

Celebration of science fiction

Australian fans of science fiction, fantasy and horror are soon to be treated to a rare celebration of all things speculative in fiction – Aussiecon 4, the fourth World Science Fiction Convention to be held in this country. Featuring a pantheon of stellar authors, headed up by guests of honour Kim Stanley Robinson and Shaun Tan, Aussiecon 4 will be held in Melbourne September 2-6.

As much writers' festival as fan fest, Aussiecon 4 represents a rare opportunity for Australian science fiction, fantasy, and horror aficionados to mingle with authors, artists, editors, agents and other members of the international and Australian science fiction community.

Aussiecon 4 promises the ideal forum for insight, inspiration, and networking. Multiple concurrent streams of panel discussions on a wide range of speculative fiction topics – including writing

process and craft, explorations of popular culture, young adult fiction and themes, guest of honour presentations, academic theory and more – will be fielded by some of the biggest names in global SF.

Encompassing books, movies, TV series, gaming, art, memorabilia, comic books, graphic novels and more, the Worldcon embraces every aspect of science fiction. One of the star events is the presentation of the prestigious Hugo awards for achievements in science fiction and fantasy fiction, film and fandom (and more).

The event brings together a few thousand professionals and enthusiasts from around the world. In fact, the premium field of authors, illustrators, and other leading industry figures at Aussiecon 4 is expected to be the largest ever assembled in Australia. If you're interested in the speculative fiction genre, Aussiecon 4 is simply not to be missed.



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