

NECRONOMICON 2012



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WELCOME TO NECRONOMICON

The epochal year 2012 has finally arrived, and we can now take off the masks and reveal the secret behind the convention. While events occurring this year have been grinding to fruition for millennia, for the past 31 years, Necronomicon has been working to shape the foul, chaotic reality to come. We apologize to you, the final attendees, for the deception we have perpetuated. While we claimed to be creating Florida's best fan-run convention for YOUR enjoyment, we were actually manipulating psychic energies to help bring about the return of the Old Ones (AKA the Mayan Apocalypse.) On the bright side, this won't preclude us making this a weekend you'll never forget (at least till some passing Elder God swallows your soul.)

In the pages that follow, we'll reveal how we mixed eldritch rituals with fun and games to help the Great Old Ones sweep mankind aside like the mayflies we are. So read on and brace yourselves for a convention of apocalyptic proportions!



RULES

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

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

GUEST OF HONOR

Linnea Sinclair

Winner of the prestigious national book award the RITA®, and published by both the Dell and Spectra imprints of Random House, science fiction romance author Linnea Sinclair has become a name synonymous with high-action, emotionally intense, character-driven novels. Reviewers note that Sinclair's novels "have the wow-factor in spades," earning her accolades from both the science fiction and romance communities.



Her books have claimed spots in the Locus Top Ten and made the USA Today Extended Bestseller list, Romantic Times BOOKreviews consistently gives Sinclair's books 4-1/2 stars (their highest rating), and Starlog calls her "one of the reigning queens of science fiction romance." Her short story, "Courting Trouble," is featured in Songs of Love and Death, edited by George R.R. Martin and Gardner Dozois.

A former news reporter and retired St. Petersburg, FL private detective, Sinclair's lively workshops make her a writing-conference favorite nationwide—her recent schedule included workshops in Houston, Denver, Tampa, St Louis, Pittsburgh, Chicago, and Los Angeles. She's been featured on Daytime, an NBC-syndicated talk show, as well as several nationally syndicated radio shows. Her Florida-based SF police procedural novel The Down Home Zombie Blues has been optioned for Hollywood movie production by director C. Duke Marsh.

Sinclair resides in Naples, Florida (winters) and Columbus, Ohio (summers) with her husband Robert Bernadino and their thoroughly spoiled cats. Readers can find her perched on the third barstool from the left in her Intergalactic Bar and Grille at www.linneasinclair.com.

OTHER GUESTS

The destruction of human civilization cannot be achieved by a single person (even a Guest of Honor.) Mark the names of these others, many of whom have returned to help us year after year. We thank them for the dedication to fandom and the Eldritch Apocalypse.

Tracy Akers, S.L. Armstrong, Roger Armstrong, Eric Beebe, David Berger, Johanna M. Bolton, Chris Berman, Jeffrey Breslauer, Richard Lee Byers, Craig Caldwell, Nancy J. Cohen, Tracy Cornett, Kevin Coryell, Sarah Jo Coryell, Brenda Cothorn, Vince Courtney, Betty Cross, Nick DiChario, Dave Dickinson, Tanja Diederich, Lucienne Diver, Gerald Driggers, Glenda Finkelstein, Tony Finkelstein, R.M. Garcia, Stokely Gittens, Hal Greenberg, William Hatfield, Kat Heckenbach, Chris Helton, Ed Howdershelt, Michael L. Joy, Louise Kleba, Pamela Labud, Eloy LaSanta, William Logan, Thomas Macheski, Chris McCoy, Christina McCoy, Jeff Mitchell, Kendall D.W. Morris, Kendall F. Morris, Stanley Morrison, Mark Muncy, K.L. Nappier, Rebecca Nipper, Joshua Peterson, K. Piet, Michael Pinsky, T.S. Robinson, E. Rose

Sabin, Marina
Sergeyeva,
Rubey Shea,
Ken Spivey,
Lakisha Spletzer,
Brandy Stark,
John S. Tumlin,
Debbie Viguie,
Scott Viguie,
M.B. Weston, Ed
Wysocki, and the
Omega of Necro,
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LOCATIONS

Throughout the convention are locations where dark magics work around the clock to harvest human emotion. This energy feeds the Elder Ones and assures their ascendance. Plus, there are cool things to see and do here.

DEALERS ROOMS

Fans crowd the Dealers Room seeking the rare items they covet, creating an atmosphere rife with greed, desire, and desperation to find that one missing collectible. This yields an abundance of psychic energy. If you care to contribute pieces of your soul (or even if you don't), visit the Dealers Room on Friday from 1pm till 6pm, Saturday from 10am till 6pm, and Sunday from 10am till shutdown at 4pm.

ANIME VIDEOS & PANELS

The Mayan civilization knew secrets that allowed them to predict the return of the Old Ones. They comprehended what it would take to set the stars right, and their Long Count calendar patiently marked out the years. Other societies, however, have been trying to speed the process along via stealth assaults on conventional Aristotelian cognition.

