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Hello Chicon 8 Members!

We're bringing you still more information about Chicon 8. It's rather hard to believe, but many of us will be at the Hyatt two weeks from today, beginning to get everything ready for you.

Three deadlines are upon us this week:

- [Hotel Reservations](#) close Tuesday, August 16
- [Childcare Reservations](#) close Thursday, August 18
- Applications for [Tamora's Legends](#) close Thursday, August 18

Also in today's email:

- Progress Report 5 is now available
- Program Schedule Coming Soon
- Pocket Program / Online Program Guide
- It's Easy Being Green
- Artists Showcase now online

Progress Report 5

Our final electronic Progress Report is [here](#) for your perusal. There are hotel maps, updates from program, access, and other departments, information on volunteering, and more.

Program Schedule Coming Soon

This week, in fact! We are very excited to be releasing the Chicon 8 Program to you this week. With over 750 program participants and 1000 items, you will always find something on the schedule that you want to see. We're incredibly proud of the program that our Program Division created - you're going to love it!

Pocket Program / Online Program Guide

This year, we will be having an electronic-only Pocket Program. (There will be a printed souvenir book.) The pocket program will be available online in two different PDF formats - one that is formatted for printing, should you wish to do so, and one that is formatted for phone and tablet screens. It is also formatted to work with screen readers. We also plan to have separate viewable and printable PDFs of the convention map and daily schedule grids.

There were many reasons that went into making this decision, starting with our attempts at being a “greener” convention and ending with “pandemic supply chain issues”.

In addition to the Pocket Program, we will be utilizing ConClár, an online Program Guide tool for conventions. It will always show the most up-to-date version of the schedule. There are filters available for various items (like 'virtual' or 'Literature') as well as a search box. All of the program participants are also listed along with their schedule so it will be easier to find your favorite author, artist, scientist, etc. The link to the guide will be available soon!

It's Easy Being Green!

Chicon 8 is committed to being an environmentally responsible Worldcon, and we encourage you to join us in our efforts. In addition to doing electronic only Progress Reports and Pocket Program, we are encouraging you, our members, to join us in some easy ways of being green. You can find details [here](#), and if you choose to participate, be sure to stop by the Info Desk at the convention for your ribbon.

Artists Showcase now online

We're pleased to announce that our [Artists Showcase](#) is now available on the website. Take some time to explore the amazing artists that will be exhibiting at Chicon 8 in our Art Show.

See you soon!

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