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Dragon Con 2017

The Daily Dragon

Dragon Con Parade 2017

Join legions of fans and cosplayers Saturday beginning at 10AM for the legendary Dragon Con Parade. Grand Marshal Stan Lee and other surprises await you! The parade route will start at the intersection of Peachtree Street Northeast and Linden Avenue, proceed south down Peachtree, turn left

onto Andrew Young International Boulevard, and finally turn left onto Peachtree Center Avenue, ending between the Hyatt Regency and the Marriott Marquis. Once again this year, the parade will be broadcast live on Atlanta's CW 69, as well as on DragonConTV in the five host hotels.

Donate to the Charity Auction

The Charity Events Booth on the Marquis level of the Marriott will accept donations 10AM-7PM Friday for the 2017 Dragon Con Charity Auction. Items sold at past auctions have included books, artwork, signed photos, movie props and replicas, costumes, and much

more. Book and art items will be auctioned Saturday, 11:30AM-2PM, and other items will be auctioned Sunday, 10AM-2PM, both in Hanover C-E (Hyatt). The 2017 Dragon Con Charity is Special Olympics Georgia, and Dragon Con matches donations up to \$100,000.

Annual Zombie Walk and Prom

Join the undead horde as they take to the streets of Atlanta. Walk participants must be in a zombie or zombie hunter costume. Fri 8:30PM, Chastain F-H (Westin). Then celebrate the one night of

Dragon Con when the decomposing horde reigns. Shimmy and shamble across the dance floor or possibly even be crowned Zombie Prom King or Queen! Fri 10PM, Grand Salon (Hilton).

'Some people call him Maurice': John G. Hartness by Amy Herring

From award-winning author to editor to publisher of Falstaff Books, John G. Hartness knows his way around the book merry-go-round, beginning with his early days as an indie author. And he's not afraid to tell you what he thinks in colorful, humorous language. *The Daily Dragon* quizzed John on the many aspects of his expansive career.

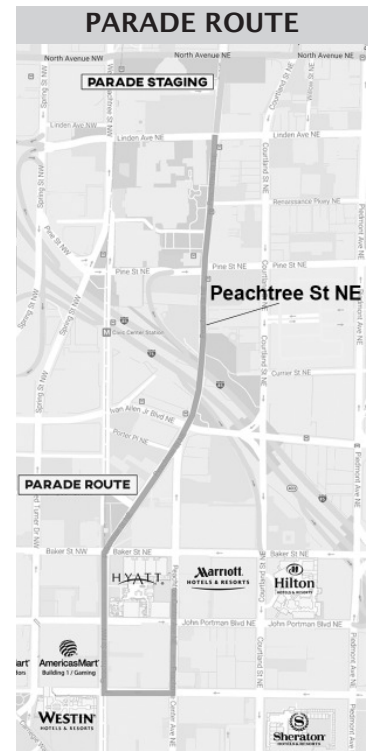
Daily Dragon (DD): *You've had great success with novels, novellas, and short stories in several different series. What is it about your series, or your style of writing or presentation, that keeps your fans coming back for more?*

John G. Hartness (JGH): I think one thing people like about my work is

that I work in the lighter end of things, with more comedy built into my work. I'm perfectly happy to go for a laugh, and defuse a tense moment in my books with humor, and there aren't very many people writing comedy. People like to laugh, and the comedic elements in my work makes me stand out a little bit. Either that, or it's pure animal magnetism, and I look kinda like a grizzly bear, so maybe that's it.

DD: *You are also an actor and poet. How have these talents enhanced your other literary pursuits?*

JGH: Being an actor, and reading a lot of Shakespeare and Mamet has helped tremendously in writing dialogue. Reading and directing



Shakespeare has taught me how to include exposition and setting into dialogue. Being a poet forced me to write tight, sometimes to my detriment. Poetry also helps me repeat myself less.

DD: *You include the famous lines from Steve Miller's 1973 song "The Joker," "some people call him Maurice" for "he speaks of the pompatus of love" in your biography.*

JGH: I just got tired of writing the same bio all the time, and wanted to work some comedy into it, so people know right away what they're getting with me.

