



CONDOR XIII

March 3-5, 2006 San Diego, CA

Handlery Hotel & Resort, Hotel Circle North

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Guest of Honor Christopher Stasheff

Christopher Stasheff is the author of the Warlock and Star Troupers series. Born in 1944, he grew up in Mount Vernon, New York and Ann Arbor, Michigan respectively. His father was Edward Stasheff, a former University of Michigan professor (1952-1977) who was previously involved in the early days of CBS and ABC television and the establishment of the Israeli television service.

Christopher Stasheff holds a PhD in theater, a subject he taught at Montclair State University, New Jersey before leaving to write fantasy and science fiction. Stasheff describes himself as having "difficulty distinguishing fantasy from reality" and a tendency to "pre-script" his life. He currently resides in Portales, New Mexico.

Artist Guest of Honor Theresa Mather

Theresa Mather began her career as a professional artist in 1989, and has become one of the most readily recognized and popular artists in Fantasy/SF convention art shows. Her unique paintings on stone and feathers as well as her many prints of fabled creatures, stunning women and fantastical scenes have also made her one of the best selling SF/F artists in the nation. Although her work keeps her busy, she also finds time to keep in online contact with many of her fellow artists, offering advice, insight and the occasional exchange of quips.

Prior to entering the field of fantasy art, Theresa's work was primarily in the carousel field including restoration work on a number of operating antique machines including the 1895 Looft now at Seaport Village. She specializes in painting scenery panels to replace lost or damaged originals, working in a style that has been mistaken for antique in carousel publications.

Theresa and her husband Barry Short reside in Cedar City, Utah, where when she's not painting they enjoy hiking and exploring in the many nearby national parks.



A Note from the Chair

We are only six weeks out from the convention and it is my hope that as many of you who have been to ConDor in the past can come help us celebrate our 13th con. The Committee and Staff are madly working overtime to bring you an exciting selection of panel topics, a top notch Art Show, the return of our Anime Room, RPGA and much, much more.

Time is running out for you to pre-register for the convention at a discounted rate. On-line and mail in registration closes on February 20th. For those of you who will be coming from out of town or who want to stay at ConDor 24/3, please make your hotel reservations by February 1st. See the next page for more information.

I want to thank Tony Todaro for creating our spiffy new web site. He did a fantastic job! Please check it out and continue to do so as we will be updating often as the convention gets closer. Our website: www.ConDorCon.org

As always, I want to thank each and every one of you who have attended, worked or been guests at ConDor. Without you, there wouldn't be a convention.

I can't wait to see you in March!

— Colleen Kelly-Burks, Chair

Special Media Guest Ronald B. Moore has dedicated 28 years of his career to creating visual effects, and has contributed to many features such as Ghostbusters and 2010, and numerous TV shows. He has created state-of-the-art visual effects using every current process, from large format 65 mm film compositing to the latest electronic tools and techniques. His work within the Star Trek franchise — *TNG*, *Voyager*, and *Enterprise* series, as well as *Star Trek: Generations* — lead to 14 Emmy nominations and 5 wins.

Other Confirmed Guests

ConDor is pleased to announce that the following individuals will participate in this year's panels and events: **Greg Benford, Jeff Berkwits, David Brin, Leonard Carpenter, Amy Sterling Casil, Bret Culpepper, Genevieve Dazzo, John DeChance, Dawn Devine, Sheila Finch, Lorna Freeman, Susan Gleason, Jeannie Graham, Howard Hendrix, Nancy Holder, John Iacovelli, Judy Lazar, Maria Lima, Elizabeth Malarte, Todd McCaffrey, Craig Miller, Vera Nazarian, Matt Pallamary, Jonathan Vos Post, David Ross, Rod Stansfield, Jefferson Swycaffer, William Stoddard, T. N. Todaro, Vernor Vinge, Chris Weber, Catherine Wells, and Karen Willson.**

Our New Hotel for 2006: The Handlery Hotel and Resort, Mission Valley

ConDor has grown into a new hotel!

Starting this year, we will be at the Handlery Hotel and Resort, located on Hotel Circle North, along Interstate 8 just east of Interstate 5.

- Address: 950 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108
- Register online: <http://www.condorcon.org/location/hotel.html>
- Register by phone: 800-676-6567 (mention code "CAASM")
- Room rates: \$119 for Single/Double/Triple or Quad!
- Parking is \$3/day for ConDor attendees
- Onsite wireless internet via WayPort is just \$10.95/day

The Handlery Hotel & Resort is built on a family history of genuine hospitality dating back to 1954. The Handlery's connections to fandom go back nearly as far: the hotel hosted the 1966 Westercon, where the famous "Bouncing Potatoes" filk was born!

