

The 16th North American Science Fiction Convention, 18-21 July 2024 Hyatt Regency Buffalo and Buffalo Niagara Convention Center

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Welcome from the Chair

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Our experienced committee, from a variety of backgrounds, draws from all over the US and Canada. Please join us and our wonderful guests in July 2024 for the Buffalo NASFiC.

About NASFiC

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The reasons for you to choose Buffalo are in this progress report. To me they are the minor reasons for you to attend this NASFiC. I think the most important reason for you to attend our NASFiC, is that this is where all the friends you have known for years, and the friends you have yet to meet will be. Your friends who like Lovecraft, or Harry Potter, your friends who like Star Trek or Star Wars, your friends, who like Thunderbirds or Spirited Away, your friends who like D&D or Traveller (although only your Traveller friends know the pain of their characters dying during character creation). Come hang out with them here in Buffalo.

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Buffalo NASFiC 2024 is organized by the Upstate New York Science Fiction and Fantasy Alliance.

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We are pleased to announce our Guests of Honor!



Alan Dean Foster has been writing ever since August Derleth bought a long Lovecraftian letter of Foster's in 1968. Since then, Foster's short fiction has appeared in all the major SF magazines. His published oeurve includes more than 120 books.

Nilah Magruder is the co-creator of Spider-Byte, and has written for Marvel Comics and illustrated children's books for Disney-Hyperion, Scholastic, and Penguin.

Kaja Foglio is a Hugao-award winning Seattle-based writer, artist and publisher. She founded Studio Foglio, LLC in 1993 as a venue for her Magic the Gathering art prints, but quickly expanded into publishing. She co-writes the comic series Girl Genius with her husband Phil.

Phil Foglio got his B.F.A. in Cartooning the same year he won the Hugo Award for Best Fan Artist back in 1977 and 1978 and is still waiting for the wealth and unlimited power he was told this would bring.

Tony Lewis is a longtime Boston fan who was born in Gotham City Hospital (he claims no relation to the Wayne family). He joined MITSFS in 1957 and was very active in the club while he earned a Ph.D. in Nuclear Physics from MIT, including serving as Librarian and Onseck. He was known as the Evil Dr. Lewis, a title he relished.

Suford Lewis was active in LASFS and appeared in Westercon masquerades before going to Radcliffe in 1961 and joining MITSFS. Now in Boston, she is a founding member of the New England SF Association, has chaired Boskone, and was a member of TAPA. She is a computer scientist. Since 1968, she has been married to Tony Lewis, a physicist who is also a fan.

Buffalo NASFiC membership rates are at right.

You can become a member via https://buffalonasfic2024.org/

Rates through November 1st, 2023	Rate: (USD/CDN)
Attending Adult Membership	\$75 / \$100
Converting From Supporting to Attending Adult Membership	\$45 / \$60
Converting with Pre-Supporting Discount to Attending Adult Membership	\$35 / \$46