

12:30-2:00 That '70s (Comics) Panel— It started with Nixon and ended with Carter, but in between the 1970s showcased an incredible influx of new comics talent unheard of since the beginning of the industry in the 1930s. Moderator **Mark Evanier** (who worked with Jack "King" Kirby on DC's "Fourth World" books in the '70s) hosts Comic-Con special guests **Mike W. Barr** (*Cameraman 3000*, *Batman*), **Howard Chaykin** (*American Flagg!*), **Mike Grell** (*Warlord*, *Green Arrow*), **Paul Gulacy** (*Master of Kung Fu*, *Sabre*), **Jim Starlin** (*Dreadstar*, *Captain Marvel*), **Joe Staton** (*Green Lantern*, *E-Man*), **Len Wein** (*Fantastic Four*, *Incredible Hulk*), and **Bernie Wrightson** (*Swamp Thing*, *Frankenstein*). Wow! That's almost one panelist for each year in the decade! **Room 8**

12:30-1:30 Spotlight on Connie Willis— Time travel, hula hoops, flying saucers, church choirs, and other proofs of Chaos Theory in action! Multiple Nebula and Hugo Award-winning science fiction author and Comic-Con special guest **Connie Willis** (*Doomsday Book*, *To Say Nothing of the Dog*) reveals the outer reaches and inner secrets of writing science fiction. **Room 10**

12:30-2:00 Comics Arts Conference Session #7: Visual Language— Neil Cohn (Tufts University) explores the visual language underlying the "manga style," how it works and how it differs from the visual languages in comics developed in other cultures. Robert O'Nale Jr. (Henderson State University) uses David Mack's *Kabuki* to illustrate how gestalt can be an important avenue for analyzing design and meaning in comics. Alec Horstman (Indiana University South Bend) demonstrates the dominance of hyper-reality in comic art and explains how it can be utilized for further study of the art form. **Room 30AB**

1:00-2:00 Introducing Resident Evil: Degeneration— Producer Hiroyuki Kobayashi (*Devil May Cry 4*, *Resident Evil 4*) and director Makoto Kamiya (special effects director, *L: Change the World*, *Godzilla*, *Mothra* and *King Ghidorah: Giant Monsters All-Out Attack*) introduce the full-length CG-animated motion picture based on the popular Capcom video game franchise. Sony Pictures Home Entertainment invites you to be the first to see the film's revealing new trailer and take part in a Q&A session with the filmmakers. **Room 2**

1:00-2:00 Looking at Our World: Eye on the Present— Authors discuss how they use the supernatural in stories of contemporary society. Panelists include **Kelley Armstrong** (*Women of the Otherworld*), L. A. Banks (*The Vampire Huntress Legend*), Kate Brallier (*The Boundless Deep*), Marjorie M. Liu (*The Iron Hunt*), C. E. Murphy (*The Negotiator Trilogy*), Justine Musk (*Lord of Bones*), Lilit Saintcrow (*The Dante Valentine Series*), and moderator Samantha Sommersby (*Forbidden: The Revolution*). **Room 3**

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Nightmare on Elm Street, Room 6CDE

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3:30-5:00 Comic Book 102: The Ins and Outs of Collecting, Investing, and Writing— Designed to thrill and educate audiences from the 8-year-old novice to the millionaire financial advisor, this expert panel discussion details the comings and goings of the hobby. Learn about the history of comics, how to collect and successfully invest, detect restoration, discuss current and future community standards and even receive advice on how one becomes a published comic book writer. Panelists include noted restoration/conservation expert **Susan Ciconi** (The Restoration Lab/Network of Disclosure), **Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide** advisor **Mark S. Zaid** (EsquireComics.com/Network of Disclosure), executive editor and associate publisher **J. C. Vaughn** (Gemstone Publishing), **Douglas Wheeler-Nicholson** and **Nicky Wheeler-Nicholson Brown** (son and granddaughter, respectively, of DC Comics founder Malcolm Wheeler-Nicholson), and other prominent experts from publishing, services, and writing. **Room 24A**

