



A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

Well 2023 is gone. Let us a great 2024

Thanks to Patty Russell for letting us hold the holiday party at his place.

Please register at the website (oasfis.org)
Contact me if you need the following:

- to be removed or added to the OASFIS People box on page 2
- To add a non FL convention to my Convention/Event listings
- If you want your birthday listed in the EH

A lot of great work came out last year and in this issue is a sample.

If you want to write something for the EH let Juan know.

See you next month.

Orlando Anime Day
January 13

Wyndham Orlando Resort on International Drive
8001 International Drive
Orlando, FL 32819 Tampa, FL 33610
\$5 admission
orlando.animeday.net

Central Florida Comic Con
January 20-21

RP Funding Center
701 W Lime St.
Lakeland, FL 33815
\$40 for the weekend

Guests: Stanley Morrison (artist)
Sammy Castillo (artist)
Tom Ruegger (animator/creator)
Paul Rugg (voice actor and writer)
Tom Kenny (voice actor)
Max Mittelman (voice actor)
Robbie Daymond (voice actor)
Ray Chase (voice actor)
Charlet Chung (voice actor)
Luchie Pohl (voice actor)
Elizabeth Maxwell (voice actor)
Jason Liebrecht (voice actor)
Ryan Bartley (voice actor)
Brent Mukai (voice actor)
Reba Buhr (voice actor)
Landon McDonald (voice actor)
Trina Nishimura (voice actor)
Dan Green (voice actor)
Eric Stuart (voice actor)
And many others

www.centralfloridacomicon.com

OASFIS December Christmas Party 12/9/2022

Attendance: Ed Anthony, Arthur Dykeman, Don Eastlake, Jill Eastlake, Steve Grant, Laurie Levine, Patty Russell, Juan Sanmiguel

No official reports due to the Christmas party, which was a great deal of fun. Thanks to Patty for hosting the party. Everyone brought excellent food, interesting trivia, and good

Events

St. Petersburg Comic Con

January 6-7
Coliseum
535 4th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

Guests: Garrett Sander (*Monster High* creator)
Karen Strassman (voice actor)
Cindy Robinson (voice actor)
And many others

\$40 for the weekend
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SSA+S Toracon

January 27
Sarasota School of Arts and Sciences
717 Central Avenue
Sarasota, FL 34236
Anime, gaming, and comics
\$7 general admission, \$5 for students
www.ssastoracon.net

Janaury OASFiS Calendar

OASFiS Business Meeting

Sunday, January 14, 1:30 PM, This will be at Jean Rhein Central Branch Library (215 N. Oxford Road Casselberry, Florida) and Zoom Contact Juan for the link. Come join us as we discuss works of Best Works of 2023

To contact for more info:

OASFiS Business Meeting 407-823-8715

Top Box Office SF/Fantasy Films for 2023

Source www.boxofficemojo.com

(Includes studio and total worldwide box office gross as of 12/31/2023)

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**Opened last year

Studio abbreviations:

Col=Columbia

Par=Paramount

UA=United Artists

Uni=Universal

WB =Warner Bros.

Rank	Movie	Studio	Gross
1	<i>Barbie</i>	WB	\$636M
2	<i>The Super Mario Bros. Movie</i>	Uni	\$575M
3	<i>Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse</i>	Col	\$381M
4	<i>Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3</i>	Disney	\$359M
5	<i>Oppenheimer*</i>	Uni	\$326M
6	<i>The Little Mermaid</i>	Disney	\$298M
7	<i>Avatar: The Way of Water**</i>	20th Century	\$283M
8	<i>Ant-Man and the Wasp: Quantumania</i>	Disney	\$215M
12	<i>Indiana Jones and Dial of Destiny</i>	Par	\$174M
14	<i>Transformers: Rise of the Beasts</i>	Par	\$157M
16	<i>Elemental</i>	Disney	\$154M
17	<i>The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes</i>	Lion's Gate	\$150M
19	<i>Five Nights at Freddy's</i>	Uni	\$137M
20	<i>Puss in Boots: The Last Wish</i>	Uni	\$186M
21	<i>Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem</i>	Par	\$119M
22	<i>Wonka</i>	WB	\$111M
23	<i>The Flash</i>	WB	\$108M
24	<i>M3GAN</i>	Uni	\$95M
25	<i>Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves</i>	Par	\$93M
27	<i>Trolls Band Together</i>	Uni	\$93M
28	<i>Nun II</i>	WB	\$86M
29	<i>Wonka</i>	WB	\$86M
30	<i>The Marvels</i>	Disney	\$84M

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Any of these people can give readers information about the club and its functions. To be included in the list call Juan.

David Drake

David Drake wrote an introduction to Gordon Dickinson's *Dorsai!* It was great look into Military SF. It explained that *Dorsai!* and *Starship Troopers* are the basis of all Military SF. All works in the sub genre are responding to those books.

I read a one or two books of the *Hammer Slammers* novels. They had a modern sensibility about them. There was good balance of strategy and action.

