

# 2026 Hugo Award Winners Announced at LAcon V in Anaheim

*The 2026 winners of the Hugo Awards, the Lodestar Award, and the Astounding Award, honoring the best in science fiction and fantasy.*

ANAHEIM, CA, UNITED STATES, August 31, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Science fiction's brightest stars were celebrated Sunday evening at the [84th World Science Fiction Convention, LAcon V 2026](#), where the winners of the [2026 Hugo Awards](#), Lodestar Award, and

Astounding Award were announced. The formal ceremony held Sunday, August 30, in the Anaheim Convention Center Arena, honored outstanding achievements in the genre across various categories, from novels and dramatic presentations to new writers and artists.

2,492 final ballots were received from members of LAcon V. Full voting statistics are available at <https://www.lacon.org/2026hugos>.

## Best Novel

The Everlasting by Alix E. Harrow (Tor US; Tor UK)

## Best Novella

The River Has Roots by Amal El-Mohtar (Tordotcom; Arcadia UK)

## Best Novelette

"Never Eaten Vegetables" by H.H. Pak (Clarkesworld, Issue 220)

## Best Short Story

"In My Country" by Thomas Ha (Clarkesworld, Issue 223)

## Best Series

Old Man's War by John Scalzi (Tor US; Tor UK)



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### Best Graphic Story or Comic

A Wizard of Earthsea: A Graphic Novel, written by Ursula K. Le Guin, adapted and art by Fred Fordham (Clarion Books; Walker UK)

### Best Related Work

Inventing the Renaissance by Ada Palmer (University of Chicago Press US, Head of Zeus UK)

### Best Dramatic Presentation, Long Form

Sinners, screenplay by Ryan Coogler, directed by Ryan Coogler (Proximity Media, Warner Bros. Pictures)

### Best Dramatic Presentation, Short Form

Murderbot: "All Systems Red," written by Paul Weitz & Chris Weitz, directed by Roseanne Liang, based on the book All Systems Red by Martha Wells (Apple TV)

### Best Game or Interactive Work

Clair Obscur: Expedition 33, developed by Sandfall Interactive, published by Kepler Interactive

### Best Editor Short Form

Neil Clarke

### Best Editor Long Form

Diana M. Pho

### Best Professional Artist

John Picacio

### Best Semiprozine

Uncanny Magazine, publisher and editor-in-chief: Michael Damian Thomas; managing editor Monte Lin; poetry editor Betsy Aoki, podcast producers Erika Ensign and Steven Schapansky

### Best Fanzine

nerds of a feather, flock together, editors Roseanna Pendlebury, Arturo Serrano, Paul Weimer; senior editors Joe Sherry, G. Brown, Vance Kotrla

### Best Fancast

Hugo, Girl!, presented by Haley Zapal, Amy Salley, Lori Anderson, and Kevin Anderson

### Best Fan Writer

Jason Sanford

### Best Fan Artist

Yuumei

Best Poem

"Hex Supply Customer Support Log" by Elis Montgomery (Strange Horizons, Issue 25 August 2025)

Lodestar Award for Best YA Book

Coffeeshop in an Alternate Universe by C.B. Lee (Feiwel & Friends)

Astounding Award for Best New Writer (sponsored by Must Read Books Publishing)

Antonia Hodgson (1st year of eligibility)

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