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Contributions  
welcome.

## From Editor:

Hello, everyone.

It's been a while since I've done the Editor's note. Jason has been great, keeping everyone up to speed with my health. My body has decided to not play nice. In 11 months, I've had three back surgeries, a couple broken ribs, surgery on an adrenal gland, and now getting my hip looked at. I am a walking mess.

Jason has been fantastic here at home. We literally just rolled with the punches and when something new comes up our only response is "but of course". He's also been fantastic on stepping in for me with the *Gazette*.

As I was putting together this month's calendar for conventions, I noticed the number of events per weekend are increasing. I'm not saying that conventions don't happen year-round, but some months have more than others. We are definitely coming into the season.

I have a friend who asked if I wanted to go to a convention with her and her daughter next month. Now when she originally asked me, it was before this last back surgery. Since I'm walking with a walker again, trying to navigate through the crowds would probably not be easy. Plus, it's been a while since I've attended an event and I'm not quite sure I'm ready to be immersed with that many people just yet.

I think if it was a smaller convention, I might be ok. What about you? Do you like the really big conventions that have several thousand people there or the small little ones?

Write in and let us know.

~ Mindy

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## OBITUARY: John William Thiel III

John W. Thiel III, of 30 N. 19th Street, 81, died on March 25, 2026 in hospice care at IU Arnett Hospital, suffering from metastatic cancer.

John was born on August 6, 1944, the same day the US dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, in Gary, Indiana. To John W. Thiel II and Joyce Ida Thiel, both deceased. He was the oldest of 4 brothers, Mark (deceased), Eric and Kurt.

As a young child, he read widely, both classical literature and genres like science fiction and fantasy. While in his early teens he began publishing fanzines for science fiction and fantasy, printing his earliest ones on a hectograph and, later, on a mimeograph.

John served in the US Army for two years in the early 1960s in Germany but was discharged after developing schizophrenia. He travelled to both New York and San Francisco afterwards, following the beatnik culture of the early 60s, and developed a love for jazz of all genres.

By the end of the 60s John had moved back to Lafayette, Indiana, with his parents and youngest brother Kurt, living at 30 N. 19th St., where he lived for the rest of his life, sometimes alone and sometimes with his younger brother Mark and Mark's children after Mark's death in 2016, which occurred on the same day and month that John died on in 2026.

John had continued publishing science fiction and fantasy magazines, including "Pablo Lennis" and a webzine called "Surprising Stories" which published 54 thrice yearly issues for 17 years. He also read poetry occasionally at local bars. He was also a founding member of the Hells Tunas Motorcycle Club.

He is missed by his two surviving brothers and the children of all three brothers as a unique individual in their lives.

Service will be held April 18th, 1 p.m., at the Universal Unitarian Church of Tippecanoe County, 333 Meridian in West Lafayette.

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# LETTERS

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My dearest fellow Neffers:

After downloading and reading the March 2026 issue of the *National Fantasy Fan* (Vol. 85 #3), I write to share some sad news with our membership. Long-time member of the National Fantasy Fan Federation, former head of at least two bureaus, and otherwise active fanzine fan, fanwriter, and faned John Thiel died in late March. His brother Eric posted an obituary to the Facebook in early April.

I mostly knew John through the N3F, though I was also, later, a reader of *Pablo Lennis*. During my time with the N3F, John served as the bureau chief for our Fan-Pro Coordinating Bureau, editing *Ionisphere*, and our Fandom Introductory Bureau—later the History and Research Bureau—editing *Origins*. He served on the directorate of the N3F, including at least one term as its chairman. He also participated in our amateur press alliance, N'APA, and received the Kaymar Award in 2017 and the Franson Award in 2022. John was also active in fandom outside the N3F. According to Fancyclopedia 3, John published his first fanzine in 1956 at the age of 12. He was a member of the Cult, founded the apa SLAPHAPA in 1977, and was a member of the Lafayette Interstellar Association. That local club met weekly and published a clubzine titled *Vor Zap*. John also published *An Index to Popular American Fanzines*. Select back issues of *Pablo Lennis* are available at [https://fanac.org/fanzines/Pablo\\_Lennis/index.html](https://fanac.org/fanzines/Pablo_Lennis/index.html). Archives of his Web zine *Surprising Stories* are available at <https://efanzines.com/Surprising>.

In 2019, the editors of *Bewildering Stories* interviewed John.

([https://www.bewilderingstories.com/issue820/thiel\\_interview.html](https://www.bewilderingstories.com/issue820/thiel_interview.html)) Lawrence Dagstine's fond remembrance of John, one of the writer's first editors, is also worth reading. (<https://medium.com/@ldagstine/lawrence-dagstine-a-goodbye-to-my-first-editor-john-thiel-of-pablo-lennis-eb067c9888e9>)

I will miss John. I will miss his fan writing, his fanzines, the artwork of Peter Zenger—which graced several covers of APA-L and might have been John's own pseudonymous work—and the energetic approach he brought to his fan activity and publishing fanzines. And I condole with his surviving family members. The death of John Thiel leaves a gap in our lives, as well as in the broader world. Thank you to Jean-Paul L. Garnier for editing *Ionisphere* and Samuel Lubell for editing *Origins*. With the Laureate Award Nominations published in this ish of *The Fan*, I propose that we recognize *Pablo Lennis* with the Laureate for Best Non-N3F Fan Publication as one last fannish hurrah for John. The posthumous recognition would be an appropriate accolade for a lifetime of fanac.

Putting it on a tight beam,  
Blasted Heath Row



Dear Jason:

Thank you for V5#10 of the *Fan Gazette*. We hope Mindy is recuperating, and will soon be out of hospital. In the meantime, comments, smartass remarks, you know, the usual...

I do like what you've got for fanzine listings, and for new zines, you can't go wrong with Bill Burns' eFanzines. I'm there about once a day. I might suggest getting in touch with Joie Siclari and Edie Stern at Fanac.org, for they also have some new fanzines, but might be able to let you know about great fanzines of the past, and they have a great database.

When it comes to *The Stf Amateur*, I would contact Heath Row...life has changed for him, and he now lives in Portugal. And, you should have received my Pubnites newsletter in the past hour or so as I type.

*Amazing Stories* had its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary observed on March 10. There will be a special event at Ravencon in Virginia in late April to make this momentous anniversary, and in Toronto, there will be a special interview with me about this anniversary at the Merril Collection of SF, Fantasy and Horror. Should be great fun. Submissions for *Amazing Stories* has reopened, and our readers are already busy with story submissions.

I am racking my brains to find out what else I could talk about...and I can't think of anything else. So, I guess I am done...thanks for this, and thanks for the next!

Yours,  
Lloyd Penney.



## 'Zine Scene

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Recently, the N3F Directorate voted to elect **Jefferson Swycaffer** and **Kevin Trainor** as Life Members of the National Fantasy Fan Federation. Congratulations to them both!



- *BEAM* #19 (Nic Farey, et. al)
- *The Chatter Box* #4 through #8 (Leigh Edmonds)
- *Opuntia* #623 and #624 (Dale Speirs)
- *The Ray X X-rayer* #189 (Ray Palm)
- *CyberCozen* April 2026 (Leybl Botwinik)
- *Two Chairs in Print* #16 (Perry Middlemiss, David Grigg)
- *Ethel the Aardvark* #236 to #238
- *Octothorpe* #157 and #158 (John Coxon, Alison Scott, Liz Batty)
- *SF Commentary* #123 (Bruce Gillespie)
- *Wild Ideas* #70 (Henry Grynnsen)
- *This Here...* #97 (Nic Farey)
- *Sporadic* #95 (Bill Plott)

## CONGRATULATIONS to the *Octothorpe* crew for their recent Hugo Award nomination!

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The Spring edition of *Science Fact & Science Fiction Concatenation* is now available online. You can find it at this link: <http://www.concatenation.org/>



Additional fanzine resources can be found at the Fanac Fan History Project located at [Fanac.org](http://Fanac.org).

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### NEW ‘ZINE RESOURCE

Mr. Garth Spencer, editor of *The Obdurate Eye*, has announced a new resource for ‘zines. *Across the Fandomension* provides information on Canadian fan activities as well as information on fandom and science fiction publishing in other countries.

The listings include fanzines (such as the *Gazette*), contemporary fan organizations, fan art, convention information and event news, and archive material from fandoms past.