Japan in particular has created a LOT of things that would make even a dimensional shambler say, "WTF?!" Some place anime in that category while others consider it the best thing since sliced sushi. Our acolyte Mark D. considers it both! He will provide some mind-blowing videos and panels across the course of the convention. Please see the Grid Schedule for details of what will appear in the Williams Room.



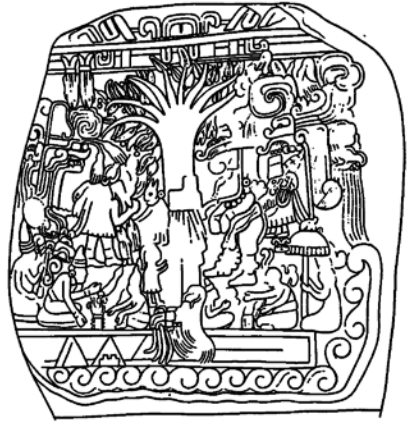
GAMING, RPG, LAN, LARP

Through the decades of Necronomicon, we've experimented with many rituals to advance the coming of the Great Old Ones. In Gaming, we tap the repressed violent urges its devotees harbor. Are you one of those who often finds himself saying, "Enough talking, I want to kill something?" Then come let that raging spirit out where it will do some good (or evil, arguably, but it's all relative, right?) Join several hundred other like-minded souls and release your fury for collection and processing by signing up at Gaming registration.

Or, if moving figures on a hex mat fails to vent your bloodlust, then maybe Live Action Role Playing will do the trick. Give it a try by visiting room HTC 1 and signing up.

CON SUITE

As the last days of Life-As-We-Know-It come to an end, it's only prudent to devote some time to gluttonous consumption. Assuming you survive the initial onslaught, you'll want extra body fat in the age of privation to come. As in years past, Necronomicon has a 24-hour Con Suite located in HTC 4. Here you will find drinks, snacks, and sometimes even real food to sate your hunger. And if plastic spork fights break out over the last bagel, then could make some Elder God chuckle, and, amused, it might spare you to eke out another day or two of anguished life amid the blasted ruins.



ART SHOW

Thirty-one past years of Necronomicon, and about 561 sales of art, sculpture, jewelry and various items per year. Thus, 17,391 seeds of madness we've convinced YOU to purchase and take home, where hundreds of thousands of others beheld them. But for all the insanity we've spread already, a final round can only help, and again, for those clinging to life even in agonizing circumstances, you might catch a break if Yog-Sothoth approves of your home decor. Visit the Art Show on Friday noon to 7pm, Saturday 9am to 6pm and Sunday 9am to 4pm.

EVENTS

BUFFET DINNER & OPENING CEREMONIES

Since Necronomicon is bringing about the end of civilization, it seems only fair that we offer a final meal to you on Friday prior to the Guest of Honor speech and Opening Ceremonies. Why Friday? Because we expect you to be too busy having fun the rest of the weekend to eat anything more substantial than a Con



Suite bagel. After the meal, Guest of Honor Linnea Sinclair will speak on matters of importance. Perhaps how to avoid soul-devouring horrors from beyond time itself. But probably not.

YGOR PARTY & BHEER TASTING

Can you think of a better generator for psychic energy than bheer-fueled fanatics screaming "Igor!" and "Ygor" at each other? Neither can we, which is this event is such an important part of our aetheric siphoning. Join us Friday night from 10 to midnight in the Con Suite for this debauchery. Sure, we'll steal still more of your life force, but as you've surely gathered by now, it's late in the game to worry about that. At least this way, you get BHEER!

NECRONOMI-PROM

It's the End of the World as We Know It. Nero fiddled while Rome burned. The band played jaunty tunes as the Titanic sank. Who are we to go against tradition? Join us in St Pete 2 at 9:30pm Saturday night and dance the night away while creatures squamous and as often as not rugose crawl through rifts between dimensions. Just to prove we're down with our admittedly dubious future, we'll even crown a "King in Yellow" and a "Queen of the Damned." Because that always ends well.

MASQUERADE

It's refreshing that the Con Staff doesn't have to hide behind its masquerade anymore. But we know many of our members enjoy concealing their true identities behind costumes, so we'll continue that grand tradition. Sign up for the Masquerade by 5pm Saturday at Registration. The contest starts at 8pm, right after the Ken Spivey Concert.



HALL COSTUME

Some cosplayers may hesitate to take center stage in the Masquerade given the increased likelihood of attracting the notice of Those From Beyond. But even such wary souls cannot long escape. Judges will be awarding ribbons during the day on Saturday for superior hall costumes, and these tokens in and of themselves may well draw Hounds of Tindalos and comparable entities. (Some of them like bright and shiny things. Kind of like my cat Mr. Winkles.)