3:30-4:30 Comic Book Heaven: LIVE!— If you've ever wondered which superhero丝毫不爽 is in his uniform, where the ruddiest place to shoot a giant space monster can be found, and what you really got when you ordered junk ads found in old comic books, you'll love **Comic Book Heaven: LIVE!** Scott Saavedra (*Comic Book Heaven, Java Town*) shines a bright and affectionate light on some of the strangest stories and most twisted moments found in vintage comic books. **Comic Book Heaven: LIVE!** is like Scott's *Comic Book Heaven* blog (comic_book_heaven.blogspot.com) but without all the tedious pointing and clicking. **Room 304B**

3:30-4:30 Drawing Demo: Spotlight on Dean Yeagle— Comic-Con special guest **Dean Yeagle** has had his cartoons regularly published in *Playboy* for the past nine years. Most of his career has been in animation, and he has his own animation studio for the past 22 years. He's also recently designed and drawn the first two issues of the *Return of the Gremlins* comic, for Dark Horse and Disney, written by Mike Richardson. Earlier this year he had a one-man gallery show in Paris, and he also publishes his own books with his pinup character Mandy, which, you may rest assured, he'll have for sale at Comic-Con. Join Dean and moderator/interviewer **Craig Yoe** (*Comic Art*) to see some of Dean's work and ask questions about *Playboy*, animation, comics, and how to draw pretty girls for fun and profit! **Room 30CDE**

3:30-4:30 Toys, Comics and Characters: Illustrators as Entertainment Entrepreneurs— **Abby Denson** (*Tough Love*), **Nora Krug** (*BLAB!*), **Tara McPherson** (*Lonely Heart*), and **Brian Wood** (*DMZ*), all prominent professionals from among Parsons illustration alumni and faculty, talk with **Steven Guaraccia** (chair, Parsons Illustration) and **Angie Wojak** (director, Parsons Career Services) about how studying illustration was useful in achieving their creative and professional goals. **Room 32AB**

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3:30-4:15 Family Guy— Since *Family Guy* is a newer show—seen earlier—and *Family Guy* and *The Cleveland Show* (*Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure*) are both spin-offs of the Fox family—participants will give a sneak peek at a newer, fresher—seen earlier—and discuss the highly anticipated first spin-off of *Family Guy*. **Room 20**

3:30-4:30 BOOM! Studios Panel— Due to the latest goings-on in the world of independent publishers, it's never been easier to find out what makes BOOM! so great. Editor-in-chief **Mark Wild** (*Kingdom Come*) will take a peek at what makes BOOM! tick. **Room 304D**

3:30-4:30 BOOM! Books Panel— Despite the fact that BOOM! Studios has been around since 1996, it's still hard to believe that the company has only been around for a decade. **Room 66**

3:30-4:30 Marvel to the Max— Marvel's senior story editor—**Dick**—interviewing one of the brightest minds behind the magic of the DC Universe. **Room 5A**

3:30-4:30 Spider-Man and Geek Out— This idea have breached new life into *Spider-Man*. **Teen Train**, *Spider-Man: Return of the Spider-Man*, the *Ultimate Spider-Man*—these are just a few of the comic book movies that have been created since the original *Spider-Man* hit the screen. **Room 304E**

3:30-4:30 Spotsight on Alfie Allen— He's definitely one of *Game of Thrones'* most popular actors! **Alfie Allen** (*Game of Thrones*) is back again—this time introducing his dad, *Lord Varys*, to the inside back cover of the book he wrote. **Room 8**

3:30-4:30 The Dos and Don'ts of Writing for Animation—Josh Lieberman— **Josh Lieberman** (*Avatar: The Last Airbender*, *Avatar: The Last Airbender* comic book series) is back—legitimately *Avatar*—to teach the Dos and Don'ts of writing for animation. **Room 304F**

3:30-4:30 Spotsight on Benji Webushon— Comic-Con special guest **Benji Webushon** (*Avatar: The Last Airbender*, *Avatar: The Last Airbender* comic book series) is back again—this time introducing his dad, *Lord Varys*, to the inside back cover of the book he wrote. **Room 25**

4:00-5:00 All Hail the Transformers!— **TF** editor Denton Tipton hosts a panel of *Transformers* creators including writers **Shane McCarthy** (*All Hail Megatron*), **Chris Morley** (*The Reign of Starscream*), **Marty Eisenberg** (*TF Animated*), artists **Alex Milne** (*The Reign of Starscream*), **Marcelo Materec** (*TF Animated*) and others. Advance art, surprise announcements, and pints of Energon all around! **Room 2**