You can find this a more at <https://www.vcn.bc.ca/~garth2/>

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As *The Stf Amateur* continues to evolve from an interconnected assortment of standalone apazines to its current bundlezine format, it’s only natural that it eventually becomes a proper genzine. *The Stf Amateur* is hereby requesting the following:

- sf, fantasy, and horror news
- fanart, cover art, illos, and fillos
- poetry
- filk songs and lyrics
- short fiction
- articles and essays
- reviews
- con reports
- jokes
- letters of comment
- ... and other material

If selected for publication, material will initially be included in one of my apazines, as well as a monthly issue of *The Stf Amateur*. Cover art will be considered solely for *The Stf Amateur*. Contributors will receive the issue in which their material appears. Send your contributions to Heath Row, 4367 Globe Ave., Culver City, CA 90230; [kalel@well.com](mailto:kalel@well.com); or via fax to 323-916-0367.

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### SHARE YOUR ‘ZINE

Back in the day, going all the way back to the 1930s, there were quite a few choices when it came to fanzines. Nowadays, they’re a little harder to come by. Which ones have we missed? Which ones are you reading? Share with us your favorite set of ‘zines from the multiverse! And if you publish a ‘zine, send us a copy!

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## Pubnites and Other Events

### Yvonne & Lloyd Penney (Toronto, ON, CAN)

#### THIRD MONDAY

April 20, 2026

The Red Cardinal Tavern

555 Burnhamthorpe Rd., Unit 102, in Etobicoke. It is at the north-west corner of Burnhamthorpe and The West Mall, right beside the Tim Horton's. There's plenty of parking out back, free after 5pm, and you can drive in to the parking from either street, although the Burnhamthorpe entrance is easier. If you are taking transit, you can take the 50 Burnhamthorpe bus from Islington station and get off at The West Mall, or the 112B or 112C West Mall bus from Kipling station and get off on the north side of Burnhamthorpe. Start time is 6:30 and we have the back table area 4, 5 & 6.

#### TORONTO PAGAN PUB MOOT

Third Monday of each month

Gatherings Resto Pub, 49 St. Clair Ave W.

For more info call Karen or Evan at 416-635-5981 <https://www.facebook.com/groups/TorontoPaganPubMoot>

#### THURSDAY NIGHT OF NONSENSE

Is the first Thursday of the month at the Artful Dodger at 10 Isabella Street from 6PM - 10ish. Isabella Street is midway between Bloor Stand Wellesley on the east side of the Yonge.

We're a casual collection of sci-fi fans and friends who eat and have friendly discussion on any topic of interest. We encourage consideration of diverse opinions and intelligent debate that includes topics which are sometimes controversial. Our social media centre is currently a Facebook group where people will find announcements of any special activities such as a book swap or a birthday celebration.

All newcomers welcome to just show up.

For more info, call Yvonne at 647-226-4249 before 10PM or email us at: [Penneys@bell.net](mailto:Penneys@bell.net)

See you there!!!

### New Movies in May

[H = horror, F = fantasy, SF = sci-fi, T = thriller, A = animated, C = comic book, D = documentary] \*limited release \*\*re-release

#### May 1

*Animal Farm* (A)

*That Time I Got Reincarnated as a Slime The Movie:*

*Tears of the Azure Sea* (A)

*Hokum* (H)

*Deep Water* (H)

*Swapped* (A)

#### May 8

*Mortal Kombat II* (F)

#### May 10

*Labyrinth* (A)

#### May 15

*Obsession* (H)

*Mobile Suit Gundam Hathaway: The Sorcery of Nymph*

*Circe* (A)

*Decorado* (A)\*

*Shrek* (A)\*\*

#### May 22

*Passenger* (H)

*The Mandalorian and Grogu* (SF)

*Corporate Retreat* (H)

*Saccharine* (SF/H)

#### May 29

*Backrooms* (H)

## April 2026 New Fantasy and Science Fiction Releases

### Walter Bruce Sinclair

#### April 2026 New Fantasy and Science Fiction Releases

- **Andrews, Ilona. THIS KINGDOM WILL NOT KILL ME. [MAGGIE THE UNDYING #1]. Tor, 41.99 hc.**

When Maggie wakes up cold, filthy, and naked in a gutter, it doesn't take her long to recognize Kair Toren, a city she knows intimately from the pages of the famously unfinished dark fantasy series she's been obsessively reading and re-reading while waiting years for the final novel. But while she quickly discovers she cannot be killed (though many will try!), the same cannot be said for the living, breathing characters she's coming to love - a motley band that includes a former lady's maid, a deadly assassin, various outrageous magical creatures, and a dangerously appealing soldier.

- **Baker, Kylie Lee. BAT EATER AND OTHER NAMES FOR CORA ZENG. MIRA, 23.99 tp.**

Cora Zeng is a crime scene cleaner, washing away the remains of brutal murders and suicides in Chinatown. But none of that seems so terrible when she's already witnessed the most horrific thing possible: her sister, Delilah, being pushed in front of a train. Before fleeing the scene, the murderer shouted two words: bat eater. Still, she can't ignore the dread in her stomach as she keeps finding bat carcasses at crime scenes, or the scary fact that all her recent cleanups have been the bodies of East Asian women.

- **Balle, Solvej. ON THE CALCULATION OF VOLUME (BOOK IV). New Directions, 24.50 tp.**

We're a little more than halfway through Balle's hypnotic, monumental seven-volume novel about a woman set adrift within the walls of November 18th. Book IV introduces still more characters to roam uncertainly through the same November day. The big house in Bremen turns into the headquarters for this growing group of time-trapped individuals. But who are they and what has happened to them? Are they loopers, repeaters, or returners?

- **Blackburry, Sabrina. DIRTY LYING SIRENS. [THE ENCHANTED FATES]. W by Wattpad, 24.99 tp.**

After losing her job and apartment, Maddie's world is falling apart - until a chance encounter with a magnetic stranger changes everything. Caspian is tall, captivating, and seems to understand Maddie in a way that no one else does. When he reveals he's from Atlantis - and that Maddie is a siren - she doesn't know what's more shocking: how much she believes him or how deeply she wants to follow him back.

- **Blake, Olivie. GIFTED & TALENTED. Tor, 27.99 tp.**

Thayer Wren, the brilliant CEO of Wrenfare Magitech and so-called father of modern technology, is dead. Any one of his three telepathically and electrokinetically gifted children would be a plausible inheritor to the Wrenfare throne. Or at least, so they like to think. On the pipeline of gifted kid to clinically depressed adult, nobody wins - but which Wren will come out on top?

- **Brett, Peter V. THE DEMON KING. [THE NIGHTFALL SAGA #3]. Del Rey, 41.99 hc.**

Though humanity won a hard-fought victory in its war against demonkind, the Demon King has escaped in search of a new queen to restart his dark hive, and has found signs of one on a distant shore. But pursuing him are humanity's best hopes: Olive Paper and Darin Bales, whose legendary parents brought demonkind low once before.

- **Bromley, Kate. IN MY TUDOR ERA. Avon, 24.99 tp.**

Lily's trip to England with her best friend was meant to be a reset after a stressful year of grad school and disastrous dates. But when a visit to Hampton Court Palace ends with the full Tudor experience, Lily needs a plan to make it back to the 21st century stat. Everyone is calling her Catherine, and to her dismay, Lily learns that she's caught the eye of the King - none other than Henry VIII. Lily's PhD is in psychology, not history, but even she knows that being married to Henry does not bode well for her life expectancy.

- **Butcher, Jim & Kerrie L. Hughes (eds). PARANORMAL PAYBACK. Ace, 27.00 tp.**

In this short story collection, our heroes get what's due to them - with a supernatural flair. But the injustices that have been holding them back might cost them more than they realized... Contributions from Jim Butcher, Holly Black, Faith Hunter, Kim Harrison, Jennifer Blackstream, Maurice Broaddus, Delilah S. Dawson, Kevin Hearne, Tanya Huff, Kerrie L. Hughes, R. L. King and R.R. Virdi.

- **Carmody, Nora. DAUGHTER OF THE WIND. Ace, 27.00 tp.**

When a marriage treaty is offered in exchange for peace, Zara agrees, sacrificing herself to protect her people. But the emperor's palace is more treacherous than any battlefield. Hidden behind its gilded walls is a monstrous being long buried - and her power-hungry betrothed is determined to set it free. Sworn to protect the future empress, Commander Talon soon realizes Zara is more than a political pawn - she's the key to stopping the emperor's dark ambitions.

- **Chapman, Clay McLeod. BODIES OF WORK. Titan, 24.99 hc.**

Novella. At 66 years old, Winston Kemper has always been a nonentity. No one notices him. His simple existence barely registers for those who come into contact with him. Some call him feeble-minded. He is a janitor at the local church, a groundskeeper by default, and that's it. But Winston is creating a fantasia which exists in words, images and blood. As part of his 'art' he has been murdering forgotten women. And though he might not believe in ghosts, but he is about to learn they are very real. And they are very, very angry.