ConDor XIII Art Show

This year's ConDor promises to bring together an impressive array of Science Fiction and Fantasy genre artwork: we will have several original pieces by our Artist Guest of Honor Theresa Mather, along with hundreds of prints and originals by artists from all corners of North America. Most pieces will be for sale via written bids and voice auction, but even if you don't plan to purchase please stop by and browse through our gallery! The voice auction on Sunday is always a blast, both to the senses and the pocketbook! Questions? Please email artshow@condorcon.org!

Participating Artists, as of 1/10/2006:

Robert Ball	
Sarah Clemens	www.clemensart.com
Mike Cole	
Debra Colvin	www.llothcat.com
Daniel Cortopassi	www.dacort.com
Karen Cosner	
Charlene D'Alessio	
Kelly Freas (estate of)	www.kellyfreas.com
Lee Galig-Meyer	
Susan Gleason	www.obsidiandesigns.com
Richard Hescox	
John Kaufmann	www.jek2004.com
Lubov Studios	www.lubov.net
Theresa Mather	www.rockfeatherscissors.com
Patricia McCracken	www.patriciamccracken.com
Betsy Mott	
Margaret Organ-Kean	www.organ-kean.com
Abranda Sisson	www.muddvision.com
Kathleen Sumida	www.simplaxities.com
Pamela Weisberg	www.pamelaweisberg.com
Bridget Wilde	www.bewildered-art.com

Dealers Room

At press time, confirmed dealers include Dragon Marsh, Indigo Lights, and Mysterious Galaxy. There are still a few tables available in the Dealers Room. Tables are \$60 each, and include one membership. Additional dealer memberships are just \$25. Contact Richard Rowell at dealers@condorcon.org.

To ensure you receive the discounted ConDor room rate, **please make your reservations by February 1st!** If you reserve after 2/1, make your reservations at the normal (public) rate, and send email to hotel@condorcon.org stating your name, arrival date, and confirmation number.

This popular San Diego hotel located in Mission Valley provides the uncommon combination of beautiful accommodations, particularly well suited for the business traveler as well as families, with a wide selection of meeting facilities and an unbeatable location that's close to all that San Diego has to offer. It's a place you'll want to return often---at prices that make it easy!

Relax around their heated swimming pool and whirlpool, and let the stress of a busy life dissolve away. There is plenty of food available on-site, and the restaurants of Old Town and Mission Valley are just minutes away.



Writer's Workshop (NEW!)

This year's ConDor will feature a Writer's Workshop.

Aspiring writers will be able to get their work evaluated by a professional, published writer, as well as by the other participants in the workshop.

The session will run two hours, and involve four to five participants plus a published writer. Each participant will need to bring five copies of 5-10 pages of their writing. It must be in proper manuscript format, focusing on a section of a story which they feel needs improvement. This will be read by the professional as well as the other members of the workshop, all of whom will give their impressions of the strengths and weaknesses of the material.

Anyone wishing to participate in a workshop, and if we have enough responses there may be more than one, should send an email to programming@condorcon.org. Alternatively, you may send your name and contact information to me at my snail mail: James Hay, 9416 Carlton Oaks Dr. Unit D, Santee CA 92071. Email is preferred, but snail mail will do. Please include the times and dates that you will be available at the convention. Participants should make contact **no later than February 15th.**

RPGA Role-Playing

For the fifth year in a row, ConDor is proud to announce that we will be hosting another full schedule of RPGA-sanctioned games.

Living Greyhawk: As always, we'll have a very healthy selection of the newest Regionals, Meta-Regionals, and Core mods. And, we may even have something new to premiere. Check the website for updates a few weeks before the convention dates.

Living Kingdoms of Kalamar: We'll again be hosting new Kalamar events and we're looking forward to once again running a never before played module.

Legacy of the Green Regent: If it's still going, we'll be bringing you the newest modules in the Green Saga.

As always, we are looking into other campaigns and perhaps even published modules to add a little extra flavor to the con. A new Interactive is planned for Saturday night. For more information please contact Tom Kee at tfkee@cox.net.

Regency Dancing

ConDor has featured a Regency-era dance since its inception, and this year will be no different. Early 19th-century period costumes are encouraged, but certainly not required, and novice-level lessons will be offered prior to the start of each dance.

Lego™ Contest (NEW!)

Bring your Lego building blocks to the convention and participate in this new addition to the convention schedule. Entries will be judged in three categories: general Science Fiction themes (buildings, ships, busts, statues); general Fantasy themes; and the best representation of a Condor of any species. Objects must be original designs, and not taken directly from a pre-packaged set. You're encouraged to build your entries in advance, but space (and Legos!) will be provided at the convention for last-minute entries. Check the convention website mid-February for updated information on the contest.