4:00-5:00 Going Ape: Celebrating 75 Years of The Beast and The Beauty of King Kong— **KONG! KONG!** Our panel celebrates 75 years of one of cinema's most famous and most beloved beauties. Panelists take look back at the history of King Kong along with fun facts, reminiscences and anecdotes about the film that inspired many of us to become fans, filmmakers and fanatics. A panel of experts and fans is moderated by **Mark A. Altman** and **Jeff Bond** (*Geek Monthly*). **Room 3**

4:00-5:00 Spotlight on Robert J. Sawyer— Comic-Con special guest **Robert J. Sawyer** is one of only seven writers in history to win all three of science-fiction's top awards for best novel of the year: the Hugo, the Nebula, and the John W. Campbell Memorial Award. His latest novel, *Rollback*, has earned him his 11th Hugo nomination. Join him for a one-on-one Q&A session about the world of print SF. **Room 4**

4:00-5:00 Image Comics Show— On the heels of one of the biggest announcements Image has ever made, the Image Comics Show promises to follow up in a major way with special guests including **Robert Kirkman**, **Whilce Portacio**, **Brian Posehn**, **Gerard Duggan**, **Erik Larsen**, and others. All this, plus even more announcements and exclusive giveaways! **Room 7AB**

4:00-5:00 Spotlight on Al Feldstein— Continuing our mini "Al's at MAD magazine" programming theme, the dean of EC Comics, triple threat editor/writer/artist **Al Feldstein** returns to Comic-Con. Feldstein—who edited the EC line in its glory days and took MAD to new heights of popularity—talks with **Mark Evanier** about comics, painting, that magazine, and much more! **Room 8**

4:00-5:00 The Saga Continues: Star Wars 2008— For *Star Wars* fans it's a stellar year, with the new *Clone Wars* movie on its way next month and great new *Star Wars* games from LucasArts to follow shortly. Lucasfilm's **Steve Sansweet** will welcome **Dave Filoni** (director), **Catherine Winder** (producer), **Henry Gilroy** (co-writer), and **Jason Tucker** (editor) to talk about George Lucas' ground-breaking new, fully animated movie, *Star Wars: The Clone Wars*, in theaters August 15. There's news for video game fans too, on *The Force Unleashed* and *The Clone Wars*. Prepare for exciting, exclusive previews of the movie and the games too! **Hall H**

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5:00-6:00 Comic Art: Sketches, Drawings, and Paintings— **Ben Dibols** (*Sketches*) and **Mark Morrison** (*Sketches*, *Final Crisis*), **Geoff Johns** (*Final Crisis*), **Geoff Johns** (*Final Crisis*), **Geoff Johns** (*Final Crisis*), **Geoff Johns** (*Final Crisis*))—The final Crisis is here! Senior VP Executive editor of *Final Crisis* is back—Geoff Johns—along with *Final Crisis* artist Geoff Johns—will be one of the most talked-about events of the summer! **Room 6A**

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6:30-7:30 The Write Stuff: Working in Genre Television— Get the inside scoop on how to break in, break out, and deal with some incredibly stupid network notes. A panel of genre luminaries share their war stories and passion for genre storytelling with you in this once-in-a-lifetime summit of super sci-fi scribes who've turned their dreams into drama, including Javier Grillo-Marxuach (*The Middleman*), David Simkins (*Warehouse 13*, *Dresden Files*), Steve Kriozere (*V.I.P.*, *Sliders*, *Dead & Deadlier*), Steve Melching (*The Clone Wars*, *The Batman*), Ashley Miller (*Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles*), Matthew Federman (*Jericho*, *E-Ring*), Harry Wersman & Gabriele Stanton (*Moonlight*), and moderator Mark A. Altman (*Geek Monthly*). **Room 5AB**

6:30-7:15 Prison Break— In their first visit to Comic-Con, stars Wentworth Miller, Dominic Purcell and Sarah Wayne Callies and producers Matt Olmstead, Kevin Hooks, and Dawn Parouse give a special sneak peek at the show's upcoming fourth season and take questions from the audience. **Room 5CDEF**