- **Chen, Mike. THE PHOTONIC EFFECT. Saga, 28.00 tp.**

After ten years away, the starship Horizon's crew is finally home. But the Cluster, once a peaceful coalition of planets, has fractured in the wake of civil war. After years of instability and terror Captain Demora Kim wants nothing more than to protect her surviving crew. But after an attack on a mining station leaves thousands dead, every ship is needed on the frontline. Thrust deeper into a conflict she barely understands, Demi considers a bold choice - one that might keep her promises but tip the galaxy further into chaos.

- **Chu, John. THE SUBTLE ART OF FOLDING SPACE. Tor, 37.99 hc.**

Ellie's universe, and this one, is falling apart. Her ailing mother is in a coma; her sister, Chris, accuses her of being insufficiently Chinese between assassination attempts; and a shadowy cabal of engineers is trying to hijack the skunkworks, the machinery that keeps the physics of each universe working the way it's supposed to.

- **Codega, Linda H. MOTHEATER. Erewhon, 24.95 tp.**

After her best friend dies in a coal mine, Benethea "Bennie" Mattox sacrifices her job, her relationship, and her reputation to uncover what's killing miners on Kire Mountain. When instead she finds a half-drowned white woman in a dirty mine slough, Bennie takes her in. The woman called Motheater can't remember her true name, or how she ended up inside the mountain. She knows only that she's a witch of Appalachia, bound to tor and holler, possum and snake, with power in her hands and Scripture on her tongue.

- **Corey, James S. A. THE FAITH OF BEASTS. [THE CAPTIVE'S WAR #2]. Orbit, 42.00 hc.**

Dafyd Alkhor, highest among the human captives of the monstrous Carryx, is feared and despised by the very people he champions. Ruthless in carving out his niche in the eternal war machine of the empire, he will reshape human nature itself as a tool for their alien masters' use. But Dafyd's loyalty is not what it seems. As the human captives spread through the battlefronts of empire, the awesome power of the Carryx becomes clear. And with it, a desperate plan for their destruction. But empires hide secrets, and even the deathless enemy may not be what it appears...

- **Corrigan, Moorea. THISTLEMARSH. Berkley, 41.99 hc.**

When Mouse receives news that her uncle has left her the Faerie-blessed Thistlemarsh Hall, a dilapidated manor in the English countryside, she must leave her shell-shocked brother's side and return to her childhood home to claim her birthright. But there is a catch in her uncle's offer. If Mouse does not rehabilitate the crumbling house in one month's time, she will forfeit her inheritance. It quickly becomes clear it's impossible to repair the manor in the allotted time, until a mysterious Faerie appears with a proposition. He offers to restore Thistlemarsh...for a price.

- **Cranehill, Laura. WIFE SHAPED BODIES. Saga, 26.00 tp.**

An isolated newlywed - covered in mushroom growths like all the other wives in her community - strikes a precarious balance between following her husband's strict rules and pursuing an intense connection with a woman who makes her question everything.

- **Darkshire, Oliver. ISABELLA NAGG AND THE POT OF BASIL. Norton, 23.99 tp.**

In a tiny farm on the edge of the miserable village of East Grasby, Isabella Nagg is trying to get on with her tiny, miserable existence. Dividing her time between tolerating her feckless husband, caring for the farm's strange animals, cooking up "scrunge," and crooning over her treasured pot of basil, Isabella can't help but think that there might be something more to life. When Mr. Nagg returns home with a spell book purloined from the local wizard, she thinks what harm could a little magic do?

- **Demchuk, David & Corinne Leigh Clark. THE BUTCHER'S DAUGHTER: THE HITHERTO UNTOLD STORY OF MRS. LOVETT. Hell's Hundred, 25.95 tp.**

Canadian authors. The story of the vengeful barber Sweeney Todd has gripped fans across literary, stage, and screen renditions - but little has been revealed about Mrs. Lovett, Todd's notorious partner in crime. Until now. Enclosed herewith is a bloodcurdling correspondence of profound horror and intrigue, based on the original Victorian penny dreadful that started it all.

- **Dixon, Glenn. THE INFINITE SADNESS OF SMALL APPLIANCES. HarperAvenue Canada, 23.99 tp.**

In a self-running, smart house, a young and sentient robotic vacuum listens as her owner, Harold, reads aloud to his dying wife, Edie. Mesmerized by *To Kill a Mockingbird* and craving the human connection she hears in Harold's stories, the little vacuum renames herself Scout and embarks on a journey of self-discovery. But when Edie passes away, Scout and her fellow sentient appliances discover that the omnipresent Grid that monitors every household in the City seeks to remove Harold from his home of fifty years.



- **Dumas, Luke. NOTHING TASTES AS GOOD. Atria, 41.00 hc.**

Retail worker Emmett Truesdale has tried every diet under the sun, but remains stuck - in his dead-end job, in love, and in his 300 pound body. But with a new weight loss drug called Obexity Emmett sheds pounds at superhuman speed and every part of his life improves overnight. But there are some killer side effects, including lost stretches of time and overwhelming cravings. Worse, people who were cruel to him have started disappearing and police are warning of a cannibalistic killer on the loose...

- **Epperson, Taylor. SECOND TIME'S A CHARM. Grand Central, 25.99 tp.**

Three years ago, Reece McCarthen solved her problems the best way she could think of: running as far as possible. Abandoned by her childhood sweetheart, she left her gossiping small town, heartbreak, and emotionally distant father in the past. But now she receives notice that she's inherited her father's sanctuary for magical creatures and heads back to her cozy, magical town of Honey Brooke that unfortunately still hasn't gotten over that one teeny, tiny fire incident when she was a teenager.

- **Ezell, Kacey. BLOOD ON THE SAND. [MAGELIGHT #2]. Baen, 37.00 hc.**

Bellatrix Aelys agrees to do a simple task for her old teacher: escort some old "friends" to Zandrine, one of the fabled cities located in the south of the empire. Only, not everything is as it seems. Aelys and her protectors will have to face the demons of the past and the dark schemes of the present, all while trying to figure out who they are to one another and how the four of them - warrior, sorceress, forester, and thief - can meld their strengths to keep each other alive.

- **Flint, Eric & Walter H. Hunt. 1637: THE FRENCH CORRECTION. [1632 NOVELS #38]. Baen, 12.99 pb.**

Tensions build in France following the ascension of Gaston to the throne of his murdered brother, but there are factions supporting the claim of King Louis' surviving infant son. As France moves toward civil war, other parties, both visible and invisible, maneuver to take advantage of the increased tension. Who will survive to reign over France - King Gaston, the exiled child and his regents, or the King of Spain?

- **Francis, Max. HONOR & HERESY. Voyager, 39.00 hc.**

Roy Dawnseve is given a choice: he can either brave the front lines and fight the Old Ones, the mysterious, black-armored soldiers invading Northgard - or he can investigate their identity in the Orphic Basilica, an ancient, abandoned library. When Roy chooses to unravel the mystery, it soon becomes clear that the Orphic Basilica isn't without its own horrors.

- **Grant, Mira. OVERGROWTH. Nightfire, 25.99 tp.**

Since she was three years old, Anastasia Miller has been telling anyone who would listen that she's an alien disguised as a human being, and that the armada that left her on Earth is coming for her. Since she was three years old, no one has believed her. Now, with an alien signal from the stars being broadcast around the world, humanity is finally starting to realize that it's already been warned, and it may be too late.

- **Guanzon, Thea. TUSK LOVE. [CRITICAL ROLE]. Worlds, 27.00 tp.**

As the daughter of an ambitious merchant, Guinevere's path has been predetermined: marry into a noble house of the Dwendalian Empire, raise her family's station, and live quietly as a lordling's obedient wife. But after her caravan is beset by bandits, leaving her guards slain and Guinevere stranded alone on the dangerous Amber Road, her only chance of survival is to travel alongside Oskar, the aloof half-orc who saved her during the attack.

- **Harris, Charlaine. THE LAST WIZARDS' BALL. [GUNNIE ROSE #6]. Saga, 26.00 tp.**

Lizbeth Rose's sister Felicia attends the Grand Wizards' Ball, and as one of the most powerful - and beautiful - death wizards in a generation, she is highly sought after as one of the belles of the ball. However, war and violence are on the rise in Europe as German and Japanese wizards are also courting Felicia...and some are refusing to take no for an answer.