Fan Tables & Room Parties

Fan information tables are still available, as are a few party rooms. If your group would like to reserve either or both, please contact James M. Briggs at fanorg@condorcon.org.

Masquerade Participants Wanted!

Do you have a Science Fiction, Fantasy, Historical, or other costume which you'd like to show off to your fellow conventioners? You're encouraged to participate in ConDor's Saturday-evening masquerade. All levels of entrants, from novice to master, are

Current Member List (As of 1/15/2006)

Pete Amend	Miya Fujimoto	Laura Hunt
Jeska Ames	Jamie Gardner	Robin Hunt
Chaz Baden	Cecil Grant	Anne Hutchins
Jocelyn Baden	Bill Green	Richard James
Lynn Boston Baden	Diane Granander	J'anna Johnson
Wil Baden	Brenda P. Hanrahan	Debbie Keais
Jamie Bussio	Russell Hedges	Corby Kennard
John Calderwood	Kevin Hovanec	Hiroshi Konoya
Lynn Carol	Alain Hungerford	Blars Larson
Karen Cosner	Alexia Hungerford	Fred Lazzelle
Mary Curry	Demi Hungerford	Maria Lima
S L Curtis	Mike Hungerford	William B. Lindley
David Dunham	Rolf Hunn	Rachael Linker
Annalee Elliott	Cat Hunt	Rebecca Linker
Peter Flynn	Dennis Hunt	Shannah Linker

New this year:

Anime Festival

"Anime" comes from the English word "Animation." It was borrowed by the Japanese language to mean anything animated, whether Japanese or not. The shortened word was then borrowed back by English to mean Japanese animation.

Anime comes in many different genres, including science fiction, fantasy, sports, mystery, horror, and action/adventure. At ConDor we will feature a good sampling of anime series and movies, old and new, from different genres, that will be fun to watch and which provide an introduction to the genre.

We hope to show:

Akira	Last Exile
Bottle Fairy	Loveless
Burst Angel	Lupin the 3rd
Card Captor Sakura	Macross: Love, Do You Remember?
Chobits	Madlax
Cowboy Bebop	Melody of Oblivion
Elfen Lied	Noir
Fruits Basket	Princess Mononoke
Fullmetal Alchemist	Revolutionary Girl Utena
Gravitation	Rurouni Kenshin
Hare+Guu	Saikano
Hikaru no Go	Tonari no Totoro
Jubei-chan	Trigun
Kiddy Grade	Urusei Yatsura
Kyo Kara Maoh!	Weiss Kreuz

Preliminary Convention Schedule

Trying to plan your weekend? Here are our rough hours of operations. Of course they may change in the weeks leading up to the convention. Check our website for last-minute information.

Registration: Fri 2-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 9am-4pm

Panel Program: Fri 3-6pm, Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 10am-4pm

Anime Room: Fri 3pm through Sun 4pm

Masquerade: Sat 8pm

Art Auction: Sun 1pm

About ConDor...

The California Association for the Advancement of Speculative Media, Inc. (C.A.A.S.M.) is a non-profit corporation. Its purpose is to promote an interest in the speculative fiction media (science fiction and fantasy), and provide opportunities to educate and broaden public awareness of this genre. ConDor is run under the auspices of C.A.A.S.M. in partial fulfillment of that purpose.

Sheldon Linker	Patrick Palmer	Norman Thallheimer
Peggy Little	Denise Parise	Ellen Vandover
Elizabeth Lopes	Joe Pearce	Jack Vandover
Michael Mahoney	Jack L. Plummer	Carlos Vedovato
Beth Marble	Toni Poper	June Vigil-Storm
Chris Marble	Salomon Rojas	Jim Wible
Donald Matson	Eric P Scott	Bari Wood
Dorothy Matson	John Scranton	William Wu
Cary Meriwether	Jerry Shaw	Eris Young
Harry Meyer	Ellen Siders	Martin Young
Stephanie Meyer	Marc Silver	
Harry Meyers	Adina Sobo	
Stephanie Meyers	Sally Spero	
Fredrick Minjares	Steve Spero	
Jennifer Nissen	Joan Steward	

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Pre-Registration Rates Jan. 01 - Feb.20, 2006 \$45 At the Door \$50 Teens 13 - 17 years old \$20 Kids 12 and Under Free			Pre-Register for Gaming: circle the games you would like to be pre-registered for: 1) RPGA 2) 1st Edition AD&D Other _____
Mail check to: ConDor, PO Box 15771, San Diego, CA 92175			Pay via PayPal thru our web site www.condorcon.org

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Concerts, Parties, Film Room,
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Gaming, Dancing, Art Show,
Filking, Dealers Room & more!

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Pre-register (by mail or online) through 2/20.

Please make your hotel reservations by 2/1!