



Greetings! This is the first of two progress reports from Minicon 49, to be held this coming Easter weekend, April 17½-20, 2014, at the DoubleTree in Bloomington, MN. Minicon features panel discussions, readings, signings, costuming, a Medallion Hunt, films, gaming, an art show, dealers, kids' programming, a science room, filk and folk music, a well-stocked consuite and bar, room parties, teenrun teen programming, and various special events. Our guests of honor:

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Memberships: If you are registered, a ® should appear on your mailing label. You can register at mnstf.org/minicon49 or by mail to Minicon 49, PO Box 8297, Lake Street Station, Minneapolis, MN 55408. If you don't have a form, send the usual info and we'll figure it out. \$40 adult, \$20 student (13-20), \$10 kid (6-12), \$0 child (0-5), \$15 supporting. Pre-reg deadline: March 17. For more information: registration@minicon49.mnstf.org or write to the PO box above.

Hotel: We're in the Bloomington DoubleTree again this year. Rooms are \$92 if booked by March 15. For normal rooms call 952-835-7800, or see mnstf.org/minicon49/hotel. To book poolside cabana rooms for sleeping or running a room party, please send your request to parties@minicon49.mnstf.org.

Advance Warning: Minicon 50 will be 4 days, April 2-5, 2015, same location. GoH: authors Jane Yolen, Larry Niven, and Brandon Sanderson, musician Adam Stemple, publisher Tom Doherty.

A longer version of this PR is at mnstf.org/minicon49. You will get the full 2nd PR by mail this winter.

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