

MEDIA RELEASE #34

Loncon 3, the 72nd World Science Fiction Convention

14-18 August 2014 at ExCeL London

<http://www.loncon3.org>

[media@loncon3.org](mailto:media@loncon3.org)

### **Loncon 3 announces record participation in the 2014 Hugo Awards!**

London, 7 August 2014 - Loncon 3, the 72nd World Science Fiction Convention being held at London ExCeL from 14-18 August, is proud to announce that it received 3,587 valid ballots for the 2014 Hugo Awards. 3,571 ballots were submitted online through the Loncon 3 website and 16 paper ballots were received. This total eclipses the previous record participation of 2,100 ballots (set by Renovation in 2011) by over 50%. Participation in the 1939 Retro Hugo Award process was strong as well with 1,307 valid ballots being received: 1,295 submitted electronically and 12 by postal mail.

The winners will be announced at ceremonies held at Loncon 3. The 1939 Retro Hugo Awards Ceremony will be held on Thursday 14 August 2014 at 8pm BST (3pm EDT, 12pm PDT) hosted by Mary Robinette Kowal and Rob Shearman. The 2014 Hugo Awards Ceremony will be held on Sunday 17 August also at 8pm BST (3pm EDT, 12pm PDT) hosted by Justina Robson and Geoff Ryman.

Both ceremonies will be streamed live online free of charge, to enable fans around the world to watch. The video stream will be located at <http://www.ustream.tv/hugo-awards>. The 2014 Hugo Awards Ceremony will also have an accompanying text stream using CoverItLive for people who cannot use the video stream. You can access that stream through the Hugo Awards page at <http://www.thehugoawards.org>.

Full voting details will be released through the Loncon 3 website at the conclusion of each award ceremony.

For information on how to join the more than 6,000 fans of science fiction and fantasy who have already signed up to attend Loncon 3, please visit <http://www.loncon3.org/memberships/>.

ENDS

For more information please contact [media@loncon3.org](mailto:media@loncon3.org)

ABOUT THE WORLD SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION

Founded in 1939, the World Science Fiction Convention is one of the largest international gatherings of authors, artists, editors, publishers, and fans of science fiction and fantasy. The annual Hugo Awards, the leading award for excellence in the fields of science fiction and fantasy, are voted on by the Worldcon membership and presented during the convention.

Loncon 3 is the trading name of London 2014 Ltd, a company limited by guarantee, registered in England, company number: 7989510. Registered Office: 176 Portland Road, Jesmond, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE2 1DJ, UK.

"World Science Fiction Society", "WSFS", "World Science Fiction Convention", "Worldcon", "NASFiC", "Hugo Award", the Hugo Award Logo, and the distinctive design of the Hugo Award Trophy Rocket are service marks of the World Science Fiction Society, an unincorporated literary society.