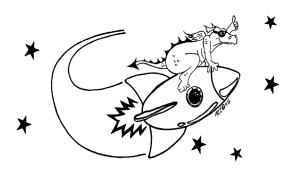
# **Balticon 53 Rocket Mail**



Friday, May 24, 2019 Edition

# **WELCOME TO BALTICON 53!**

# **2019 Compton Crook Award Winner:**

R. F. Kuang

# **2019 Poetry Contest Winner:**

Oliver Smith

#### **ROOM CHANGE!**

Children's Programming has been moved from 6036 to 11006. We apologize for the inconvenience.

#### WHERE'S THE SCHEDULE?

**Get the app!** The current schedule can also be found at <a href="schedule.balticon.org">schedule.balticon.org</a>

# The most up-to-date information is always at balticon.org or via the mobile app.

You can download the pocket program (which does **NOT** get updated) at:

https://www.balticon.org/wp53/Balticon%2053\_Pocket%20Program.pdf

# **Parking**

The Balticon Parking web page shows nearby alternatives for parking, with rates. See Parking Information under the Hotel pull-down on the Balticon web site. URL:

### www.balticon.org/wp53/hotel/parking/

# **Show Your Balticon Badge!**

For the safety of all participants, all Balticon members are required to be have a badge at all times in Balticon spaces. The badge should be worn so as to be clearly visible and must be presented to any Balticon volunteer checking badges on behalf of the convention. For a downloadable PDF listing restaurants and shops offering discounts to Balticon attendees, go to <a href="https://www.baltimore.org/sites/default/master/files/pdf/show\_your\_badge.pdf">www.baltimore.org/sites/default/master/files/pdf/show\_your\_badge.pdf</a>

# Balticon Program Updates

# NEW ITEM! "Heinlein Award Winner Social" Friday, 8–9PM

Come meet Gregory Benford and enjoy some nibbles, courtesy of the Heinlein Society. Con Suite.

## **ROOM CHANGE Friday, 10PM**

"Scheduled Game: Late Night Cards Against Humanity" is now in room 6017 (was 6036).

# **ROOM CHANGE Saturday, 10PM**

"Scheduled Game: 2 Rooms and a Boom" is now in room 6017 (was 6036).

# **ROOM CHANGE Sunday, 10PM**

"Scheduled Game: Are You a Werewolf?" is now in room 6017 (was 6036).

# **NEW ITEM! Saturday, 1PM**

Dr. Gregory Benford will have an autograph session in the 5th floor lobby outside of Con Suite.

#### **CHANGES**

Sarah Pinsker's autograph session has been moved to 12PM Saturday (was 1PM Saturday).

Irina Greenman ADDED to "Mythology, Philosophy, and Video Games" on Monday at 12PM. Arkady Martine REMOVED from "Energy Production of the Future" on Sunday at 6PM.

Lorraine Peniston ADDED to "Making Conventions More Accessible" on Sunday at 1PM

Chad Eric Smith ADDED to "How to Present Your Genre Work in a Non-Genre Community" on Saturday at 11AM

Chad Eric Smith ADDED to "Afrofuturism 201" on Saturday at 4PM

Chad Eric Smith ADDED to "How Technology can Facilitate Collaborative Storytelling" on Monday at 12PM.

Alan Smale REMOVED from "Zeppelins in Mumbai" on Sunday at 1PM

Jay Justice ADDED to "Cosplay Rule 63...and Beyond!" on Monday at 10AM.

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# Other Stuff

Fannish Widows, a Facebook based group of fans who have lost their partners, will have an RL dinner Sunday night a 6 PM. Current plan is Uncle Lee's 44 South St, Baltimore, MD 21202. Sign up at the BSFS Sales Table by 2 PM on Sunday.

# Please Help Us Improve!

Answering the 2019 BSFS Grant Data Survey is a very low-cost way to support BSFS. The absolutely anonymous information gathered will help us apply for grants from major corporations and foundations

and to raise our online profile with related organizations like GuideStar that are used by grant makers to vet nonprofits. (www.guidestar.org)

Volunteers with data entry skills are needed to tally the BSFS Grant Data Survey. If interested, send e-mail to <a href="mailto:mariat@bsfs.org">mariat@bsfs.org</a>

Support from someone with great statistical skills and access to a heavy-duty statistics package also is needed.

# Have a Frabjous Balticon!