

# Helmuth, Speaking for



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## Welcome to Boskone 54

### **Program Changes**

Guest of Honor Brandon Sanderson:

Building a Career

add Michael Whelan

The Play's The Thing!

add Sage Durham , John Chu , and Kate Baker

Opening Ceremony: Meet the Guests

Boskone Book Party

add Robert B. Finegold M.D. , remove Kristin Janz

Pictionary with the Pros

add Frank Wu , Brianna Spacekat Wu

The Death Star

add Mary Kay Kare (Moderator)

After Art of the Fantastic: A Journey Into Creation (Discussion) remove Alan F. Beck

So You Wanna Be a Time Lord

remove Jim Mann

Don't Quit Your Day Job Just Yet

remove Kristin Janz

Bioethical Issues Raised by SF ... and Real Life

remove Kristin Janz

Chemistry: Spec Fic's Critical Compound

remove Kristin Janz

A Muddle of Mad Scientists

remove Kristin Janz

Cooking with Chemistry!

remove Kristin Janz (Moderator)

Autographing: L.J. Cohen, Tui Sutherland, Christine Taylor-Butler

Autographing, Westin)

Wonder Woman and The Justice League

add Elise Sacchetti (Moderator), remove Erin Underwood

"The Defenders" Series and the Netflix Craze

add Elise Sacchetti

add Jeff Warner , remove Justine Graykin

Writers on Writing: What's in a Name? A Stonecoast MFA Panel

remove David Anthony Durham

Just a Minute

remove David Anthony Durham

So You Wanna Be a Time Lord

remove Kate Baker

Wizards, Warlocks, and Witches

remove E.J. Stevens

Great Ghost Stories

remove E.J. Stevens

Don't Quit Your Day Job Just Yet

remove David Anthony Durham

Victorian Vampires

remove E.J. Stevens

iMorality and Machines

remove Gregory Feeley

Name That Magical Creature

remove David Anthony Durham

Fear Factor: "What Are You Scared Of?" "I Don't Know!"

remove Gregory Feeley (Moderator)

The Year of the Podcast

remove Kate Baker

Open Mic: Villains!

remove Kate Baker

### The Play's The Thing!

remove David Anthony Durham , Kate Baker , and Sage Durham

Autographing: Dana Cameron, Leigh Perry, Allen M. Steele, E.J. Stevens,

Autographing, Westin)

remove E.J. Stevens

### Deleted Items

Reading by E.J. Stevens

Reading by Kate Baker

Taming the Wolf

### **New Items**

Kaffeeklatsch: Ada Palmer

Harbor I - Kaffeeklatsch 1 Westin

Saturday 09:00 AM

60 minutes, Kaffeeklatsch

Reading by Ada Palmer

Griffin Westin

Saturday 11:00 AM

30 minutes, Reading

### **Removed People**

Kate Baker

David Anthony Durham

Gregory Feeley

David McDonald

E.J. Stevens

Sage Durham

Kristin Janz

Timothy Liebe

Julie Holderman

Tamora Pierce

Cynthia Ward

Deleted item

Reading by Kristin Janz

### **Registration**

As of 4.44pm Friday

403 warm bodies

781 no-shows

1165 members

1119 preregistered

45 at-the-door

### **NESFA Press**

Our latest—the seventh—Poul Anderson collection, *Question and Answer*, has been delayed by the shipping company. It might (for small values of might) be here by 7pm Friday. Assuming the shipping company

doesn't slip up again, it will be available by Saturday.

### **Escalator Warning**

Safety warning: people wearing long dresses, robes, capes, etc. please take care to keep them clear of the escalator steps. We have already had one dress get caught and it needed to be ripped to get it loose.

### **R. I. P.**

Unfortunately, more members of our community have passed. Information was received too late to be included in the *Boskone 54 Souvenir Book*.

Ed Bryant (27 August 1945—10 February 2017) was a writer of science fiction and horror. He was associated with Harlan Ellison and collaborated with him on the novel *Phoenix Without Ashes*—based upon Harlan's script for an episode of *The Starlost*. He won two Nebula Awards for short stories. He was a contributor to the *Wild Cards* series of novels and short fiction.

Robert A. Rosenberg (1947--8 October 2016).

Although he died four months ago, fandom did not find out about this until very recently. He was a member of the Lunarians and the Lunarians<sub>2</sub> and a Director-at-Large of the organization.

### **Parties**

Friday: Broad Universe party 8pm in Room 464. Food, drinks, authors, books. What more could you ask for? Broad Universe is a 501c3 organization that promotes, celebrates, and supports women's voices in SF, Fantasy, Horror, and more.

Saturday: Jean Berman's Birthday Party & John Costello Memorial Party. Saturday 7pm to 1am in Room 423. Food, Friends, Fun. Sweets, savories, hot & cold drinkables, lots of chocolate---including homemade fudge, and foods to appeal to many different tastes including special diets. Check it out on the party floor.