TRIVIA CONTESTS

The Mayans played a kind of soccer in which the winner's reward was sacrifice to the gods. While we couldn't figure out how to get that sort of ball court into a function room, we do have our annual Trivia Inquisition Saturday at 2pm in St. Pete 2. The winning team receives induced mutations that, while cosmetically regrettable, increase one's chances of survival when the Old Ones raze the cities of man. Sign up at Con Registration.

We also offer Movie One-Liners on Friday night at 9pm in St Pete 2. Audience members read the questions to the volunteer panelist with a chance to win candy and beads. Don't pass it up. It could be your last simple pleasure before endless night descends.



But if endless night holds off a little longer, check out Fandom Name That Tune Saturday at 10pm in Williams. Join Chris H. for a mind-blasting hour of identifying TV and movie soundtracks. Ask him to crank the sound and the music might even block out the first screams of our planet's 7 billion beleaguered souls.

FILKING

From times long forgotten, initiates have gathered in secret places to chant eldritch verses to unspeakable entities. Passed down through the ages, that tradition has taken on ever stranger and more macabre forms. One such is Filking. The faithful shall gather at 11pm on Friday and 10pm on Saturday night in Williams to raise their voices to the stars and that which lurks behind them.

KIDS & CANINES

Long ago, the Secret Masters of Necronomicon committed to the destruction of mankind. But there were those in the group whose vestigial consciences required a counterbalance. Thus, we have a charity. Kids & Canines is a local organization that works with at-risk school kids by teaching them to train service dogs. The work enhances the students' social skills and academic performance, and the dogs go on to assist the disabled. Necronomicon is proud to sponsor this organization and donates a portion of our proceeds to help support them. Attendees can help Kids & Canines by simply donating at Registration, buying tickets for our raffle (the drawing is at the Masquerade), or purchasing items at the Yard Sale tables at the Eye-Scream Social.

THE THIRD ANNUAL CTHULHU MEMORIAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Third Annual? The Third?!? We've been doing this for over 3 decades now! And come to think of it, why "Memorial" now that the Big Squid is about to come back? Who's the subhuman troglodyte who decided on this name? Why, our Atlantean sorcerer Klarkash-Ton (demonolater, time traveler, 300-ring bowler, and valued member of the convention committee) would turn him inside out with a snap of his fingers if he didn't always fixate on wolfing down the tasty ice cream. But I digress. Near the close of the weekend, on Sunday at 2pm, we invite any survivors to convene in St. Pete 1 & 2 for the Yard Sale and tasty treats. What will Nyarlathotep do for a Klondike Bar? The answer may surprise you!



SPECIAL EVENTS

STAR VIEWING

On Friday night at 8pm and Saturday at 8:30pm, Tanja Diederich and David Dickenson will gather interested attendees at the hotel entrance to witness with their own eyes that The Stars Have Turned Right, aligning to open the cosmic gates for the Old Ones. While peering through the telescopes, you can also take a look at some less-doomed planets than ours and behold the Stygian abyss of deep space.



PHOTO BOOTH

Get A Free Professional Portrait In Your Costume!
(Costume not required.) (Paradox, baby! Another attack on logical thought. Got you again.) Saturday Noon to Midnight at the Photo Booth. If you pose, we'll email you a FREE high resolution JPG photo of your choice, and you can buy a CD of your photo shoot, burned while you wait, for only \$30. All profits go to Kids and Canines. Minors must have model release signed by a parent or legal guardian.

KEN SPIVEY

Join Ken Spivey for a rousing concert of Celtic Galliferyan music at 7pm Saturday in the St Pete ballroom before the Masquerade. If you like Dr. Who, Celtic music, or both, then don't miss your last chance to hear Ken before the Old Ones return to scour the world.

RADIO PLAY... TALES OF DEMONICUS!

In the first years of the 20th Century, audiences partook of drama one could only hear, not see (like certain wraithlike predators infesting the shadowed halls of lost Carcosa.) In a nostalgic attempt to recreate that simpler era, we present an old-time radio play. Go to St Pete 2 at 8pm Friday to immerse yourself in the experience. You never know, you might slip right back to the 1930's like Christopher Reeve in that movie. With the Elder Gods blowing in anytime, it could be your only chance to live out a relatively normal life.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & PANELS

FRIDAY

1:00 PM

- Williams **So, You Wanna Be Indiana Jones?:** Archeologists explore differences between their jobs & the famous character's. *Ane Kloetzer, Scott Viguie -H: Craig MacDougal*
- St. Pete 1 **Getting Started: Writing a Screenplay:** Learn the basics: traps & pitfalls. *Richard Lee Byers, Glenda Finkelstein, Tony Finkelstein, Robert Westerfield -H: Jeffrey Breslauer*
- St. Pete 2 **Friday Afternoon Movie: Gamers: Dorkness Rising:** A comedy for those of us who game or know gamers.
- St. Pete 3 **The Resurgence of Fairy Tales :** The proliferation of fairy tales: an offshoot of urban fantasy or a return to childhood? *Tracy Cornett, David Berger, Kat Heckenbach, Lucienne Diver -H: K.L. Nappier*