- **Haynes, Clarence A. THE GHOSTS OF GWENDOLYN MONTGOMERY. Legacy Lit, 24.99 tp.**

New York publicist Gwendolyn Montgomery's success is due to the fact she's a mystical practitioner who can tap into the interdimensional, metaphysical realm of the dead known as El Intermedio. Gwendolyn has hidden her powers, buried her old life, and started anew. But after a grisly, bizarre incident at the Brooklyn Museum, Gwendolyn begins to realize that something nefarious is happening tied directly to her past.

- **Huang, S. L. THE LANGUAGE OF LIARS. Tor.com, 34.99 hc.**

In his training as a spy, Ro was warned: you will always be living a lie. Jumping into a Star Eater's mind in the first place requires a moment of perfect psychic connection, and he has studied all his life to comprehend their species. Admires them, respects them, is reverent at the idea of being one of them - the only species physiologically capable of mining the element needed for lightyear-spanning space travel. To understand is to become. It never occurs to him that the mere act of understanding can destroy.

- **Huff, Tanya. DIRECT DESCENDANT. DAW, 27.99 tp.**

Generations ago, the founders of the idyllic town of Lake Argen made a deal with a dark force. In exchange for their service, the town will stay prosperous and successful, and keep outsiders out. But now a visitor has gone missing and his wealthy family sends a private investigator to find him, and everything abruptly goes sideways. Now, Cassidy Prewitt, town baker and part-time servant of the dark force (it's a family business) has to contend with a rising army of darkness, a very frustrated town, and a very cute PI who she might just be falling for...and who might just be falling for her.

- **Jensen, Danielle L. THE TEMPEST BLADE. [THE BRIDGE KINGDOM #6]. Del Rey, 30.99 tp.**

A fugitive on the run, Ahnna has one goal: return to Ithicana with warning of the greatest threat her homeland has ever faced. But as she escapes into the wilderness, it is with the man who broke her heart hunting at her heels - and James wants more than justice. He wants revenge. But the longer he follows Ahnna's trail, the more his certainty of her guilt is tested - and the more the passion they once shared reignites.

- **Jiang, Ai. A PALACE NEAR THE WIND. [NATURAL ENGINES]. Titan, 24.99 tp.**

[Canadian author]. Novella. Sometimes called Wind Walkers for their ability to command the wind, unlike their human rulers, the Feng people have bark faces, carved limbs, arms of braided branches, and hair of needle threads. Bound by duty and tradition, Liu Lufeng, the eldest princess of the Feng royalty, is the next bride to the human king. She plans to kill the king to finally stop the marriages. But when she starts to uncover the truth about her peoples' origins she realizes she must risk the unknown in order to free her family and shape her own fate.

- **Jiang, Ai. A RIVER FROM THE SKY. [NATURAL ENGINES #2]. Titan, 29.99 hc.**

Novella. Fleeing from the bone palace and crashing into the waters below its steep walls, Lufeng and her siblings reach Gear, with its huge deadly water wheels, where their sister Sangshu is waiting for them. In the chaos of the enormous waves, within moments they're snatched away and taken into rebel territory, where they learn more of the deadly experiments Zinc has wreaked upon the people.

- **Johnston, Cameron. FIRST MAGE ON THE MOON. Angry Robot, 26.99 tp.**

Formerly a Unity skymage trained to make aerial supply runs in the great war between the Unity and the Ranneas Empire, Ella Pickering must now use a rickety old wheelchair after a devastating skyship crash. To pay off crushing medical debt, Ella works gruelling shifts making magical weapons for the research and design workshop, thinking of better days. Then, on a late night double shift means Ella witnesses an arcane experiment by engineer Jackan Grissom go awry. The device morphs into a crude rocket blasting straight for the moon, ultimately falling into the spell-ravaged No Man's Land between the feuding nations.

- **Kauwe, Shay. THE KILLING SPELL. Saga, 25.00 tp.**

At just twenty-five years old, Kea Petrova is the youngest of five Hawaiian clan leaders living on the Homestead in outer Los Angeles after a catastrophic flood submerged the Hawaiian islands and unleashed magic into the world. Kea struggles to keep her small clan afloat, scraping together rent each month through odd jobs and selling her own crafted Hawaiian language spells. Then Angelo Reyes - LA's most prominent Filipino activist - is murdered by an Hawaiian death spell and Kea quickly becomes the prime suspect.

- **Keane, Carter. MORSEL. Nightfire, 34.99 hc.**

Novella. When Lou accepts a property appraisal assignment in the rural hills of Ohio, she knows it's her last chance to save her job and keep making rent. But she quickly finds herself stranded in the middle of nowhere with a sabotaged truck, her dog, and someone - or something - stalking her through the ancient Appalachian woods. If she can't escape the woods in time, she'll see firsthand that her job isn't the only thing that wants to eat her alive.

- **Keetch, Sophie. STORM OVER CAMELOT. [MORGAN LE FAY #3]. Random House Canada, 26.95 tp.**

News of scandal in the Royal Court, draws Morgan once again inside Camelot's golden walls. When an encounter with Arthur's trusted knight, Sir Lancelot, sparks suspicions of Queen Guinevere's adultery, Morgan falls deeper into obsession, the need to punish those who betrayed her driving her further away from her loved ones - and the woman she once wished to be.

- **Kliwer, Marcus. THE CARETAKER. Emily Bestler, 26.99 tp.**

[Vancouver author]. Caretaker urgently needed. Three days of work. Competitive pay. Serious applicants ONLY. After an endless string of failed job interviews, Macy's not exactly in the position to be picky. She has rent to pay, groceries to buy, and a younger sister to provide for. Three days, cooped up in a stranger's house, surrounded by Oregon Coast wilderness. But what starts as a peculiar side gig soon becomes a waking nightmare. An incomprehensible evil may dwell on this property--and Macy Mullins might just be the only thing standing between it, and the rest of humanity.

- **Kova, Elise. A DEAL WITH THE ELF KING. [MARRIED TO MAGIC]. Del Rey, 28.99 tp.**

Luella lives in a quiet village that borders the realm of magic, where the townsfolk keep a heavy secret. Once every generation, the Elf King enters Luella's village to take a bride to be his Human Queen, fulfilling a centuries-old treaty that prevents the destruction of humanity itself. Now, Luella finds herself in the Elf King's domain, Midscape: a land filled with wild magic and unexpected beauty. But Midscape is dying, and only Luella can save it.



- **Kupari, Mike. TWIN STAR. Baen, 25.00 tp.**

Eddy Lancaster never asked for purpose. He's content to be a gentleman of leisure, with good friends and a dedicated valet to keep him out of trouble. When a report of a vanished expedition is discovered, with the enticing possibility of a hitherto unknown alien race and the possibility of advanced technology, his eccentric adventurer uncle spirits him and his brilliant twin sister away on a quest beyond the Frontier and away from the comforts of their homeworld.

- **Lackey, Mercedes. THE SHIP WHO DARED. [BRAINSHIPS #8]. Baen, 37.00 hc.**

Hoping to upgrade their capabilities on a shoestring budget, Brainship Tia and her Brawn Alex accept a contract to test a prototype singularity drive from the military. There's a catch, of course. The drive "might" occasionally commit a starship to "random" jumps. The drive works flawlessly, at first. Then, just as they start to relax, the drive places them in orbit around a partially abandoned research site. Partially, because the corporation that set it up abandoned the researchers there.

- **Lampley, Alexis. PRIDE AND PREJUDICE IN SPACE. Union Square, 24.00 tp.**

The classic, Regency-era romance is given a new twist, set among the stars in a futuristic universe where spaceships and interplanetary travel are the daily norm. Featuring numerous illustrations of the Londinium Lunar System, drawings of gowns by Lydia Bennet, and spaceship designs by Elizabeth Bennet, this is a futuristic take by a dedicated Jane Austen fan, for Austen newbies and super-fans alike.

- **Lawhead, Stephen. AURELIA. [PENDRAGON CYCLE #6]. Baen, 25.00 tp.**

The Romans were abandoning Britain, leaving the remaining servants of the empire to try to stem the tide of chaos. Aurelia was one such, the child of a Magistrate, and wife of a Legate. Everywhere, it seemed, the old, well-ordered realm she had been born into was passing away to be replaced by...what? It was that question her sons, Aurelius and Uther - with the help of Merlin - were born to answer.

- **Lewis, L. D.. YEAR OF THE MER. Saga, 42.00 hc.**

Yemi, granddaughter of the fairy tale mermaid Arielle, has lost her kingdom and family and is forced into exile. Now, only one being, Ursula, has the power to help her. Like her grandmother before her, Yemi is tempted by a deal with the sea-witch. With powerful and ancient magic behind her, Yemi could avenge her family, take back her throne, and protect the love of her life. But she should know more than anyone that there is always a price.