Read the complete interview on the Daily Dragon website.

Evening in Bree

The annual Tolkien celebration, with dancing and frivolity, plus the much-anticipated Tolkien cos-tuming contest and awards! Fri 8:30PM, Grand West (Hilton).



Dragon Con's

Pin-Ups by the Pool Party

Be sure to don your best poolside pinup attire, because this is a pin-up competition! The judges will be mixing and mingling with you all in the fray, so be sure not to be a wallflower. In the spirit of Dragon Con, do remember that the judges love a good pinup with a nerdy twist. Fri 8:30PM, Pool and Courtyard (Sheraton).



K-pop Dance Party

Come dance to the K-pop videos you know and love! Fri 8:30PM, Grand East (Hilton).

Can't Stop the Signal Dance

Aim to misbehave at our shiny new party, celebrating *Firefly* and *Serenity* and benefiting Special Olympics Georgia! Bring your dollars for charity, and dance like no power in the 'Verse can stop you! Mature Audiences Only. Fri 10PM, Grand Ballroom A-F (Sheraton)



A Midnight Revelry: Celebrating Five Years of the Urban Fantasy Track

Music from DJ Seraph and a performance from the premier Victorian Chamber Metal band, Valentine Wolfe. In addition, props from the shows and Urban Fantasy authors will be on hand to provide "photo booth" opportunities for fans. Fri 10PM, Savannah Ballroom (Westin).



The Temporal Empress' Ballroom Dance

The Temporal Empress has set her chronospatial coordinates for the Alternate History Track at Dragon Con. Join us in your finest attire and waltz, foxtrot, and tango to both classic ballroom numbers and the geekiest of danceable themes. Formal attire strongly encouraged. Sat 7PM, 309-312 (Hilton).



Last Party on Alderaan

Dragon Con's premier house-electro-pop-anything-music dance party! You never know who might drop by, but you can bet the party will be jumping. Party like it's the end of the world with DJ BZB. Sat 10PM, Grand Salon (Hilton).



Check out the Parties/Events page on the Daily Dragon website for more parties and meetups!

Schedule Changes

Hy = Hyatt S = Sheraton
M = Marriott W = Westin
Hil = Hilton
AM1/2 = AmericasMart Bldg 1/2

The following previously confirmed presenters will not be able to attend Dragon Con 2017: **Taylor Anderson, Kate Baker, Paul Blackthorne, Nick Blood, Amanda Conner, Ric Flair, Lena Headey, Jon Heder, Joe Granato, D. Alan Lewis, KJ McCormick, E.C. Myers, Bobby Nash, Corvis Nocturnum, Jimmy Palmiotti, Rekha Sharma, R. Alan Siler, Gail Simone, Joonas Suotamo, Karl Urban, Toni Weisskopf, Caleph B. Wilson (@HeyDrWilson).**

ADDITIONS

James Callis will be on "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Rising" Fri 11:30AM, Centennial II-III (Hy); "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Surge" Sat 11:30AM, Peachtree Ballroom (W); "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Supremacy" Sun 11:30AM, Centennial II-III (Hy); "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Resurrection" Mon 10AM, Centennial II-III (Hy).

Alex White will be on "Alien Bug Hunts and the Need to Nuke Things From Orbit" Fri 11:30AM, M103-105 (M).

Tamsin Silver will be on "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them" Fri 1 PM, A707 (M); "Shadowhunters, Downworlders, & Mundanes! Oh My!" Sat 8:30PM, A707 (M); "The Growing World of Harry Potter: Old Canon and New Canon" Sun 2:30PM, A707 (M).

David Boop will be on "Gotham: A Year of Crazy" Fri 7PM, M302-303 (M); "Dark Matter: Zairon or Bust!" Sun 1PM, M302-303 (M).

Arthur Davill will be on "Legends of Tomorrow: Heroes through Time" Sat 11:30AM, Centennial II-III (Hy); "An Hour with the Ponds: Amy, Rory and River United" Sun 5:30PM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

James Palmer will be on "Significant Short Stories" Sat 1PM, Embassy A-B (Hy).