2:00 PM

- Demens **The Five Senses in Writing:** Mood, setting, character: using the five senses in your writing. *T. S. Robinson, Betty Cross, Glenda Finkelstein, R.M. Garcia -H: Brenda Cothorn*
- Williams **Supernatural: Brothers in Arms:** Fans discuss the relationship of the brothers Winchester and other topics. *Amber Hollingsworth, Rick Dagneau -H: Victoria Meredith*
- St. Pete 1 **Firefly Reboot:** We're creating our fantasy sequel to "Serenity." *-H: Ann Morris*
- St. Pete 3 **Romantic Elements in F&SF:** the Male Perspective: William Hatfield, Chris Helton, Rick Wilber, Linnea Sinclair *-H: Nancy J. Cohen*

3:00 PM

- Williams **Kickstarter/Crowdfunding for Your Projects:** MCA Hogarth tells you how to make crowdfunding work for you.
- St. Pete 1 **Autographing:** Get books signed by *Linnea Sinclair, Timothy Zahn, Nancy J. Cohen and Lucienne Diver.*
- St. Pete 2 **The Cutting Room Floor:** Live Movie Riffing (Twilight): Stone Hill's stalwart movie mavens take on the inexplicably popular vampire (?) movie "Twilight." Glitter is ridiculous!
- St. Pete 3 **The Best Movie Superhero Team Ever!:** Daydreaming by our panel of superhero loving authors. *Richard Lee Byers, Rick Dagneau, David Berger, Louise Kleba -H: Teri Sears*

4:00 PM

- Williams **RPG vs. MMORPG:** Is one gaming system better than the other? If so, why? Hal Greenberg, Eloy LaSanta, Christina McCoy, Joshua Peterson *-H: Chris McCoy*
- St. Pete 1 **How Not to be a Successful Writer:** The things that will keep you from ever finding an audience for your work. *Tracy Akers, Johanna M. Bolton, Chris Helton, Rick Wilber*

St. Pete 3 **Selling Your Book to a Traditional Publisher:** How to get a professional publisher's attention. *Richard Lee Byers, Debbie Viguie -H: Eric Beebe*

5:00 PM

Demens **What an Agent Can Do for You:** Agents & Authors help you: Do you need an agent?. *Elenora Sabin, Tim Zahn -H: Lucienne Diver*

Williams **WTF is Happening to English?:** How social media and new terminology affects us. *K.L. Nappier, Betty Cross, William Hatfield, Rick Wilber -H: Jeffrey Breslauer*

St. Pete 3 **The Future of "Star Trek":** Will "Star Trek" continue to have comebacks? *Teri Sears, Debra Hicks, Michael Hinman, Craig MacDougal -H: Craig Caldwell*

6:00 PM

Demens **How Has E-Pub Changed the Game? :** Authors reveal changes they've made for E-pub. *Kat Heckenbach, Eric Beebe, Michael L. Joy, Lakisha Spletzer, H: Brenda Cothorn*

Williams **Voicing Audio Books:** *Glenda & Tony Finkelstein* give you tips on technique.

St. Pete 2 **Guest of Honor Banquet:** A wonderful buffet. Get tickets at registration. GoH speech afterwards

7:00 PM

St. Pete 2 **Opening Ceremonies and Guest of Honor Speech:** Welcome to Necronomicon, a speech from our Guest of Honor Linnea Sinclair, and introduction of other guests.

8:00 PM

Demens **QUILT BAG: Fiction That Focuses on LGBT & More:** A celebration of the growing diversity of gender and sexual identity and expression across the genres."

Williams **Settling Mars: the Next Great Challenge:** How will we meet the challenge of colonizing the red planet? *Craig Caldwell, Gerald Driggers, Craig MacDougal -H: Jeff Mitchell*

St. Pete 2 **Tales of Demonius: This Space for Rent:** Follow the Greatest Villain in the Galaxy (tm) Action, comedy, and cheap insults! Live cast performs pulp sci-fi radio!

St. Pete 3 **Getting Started: How to Get Your Name Known as an Artist:** Our artist panelists tell you how they made names for themselves. *Tracy Cornett, Thomas Macheski, Stanley Morrison -H: Rubey Shea*

8:30 PM

Hotel Entrance **Star Viewing (weather permitting):** Look toward the stars at our annual "star party." *Hosts: Tanja Diederich and David Dickenson*

9:00 PM

Demens **Anime Viewing: TBA :** Check schedule by room door for titles being shown. *-H: Mark Dmuchowski*

HTC3 **You Call it Urban Fantasy. I Call it Horror:** Is there a difference in the genres? *R.M. Garcia, Kat Heckenbach, Lakisha Spletzer, Kevin Coryell -H: Michael L. Joy*



Masibindi Mother Courage

She lived life to the fullest and spread kindness wherever she went. She was a true fan. Nobody loved "Star Trek," vampire movies, and puns more than she did. Those from Necronomicon who knew her will miss her and always remember her fondly. She came from Stardust and now is on her way to being stardust once more.