He was great Guest of Honor at OASIS.



Notable Television Episodes 2023
In order of premiere

- 1 *The Last of Us* “Long, Long Time”
- 2 *Quantum Leap* “Leap, Die, Repeat”
- 3 *The Mandalorian* “Chapter 18: The Mines of Mandalore”
- 4 *Star Trek: Picard* “The Last Generation”
- 5 *Star Trek: Strange New Worlds* “Those Old Scientists”
- 6 *Ahsoka* “Part Five: Shadow Warrior”
- 7 *Pluto* Part 1
- 8 *Star Trek: Lower Decks* “Old Friends, New Planets”
- 9 *Loki* “Glorious Purpose”
- 10 *Doctor Who* “The Giggles”

Best SF/Fantasy Books of 2023
From the Book Scrolling

- 1 *Translation State* by Ann Leckie
- 2 *The Adventures of Amina Al-Sirafi* by Shannon Chakraborty
- 3 *A Day of Fallen Night* by Samantha Shannon
- 4 *Witch King (The Rising World)* by Martha Wells
- 5 *Fourth Wing (The Empyrean Book 1)* by Rebecca Yarros
- 6 *The Fragile Threads of Power* by V.E. Schwab
- 7 *The Starling House* by Alix Harrow
- 8 *Some Desperate Glory* by Emily Tesh
- 9 *Hell Bent (Ninth House Series Book 2)* by Leigh Bardugo
- 10 *Starter Villain* by John Scalzi
- 11 *Ink Blood Sister Scribe* by Emma Törzs
- 12 *Immortal Longings (Flesh & False Gods Book 1)* by Chole Gong
- 13 *He Who Drowned the World* by Shelly Parker-Chan
- 14 *Deep Sky* by Yume Kitasei
- 15 *Our Share of Night* by Marina Enriquez
- 16 *Emily Wilde’s Encyclopedia of Fairies* by Heather Fawcett
- 17 *Bookshops and Bonedust (Legends & Lattes)* by Travis Baldree
- 18 *White Cat, Black Dog* by Kelly Link
- 19 *To Shape a Dragon’s Breath* by Moniquill Blackgoose
- 20 *Thornhedge* by T. Kingfisher

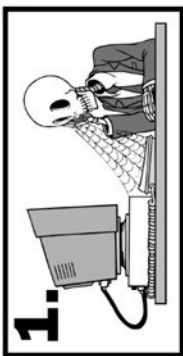
Best SF/Fantasy Books of 2023
From Amazon.com

- 1 *Fourth Wing (The Empyrean Book 1)* by Rebecca Yarros*
- 2 *The Future* by Naomi Alderman
- 3 *Hell Bent (Ninth House Series Book 2)* by Leigh Bardugo
- 4 *Murtagh: The World of Eragon (The Inheritance Cycle)* by Christopher Paolini
- 5 *The Starling House* by Alix Harrow
- 6 *Starter Villain* by John Scalzi
- 7 *Assistant to the Villain* by Hannah Nicole Maehrer
- 8 *Iron Flame* by (The Empyrean Book 2) Rebecca Yarros
- 9 *Fall of Ruin and Wrath (Awakening Book 1)* by Jennifer L. Armentrout
- 10 *Bookshops and Bonedust (Legends & Lattes)* by Travis Baldree
- 11 *The Fragile Threads of Power* by V.E. Schwab
- 12 *The Ferryman* by Justin Cronin
- 13 *A Crown of Ivy and Glass (The Middlemist Trilogy Book 1)* by Claire Legrand
- 14 *Witch King (The Rising World)* by Martha Wells
- 15 *Camp Damascus* by Chuck Tingle
- 16 *Thornhedge* by T. Kingfisher
- 17 *Immortal Longings (Flesh & False Gods Book 1)* by Chole Gong
- 18 *Two Twisted Crowns (The Shepherd King Book 2)* by Rachel Gillig
- 19 *The Princess of Thornwood Drive* by Khalia Moreau
- 20 *Whalefall* by Daniel Kraus

* Amazon Editor’s pick for Best Book 2023



There are two ways to be a science fiction and fantasy fan in Florida.



1.

Read about the exciting fan activities other people are doing.



2.

Start doing exciting things yourself, and meet new friends "in the flesh" with OASFIS!



Were OASFIS-the Orlando Area Science Fiction Society. We enjoy and promote Science Fiction, Fantasy, Horror, books, movies, TV series, costuming, gaming, - every part of the most imaginative hobby in existence. Bring your unique fan interests to life and share them with Florida's fan community. We work with other fan organizations to bring our passions to life. Visit our monthly meetings...and help shape Fandom's future by joining OASFIS. Individual and Family memberships are available. If you're tired of just sitting, you're welcome at OASFIS..no bones about it!

Besides out monthly meetings, read about our special events and activities on our website! Members can contribute articles, reviews, and original fiction to our newzine *Event Horizon*. We want to hear from you!

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