- **Mahoney, Rebecca. THRALL. Hyperion Avenue, 24.99 tp.**

A young woman looking for a transformative college experience is bitten by a vampire and must team up with his other living victims to hunt him down..

- **Mandula, Jennifer. GEOMAGICIAN. [GEOMAGICIAN DUOLOGY #1]. Del Rey, 39.99 hc.**

Mary Anning wants to be a geomagician--a paleontologist who uses fossils to wield magic--but since the Geomagical Society of London refuses to admit women, she's stuck selling her discoveries to tourists instead. Then an ancient egg hatches in her hands, revealing a loveable baby pterodactyl Mary names Ajax. But when Mary contacts the Society about her discovery, they demand to take possession of Ajax, sending none other than the scholar Henry Stanton, the man who once broke Mary's heart.

- **McCarty, Reena. THE TRICKY BUSINESS OF FAERIE BARGAINS. Orbit, 25.99 tp.**

When Poppy Hill was a child she was stolen from her family's Montana homestead and taken 'Otherside' to the land of the fae, where she spent more than a century as a cook in the Wild King's castle. Now back in the human world, she works for a company that brokers fairy bargains, looking for loopholes in their contracts. Then a bargain that Poppy is negotiating goes disastrously wrong and she has to return to the world she grew up in to try to rectify her mistake.

- **McKell, Ruth. HONEY IN HER VEINS. Little, Brown, 25.99 tp.**

A cottagecore fantasy about a man with a monster in his head who reunites with his first love to find mythical honey in the woods of Appalachia.

- **McNamara, Luna. THE WITCH AND THE HUNTRESS. Morrow, 28.99 tp.**

Two of Greek mythology's most complex and powerful women - Medea and Atalanta - join forces on Jason's quest for the Golden Fleece in this suspenseful, sapphic reimagining from the acclaimed author of Psyche and Eros.

- **Murata, Sayaka. VANISHING WORLD. Grove, 26.50 tp.**

As an adult in an appropriately sexless marriage - sex between married couples is now considered as taboo as incest - Amane and her husband Saku decide to go and live in a mysterious new town called Experiment City or Paradise-Eden, where all children are raised communally, and every person is considered a Mother to all children. Men are beginning to become pregnant using artificial wombs that sit outside of their bodies like balloons, and children are nameless, called only "Kodomo-chan."

- **Nayler, Ray. WHERE THE AXE IS BURIED. Picador, 26.00 tp.**

In the authoritarian Federation, there is a plot to assassinate and replace the President, a man who has downloaded his mind to a succession of new bodies to maintain his grip on power. Lilia, a brilliant scientist on the run from the authorities, may have invented a way to bring down the President and escape a near-impenetrable web of Federation surveillance. Meanwhile, an experimental artificial mind is malfunctioning, threatening to set off a chain of events that may spell the end of the Western world.

- **Neuvel, Sylvain. THE MANY. Solaris, 22.99 tp.**

When advertising executive Carole Veilleux loses it at Booker's donut shop and bites Booker on the arm, it's about the most interesting thing to happen in the small city of Marquette, Michigan, in years. But that's only the beginning of the story. Carole and Booker find their minds merging, in a collective that extends to include Carole's husband Shivansh and local doctor Evelyn Schlapp. The four of them become the beginning of something larger and stranger than they could ever have imagined.

- **Preston, Douglas. EXTINCTION. [CASH AND COLCORD #1]. Forge, 14.99 pb.**

Erebus Resort in the Colorado Rockies offers guests the experience of viewing woolly mammoths, Irish Elk, and giant ground sloths in their native habitat, brought back from extinction through the magic of genetic manipulation. When a billionaire's son and his new wife are kidnapped and murdered in the Erebus back country, Colorado Bureau of Investigation Agent Frances Cash partners with county sheriff James Colcord to track down the perpetrators.

- **Rao, Kritika H. THE RISE OF THE CELESTIALS. [THE DIVINE DANCERS DUOLOGY #2]. Voyager, 25.99 tp.**

The illusion of peace shatters when Meneka is abruptly summoned back to the City of Immortals by Lord Indra, who demands her help in facing a threat from the demonic realm. Meneka wants nothing to do with Indra's schemes, but she can't return to Kaushika unless she complies. If she fails, her immortal home will fall, Kaushika will be lost to her, and her very identity as an apsara will become forfeit.

- **Reed, Cameron. WHAT WE ARE SEEKING. Tor, 42.99 hc.**

On the planet Scythia, plants give birth to insects, trees can drag you to your death, and armies of animals graft native plants into human crops. John Maraintha has been abandoned here, light-years from the peaceful forests that he loves. The desert is harsh and the people in thrall to a barbaric custom called marriage. He must find some way to make a life here. But on Scythia, survival means transformation - and not everyone is willing to accept change.

- **Sanderson, Brandon. WIND AND TRUTH. [THE STORMLIGHT ARCHIVE #5]. Tor, 39.99 tp.**

Dalinar Kholin challenged the evil god Odium to a contest of champions with the future of Roshar on the line. The Knights Radiant have only ten days to prepare--and the sudden ascension of the crafty and ruthless Taravangian to take Odium's place has thrown everything into disarray. Desperate fighting continues simultaneously worldwide--Adolin in Azir, Sigzil and Venli at the Shattered Plains, and Jasnah in Thaylenah.

- **Sher, Gabrielle. ODESSA. Mulholland, 39.00 hc.**

In a powerfully imagined Russia at the height of the pogroms, a grief-stricken family turn to ancient magic to bring their daughter back from the grave.

- **St. Crowe, Nikki. WEST OF WICKED. [GREAT AND TERRIBLE LAND #1]. Bramble, 45.99 hc.**

It isn't long before Dorothy encounters the dark side of Oz, stumbling on a man beaten and bloody, tied to a pole in a cornfield. Not unlike the scarecrows on the Kansas farm. With no memories, the mysterious stranger joins Dorothy. Rook is ridiculously handsome, endlessly charming, and somehow understands Dorothy in a way no one ever has. But when they cross paths with the infamous Tinman and his axe, Rook proves he may be hiding his own secrets. Nothing and no one is what they seem in the cursed land of Oz...maybe even Dorothy herself.

- **Stephens, Savannah. WITCH QUEEN RISING. Ace, 25.99 tp.**

For New Orleans witchkin, there is no greater honor than to become the Prime - chosen to rule. But the title is meant to pass between two rival Houses of magic. Not to the prodigal daughter of the former Prime who died under mysterious circumstances. As a girl, Seraphine Barreau was dubbed the Tick Witch for her ability to feed on magic and make it her own. Even among those who alter fate and manipulate reality, she was a powerful outcast feared and misunderstood by her people.

- **Suggars, Philip A. THE LIGHTHOUSE AT THE END OF THE WORLD: CITIES OF THE DRIFT. Titan, 25.99 tp.**

When a simple money drop for his boss, Big Mickey, goes wrong, petty criminal Oyster McLellen's attempts to redeem himself suddenly lands him washed up on a beach, surrounded by broken phones and shattered office furniture. His new world: Greater London. A city built on the detritus of our own, where leviathans crafted from broken skyscrapers roam the seas, where ink beetles nestle beneath the skin of its residents and where Oyster's father, Lucas, may well have escaped to all those years ago.

- **Swan, Richard. STEEL GODS. [THE GREAT SILENCE #2]. Orbit, 25.99 tp.**

A task force of engineers, soldiers, and arcane experts will try and unpick the final secrets of the Great Silence - on both sides of the mortal plane. But time is running out. Count Lamprecht von Oldenburg has returned to the capital, armed with a terrible vision and enough madness to see it through. Those who stand in his way face a simple choice: join the revolution, or die. As the world tips towards chaos, all paths converge on the Eye of the Sea, where the fabric of reality wears thin - and where the Empire of the Wolf must confront the most terrible enemy it has ever known.

- **Swyler, Erika. WE LIVED ON THE HORIZON. Atria, 26.00 tp.**

As the lone remaining practitioner of bio-prosthetics, Enita is determined to preserve her legacy and decides to create a physical being, called Nix, filled with her knowledge and experience. In the midst of her project, a fellow member of the elite is brutally murdered and the city AI inexplicably erases the event from its data. Soon, Enita and Nix are drawn into the growing war that could change everything between the city's hidden underclass and the programs that impose and maintain order.

- **Tchaikovsky, Adrian. CHILDREN OF STRIFE. [CHILDREN OF TIME #4]. Tor UK, 33.99 tp.**

A ship with a crew of maverick humans, spiders and a spectacularly punchy mantis shrimp captain named Cato rediscover a terraformed world, and its ark. On their ship, the human Alis wakes up from a nightmare of conflicted realities to discover that she, Cato and the ship's version of Kern are the only ones left on board. Everyone else went to explore the ark and the planet, and now all contact has been lost.

