

BUBONICON 57
TENTATIVE F1 – AS OF 8/14/26
SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2026

Time	Main Room – Salon F	Salon G-J	Cimarron/Las Cruces	Santa Fe	Carlsbad (has screen)
9:00 am	KAFFEEKLATSCH IN CON SUITE Various Individually Wrapped Breakfast Items & Hot Coffee				
10:00 am	Panel # 7 – MIXING IT UP: HOW MUCH SCIENCE IS TOO MUCH IN SCIENCE FICTION Daniel Abraham, John Barnes, Kathy Kitts, Vivian Shaw, Robert Vardeman MOD: Yvonne Coats	50 MINUTES WITH Martha Wells	Fan Program “THE PULP GOES ON” MOD: Erika Frensley	50 MINUTES WITH Betsy James	Solo Writing Presentation “YET AGAIN, I’VE SEEN DEAD PEOPLE” Diana Rowland
10:30 am					
11:00 am	Panel # 8 – MONSTER MASH: THE RISE & FALL OF...ZOMBIES, VAMPIRES, WEREWOLVES Patricia Briggs, Gabriella Buba, Darynda Jones, Sarena Ulibarri MOD: Chaz Kemp	Panel # 9 – ASK A SCIENTIST: PROBING QUESTIONS J.L. Doty, Matthew Fetrow, M.T. Reiten, David Lee Summers, Ian Tregillis MOD: Courtney Willis	Writing Workshop “PLOT EXPLICATION” Connie Willis	Fan Program “DOCTOR WHO SMACKDOWN 2: COMPANION CONFLAGRATION” Mark Gillespie, Erika Hanson, Lori Jansen, and Eric Klammer	Fan Panel “KLINGON KARAOKE” Elya Arrasmith and the IKV Sun’s Glory crew
12 Noon	Panel # 10 – Creative Drive: You Write, I Draw, They Sing Lynn Barker, Mark Fenton, Chaz Kemp, Jane Lindskold, Jon Sanchez MOD: Diana Rowland	Panel # 11 – THE DAILY POST: WEAPONIZATION OF THE INFORMATION SPHERE John Barnes, David Gerrold, Kathy Kitts, Benjamin Radford MOD: Walter Jon Williams	12:00 PM 50 MINUTES WITH T. Kingfisher (Ursula Vernon)	Fan Panel “COSTUME CONTEST ENTRY WORKSHOP” MOD: Geneva Schult Danielle Maurici-Pollock and Arthur Maurici-Pollock	Writing Workshop “SO YOU WANNA BE AN AUTHOR? AIRING HOPES AND DREAMS” Robert E. Vardeman
12:30 pm				12:50 pm Kids Program Set-Up	
12:50 pm					
1:00 pm	Panel # 12 – THE ETHICS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: ASIMOV’S THREE LAWS & BEYOND J.L. Doty, Kevin Sonney, Ian Tregillis, Walter Jon Williams. MOD: Michael A. Stackpole	50 MINUTES WITH Patricia Briggs	Fan Panel “FROM FANTASY TO REALITY: HOW TO GET STARTED IN COSPLAY” MOD: Robin Jones Fletcher Wallace, Bailey Burck, William Sly, Susanne Caro	1:15 PM FUN FOR KIDS – CHILDREN’S SCIENCE & CRAFTS Jessica Coyle with assistance from Hilary E, Alan K, and ?? - Accompanying parent required -	1:00 PM Fan Program “MORGUE & KRYPT: OLD-SCHOOL HORROR VS. TODAY’S SCARES” Bethany Sedden, Jeff Sedden, Craig Hogan
1:15 pm					
1:30 pm					
2:00 pm	Panel # 13 – WHAT IS “SPECULATIVE FICTION”? WHY DO WRITERS WRITE IT? Livia Blackburne, Stephen R. Donaldson, Brian D. Hinson, Arkady Martine MOD: Lauren C. Tefteau	Panel # 14 – WRITERS WHO ART, OR ARTISTS WHO WRITE: MULTI-TASKING TALENT Jeff Benham, Aaron Campbell, Betsy James, T. Kingfisher MOD: Carolyn Kay	50 MINUTES WITH Travis Baldree	2:45 PM Kids Program Clean Up	2:00 PM 50 MINUTES WITH Ian Tregillis
2:45 pm					