PEACE

- St. Pete 1 **Don't Be Afraid; It's Only Science:** For people who find science scary or just too hard. Panelists: *Louise Kleba, Craig Caldwell, Scott Viguie, Kendall. D. Morris, Host--Jeff Mitchell*
- St. Pete 2 **Movie One-Liners:** Come test your knowledge of movie quote trivia or show us how well you can read the quotes. There will be candy! And beads! And fun!
- St. Pete 3 **Doctor Who in the 21st Century:** How has the new series rejuvenated Dr. Who? *Michael Hinman, Debbie Viguie, Ken Spivey, Donald Kenneth -H: Teri Sears*

10:00 PM

- Con Suite **YGOR Party @ the Con Suite:** Igor! Ygor! Bheer Tasting!
Hosts: *Kendall F. Morris, Eric Carroll*
- Demens **Is it Anime or Is It Just a Cartoon?:** Is Bugs Bunny Anime? Is Sailor Moon just a cartoon? Is it just a case of a rose by any other name? *Mark Dmuchowski, Roy Harms, Ane Kloetzer -H: Amber Hollingsworth*
- Williams **It's the End of the World as We Know It: Apocalyptic Fiction:** Why do we love an end of the world story? How would these authors end the world? *T.S. Robinson, Michael L. Joy, Will Ludwigsen, R.M. Garcia, Melodie Stubkjaer -H: Glenda Finkelstein*
- St. Pete 1 **LARPing:** Room open for LARP games: check LARP schedule for updates

St. Pete 3 **LGBT Characters in Literature and Film:** Are LGBT characters just stereotypes or do they have depth and realism? *David Berger, Michael Hinman, Roger Armstrong, Mark Callen* -H: Victoria Meredith

11:00 PM

Demens **Anime Viewing TBA:** Check schedule by room door for titles being shown. -H: *Mark Dmuchowski*

St. Pete 2 **Sex and Science Fiction and Fantasy:** Sex in Zero-G, Kzin & Puppeteers, Anti-Grav Underoos & More. *Richard Lee Byers, Linnea Sinclair, Louise Kleba, Will Ludwigsen* -H: *Ann Morris*

12:00 AM

St. Pete 2 **Song Vid Show:** Your Fave Songs & TV Shows: Mash-up
-H: *Shana Powers*

SATURDAY

9:00 AM

Demens **Getting Started: Writing Game Modules:** Whether you want to write modules for your friends or for profit, make them great! *Chris Helton, Christina McCoy, Eloy LaSanta, Joshua Peterson, Hal Greenberg* -H: *Chris McCoy*

Harborview **Art Show:** Artwork to see and buy!

Williams **Small Press Etiquette:** How you can make the most of your relationship with a small press. *Eric Beebe, Roger Armstrong, S.L. Armstrong* -H: *K. Piet*

St. Pete 1 **Getting Started: The Business of Art:** How to set pricing, deal with taxes, find outlets for your work, etc. *Tracy Cornett, Stanley Morrison, Rebecca Nipper* -H: *Rubey Shea*

St. Pete 2 **Getting Started: Writing Believable Dialogue:** Learn to make your characters speech sound natural in the reader's head. *Nick DiChario, Nancy Cohen, K.L. Nappier, M.B. Weston* -H: *William Hatfield*

St. Pete 3 **How to Haunt Your House:** *Mark Muncy & Hellview Cemetery* offer suggestions: how to make your home a spooky den of Halloween badliness.

10:00 AM

Demens **My Day Job Is So Cool:** Some of our authors and artists do cool things to pay the bills while honing skills. *Thomas Macheski, Rebecca Nipper, T.S. Robinson* -H: *Scott Viguie*

Williams **Author/Publisher Contract Dos and Don'ts:** Here's the place to get the clues you need to work the best contract for yourself. *K. Piet, Roger Armstrong* -H: *S.L. Armstrong*

St. Pete 1 **Steampunk Invasion:** If you love Steampunk, this is the place to be for tips on creating your character and costume. Bring any unwanted costuming bits - trade at the costume swap during the last 15 minutes of the program.