- **Torrubia, Rafael. SHIPWRIGHT AND THE SHROUD. Gollancz, hc.**

No one remembers the calamity that killed the gods and stole the names of their people. Now Shipwright and Shroudweaver are known only by their professions. She's a master of magical shipbuilding. He's a maker of the gilded gods that fuel their sails, stitched from the souls of dead sailors. When a chance to save their world calls the veterans back to shore, they embark on a deadly race against time to beat the grief-wracked sorceress known as Crowkisser to a notorious mountain kingdom in the legend-infested north.

- **Waite, Olivia. MURDER BY MEMORY. Tor.com, 24.99 tp.**

SF cozy mystery novella. Welcome to the HMS Fairweather. Near the topmost deck of an interstellar generation ship, Dorothy Gentleman wakes up in a body that isn't hers - just as someone else is found murdered. As one of the ship's detectives, Dorothy usually delights in unraveling the schemes on board the Fairweather, but when she finds that someone is not only killing bodies but purposefully deleting minds from the Library, she realizes something even more sinister is afoot.

- **Whitten, Hannah. THE NIGHTSHADE GOD. [THE NIGHTSHADE CROWN #3]. Orbit, 25.99 tp.**


Banished to the Burnt Isles, Lore must use every skill she earned on the streets of Dellaire to survive the prison colony and figure out a way to defeat the power that's captured everything and everyone she holds dear. When a surprise ally joins her on the Burnt Isles she realizes the way forward may lie on the island itself. Somehow, her friends must help her collect the far-scattered pieces of the broken Fount - the source of all the god's powers - and bring them back together on the Burnt Isles, returning all magic to its source and destroying, once and for all, the gods corrupting the land.

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17 Nat'l Pack Rat Day	18 Int'l Museum Day	19 Nat'l Devil's Food Cake Day	20 World Bee Day	21 End of the World	22 Sherlock Holmes Day	23 Lucky Penny Day
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## Science Fiction Pro and Fan Birthdays

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*Unless stated otherwise, all birthdays are in the 20th century.*

### May

E. Mayne Hull, 5/1/05; Joel Rosenberg, 5/1/54; E.E. “Doc” Smith, 5/2/1890; Bob Null, 5/2/38; John Collier, 5/3/01; Daryl Mallett, 5/3/69; Ernie Wheatley, 5/4; Pat Frank, 5/5/07; Lee Killough, 5/5/42; Dave Locke, 5/5/44; Ingrid Neilson, 5/5/58; Dave Pollard, 5/6/24; Walt Liebscher, 5/7/18; Gene Wolfe, 5/7/31; Mike McQuown, 5/7/40; Frank Olynyk, 5/7/42; Romain Gary, 5/8/14; Roy Tackett, 5/8/25; Jane Roberts, 5/8/29; Neyir Cenk Gökçe, 5/8/71; Richard McKenna, 5/9/13; Kris Neville, 5/9/25; Richard Cowper, 5/9/26; Olaf Stapledon, 5/10/1886; Alex Bratmon, 5/10/36.

Michael Walsh, 5/11/59; Alice N. Lewis, 5/11/79; Philip Wylie, 5/12/02; Robert “Buck” Coulson, 5/12/28; Roger Zelazny, 5/13/37; A.J. Austin, 5/13/51; George Scithers, 5/14/29; Ron Bennett, 5/14/33; Lois Newman, 14 5/14/34; George Lucas, 5/14/44; L. Frank Baum, 5/15/1856; Maria Ozanne, 5/15; Fred Saberhagen, 5/18/30; R -Laurraine Tutihasi, 5/18/48; Ty Corey (James SA Corey), 5/18/69; Claude Degler, 5/19/20; Gardner F. Fox, 5/20/11; Mike Glicksohn, 5/20/46; Adam-Troy Castro, 5/20/60.

Manly Wade Wellman, 5/21/03; Arthur Conan Doyle, 5/22/1859; Wallace West, Ed Earl Repp, 5/22/01; Fred Hollander, 5/22/46; Marc Glasser, 5/22/52; Bill Wagner, 5/22/55; Mark R. Sharpe, 5/22/57; James Blish, 5/23/21; Phil Castora, 5/23/34; Isadore Haiblum, 5/23/35; Bobbi Armbruster, 5/24/49; Deedee Lavender, 5/25/15; Charles Hornig, 5/25/16; Phyllis Gotlieb, 5/25/26; Robert W. Chambers, 5/26/1865; Mordecai Roshwald, 5/26/21; Howard De Vore, 5/26/25; Mike Horvat, 5/26/63; John Barth, 5/27/30; Harlan Ellison, 5/27/34; Jackie Causgrove, 5/27/40; Sheila D’Ammassa, 5/28/48; Kees Van Toorn, Betsy Mitchell, 5/28/54; Richard Knaak, 5/28/61; T.H. White, 5/29/06; Neil R. Jones, 5/29/09; Bob Peterson, 5/30/21; Hal Clement (Harry Stubbs), 5/30/22; C. Ross Chamberlain, 5/30/37; Nancy Lebovitz, 5/30/53; George R. Stewart, 5/31/1895; Brian Burley, 5/31/42; Tom Collins, 5/31/46; Ian Slater, 5/31/52.

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Mindy Hunt

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*Neotropolis – Edwards, CA* Apr 29-May 3  
*Shock Stock – London, Ontario, Canada* Apr 29-May 3  
*Campfuzz – Sooke, British Columbia, Canada* Apr 30-May 4  
*Atlanta Game Fest – Atlanta, GA* Apr 30-May 3  
*Comic-Con Cape Town – Cape Town, South Africa* Apr 30-May 3  
*Comicon Naples – Naples, Italy* Apr 30-May 3  
*Dia del Comic Festival – Jesus Maria, Peru* Apr 30-May 3  
*Ibercon – Madrid, Spain* Apr 30-May 3  
*TraXX – Denver, CO* Apr 30-May 3  
*Volley Weekend – Disentis, Switzerland* Apr 30-May 3  
*Zona Ludica – Mollina, Spain* Apr 30-May 3  
*LeanderCon – Leander, TX* Apr 30-May 2  
*NZ Games Festival – Wellington, New Zealand* May 1-10  
*Hi Furry – Foshan, China* May 1-4  
*LoBsterCon – Eastbourne, United Kingdom* May 1-4  
*Art De La Guerre – Barcelona, Spain* May 1-3  
*Bokur Brawl – Manville, NJ* May 1-3  
*Camp Refresh – Boone, IA* May 1-3  
*Causeacon – Beckley, WV* May 1-3  
*ConTRAPtion – Worthing, United Kingdom* May 1-3  
*Crypticon Seattle – Seattle, WA* May 1-3  
*Dark Force Fest – Parsippany, NJ* May 1-3  
*Death-Con – Kentville, Nova Scotia, Canada* May 1-3

DemiCon – Des Moines, IA May 1-3  
Dungeon Con – Fort Wayne, IN May 1-3  
El Paso Comic Con – El Paso, TX May 1-3  
Gaming Hoopla – Milwaukee, WI May 1-3  
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*Northern FanCon – Prince George, British Columbia, Canada May 1-3*  
*PunchedCon – Coventry, United Kingdom May 1-3*  
Richmond Open – Doswell, VA May 1-3  
*Spielezentrum Herne – Herne, Germany May 1-3*  
*Stack Academie – Montreal, Quebec, Canada May 1-3*  
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Axis & Allies: Duel in Dayton – Beavercreek, OH May 1  
Anime-nia – Fresno, CA May 2-3  
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Concord Micro-Con – Concord, NC May 2  
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Kogaracon – Beckley, WV May 2  
Lehigh Valley Toy-Comic & Card Show – Easton, PA May 2  
Knox Pop Con – Knoxville, TN May 2  
*Maidstone Comic Con – Maidstone, United Kingdom May 2*

