice (A)  
Robin (A)  
Kevin Roche (A)  
Ms Shirl Roth (A)  
russ elliott (A)  
Beth Sacco (A)  
Ruth Sachter (A)  
Karen Sandler (A)  
Deirdre S Moen (A)  
Eric Sayle (A)  
Margaret Sayle (A)  
Sharon Sbarsky (V)  
Dr. Kathy Schick (A)  
David Schlosser (A)  
S. Schoenhuth (V)  
Cindy Scott (A)  
Donna Scultz (A)  
S. Muffinchucker (A)  
Marah Searle-  
Kovacevic (V)  
Chuck Serface (A)  
Shari (A)  
España Sheriff (V)  
James Shibley (V)  
Sieglinde (A)  
E. Siemanski (A)  
Michael Siladi (V)  
Donna Simone (A)  
Heminder Singh (V)  
Sir Lance (A)  
Joe Smith (A)  
Randy Smith (A)  
Sally Smith (A)  
Kevin Standlee (A)  
Julie Stephenson (A)  
Alison Stern (A)  
Ian E Stockdale (A)  
James Stringer (V)  
Arthur Taber (A)  
TaisiaKat (A)  
Bill Taylor (A)  
S. Thagard (A)  
The Other Will (A)  
Michael Thomas (A)  
Becky Thomson (A)  
Tia (A)  
Mark Tiedemann (A)  
Adam Tilghman (A)  
Tom Tolley (A)  
S Tompkins (A)  
Andrew Trembley (A)  
Bjo Trimble (A)  
John Trimble (A)  
Patricia Turner (A)  
R Tutihasi (V)  
Nora Urany (A)  
Valerie Estelle  
Frankel (A)  
Tom Veal (V)  
Leane Verhulst (A)  
Alex Von Thorn (V)  
Kennita Watson (A)  
Elizabeth Weaver (A)  
Chris Welborn (A)  
L. Wenzelburger (A)  
Mike M West (A)  
Laurine White (A)  
Brian Williams (A)  
Sarah Williams (A)  
Mike Willmoth (A)  
Karen M. Wilson (A)  
Cliff Winnig (A)  
Sally Woehrle (A)  
Wolfcat (A)  
Andrew Wong (A)  
Ben Yalow (A)  
Kelly Zimmerman (A)  
Tara Zimmerman (A)  
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