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Chicon 8 Takes Off To The Stars

Chicon 8, the 2022 World Science Fiction Convention, is now under way, both in person at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago, and virtually around the world on AirMeet.

We already have over 2,600 members on site and enjoying the convention as of Thursday evening, a number which is expected to grow to over 4,000 over the Labor Day weekend. Over 500 further members are participating virtually from over 20 different countries.

The Chicon 8 program includes no less than [1,386 scheduled items and activities](#), with over [750 individual participants](#) from across the speculative fiction field and beyond. Our panels, talks, and interviews are supplemented by workshops, demonstrations and of course our major events including the [Hugo Award Ceremony](#) and [Masquerade](#). The convention also has a substantial [Dealers' Room](#), [Art Show](#) and a variety of special exhibits.

The convention's Opening Ceremony took place on the evening of September 1st. A full report is included in the [convention newsletter](#). The Ceremony included the announcement of several special awards given by the community, and the unveiling of this year's unique trophy designs for the Hugo Award and the Lodestar Award for Best Young Adult Book.



2022 Hugo Award Trophy, Base Design by [Brian Keith Ellison](#)

Memberships to Chicon 8 will continue to be available for purchase on the door throughout the weekend. Full (5-day) Attending Memberships are priced at \$240 for Adults, \$145 for Adults attending their first in-person Worldcon, with reduced rates for those aged 24 and under. Single Day Admissions for Friday through Sunday are priced

at \$80 for Adults (\$50 for those attending their first in-person Worldcon), and \$20-40 for fans aged 24 or under, depending on age.

Virtual Attending Memberships for the full five days of the convention cost \$80 for new members, or just \$30 as an upgrade for those who already hold a Supporting Membership in the event. These can be bought online through the [Chicon website](#).

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The 80th World Science Fiction Convention, Chicon 8, will take place in Chicago, Illinois, USA from 1-5 September 2022. For more information about the convention, including current membership rates, visit <http://chicon.org>. All media releases are available at <http://chicon.org/home/about-worldcon/press-and-media/>. Follow us on Twitter at [@chicagoworldcon](https://twitter.com/chicagoworldcon).

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