Myke Cole will be on "Hunted, the TV Show: How Real Is It?" Sat 7PM, 208-209 (Hil).

Ken Feinberg will be on "Filmmaking

Essentials: Directing" Sun 11:30AM, Spring (Hy).

Van Jensen will be on "State of the Comics Industry 2017 & Beyond" Mon 1PM, Chastain I-J (W).

CANCELLATIONS

Paul Blackthorne will not be on "Dresden Files: Actor & Author" Fri 11:30AM, Imperial Ballroom (M); "Arrow: What Has the Arrow Cost Us?" Sat 5:30PM, Atrium Ballroom (M); "Arrow: An Eye for an Eye" Sun 10AM, Centennial II-III (Hy); "Arrow & Legends of Tomorrow" Mon 10AM, Grand Salon (Hil).

"Riders of Rohan: What News from the Mark?" Fri 11:30AM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

Rekha Sharma will not be on "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Rising" Fri 11:30AM, Centennial II-III (Hy); "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Surge" Sat 11:30AM, Peachtree Ballroom (W); "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Supremacy" Sun 11:30AM, Centennial II-III (Hy); "Battlestar Galactica: Operation Cylon Resurrection" Mon 10AM, Centennial II-III (Hy).

KJ McCormick will not be on "Ghost Hunters Guests" Fri 1PM, Grand East (Hil); "Oddest Cases" Sat 11:30AM, Grand West (Hil); "Ghost Hunters: Fave & Odd Cases" Sun 10AM, Grand Ballroom A-F (S); "Safe Journeys: Kindred Spirits & Ghost Hunters" Mon 10AM, Grand West (Hil).

Gail Simone will not be on "The Big 2 vs Indie Comics" Fri 1PM, Chastain I-J (W); "DC Legend—Gail Simone" Sat 5:30PM, International South (Hy); "Love Is Love: The Orlando Shooting Benefit Comic" Sat 8:30PM, International North (Hy); "Women in Comics" Mon 11:30AM, Chastain I-J (W).

Nick Blood will not be on "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. (or Is That Hydra?)" Fri 5:30PM, Grand Ballroom A-F (S); "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D." Sat 4PM, Atrium Ballroom (M); "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. Season 5: Um, Asteroids?" Sun 2:30PM, Grand Salon (Hil); "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. (or Is That Hydra?)" Mon

1PM, Grand Salon (Hil).

R. Alan Siler will not be on "Dirk Gently: An Hour with Martin" Fri 5:30PM, Grant East (Hil); "BritTrack After Dark: Gay/Trans Themes in Doctor Who" Fri 10PM, Galleria 5 (Hil); "Doctor Who: Goodbye, Moffatt...Hello, Chibnall!" Sun 11:30AM, Crystal Ballroom (Hil); "Classic Series Doctor Who" Sun 1PM, Galleria 5 (Hil); "Class" Sun 7PM, Galleria 5 (Hil); "Doctor Who Extended Universe" Sun 8:30PM, Galleria 5 (Hil); "Ask the Experts: Everything Doctor Who" Mon 1PM, Galleria 5 (Hil).

Amanda Conner will not be on "DC Comics Rebirth" Fri 7PM, International North (Hy); "Fashion in Comics" Sat 2:30PM, Chastain I-J (W); "Aftershock Comics" Sat 4PM, International South (Hy).

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D. Alan Lewis will not be on "Murders, Mysteries, & Mayhem in Alternate History" Fri 11:30PM, Athens (S); "Autograph Sessions, Sat 11:30AM, International Hall South 4-5 (M); "More Than Gears: The Neo-Pulp & Dieselpunk Author Roundtable" Sat 7PM, Augusta (S).

Joe Granato will not be on "Video Game History & Preservation" Sat 1PM, Augusta E-G (W); "Screening: The New 8-Bit Heroes" Sun 10PM, August E-C (W).