6:30-7:30 What's Up with Penguin— Anne Sowards (senior editor, Ace/Roc), Lisa DeGraff (marketing manager, Penguin Young Readers), and Jessica Wade (associate editor, Ace/Roc) give you the dish on forthcoming books from Penguin's exciting authors, including *Jim Butcher*, Charlaine Harris, Patricia Briggs, Charles Stross, Kelly Link, Robin McKinley, Allegro Allegri, and many others. Plus, lots of giveaways, including free advance reading copies! **Room 10**

6:30-7:30 The Goon— A Q&A with Goon creator Eric Powell and Reno 9-11 writers and stars Ben Garant and Thomas Lennon about their new super secret super fantastic comics project! If you miss this panel, everyone will know more about this project than you and that makes you stupid and unattractive to women. **Room 30AB**

6:30-7:30 Storyboarding: Earn over \$100K— Mark Simon, author of *Storyboards: Motion in Art, 3rd Edition*, and an artist with over 2,500 productions to his credit, covers how to get started in storyboarding, three mistakes most new artists make, tips to double your business and will demonstrate the newest Storyboard Pro software. **Room 30CDE**

6:30-8:00 Kevin Smith Makes a "Porno"— Well, not really, but for the umpteenth time, Smith is back at Comic-Con to talk movies, comics, and whatever else the audience wants to talk about. This year, he'll be highlighting his fall film, *Zack and Miri Make a Porno*, starring Seth Rogen and Elizabeth Banks. Expect some special guests. **Hall H**

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6:00-7:00 How To Make Webcomics Live!— The tour tour of the world of webcomics. Take a break from the busy convention floor and get a chance to meet some of your fellow collectors of webcomics: making money and building communities. **Room 8**

6:00-7:00 Star Wars Trivia Game Show— Members of the San Diego Star Wars Society, veteran hosts of the San Diego Star Wars Society, and maybe even a Star Wars prize or two! **Room 7A**

Nighttime Programs

7:15-8:15 Klingon Lifestyles Presentation— This latest mission for the crew of the IKV Stranglehold finds them seeking assistance from the last person in the universe they would ask for help, but is everyone who they say they are? Can they survive Rule of Acquisition number 218? All species are welcome to experience the ongoing voyage and adventure of life aboard a Klingon vessel. **Room 6A**

7:15-8:15 Mystery Science Theater 3000 20th Anniversary Reunion— From 1988 to 1999, the long-suffering captives aboard the Satellite of Love wisecracked their way through hundreds of cinema's problem children—those delirious B-movies of yesteryear created by twisted imaginations and, possibly, the need for a tax shelter. To celebrate the show's 20th Anniversary, join a historic reunion of cast and crew, including creator Joel Hodgson, producer Jim Mallon and fellow writer/performers Mike Nelson, Kevin Murphy, Trace Beaulieu, Frank Conniff, Mary Jo Pehl, Paul Chaplin, J. Elvis Weinstein, Bridget Nelson, and Bill Corbett for a Q&A panel hosted by self-professed "MST3K nerd" and comedian Patton Oswalt (*The King of Queens*). **Room 6B**

7:15-9:15 Totally Rad Show— Hosts Alex Albrecht (*Diggnation*), Dan Trachtenberg, and Jeff Cannata bring their Webby Award-winning geek culture show to Comic-Con in their first ever live performance. Join the guys for an explosion of movie, video game, TV, and comic book news and reviews, and see what makes this Revision3 show such an Internet phenomenon. **Room 7AB**

7:30-8:30 Gaia Online: Kiki Kitty and Gaia Staff— Kiki Kitty and the Gaia Staff are hosting a special Gaia Online panel where Gaia Online members can meet each other and the staff and find out more about Gaia's newest games and features. In addition to hanging out with their fellow Gaians, all attendees will receive free gold and a limited-edition ring for Gaia's new MMO. All attendees will also have a chance to win a jumbo Kiki plushie and other great prizes! **Room 5AB**

7:30-9:15 Nickelodeon Avatar: Sozin's Comet— Executive producer and creator team Bryan Konietzko and Mike DiMartino have built one of the most astonishingly complex and beautifully animated series in television with Nickelodeon's *Avatar: The Last Airbender*. Join Bryan, Mike, and *Avatar* director Joaquin Dos Santos (*G.I. Joe Microseries*) for a viewing of the exciting back-half of the *Avatar* season finale, "Sozin's Comet: Into the Inferno" and "Sozin's Comet: Avatar Aang," followed by a Q&A with the team as they discuss the rich mythology of the series, as well as a costume contest and fan art contest! Moderated by Roland Poindexter, VP, Nickelodeon original programming, animation. **Room 6CDEF**

