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Walnut Creek Marriott
Walnut Creek, CA
(San Francisco Bay Area)

Friends of the Genre (FOGcon) is a conversational West Coast science fiction and fantasy convention. We focus on a new theme each year, with Honored Guests ranging from writers to scientists to artists.

Theme: The Traveler

From *The Odyssey* to *The Adventures of Alyx*, the Traveler is an iconic figure in speculative fiction. We will explore such topics as modes of travel, the range of metaphors travel stands for, changing expectations about the experience of space travel, and how to be an extreme wilderness hiker—or an extreme hitchhiker. Pack your bags and join us on our journey of exploration.

Honored Guests

Kim Stanley Robinson writes award-winning science fiction that deals with ecology, politics, and sustainability on earth and on earth colonies.

Catherynne M. Valente is a *NY Times* Bestselling author of F/SF fiction and poetry, including *The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own Making*.

Joanna Russ (posthumous) was the author of eight novels including the feminist classic *The Female Man*, as well as several pioneering books of literary criticism.

What People Are Saying About FOGcon

Anaea Lay: *An awesome con.*

Griffin Barber: This stuff is right up my alley and it's close to home!

Mo Ranyart: *I love the free books & author recommendations at #fogcon*

Special Activities

Gaming! Filking! The Unaward Banquet! Meetups! Author Readings!

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