Caleph B. Wilson (@HeyDrWilson) will not be on "The Science of Luke Cage" Sat 1PM, Crystal Ballroom (Hil); "Personal Genetic Testing" Sat 8:30PM, 201-211 (Hil); "Chemical Warfare in Wonder Woman" Sun 5:30PM, Grand East (Hil).

Jacqueline Goehner will not be on "My Cosplay Melee Experience" Sat 2:30PM, Grand West (Hil); "Masquerade" Sun 8:30PM, Centennial I-III (Hy).

"Karl Urban: Bad to the Bones" Sat 5:30PM, Grand Salon (Hil).

"Karl Urban" Sun 11:30AM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

Daily Dragon Tweets

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Parade Participants!

All confirmed parade participants must check in at the Parade Table in the Sheraton, lower level, by 8PM Friday.



Vote for the Dragon Awards

Register to vote in the 2nd Annual Dragon Awards at http://application.dragoncon.org/dc_fan_awards_signup.php through midnight Friday. Those who register will receive a ballot on Saturday and will have until midnight to complete and return the ballot. Random winners will be drawn from those who submit ballots to receive a pair of memberships to Dragon Con in 2018. Winners will be announced Sunday.



Dragon Con Newbies — 101

First DragonCon? Are you confused or overwhelmed? Savvy con attendees will share tips and tricks. Fri 10AM, Regency V (Hyatt).



Dragon Con Night at the Georgia Aquarium

Featuring Dragon Con's cosplay competition "The Chōsen." Costumes welcome! Sat 7PM, Georgia Aquarium. Shuttle bus available Sat 6PM-12AM; pick-up at the Marriott Marquis back driveway (facing the Hilton).



Shout-Out

Happy 10-year anniversary, Andrew! It's been an amazing adventure so far, and I know the future will be even better. I love you more! —Dyani



Vendor Hall, Comic Artist Alley, and Walk of Fame Hours

FRI: 1-7PM
SAT-SUN: 10AM-7PM
MON: 10AM-5PM

Art Show Hours

FRI: 1-7PM
SAT-SUN: 10AM-7PM
MON: 10AM-3PM

Check the mobile app, the Pocket Program, or the Daily Dragon website for more information.

Dragon Olympics Trivia/Challenge Night

The wackiest pub-style Trivia Night Dragon Con has ever hosted! Join our hostess with the mostest Moxie Ann Magnus for Geek Trivia, encompassing all of our fandoms! Donate \$5 to join a team. All proceeds benefit Special Olympics Georgia. Fri 8:30PM, Regency VI-VII (Hyatt).



Klingon Karaoke

You haven't lived until you've seen Chancellor Gowron rock out to "Dancing Queen." Fri 8:30PM, Galleria 2-3 (Hilton).



Creature Karaoke

Left your wand at home? Join the Fantasy Literature track to encircle the masses with the magic of a microphone. Bring a friend,

some confidence, and your best supportive applause. Bonus points for coming in costume! Fri 10PM, Hanover C-E (Hyatt).



Charity Games & Crafts Night

Fun and games and arts and crafts to raise money for Special Olympics Georgia! Military Sci-Fi trivia contest, all manner of card and board games, and activity stations. Sat 8:30PM, Chastain DE (Westin).



Dragon Con Burlesque: A Glamour Geek Revue

The finest performing artists and the most glamorous geeks imaginable! Featuring That Darling DJ Duo. Mature Audiences Only. Sat/Sun 12AM, Grand Ballroom A-F (Sheraton).

An Evening at Vic's—Holo-Karaoke

Recently seen the horrors of war? Looking for a place to recover from a long day at the con? You're in luck! Vic's Lounge has recently been approved for rest & rehabilitation by the Ensign Dax! Learn the Great American Songbook classics—or sing whatever you want, it's your rehab. Sun 7PM, Galleria 2-3 (Hilton).



Video Game Karaoke

Sing along with your favorite video game tunes. Our hard & fast rule: Only one performance of the Portal song is permitted. Sun 8:30PM, August B-D (Westin).



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