8:30-10:00 Marvel/Lionsgate: Next Avengers: Heroes of Tomorrow World Premiere!— Whenever the forces of evil threatened mankind, Earth's mightiest heroes, the Avengers, were there to stop them—until they made the ultimate sacrifice in their final fight with the indestructible robot Ultron. But all was not lost, for Tony Stark (Iron Man) kept the children of the Avengers safe and raised them to become the teenage heroes of tomorrow. But it will take more than five teens to destroy the machine that defeated their parents. If these young heroes have any hope of victory, they must find the missing Hulk and come together as...the Next Avengers! Meet Craig Kyle (supervising producer), Gary Hartle (producer/supervising director), Christopher Yost (writer), and others involved in this new animated film and watch *Next Avengers* before its September 2, 2008 Blu-Ray and DVD release. **Room 6A**

8:30-10:30 SCI FI Friday Night: Eureka and Stargate: Atlantis— SCI FI presents the season 3 premiere of *Eureka* a full three days before it airs! Also debuting will be a new episode of *Stargate Atlantis*, along exclusive clips from the new *Score Tactics*. Attendees will receive a mini-issue of the SCI FI Virgin Comics sensation *The Stranded* (while supplies last). **Room 6B**

8:30-11:30 The Spirit Presents the Will Eisner Comic Industry Awards— The 20th annual *Eisner Awards*, the "Oscars" of the comics industry, will be given out at a gala ceremony. This year's special them is "The Magic of Comics." Presenters include comics creator/director Frank Miller (*Sin City*, *300*, *The Spirit*), Spongebob Squarepants creator Tom Kenny, and Jane Wiedlin of the Go-Gos, plus several other celebrities from comics, animation, and film. Other prestigious awards to be given out include the *Russ Manning Promising Newcomer Award* and the *Bob Clampett Humanitarian Award*. The master of ceremonies is Bongo Comics' Bill Morrison. Admission to the Eisners is free to all Comic-Con attendees—just be sure to bring your badge. Doors open for pros and VIPs at 7:30 and for attendees at 8:15. **Ballroom 20**

9:30-10:30 Worst Cartoons Ever!— Animation historian Jerry Beck returns with some of the worst cartoons ever made. Learn how to be fit with *Mighty Mr. Titan*, follow the adventures of *Super President*, *Spanky and Tadpole*, and many more. Have a ball with the best/bad animation every. **Room 6CDEF**

10:15-11:45 Spaced Screening— Actor/creator Jessica Hynes (*Shaun of the Dead*), actor/creator Simon Pegg (*Shaun of the Dead*), and director Edgar Wright (*Hot Fuzz*) introduce a special late-night screening of their favorite episodes from the edgy British comedy series that started it all for the award-winning team behind *Shaun of the Dead* and *Hot Fuzz*. **Room 6A**

10:30-12:30am Spike & Mike: The Gauntlet— You vote via applause and your reaction is the deciding factor as to whether an animation keeps playing or whether it will make it into the next world tour. *Gift Girls* with swag! Animators include Mike Geiger (*Cuddle Sticks*), John Goras (*Chirpy Returns*), Joe Borelli (*Artie's Day Off*), Ross Bollinger (*The Mosquito Who Gave Up Blood*), Stefan Schuch (*Tinky Winky: Lost of the Teletubbies*), Jeff Chiba Stearns (*Yellow Sticky Notes*), Steve Fonti (*Yes Timmy There Is a Santa Claus*), Spike (*Death of the Teletubbies*), and Matthew Lee (*Flock Off*). **Room 6CDEF**

10:45-12:00am Dr. Horrible's Sing-Along Blog— The story of a low-rent supervillain (Neil Patrick Harris as Dr. Horrible), the hero who keeps beating him up (Nathan Fillion as Captain Hammer), and the cute girl from the laundromat he's too shy to talk to (*Felicia Day as Penny*). This musical in three parts, created for the Internet and written by Joss Whedon, Jed Whedon, Zack Whedon, and Maurissa Tancharoen, premieres in its entirety on the big screen at Comic-Con. **Room 6B**