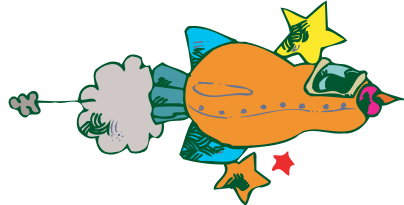


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Upcoming Events Calendar

3/20: The *Monster Matinee Marathon* returns with such classics as *King of Kong Island*, *Planet of Blood*, and *Gorgo* (the "Godzilla" of England!) 10:45am-4pm, \$6 adm.

Contact: Raven White <RetroVideo@Juno.Com>
Location: La Paloma Theater, Encinitas

3/23: SDMA presents the 1920 classic *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*, starring John Barrymore, with accompaniment by UCSD's Teeny-Tiny Pit Orchestra for Silent Films and its collection of unusual vintage instruments. 6:30pm, \$7 adm.
Where: San Diego Museum of Art, Balboa Park

3/25-27: *ConDor XII* takes flight at the Mission Valley Marriott. GoH John Varley; also: Armin Shimerman.
Website: <http://www.condorcon.org/>

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General Interest

SD-SF-Fans is a low-traffic mailing list for chat and announcements related to San Diego SF Fandom.

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SD-SF-Fans>

Jim Hay's **San Diego Area Fandom Pages** is a counterpart to this *Index* and provides links to many local fan organizations and fan conventions around California.

Website: <http://geocities.com/jameshay.geo/>

SF/Fantasy Clubs

Com Station Z is a Science Fiction club and community service organization for those interested in Star Trek as well as general SF/Fantasy. Meets Tuesday evenings at local restaurants.

Contact: Mike "Ekim" Witt <papaekim@ispwest.com>

Website: <http://www.comstationz.org/>

Darkstar is the SF/Gaming club based out of UCSD, but has a membership that includes students and nonstudents alike. Maintains a 4000+ item SF/F lending library, and meets Thursdays for dinner at area restaurants.

Contact: <darkstar@ucsd.edu>

Website: <http://darkstar.ucsd.edu/>

San Diego Sci-Fi/Fantasy Meetup Group gathers monthly to discuss science fiction and fantasy in literature, gaming, film, television, and art, and SF&F conventions, clubs and events. Newcomers always welcome!

Website: <http://scifi.meetup.com/31>

When: 1st Tuesday of each month.

San Diego Queer Sci-Fi is a social group that meets for irregular outings and social events: movies, books, TV, gaming, conventions, events and social gatherings.

Contact: Alan Lutton <Esprix@aol.com>

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDQSF>

Media (TV/Movie) Fan Clubs

Crazed Imaginations presents weekly showings of the B-movie classic **Rocky Horror Picture Show**.

Check website for special events and themed showings.

Website: <http://www.crazediminations.net/>

Location: La Paloma Theatre, Encinitas

When: Fridays, 12 Midnight

San Diego Star Wars Society meets regularly for costume/prop construction, movie outings, and more.

Contact: Linda Gomez <MaraJade@sandiegostarwars.com>

Website: <http://www.sandiegostarwars.com/>

At **Meetup.com's Buffy: The Vampire Slayer** meetings, fans discuss the show, its spinoffs, stars, and legacy.

Website: <http://buffy.meetup.com/141>

When: 1st Thursday of every month

Book Groups / Reading Groups

Mysterious Galaxy Books hosts a book group every other Wednesday evening which discusses SF, Horror, Fantasy, and Mystery genre books.

Contact: <mgbooks@mystgalaxy.com>

Website: <http://www.mystgalaxy.com/>

The **San Diego Queer Sci-Fi Book Club** gets together twice a month to discuss science fiction, fantasy and horror books with gay/lesbian/transgender themes and characters.

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sdqsf-books/>

When: 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month.

Where: Local area coffeehouses - check website.

Special Interest Fan Groups

SDSMOFS is a mailing list for people organizing SF/Fantasy/Gaming events around San Diego. Join the list to meet other organizers, share ideas and solutions, etc.

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sdsmofs>

San Diego Filk Fandom gathers regularly to play, sing, and appreciate Fandom's own brand of folk music, "Filk". Meetings are held at members' homes; see website.

Contact: Barney Evans <offkey@sdfilk.org>

Website: <http://www.sdfilk.org/>

The **San Diego Costumers Guild** is a group of costumers, professional and hobbyist, who meet to learn, share, and enjoy creating, displaying, and wearing their work.

Contact: Jody Regan <jodyregan@yahoo.com>

Website: <http://members.aol.com/sdcgsdcg/sdcghome.htm>

Writers' Events/Groups

Meetup.com: SF Writing. Gather to network, exchange ideas, and socialize with others interested in sci-fi writing!

Website: <http://scifiwriting.meetup.com/21>

When: 2nd Tuesday of each month.

"**Writing the Horror Story**" at UCSD Extension will give students a firm grounding in the classics of horror literature, which they will use as models as they create their own spine-tingling tales of terror.

