

Los Angeles in 2026 Worldcon Bid Selected in Glasgow

“LAcon V” Announced for August 27-31, 2026 in Anaheim, California

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The Southern California Institute for Fan Interests (SCIFI), Inc., sponsor of “LA in 2026,” is delighted to announce that our bid to host the 2026 World Science Fiction Convention (Worldcon) has been selected during the World Science Fiction Society business meeting held on August 11, 2024 at the Worldcon in Glasgow, Scotland.

LAcon V, the 84th World Science Fiction Convention, will be held on **August 27-31, 2026** at the **Anaheim Convention Center** and the **Hilton Anaheim** and **Anaheim Marriott** hotels in Anaheim, California, a suburb of Los Angeles. It is the fifth Worldcon convention to bear the “LAcon” name.

LAcon V has also announced its Guests of Honor, which include:

- **Barbara Hambly**, acclaimed multi-genre novelist, whose works include *The Iron Princess*, *The Benjamin January Mysteries*, *The Darwath Trilogy*, *Winterlands*, *Sunwolf* and *Starhawk*, *Ishmael* and *Children of the Jedi*;
- **Ronald D. Moore**, Emmy, Peabody, and Hugo Award-winning screenwriter and executive producer of *Battlestar Galactica*, *For All Mankind*, *Outlander*, *Carnivale*, *Roswell*, *Star Trek: The Next Generation* and *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*;
- **Colleen Doran**, *New York Times* bestselling cartoonist, writer and artist, whose work includes adaptations of *The Sandman*, *American Gods* and *Good Omens* as well as contributions to many popular comics and graphic novels;
- **Dr. Anita Sengupta**, aerospace engineer, commercial pilot, and rocket scientist on multiple NASA projects including *Dawn*, *Curiosity* and *Cold Atom Laboratory*, who is currently leading Hydroplane Ltd., developing hydrogen fuel-powered aircraft;
- **Tim Kirk**, Hugo Award winning illustrator for many acclaimed SF and fantasy novels and stories, as well as a long-time Walt Disney Imagineer and a principal designer on Disney’s Tokyo Disney-Sea and the Disney-MGM Studio Tour;

- **Geri Sullivan**, fan guest of honor; originally from Minnesota, she has worked on many local, regional and national science fiction conventions, including multiple Worldcons;
- **Stan Sakai**, special guest; Eisner Award-winning illustrator and creator of the acclaimed graphic novel series *Usagi Yojimbo*; and,
- **Ursula Vernon**, toastmaster; artist and illustrator, author of the children's book series *Dragonbreath* and *Hamster Princess*, novelist (who writes under the name T. Kingfisher), and creator of the webcomic *Digger*.

More information about the LAcon V, the 2026 World Science Fiction Convention, can be found at **lacon.org**.

Worldcon is the annual convention of the **World Science Fiction Society** (WSFS). The event was first held in 1939 and, after a hiatus during World War II, has been held continuously since 1946. The membership of WSFS is every member of the current Worldcon.

Worldcon is the site of the presentation of the annual Hugo Awards. First presented in 1953 and presented annually since 1955, the Hugo Awards are science fiction's most prestigious award. The Hugo Awards are voted on by members of the World Science Fiction Convention, which is also responsible for administering them.

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