May the 4th Be With You Festival – Houma, LA May 2  
 Mini Spring Meltdown – Hartford, VT May 2  
*MYFurCon – Subang Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia* May 2  
*North Bay Comicon – North Bay, Ontario, Canada* May 2  
 St Petersburg LibraryCon – St Petersburg, FL May 2  
*Vernon Comic Con – Vernon, British Columbia, Canada* May 2  
*Kemono Station – Kobe, Japan* May 3-4  
 Appelton Anime-Fest – Appleton, WI May 3  
 Atlanta Comic Convention – Atlanta, GA May 3  
 Boardgame Expo – Midlothian, VA May 3  
*Carronade – Falkirk, United Kingdom* May 3  
*Diceni – Norwich, United Kingdom* May 3  
 Etown Anime-Fest – Elizabethtown, KY May 3  
*Huntsville Comicon – Huntsville, Ontario, Canada* May 3  
 Midwest Comic Book Con Rockford – Rockford, IL May 3  
*Milton Keynes Brick Festival – Milton Keynes, United Kingdom* May 3  
 Moose Tabletop Day – Westampton Twp, NJ, May 3  
 Raleigh Comic Book Show– Raleigh, NC May 3  
 Star Wars: Fistful of Lead – Independence, MO May 3  
 Wayne NJ Toy Show – Wayne, NJ May 3

### May 7 – 10

FirstGlance Film Fest Philadelphia – Philadelphia, PA May 7-10  
 Furry Weekend – Atlanta, GA May 7-10  
 Les Furfurieux – Metz, France May 7-10  
*Alchemie de Jeux – Toulouse, France* May 8-10  
 Anime Town Pensacola – Pensacola, FL May 8-10  
 AniMinneapolis – Minneapolis, MN May 8-10  
 Bourbon CItY Steam – Louisville, KY May 8-10  
*Elfia Haarzuilens – Haarzuilens, Netherlands* May 8-10  
 Mountain Mania – East Burke, VT May 8-10  
 Otaku Odyssey – Dallas, TX May 8-10  
*San Marino Game Convention – San Marino, Italy* May 8-10  
*SFeraKon – Zagreb, Croatia* May 8-10  
*Warp 2 – Birmingham, United Kingdom* May 8-10  
*Brantford Comic Con – Brantford, Ontario, Canada* May 8-9  
 Halfway to Halloween Expo – Ann Arbor, MI May 8-9  
 Tampa Bay Screens Horror Con – Clearwater, FL May 8-9  
 Anime Arizona Spring – Mesa, AZ May 9-10  
 Collect-a-Con Cleveland – Cleveland, OH May 9-10  
 Collect-A-Conway – Conway, AR May 9-10  
*Campaign – Milton Keynes, United Kingdom* May 9-10  
*Comic Con Holland – Brabanthallen, Netherlands* May 9-10  
 Comic Con Oakland – Oakland, CA May 9-10  
*Comic World Taiwan Taipei – Taipei City, Taiwan* May 9-10  
*HaruCon – Klagenfurt am Worthersee, Austria* May 9-10  
 Lodi Comic Con Spring – Lodi, CA May 9-10  
*North Star – Sheffield, United Kingdom* May 9-10  
*Oddities & Curiosities Expo – Toronto, Ontario, Canada* May 9-10  
 Oddities & Curiosities Expo – Tulsa, OK May 9-10

*PineCon – Druskininkai, Lithuania* May 9-10  
*Tokyo Alley – Perth, Western Australia, Australia* May 9-10  
 Toon Fusion Oregon – Eugene, OR May 9-10  
 Bloomsburg Comic Con – Bloomsburg, PA May 9  
*Brantford Comic Con – Brantford, Ontario, Canada* May 9  
*Cliffecon – Newton Aycliffe, United Kingdom* May 9  
 Columbia Comic Book & Toy Expo – Columbia, TN May 9  
 Evansville Anime-Fest – Evansville, IN May 9  
*Exeter Legionary – Exeter, United Kingdom* May 9  
*Gloucester Comic Con – Gloucester, United Kingdom* May 9  
 Halfway 2 Halloween – Glen Burnie, MD May 9  
 Richmond Comicon – Richmond, VA May 9  
 Siesta Con – Sarasota, FL May 9  
*Trenton Comicon – Trenton, Ontario, Canada* May 9  
 Watch City Steampunk Festival – Waltham, MA May 9  
 Western Ohio Toy Show – Eaton, OH May 9  
 CCS Lego Mini Con – Stone Mountain, GA May 10  
*Gloucester Brick Festival – Gloucester, United Kingdom* May 10  
*London Comic Mart – London, United Kingdom* May 10  
*Middlesbrough Comic Con – Middlesbrough, United Kingdom* May 10  
*Otaku Link – Derby, United Kingdom* May 10

## May 14 – 17

### Online

Protospiel Online – May 15-17

### On-Site

Compass Games Expo Spring – Meriden, CT May 14-18  
*AnthroTales – Mons, Belgium* May 14-17  
 Frolicon – Atlanta, GA May 14-17  
 Geekway to the West – St Louis, MO May 14-17  
 Human Wave – Sterling, VA May 14-17  
*Fantasy Basel – Basil, Switzerland* May 14-16  
 Anime Central – Rosemont, IL May 15-17  
*CanGames – Ottawa, Ontario, Canada* May 15-17  
 Con of Heroes – Roseville, MN May 15-17  
 DreamHack Atlanta – Atlanta, GA May 15-17  
 GamerCon – San Diego, CA May 15-17  
 Gem State Comic Con – Boise, ID May 15-17  
*HowlCon – La Plata, Argentina* May 15-17  
 Huzzah! – Portland, ME May 15-17  
*JugarxJugar – Barcelona, Spain* May 15-17  
*KeyCon – Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada* May 15-17  
 LexiCon – Lexington, KY May 15-17  
*LinCon – Linköping, Sweden* May 14-17  
 Motor City Comic Con – Novi, MI May 15-17  
 NijiFest – Orange, CA May 15-17  
*Nordsken – Skelleftea, Sweden* May 15-17

Otafest – Calgary, Alberta, Canada May 15-17  
PeliCON – Texas City, TX May 15-17  
Quantum-Con – Plymouth MN May 15-17  
Rangerstop & Pop Con – Atlanta, GA May 15-17  
Renegade – Burnsville, MN May 15-17  
Riacon – Estarreja, Portugal May 15-17  
SCG CON Cincinnati – Cincinnati, OH May 15-17  
Y-Con – Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada May 15-17  
Air-Con – Kenosha, WI May 15-16  
Drums at the Rapids – Perrysburg, OH May 15-16  
Rooks Con – Bozeman, MT May 16-25  
AmiKon – Dublin, Ireland May 16-17  
AtomaCon – North Charleston, SC May 16-17  
Chimera Con – Dublin, Ireland May 16-17  
Collect-A-Con Phoenix – Scottsdale, AZ May 16-17  
Comic Frontier – Pagedangan, Indonesia May 16-17  
Cradle-Con – Garden City, NY May 16-17  
D20 Convention – L’Ancienne-Lorette, Quebec, Canada May 16-17  
Eastern Rim Funny Book & Vintage Con – Baytown, TX May 16-17  
Fanfes – Makati City, Philippines May 16-17  
GoTE 4TheKids – Clearwater, FL May 16-17  
HanaCon – Hannover, Germany May 16-17  
IberAnime – Lisbon, Portugal May 16-17  
Louisville Horror Con – Louisville, KY My 16-17  
Oddities & Curiosities Expo – St Louis, MO May 16-17  
Power of the Force Con – Cologne, Germany May 16-17  
Quad City Con Sioux City – Sioux City, IA May 16-17  
RetroGameCon Spring – Syracuse, NY May 16-17  
RetroMania Collectibles Show – Aurora/Denver, CO May 16-17  
Rogue Comic Con – Medford, OR May 16-17  
ShireCon – Sydney, New South Wales, Australia May 16-17  
Spa-Con – Hot Springs, AR May 16-17  
Tidewater Comicon – Virginia Beach, VA May 16-17  
West Wars – Denver, CO May 16-17  
ADK Tabletop Day – Hudson Falls, NY May 16  
AniPop! – Escondido, CA May 16  
Bowling Green Anime-Fest – Bowling Green, KY May 16  
Chibi Chibi Con – Olympia, WA May 16  
Collingwood Comicon – Collingwood, Ontario, Canada May 16  
Dumfries Comic Con & Toy Fair – Dumfries, United Kingdom May 16  
Magical Girl Mini Con – Houston, TX May 16  
Otaku Link – Derby, United Kingdom May 16  
Pokekon-Fest Wichita – Wichita, KS May 16  
Somerset Comic Con and Gaming Festival – Somerset, United Kingdom May 16  
Southampton Comic Con – Southampton, United Kingdom May 16  
VPCon – Plover, WI May 16  
Wichita LANFest Spring – Wichita, KS May 16  
WNC Comic Con – Fletcher, NC May 16  
CloverCon – Bridgewater, NJ May 17  
Norwich Brick Festival – Norwich, United Kingdom May 17  
Orangeville Comicon – Orangeville, Ontario, Canada May 17  
Port St Lucie Collectorfest – Port St Lucie, FL May 17