Website: <http://www.extension.ucsd.edu/>

Instructor: Nancy Holder

When: 2/17/2005 - 3/17/2005

SF/Fantasy Outside San Diego

CFM: Cienca Ficción Mexicana es un grupo de discusión, sobre lo que hacen autores, editores y otros interesados por el genero en Mexico.

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cfm>

The **Orange County Science Fiction Club** meets monthly in Fullerton to discuss the latest happenings in Science Fiction, books, films, TV, conventions, etc.

Website: <http://www.ocsf.org/>

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Comic-Con International is the largest popular arts convention in North America, with program topics ranging from comics to SF books to Star Trek.

Contact: <cci-info@comic-con.org>

Website: <http://www.comic-con.org/>

When: Jul 14-17, 2005

Location: San Diego Convention Center

The Fourth Conjecture is the 4th iteration of San Diego's Fall literary-oriented SF/Fantasy convention. This year's theme: "SF on the Edge of Your Seat!"

Contact: <info@conjecture.org>

Website: <http://www.conjecture.org/>

GoH: Jack McDevitt

Location: DoubleTree Club, Hotel Circle

When: October 7-9, 2005

In 2006, San Diego will host **Conzilla**, the 59th travelling Westercon (*West Coast Science Fantasy Conference*) which draws attendees from all over North America.

Website: <http://www.conzilla.info/>

GoH: Walter John Williams

When: July 1-4, 2006

Location: Mission Valley Marriott

Anime (Japanese Animation) Clubs

Cal-Animage Beta Chapter is UCSD's campus Anime society, but non-student members are welcome! Weekly Anime showings, video library, and more!

Contact: <animage@ucsd.edu>

Website: <http://acs.ucsd.edu/~animage/>

San Diego Anime and Manga Meetup is a good sized, very active group of Anime and Manga fans who gather monthly without fail. Newbies are very welcome!

Website: <http://anime.meetup.com/1>

When: 2nd Thursday of each month.

Live-Action Role-Playing (LARP)

Barcelona: Baptism by Fire is a local Vampire: the Dark Ages LARP played on 1st & 3rd Saturdays.

Contact: <storytellers@lost-soles.org>

Website: <http://barcelona.lost-soles.org>

From the Ashes is a Vampire LARP set in very-near-future San Diego, and played 2nd & 4th Fridays.

Contact: <julius_thierlione@hotmail.com>

Website: <http://www.asheslarp.com/>

Paradise Lost is the oldest local Camarilla chapter and hosts a multitude of LARP and table-top games.

Contact: p-lost@cox.net

Website: <http://members.cox.net/p-lost/>

Role-Playing Gaming (RPG)

Meetup.com's Roleplayers Meetup is a meetpoint for local GMs who need players, players who need games, and those who want to just chat about RPGs.

Website: <http://roleplayers.meetup.com/6>

When: 3rd Tuesday of every month.

rpg-sandiego.org is San Diego's online roleplaying resource, featuring discussion forums, announcements, calendars of events, and links to local gaming groups.

Contact: <owner@rpg-sandiego.org>

Website: <http://rpg-sandiego.org/>

Attend **Meetup.com's Dungeons & Dragons Meetup** and meet local D&D players who play "the greatest RPG of all time!"

Website: <http://dnd.meetup.com/77>

When: 2nd Saturday of each month.

The **SD RPG Events** mailing list carries discussion and news of RPGA and other RPG system events in San Diego and around Southern California.

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sdrpgevents>

Tabletop (Board/Strategy) Groups

Darkstar is the Gaming/SF club based out of UCSD, but nonstudents are welcome to join and participate. Periodic weekend open boardgame get-togethers on campus.

Contact: <darkstar@ucsd.edu>

Website: <http://darkstar.ucsd.edu/>

Meetup.com: Boardgame Players. Meetup with other local players and play all sorts of board games.

Website: <http://boardgames.meetup.com/17>

When: 1st Wednesday of each month.

Location: Check website.

San Diego Strategy Gamers meets regularly to play strategy board games. See website for weekly schedule and current location.

Contact: Ash Patil <patilak@hotmail.com>

Website: <http://www.sdgamers.org/>

When: Tuesdays/Thursdays, 6:45pm

Other Local Groups of Interest

The **Barony of Calafia** is the regional chapter of the worldwide Society for Creative Anachronism, which studies and reenacts pre-17th-century European society: tournaments, heraldry, crafts, workshops, cuisine, etc.

Contact: <webmaster@calafia.org>

Website: <http://www.calafia.org/>

The **Mars Society, San Diego** works towards the exploration and settlement of Mars via research, outreach, and education. Activities include support of Mars Society International research projects, movie nights, and more.

Contact: <MarsSocietySanDiego@yahoo.com>

Website: <http://chapters.marsociety.org/SanDiego/>

The **San Diego Futurists** discuss and debate the future of science, technology, and the arts, in the tradition of the long-running salons of Los Angeles and the Bay Area.

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sdfuturists/>

Location: Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Mira Mesa