St. Pete 2 **Higgs Boson and You:** Why finding the Higgs Boson particle is such a big deal. *Donald Kenneth, Jeff Mitchell, Craig MacDougal, Ed Wysocki* -H: *Craig Caldwell*

11:00 AM

- Demens **What's New in Gaming:** Annual roundup! What you can expect from gaming's writing and publishing side? *Brenda Cothorn, Hal Greenberg, Christina McCoy, Joshua Peterson, Eloy LaSanta -H: Chris McCoy*
- Williams **Pushing Yourself as an Artist:** Trying New Things: Need a creative boost? Learn how our panelists make themselves venture into new territory. *Tracy Cornett, MCA Hogarth, Stanley Morrison, Rubey Shea, Brandy Stark -H: Craig Caldwell*
- St. Pete 2 **Sonification: Music as Science:** did you hear the sound of the Higgs Boson? Find out why the "sonification" was done & more uses of music in science -H: *Craig MacDougal*
- St. Pete 3 **Getting Started: Poetry:** Your muse is speaking but you don't follow? Learn from our panel how to start giving her what she wants. *Johanna Bolton, G. Finkelstein, Thomas Macheski, John Tumlin, Marina Sergeyeva -H: Nick DiChario*

12:00 PM

- Demens **Anime Timeline:** *Mark Dmuchowski and Roy Harms* show the history and influences in development of Anime with anecdotes and clips. Audience participation!
- Williams **Ed & Brenda At It Again: Non Trad Pub:** POD, E-books, Self-pub. *Ed Howdershelt and Brenda Cothorn* address it all.

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- St. Pete 1 **Writing Steampunk:** What makes a story steampunk and not just a Victorian tale? *Johanna Bolton, Chris Berman, K.L. Nappier, M.B. Weston -H: Vince Courtney*
- St. Pete 2 **Old Time Singalong:** Sing TV theme songs, folk songs, and oldies but goodies everyone knows. Lyrics provided. *Hosts: Vic and Amber*
- St. Pete 3 **Developing Rules for Magic:** Yeah, it's fantasy but your world still needs a logic of it's own and so does your magic. *Kat Heckenbach, T.S. Robinson, Michael L. Joy, MCA Hogarth, Elenora Sabin -H: Tracy Akers*

1:00 PM

- Williams **Why Sell Your Book to a Small Press:** Learn what a small press can do for you that the big six cannot. *Eric Beebe, Lucienne Diver, Ed Howdershelt, -H: K. Piet*
- St. Pete 1 **Innumeracy:** How those of not quite an ethical bent try to bamboozle you with funky figures and strange statistics. *Louise Kleba, Kendall D. Morris, Kendall F. Morris, Donald Kenneth, Ed Wysocki -H: Jeff Mitchell*
- St. Pete 2 **Linnea Sinclair Q & A:** Linnea Sinclair interview and question and answer session *-H: Michael Hinman*
- St. Pete 3 **Military SF: What Does It Tell Us about Ourselves?:** Are we hopelessly warlike or are there other reasons military SF is popular? *David Berger, Vince Courtney, Tim Zahn, Chris Helton, Michael Pinsky -H: Craig Caldwell*

2:00 PM

- Demens **Getting Started: Writing YA:** So, you want to write a good story for young readers? *T. Akers, K.L. Nappier, M.B. Weston, Elenora Sabin, Betty Cross -H: Jeffrey Breslauer*
- Williams **Getting it Right: Paranormal Elements in Fiction:** How to avoid making your audience cringe with your use of the paranormal. *Nancy Cohen, Lucienne Diver, Pamela Labud, Will Ludwigsen, Linnea Sinclair -H: Brandy Stark*
- St. Pete 1 **Getting Started: How to Be an Astronomer:** Astronomy is not just for professionals! Have fun as a backyard astronomer!. *Tanja Diederich, Jeff Mitchell, Craig MacDougal, David Dickenson -H: Gerald Driggers*
- St. Pete 2 **Trivia Quiz:** Annual test of SF & related topic knowledge. Sign up at registration to join a team *-H: Tim Zahn*
- St. Pete 3 **How to End the Story:** You have a solid story, but how do you give the tale a good finish? *W. Logan, S. Gittens, L. Spletzer, Michael L. Joy, C. Helton -H: T.S. Robinson*

3:00 PM

- Demens **Brit Must See TV:** There's more than the Doctor on the telly. Our panel tells you their fave shows and learns about yours! *Michael Hinman, Mark Callen, Ann Morris, Ken Spivey*
- Williams **Humor in Horror:** Is Anything Sacred: Are there subjects too touchy for horror? If so, why? If not, why not? *Richard Byers, Vince Courtney, William Logan, Will Ludwigsen, Brandy Stark -H: Elenora Sabin*

St. Pete 1 **Women in Science:** Our women in science tell you about their experiences in this traditionally male dominated field. *Tanja Diederich, Louise Kleba, Marina Sergeyeva, Ane Kloetzer, Teri Sears -H: Amber Hollingsworth*

St. Pete 3 **Fitness of the Universe for Life:** *Linton Herbert* demonstrates how the universe does or does not support life and why.

