



MileHiCon: A Half-Century of Science Fiction, Fantasy, and Horror in the Rockies

Over 100 scifi authors and artists will speak and autograph books at the 50th MileHiCon scifi literary convention at the Hyatt Regency DTC Oct 19-21, 2018.

DENVER, COLORADO, UNITED STATES, September 9, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- More than 100 science fiction/fantasy/horror authors, artists and other participants will speak and autograph books at the 50th annual MileHiCon science fiction/ fantasy/horror literary convention at the Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center October 19, 20 and 21, 2018. For SF/F and speculative fiction lovers, it's a weekend not to be missed. The convention will feature authors, artists, speakers and programming on every aspect of the science fiction and fantasy genres, including:

- The largest SF/fantasy art show and auction in Colorado
- Round-the-clock gaming
- Vendors room full of science fiction, fantasy and horror-related items
- CosPlay (costume) contest
- Critter Crunch (robotic sumo wrestling) and Critter Floatilla (yacht race)
- Mass author autograph session on Saturday afternoon with over 60 authors participating (no extra fees)
- Literacy Auction with hundreds of donated items. All proceeds donated to a Denver based charity literacy program.
- During the weekend over 200 different programs will be offered on subjects including Writing * Publishing * Artist demonstrations * Hands-on workshops * Science presentations * Autograph sessions * Kids' programming * CosPlay * Gaming * and much more!

Activities for the 50th anniversary celebration will begin early Friday afternoon, Oct. 19, and run continuously through closing ceremonies at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct 21. Through the years, the convention has grown to approximately 1500 attendees.

To celebrate its semi-centennial, MileHiCon will not have its usual four or five author, artist and toastmaster guests of honor line-up. Instead, guests from all previous MileHiCons have been invited back. The 24 confirmed guests include authors Barbara Hambly, Carrie Vaughn, Connie Willis, James Van Pelt, Jack McDevitt, Jane Lindskold, Jeanne C. Stein, John E. Stith, Lawrence Watt-Evans, Mario Acevedo, Michael Swanwick, Robert J. Sawyer, Robert Vardeman, Stephen Graham Jones, Steven Brust, and Wil McCarthy. In addition, returning artists Chaz Kemp, Liz Danforth, Lubov Yegudin, Shaenon Garrity, and Theresa Mather will be joined by special guests Ed Kramer, KathE Walker, and Courtney Willis.

In addition to the guests of honor, appearances, presentations and performances will include more than 100 other SF, fantasy and horror authors, artists, speakers, and performers from across the nation. They will read from works in-progress and discuss various aspects of writing, publishing, SF/F themes, and just plain fun subjects. There will be many opportunities to meet and get free autographs from authors and artists throughout the weekend. A list of participants (regularly updated) is available on the website: <http://www.milehicon.org>.

All MileHiCon activities will take place at the Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center, located at 7800 E. Tufts Ave., Denver, CO 80237. A three-day membership will be \$50 at the door. Full weekend memberships can also be purchased in advance through the MileHiCon website:

www.milehicon.org. Daily memberships will be available at the door. Registration will open Friday at noon, and Saturday and Sunday at 9 a.m.

Background

MileHiCon has been run and staffed entirely by volunteers since its inception in 1969. Its purpose is to promote interest in reading and writing science fiction and related genres, although it has long since branched out to embrace science and technology, television, film, anime, gaming, costuming/cosplay and other areas of fannish interest.

There have been some changes since the tiny fan-run convention dubbed "Mini-con 1" debuted on a Saturday in November in 1969. Though still entirely run by local fans-for-fans, Mini-con moved to October in 1970, changed its name to MileHiCon in 1972, and expanded to fill the entire weekend in 1975.

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For more information, visit the convention website: <http://www.milehicon.org> or call 720-234-7829. Web images are available for media use; hi-res images available on request.

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