

# Farpoint 2026 — Additions and Updates — Farpoint 2026

## NEW GUESTS!

### Bob Hranek

6 years of USAF computer programming started my professional career, followed by 34 years as an intelligence analyst, systems engineer, and program analyst. I'm a vocal Space Exploitation Advocate, read hard-SF whenever I have time, give blood six times a year (230 pints & counting!), run & drink (at the same time!) with Hash House Harrier groups, and judge at several Science Fairs every year. At a convention, you're likely to spot me in my Space-kilt on science-oriented panels. I'm also an avid Wargamer (decades long member of the Eastern Pa Gaming Society, [www.EPGS.org](http://www.EPGS.org)) and became a US Army "Mad Scientist" in 2019 when they published my The-otso-incident-with-donovia-in-2030 entry. My Worldcon Nuclear Rockets panel notes got published 2025/08/25 as an essay in Amazing Stories.

### Joshua Palmatier

Jost is a fantasy author with a PhD in mathematics. He currently teaches at SUNY Oneonta in upstate New York while writing in his "spare" time, editing anthologies, and running the anthology-producing small press Zombies Need Brains LLC. His most recent fantasy series is the *Crystal Cities* and includes *Crystal Lattice*, *Crystal Rebel*, and *Crystal War*. You can also find his *Throne of Amenkor* series, the *Well of Sorrows* series, and the *Ley* series still on the shelves. He is currently hard at work writing his next fantasy and designing the Kickstarter for the next Zombies Need Brains anthology project. Visit [joshuapalmatier.com](http://joshuapalmatier.com) and [zombiesneedbrains.com](http://zombiesneedbrains.com). Follow @joshuapalmatier.bsky.social. And check out the Zombies Need Brains Patreon at [patreon.com/zombiesneedbrains](http://patreon.com/zombiesneedbrains).

### Alan J. Porter

I am a writer and podcaster who specializes in pop culture. I am the author of several books, including *Star Trek: a Comics History* (working on an updated and expanded second edition for release in 2026). I have written a couple of books on James Bond (and currently working on a third) - I am also currently serving as the President of the Ian Fleming Foundation. I have written comics for several publishers, as well as educational comics (the last project in collaboration with NASA). Other properties I've written about include Batman, The Beatles, Battlestar Galactica, Japanese TV, GI Joe, and more. I recently moved back to Maryland from Texas, where I was a regular guest and program participant at ArmadilloCon, SoonerCon, FenCon, Comicpalooza, DragonCon, and more.

## CANCELLED!

### GUESTS

**Dame Dahlia** will not be able to attend this weekend

**Cheralynn Lambeth** will not be able to attend this weekend

**Jay Smith** will not be able to attend on Sunday

### PANELS

**A Beginner's Guide to Wig Styling**

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### Evil 510: Advanced Topics for Scoundrels, Rogues and Miscreants

In this graduate seminar, renowned evildoer Professor Villainy will review the current state of systemic corruption and its impact on the world. Villainy will cover such topics as common villain errors, henchman recruiting and lair design. Villainy will also discuss recent advancements in super-heroics and how to counter them.

The esteemed Professor Villainy is the foremost malefactor of our times. His schemes have caused chaos around the globe for decades. After this illustrious career, he now devotes his time to preparing the next generation of miscreants for their lives of misdeeds, misdemeanors and misconduct.

### Introducing "Attache" - an Online Live Action Puppet Theater SciFi Show

Learn about the making of "Attache," featuring a Human-Earthers officer, attached to the crew of an alien ship, as they try to show that, at last, Human-Earthers and the other life-forms of Earths are ready and mature enough to be part of the wider universe.

### Advanced Prop Making for the (Almost) Beginner

Are you ready to move beyond floor mats and cardboard? Want to build a prop that's light enough to carry all day and sturdy enough to survive the whole weekend? Then join us to learn about next level tools and resources, find out how to up your building skills and get practical tips for better props.

### Unleash the Wild Side

Learn how to create animal-inspired cosplay looks without the need to create a full fursuit or body suit.

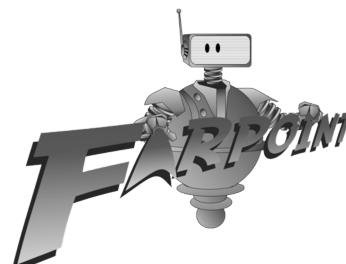
### Today is Not Wednesday But Let's Discuss It

The Netflix series *Wednesday* has had its second season. Let's discuss what has worked in the first two seasons and what hasn't. Who are your favorite characters and portrayals of them?

## TREASURE HUNT!

500 little organza bags are hidden around the convention area, each containing a tiny dragon or creature and a slip of paper with a number on it from one to four.

The race begins at 10:30am Saturday to see how many you can collect. At 1:00pm, return to the Meet Up Room (Private Dining Room I), where winners will be determined and prizes awarded.



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## MEETUPS and READINGS!

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### Meet eSpec Books

Come find out about this independent press and the fantastic fiction they produce.

### USS Mae Jameson Fleet Meeting

Members only

### What's So Great About Good Omens?

An introduction into the TV series *Good Omens*, and discussion of its themes.

### Susan Olesen Book Reading

Readings from the novel *Hellions*, a simple space adventure as a crew tries to find out who's targeting them, and shorts from an anthology of Superheroes.

### Stephen Kozeniewski Reading

Join Stephen Kozeniewski for a fun and free-wheeling reading about the meaning of life (from his debut collection *YES, I AM A VAMPIRE*). Then pick his brain about public readings, writing, publishing, or whatever you like!

### John L. French Reading

*When the Devil Drives* is a collection of my dark, strange, and weird stories. "Chuckles in Hell" is about a circus then TV clown who only finds his true purpose when he ends up in Hell.

### Keith R.A. DeCandido Reading

From his recent work *Supernatural Crimes Unit: NYPD: The Thin Blue Ley-Line*

### Danielle Ackley-McPhail Reading

Reading from her works.

### Glenn Hauman Book Launch and Reading

Celebrate with Glenn as he reads from his latest work.

## AUTOGRAPHS!

Please check the Autograph tag on our online guide for the most up-to-the-minute Autograph Session times.



Pricing for autographs can be found on our online guide's General Information page and at the Autograph Tables.



## GAMES!

### Guess the Number of Jelly Beans

A bigg jar for the adults, small one for the kids. Winners announced at Masquerade. Must be present to win.

### FARP'S Fantastical Frolic

Wander the universe (our new hotel!) to discover unique and wondrous places and win prizes. Join in this adventure, but you have to find FARP first.

Visit the Game Room for more details about these games for all ages