4:00 PM

Demens **From Art Show Panel to Your Wallet:** How to make the most of convention art shows and community art events. *Tracy Cornett, Thomas Macheski, Rebecca Nipper, Stanley Morrison, Rubey Shea -H: Craig Caldwell*

Williams **Getting Started: Writing Fight Scenes:** The Pros tell you how they create realistic (and not confusing) fight scenes in their fiction. *Richard Byers, Johanna Bolton, R.M. Garcia, T.S. Robinson, Michael Joy -H: William Logan*

St. Pete 1 **Getting Started: Strong Female Characters in F & SF:** How to make your female characters more than ankle-twisting damsels in distress. *Chris Berman, Linnea Sinclair, Nick DiChario, Kat Heckenbach, Lakisha Spletzer -H: Michael Pinsky*

St. Pete 2 **How Science Literacy Can Change Your Life:** Looking at the world with a scientific bent will make life more interesting, fun, and profitable. *Louise Kleba, Tanja Diederich, Kendall D. Morris, Ed Wysocki, Craig MacDougal -H: Gerald Driggers*

St. Pete 3 **Fertility:** Is there a lack of population crisis coming? Come hear what may be a controversial but an interesting point of view -H: *Linton Herbert*

5:00 PM

Demens **Getting Started: To Outline Your Plot or Not:** Writers discuss the various ways in which you can plan the plot. *Sarah Jo Coryell, Vince Courtney, T.S. Robinson, Debbie Viguie, Stokely Gittens -H: R.M. Garcia*

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Williams **Autographing:** Linnea Sinclair, Nancy Cohen, Tim Zahn
It's a Hive of Scum and Villainy: Writing the Evildoer: Make your bad guys really bad AND believable! *Chris Berman, Kevin Coryell, Kat Heckenbach, MCA Hogarth -H: Nick DiChario*

6:00 PM

Demens **Anime You Should See:** Suggestions for great shows you may have missed. *Roy Harms, Juan Sanmiguel -H: Mark Dmuchowski.*

Williams **Being Human: Characterization:** How to create characters that come alive for your reader. *Chris Berman, Betty Cross, Elenora Sabin, Marina Sergeyeva, John Tumlin -H: Jeffrey Breslauer*

6:30 PM

St. Pete
Ballroom **Seating for Ken Spivey Band Concert and Masquerade:** Celtic & Time Lord Rock

7:00 PM

- Demens **Masquerade (Costume Contest) Contestant Line-Up:** Those who have registered for the costume contest must be present to receive advice and appearance number. Be there!
- Williams **Diversity in SF & F:** Is the fiction we read more diverse than we are? How can we take the "for straight white guys" image out of SF & F? *David Berger, Stokely Gittens, Lakisha Spletzer, Rick Wilber, Michael Pinsky -H: Rubey Shea*
- St. Pete Ballroom **Ken Spivey Band Concert:** Celtic Galliferyan music

8:00 PM

- Hotel Entrance **Star Viewing (weather permitting):** *Tanja Diederich and David Dickenson* host our Saturday star viewing session.
- St. Pete Ballroom **Masquerade:** Annual costume contest extravaganza!

9:00 PM

- Demens **OMG! My Kid is Watching Anime!** For parents who want to understand and kids who want to talk to them about the "weird stuff" they love.. *Dave Zielinski, Mark Dmuchowski -H: Tracy Zielinski*
- Williams **Cancelled Shows We Still Love:** Discussion of perennial faves such as "Firefly" and "Stargate." *Amber Hollingsworth, Rick Dagneau, Mark Callen -H: Victoria Meredith*

9:30 PM

- St. Pete 2 **Necronomi-Prom:** The Last Dance On Earth

10:00 PM

- Demens **Anime Viewing: TBA:** Check schedule by room door for titles being shown. *-H: Mark Dmuchowski*
- Williams **Fandom Name That Tune:** Music trivia with a fannish bent *-H: Chris Harben*

11:00 PM

- Demens **Open Filk:** Sing, sing, sing...
- Williams **Slashy, Slash, Slash:** Dishing about the slashiest fanfic fun. *Rick Dagneau, Debbie Hicks, Mark Callen, Amber Hollingsworth -H: Victoria Meredith*

SUNDAY

10:00 AM

- Demens **Erotica vs. Porn:** What makes something erotic vs. raunchy? How do you write the difference in your fiction? *Brenda Cothorn, David Berger, S.L. Armstrong, Roger Armstrong, Elenora Sabin, -H: Johanna M. Bolton*
- Williams **Religion and Genre Fiction:** Science Fiction and Fantasy Sunday School. *Tim Zahn, Dave Zielinski, Tracy Zielinski, Tracy Akers, Sarah Jo Coryell -H: Michael Pinsky*
- St. Pete 1 **Wait Wait Don't Tell Me:** Our Sci-Fi take on the famous NPR game show... *Linnea Sinclair, Glenda Finkelstein, Tony Finkelstein, Teri Sears -H: Perry Bruns*

