



# HELMUTH, speaking for Boskone

Saturday Morning \* February 19, 2011 Boskone 48



## **Program Changes:**

### **\*Added**

Robert Kuhn to "Sword and Sorcery Today," Sat. noon

Janice Gelb to "Writer vs. Copyeditor," Sat 2 pm

Sat 3 pm, "Dueling Sculpture." **Sarah Smith**, "From the Other Side of Dark."

**Tamara Gurevitz**, Sculpting

Myke Cole to "Playing with Dice," Sat 3 pm

Jean Rossner to "Why There Is No Jewish Narnia," Sat 3 pm

Myke Cole to "A Good Death," Sun 2 pm

Bob English to "Breaking into SF&F Art," Sun 2 pm.

### **Dropped/Cancelled**

Neil Clarke reading, Sun 1 pm

Michael Swanwick reading, Sun 1:30 pm,

Jean Pierre Normand, dropped from "Breaking into SF&F Art," Sun 2 pm.

### **Other Changes**

On Saturday night the **Anime/Video** program (with a focus on World Domination) will be in Dragonslair in the Galleria, not in Carlton as listed. Boskone also thanks Lisa Hawkridge for helping to put this program together.

## **TIPTREE BAKE SALE**

James Tiptree Memorial Bake Sale is going on now! Get delicious baked goods at the Sale table in the Galleria, opposite/straight back from the double doors. 9:30 a.m. until the food is gone! (Note that this is NOT the Con Suite, which is in the corner of the Galleria. The Bake Sale is just to the right of the wall that you're facing when you enter the Galleria.)

## **Religious services**

**Havdalah**, Saturday night 6:05 pm, Room #417

## **Restaurants**

Add to Guide: **Strega Waterfront**, One Morina Park Drive (at Northern Avenue, next to the IEA), Boston, MA 02210. (617) 345-3992.

## **Panel Notes and quotes**

Scattered quotes from **Building a Vivid World**, DCD reporting:

Elaine Isaak: It's an interesting challenge, to create a world that people think they already know.

Karl Schroeder: I consider myself to be the midwife of the imagination of the reader.

Elaine Isaak: Save the infodumps for your website.

Karen Anderson: Marion Zimmer Bradley was not too concerned about consistency in the Darkover novels, but I think she carried it too far [with

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astronomical example re: the conjunction of moons].

[re: Clarke's Law] Bob Kuhn: That's one of my betes noirs...In this world [Earth], it's very easy to tell the difference: magic doesn't exist, technology does.

Karen Anderson: The fantasy that Poul [Anderson] wrote was called fantasy with rivets.

Karl Schroeder: My version of [Clarke's Law] is: 'Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from nature.'

Bob Kuhn: The best nonfiction sounds like the author's voice, speaking to you.

[Asked for last comments] D.A. Durham: I am smarter for having listened to Karl.

Recommended authors and books, from the same panel

Ian MacDonald [future India]

Robert Reddick, Red Wolf

Conspiracy

Peter Watts, Blindsight

Brandon Sanderson, including YA series

Mary Victoria, Chronicles of the

Tree

China Mieville, The City and the

City

### **PARTIES**

**Sat 9-11 pm, #609:** Jean Berman's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday party and \$1 paperback (I ran out of shelf space) sale. Serving snacks and soda.

**Have a party announcement? Put it in the "Newsletter" basket at the Info Desk before 6 pm, and it will be in the next Helmuth.**

Larry Niven, Ringworld

### **Boskone 49**

Don't wait for next year! **Discounted registration** at Boskone 48: Full membership \$40;/College students \$30/Student (K-12) \$20. After Feb 20, 2011: Full membership \$49/College \$35/Student (K-12) \$25.

Guest of Honor: **John Scalzi**. Official Artist: **Daniel Dos Santos**. Special Guest: **Toni Weiskopf**. Featured Filker: **Tricky Pixie**.

For more info email [info-B49@boskone.org](mailto:info-B49@boskone.org) or visit <http://www.boskone.org> .

### **Paranormal Activities**

Last night at Fangtasia, the seemingly "dusted" vampire was revealed to be Carpet Fresh (TM). However, Jose, the alternate bartender, whom it was initially thought to be, never did show up. What happened to him? Submit your theory, guess, or claim to "Gran" at any Helmuth news drop and we'll pick the best one. There may even be prize(s).