

Membership Form

Name: _____

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Membership Type:

- Cheapskate Member - \$10
- Generous Member - \$20
- Friend of the Ditmars - \$30
- Protector of Kittens - \$40
- All Round Good Bloke/Blokes - \$50
- Absolute Fucking Legend - \$100
- Corporate Member – open to offers

Cash preferred, cheque or PayPal possible.

Information on this form will be used by the Standing Committee of the Business Meeting of the National Australian Science Fiction Convention or its sub-committees to verify eligibility for Ditmar voting. Contact details provided may also be used to inform you of activities relating to the convention.

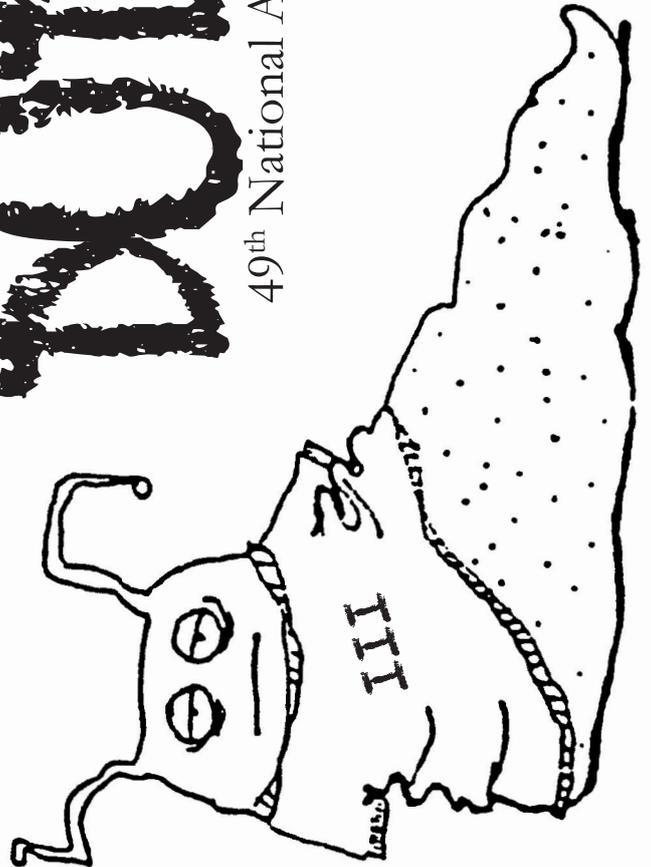
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DUDCON III

49th National Australian SF Convention - September 3rd - 5th 2010

Australian Guest of Honour – Helen Merrick
International Guest of Honour – Peter Watts
Fan Guest of Honour – Jacob Blake



Progress Report 3

We have (real) Guests!

Dudcon is pleased to announce that Canadian author Peter Watts has been hoodwinked into being Dudcon III's International Guest of Honour. Peter has four published novels as well as a collection of his short fiction. His novelette *The Island* has been nominated for a Hugo this year (his second nomination). Sydney SF identity Cat Sparks is running a fund to help pay Peter's travel and accommodation costs. In line with SF tradition there is a chance that some random contributor to the fund will be turned into a minor character in Peter's next novel *State of Grace*. More info can be found at Cat's LJ: <http://catsparx.livejournal.com/>

We are also very pleased that Helen Merrick has embraced the spirit of Dudcon and offered a very generous donation which will see her become our Australian Guest of Honour. Helen hails from WA and is an academic who has written a number of scholarly books on SF. Her latest, *The Secret Feminist Cabal*, has been nominated for a Hugo and she also has an essay in another Hugo nominated work, *On Joanna Russ*. Helen is also working on the academic program for Aussiecon 4.

Ditmars

In case you haven't heard, Ditmar Nominations are now open and will remain open until the 23rd of July, 2010. The categories haven't changed since last year, but some rules have been amended. The rules can be found at: http://wiki.sf.org.au/Ditmar_rules

While online nominations are preferred, nominations can be made in a number of ways:

1. online, via this form:

<http://ditmars.sf.org.au/2010/nominations.html>

2. via email to ditmars@sf.org.au; or

3. by post to:

Ditmars

6 Florence Road

NEDLANDS, WA 6009

There is a (partial) list of eligible works at:

http://www.wiki.sf.org.au/2010_Ditmar_eligibility_list

Best Fannish Cat

Don't forget to nominate in our own special-award-of-the-convention, Best Fannish Cat. You must be a member of Dudcon III to nominate and vote but your nominee does not need to be a member. All the rules are to be found at: http://members.optuszoo.com.au/~dudcon/special_award.html.

Nominate early and nominate often.

Membership

As at July 12, 2010 Dudcon has 53 members including two Absolute Fucking Legends. We are also have two corporate members: Slowglass Books (www.slowglass.com.au) and Suz's Space (www.suzs-space.com)

Membership of Dudcon 3 entitles you to vote in the 2010 Ditmars. If you are a member of Conjecture you already have that right. However by paying for a Dudcon 3 membership you are supporting the Ditmars. You will also get the right to vote in the 2011 Ditmars. We might even give you a badge or something.

There are varying grades of membership available, please see the form for further details.

Our Website

We've got one, such as it is: www.dudcon.com
I try to keep it up to date, honestly.

Anything Else?

At this point things are running smoothly. It doesn't look like there will be enough money for drinks at the Ditmar ceremony but I'm still looking for a way to do something social. It looks like the Ditmar pin project will proceed, although it is still underfunded.

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