- St. Pete 2 **Westerfield Studios Animation Update:** See what this local film studio has been up to. -H: *Robert Westerfield*
- St. Pete 3 **Adding Mystery to Your Story in Any Genre:** How to add a hint or maybe a lot of mystery to any kind of story, to the delight of your readers. *William Hatfield, Pamela Labud, Richard Byers, William Logan, Debbie Viguie* -H: *Rick Wilber*

11:00 AM

- Demens **Fictional People Who Changed the World:** Some characters become legends that rival real people. Why do they loom so large in our consciousness? *Jeffrey Breslauer, Nick DiChario, Rick Wilber, Brandy Stark* -H: *Debbie Hicks*
- Williams **Airlock Alpha SF & F News Q & A:** Want to know what's going on in movies and TV for SF&F fans? This is the place to be -H: *Michael Hinman*
- St. Pete 1 **Sci-Fi Would You Rather:** A game of choices for SF fans -H: *Dean Dryer*
- St. Pete 2 **Jules Dongu Saves the World:** Filmed in Florida, this live action/animated film presents a new hero for our time.
- St. Pete 3 **Sherlock Holmes: Consulting Detective:** Come dish with our panel about your favorite crime fighter. *Ane Kloetzer, Teri Sears, Victoria Meredith, Richard Byers* -H: *Amber Hollingsworth*

12:00 PM

- Demens **The Legend of Korra:** Find out why the "Legend of Korra" is legendary -H: *Mark Dmuchowski*
- Williams **Romance, Romance, Romance:** Why do romance stories remain popular? How has romance finally made its way into science fiction? *Lucienne Diver, Pamela Labud, Linnea Sinclair, Betty Cross* -H: *Johanna Bolton*
- St. Pete 1 **Leftovers:** Trivia for those still left at the con, questions left over from the Saturday quiz, and prizes left over from who knows where -H: *Perry Bruns*
- St. Pete 3 **Moriar-Tea: Fun and Games:** Holmesian based party games for those who just can't get enough of Sherlock. *Hosts: Vic and Amber*

1:00 PM

- Demens **Autographing:** *Linnea Sinclair, Pamela Labud, Lucienne Diver, Tim Zahn.*
- Williams **Cold Fusion: Has the Dream Come True?:** With flaws in every form of Energy, will Cold Fusion have it's day? *Louise Kleba, Ed Wysocki, Craig MacDougal, David Dickenson* -H: *Craig Caldwell*
- St. Pete 3 **Jules Dongu Saves the World Panel:** Meet stars and creators of the film you just saw over in St. Petersburg 2:) *Jeff Hillyer, Michelle Young, Jeff Zampino, John Jones* -H: *Christian Schwier*

2:00 PM

- St. Pete 1 & 2 **Ice Cream Social:** Come end the Convention with a tasty frozen treat! What would Cthulhu do for a Klondike?

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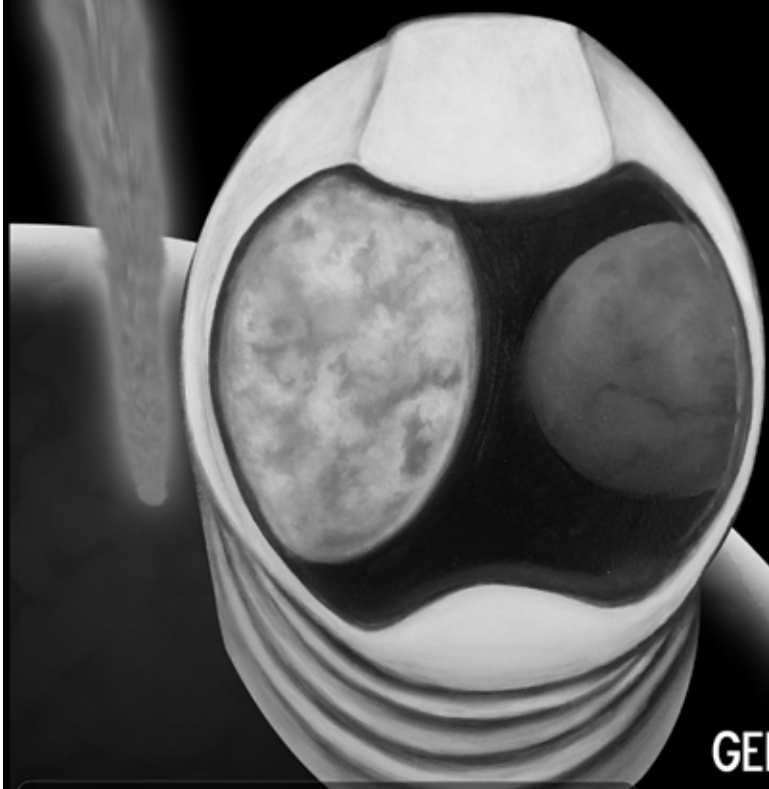
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