SATURDAY: Registration Hours 9:30 am-6:00 pm
Art Show Hours 9:30 am-6:30 pm
Dealer Room Hours 10:00 am-6:00 pm
**SATURDAY COMMUNITY TABLE IN DEALERS ROOM ----- 10:00-11:45 am USS White Sands
2:45-5:00 pm ??**
12:00-2:30 pm Roadrunner Food Bank

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3:00 pm	Panel # 15 – 1001 TALES: SCHEHERAZADE IS ALIVE & WELL Travis Baldree, Gabriella Buba, Henry Herz, Catherine Wells MOD: Patricia Briggs	Panel # 16 – SNACKWRITES: WRITING EXERCISES Jane Lindskold, M.T. Reiten, Diana Rowland, David Lee Summers, Robert E. Vardeman MOD: Josh Gentry	ARTIST GUEST SLIDE SHOW Jon Sanchez <i>ENDS <u>4:15 PM</u> AT LATEST</i>	Fan Program “HOT WHEELS ZOMBIE BOWLING” Greg Herring and Marian Skupski <i>ENDS <u>4:15 PM</u> AT LATEST</i>	3:00 PM 50 MINUTES WITH Stephen R. Donaldson <i>ENDS <u>4:10 PM</u> AT LATEST</i>		
3:15 pm							
3:30 pm							
4:00 pm	4:00-4:35 PM OPEN AIRWALL (Room Closed)		4:15 PM Slide Show Teardown	4:15 PM Zombie Bowling Teardown			
4:15 pm							
4:35 pm	4:35-5:45 PM MASS AUTOGRAPHING SESSION – 70 MINUTES Bubonicon Guests Sign Their Wares <i>GENERAL POLICY: 3 signatures from an author at a time, please. And then you can get back in their line for up to 3 more, etc...</i> <i>GEORGE RR MARTIN: 2 signatures at a time, and then get back in line.</i>			4:30-6:00 PM ROOM CLOSED (No Admittance PLEASE)			
5:00 pm							
5:45 pm							
5:45 pm	COSTUME PREP TIME (Room Emptied & Closed – Reset Stage)		6:00-6:50 PM Panel # 17 – It’s Just A Fantasy (It’s Not The Real Thing) Brian D. Hinson, T. Kingfisher, S.M. Stirling, Catherine Wells MOD: Martha Wells	6:00 – 9:30 PM COSTUME CONTEST GREEN ROOM <i>Costume Staff and Entrants Only</i>			
6:00 pm	6:00 PM REGISTRATION & DEALERS ROOM CLOSE 6:30 PM ART SHOW CLOSES						
6:55 pm							
7:15 pm	COSTUME CONTEST					11:00 PM-ISH CON SUITE CLOSES	
7:30 pm	Master of Ceremonies: Kevin Sonney Organizer: Geneva Schult Judges: Lynn Barker, David Kubica, Nina Madrid						
8:05 pm?	Half-Time Entertainment 2026 GREEN SLIME AWARDS Hosted by Jessica L. Coyle with the Slime Time Players		7:30-9:00 PM Audience Participation Theater “EYE OF ARGON: A FAN GROUP READING” Hosts: Eddie Dethlefs & Laurie McFarland			8:30-10:00 PM Fan Game Show “BUBONICON GEEK OUT” Host: Craig Fox <i>ENDS <u>10:10 PM</u> AT LATEST</i>	
8:30 pm							
8:40 pm?							
9:15 pm	COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED Masters of Ceremonies: Kevin Sonney & Geneva Schult And Our 3 Awesome Judges		9:00 PM RETRO THEATER PREP TIME (Room Closed 45 Mins)				
9:30 pm	Approximately 9:30 PM Rooms Closed For Day		9:30 PM Room Closed For Day <i>UNLESS THERE IS LATE-NIGHT GAMING</i>				
9:45 pm							
10:00 pm							
11:30 pm							
Midnight							
			9:45 PM-ISH CHARLIE’S RETRO SCI-FI THEATER What will he be showing? Come and find out! (Ends Midnight or 12:30 am)				

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