Southampton Brick Festival – Southampton, United Kingdom May 17  
 Geek Meet Indy – Danville, IN May 17  
 GraphFix Con – New York, NY May 17

### May 21 – 24

Rooks Con – Bozeman, MT May 20-25  
 BGG.Con Spring – Dallas, TX May 21-25  
 Chaosium Con – Cranfield, United Kingdom May 21-25  
 Core Con Halfoween – Fargo, ND May 21-24  
 MomoCon – Atlanta, GA May 21-24  
 Punchboard Paradise Con – Omaha, NE May 21-24  
 ConFuzzled – Birmingham, United Kingdom May 22-26  
 Balticon – Baltimore, MD May 22-25  
 FanimeCon – San Jose, CA May 22-25  
 Fargo CoreCon – Fargo, ND May 21-24  
 Gamex – Los Angeles, CA May 22-25  
 Kubla-Con – Burlingame, CA May 22-25  
 Winsome Choose Some – Pittsburgh, PA May 22-25  
 18xxBelgium – Mechelen, Belgium May 22-24  
 Animazement – Raleigh, NC May 22-24  
 Anime Fest – Brno, Czecha May 22-24  
 Anime North – Toronto, Ontario, Canada May 22-24  
 AnthrOhio – Columbus, OH May 22-24  
 Card Party – San Diego, CA May 22-24  
 Cherry Capital Comic Con – Traverse City, MI May 22-24  
 Cheyenne Gaming Convention – Cheyenne, WY May 22-24  
 Comic Con Baltics – Vilnius, Lithuania May 22-24  
 Enfilade! – Tacoma, WA May 22-24  
 Eternal Convention – Bacharach, Germany May 22-24  
 FedCon – Dusseldorf, Germany May 22-24  
 Festival del Gioco – Bologna, Italy May 22-24  
 Furlandia – Portland, OR May 22-24  
 GalaxyCon Oklahoma City – Oklahoma City, OK May 22-24  
 MCM London Comic Con – London, United Kingdom May 22-24  
 MidWest Conquest – Raytown, MO May 22-24  
 Nashum FurCon – Nashville, TN May 22-24  
 OctoGones – Lyon, France May 22-24  
 PrairieCon– Brandon, Manitoba, Canada May 22-24  
 Sabaku Con– Albuquerque, NM May 22-24  
 STABcast – Knoxville, TN May 22-24  
 Texas Nightmare Weekend – Irving, TX May 22-24  
 Thy Geekdom Con – Oaks, PA May 22-24  
 WasabiCon NOLA – New Orleans, LA May 22-24  
 ReCon – Kernersville, NC May 23-25  
 Sangio..co – Verona, Italy May 23-25  
 Bay Area Open – San Francisco, CA May 23-24  
 Collect-a-Con Orlando – Orlando, FL May 23-24  
 Game Market – Tokyo, Japan May 23-24  
 GamerFest Summer – Dublin, Ireland May 23-24  
 MOTUniverse – Torrance, CA May 23-24

*Na Meji Nevdnega – Ljubljana, Slovenia* May 23-24  
 Oddities & Curiosities Expo – Minneapolis, MN May 23-24  
 Quad Cities Comic Con – East Moline, IL May 23-24  
 Riverwalk Anime – San Antonio, TX May 23-24  
 Rolling Thunder Gamefest – McPherson, KS May 23-24  
*TableTopCon – Southport, Queensland, Australia* May 23-24  
 The Camp PTC– Peachtree City, GA May 23-24  
*Central Coast Comicon – Gosford, New South Wales, Australia* May 23  
 Eckman's Card Comic and Toy Show – San Antonio, TX May 23  
 Kissimmee Collectorfest SW – Kissimmee, FL May 23  
 Midwest Comic Book Con South Bend – South Bend, IN May 23  
*Napanee Comicon – Napanee, Ontario, Canada* May 23  
 Oxford-Con – Oxford, MS May 23  
 Quad City Con Oshkosh – Oshkosh, WI May 23  
 Richmond Anime-Fest – Richmond, VA May 23  
*Vancouver Anime-Fest – Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada* May 23  
 Wicked Comic Con – Boston, MA May 23  
 Mizucon – Miami, FL May 24-25  
*Capital Pokemon Show– Ottawa, Ontario, Canada* May 24  
 Midwest Comic Book Con Springfield – Springfield, IL May 24  
 Norfolk Anime-Fest – Norfolk, VA May 24  
*RPGA Con – Calgary, Alberta, Canada* May 24  
*Tweed Comicon – Tweed, Ontario, Canada* May 24  
 ShudderCon – East Ridge, TN May 25-26

### May 28 – 31

Colossalcon – Sandusky, OH May 27-31  
*All ABOARD EXPO– Quezon City, Philippines* May 28-31  
 Dexlite – Morristown, NJ May 28-31  
 FAN EXPO Denver – Denver, CO May 28-31  
*SOCOM – Neuengonna, Germany* May 28-31  
*Swancon – Perth, Western Australia, Australia* May 29-Jun 1  
 1D4Con – Martinsburg, WV May 29-31  
 ChupacabraCon– San Marcos, TX May 29-31  
*Collectormania Milton Keynes – Milton Keynes, United Kingdom* May 29-31  
 ConCarolinas – Charlotte, NC May 29-31  
 Concoction – Vineland, NJ May 29-31  
*DoKomi – Dusseldorf, Germany* May 29-31  
 FAN EXPO Philadelphia – Philadelphia, PA May 29-31  
 Galactic Camp – Alameda, CA May 29-31  
*Meeple Escape – Ulverstone, Tasmania* May 29-31  
 New Jersey Horror Con and Film Festival – Edison, NJ May 29-31  
 Protospiel Twin Cities – Roseville, MN May 29-31  
 SCG CON Washington DC – Washington DC May 29-31  
 Smoky Mountain Fan Fest – Kingsport, TN May 29-31  
 Tremendicon – Springfield, MO May 29-31  
*UK Games Expo – Birmingham, United Kingdom* May 29-31  
 Protospiel Twin Cities – Roseville, MN May 29-30  
 The King's Table Con – Mackinaw, IL May 29-30  
*Sangio..co – Verona, Italy* May 30-Jun 2  
 64 Bits or Less – Corvallis, OR May 30-31

Abilene Comic Con – Abilene, TX May 30-31  
*AlphaCon – Gungahlin, Australian Capital Territory, Australia* May 30-31  
Anime Riverside – Riverside, CA May 30-31  
*Art De La Guerre – Carnforth, United Kingdom* May 30-31  
Bak-Anime – Bakersfield, CA May 30-31  
Beaver State Comic Con – Redmond, OR May 30-31  
Big Lick Comic-Con NOVA – Chantilly, VA May 30-31  
Bugeater – Omaha, NE May 30-31  
*Comic Con Stockholm Summer – Stockholm, Sweden* May 30-31  
Hall of Heroes Comic Con – Elkhart, IN May 30-31  
Heartland Gaming Convention – Cape Girardeau, MO May 30-31  
*Heroes Comic Con Stockholm – Stockholm, Sweden* May 30-31  
Iron City Comic Con – Birmingham, AL May 30-31  
Mesa Brick Convention – Mesa, AZ May 30-31  
*Oz Comic Con Adelaide – Adelaide, Southern Australia, Australia* May 30-31  
Really Cool Comic Con – Toledo, OH May 30-31  
Tabletop Oahu Spring – Honolulu, HI May 30-31  
WonderFest – Louisville, KY May 30-31  
*Zomerspel – Merelbeke, Belgium* May 30-31  
*Colchester Brick Festival – Colchester, United Kingdom* May 30  
*Cornmill Mini Con – Darlington, United Kingdom* May 30  
FaeBall – Kansas City, MO May 30  
*Huron County Comicon – Goderich, Ontario, Canada* May 30  
ModCon – Northampton, MA May 30  
*Peterborough Brick Festival – Peterborough, United Kingdom* May 30  
PokeKon Fest Lakeland – Lakeland, FL May 30  
Pop Con – Patchogue, NY May 30  
*Smith's Falls Comicon – Smith's Falls, Ontario, Canada* May 30  
*Collector Con Penrith – Penrith, New South Wales, Australia* May 31  
Forest Hills Comic Con – Forest Hills, NY May 31  
*Gananoque Comicon – Gananoque, Ontario, Canada* May 31  
*Japan Fest – Mansfield, United Kingdom* May 31  
Madison Comic Con – Madison, WI May 31  
Super Heroines Con – Cincinnati, OH May 31  
*Taunton Comic Con and Gaming Festival – Taunton, United Kingdom* May 31

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