April 20-22, 2018 Brampton, Ontario Progress Report # 3

Come on Home to FilkONtario!

From the Co-Conchairs

It's been quite the year planning FilKONtario 28. New hotel, different space, different city, new surroundings, new people. Did someone hope we'd have interesting times? Please join us as we boldly filk where no one has filked before. It'll be an adventure! We can hardly wait!

Judith & Peggi

Where we are:

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Filk Hall of Fame

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Songwriting Contest

Topic: First Contact.

Saturday evening after the banquet

Penguin Songwriting Contest

Words will be distributed for the *Penguin Contest* at Registration. One of them will be penguin. The others are selected by the increasingly diabolical Peggi and Judith after the second bottle of wine.

Volunteering

Volunteers are needed for the the consuite and ideally someone to supervise the kids pizza party (for 4-6 kids) during the banquet on Saturday.

Songbook Submissions - Reminder!

We need songs for the **FilkONtario 28 Songbook!** Your songs can achieve immortality by appearing in our songbook, a copy of which will go to the Merrill Collection of Science Fiction, Speculation & Fantasy. Please send your songs to Morva at

info@spacetime.ca.
Deadline April 6/18

Programming

As always we'll have concerts featuring each of our guests. Also appearing on-stage will be Cat Greenberg (with Cathy McManamon), Betsy Tinney, Don Neill, Via Bella (Rand and Erin, who are releasing a new CD at FKO!), and the inimitable Phil Mills. On Sunday join us for a Performers' Circle of some of our local talent, and, of course, the Filk Hall of Fame Concert.

Not one, but two songwriting workshops will be happening, along with a host of theme filks and open filk.

One of our special events will Matthew Cimone talking about the documentary he is filming, *Chasing Atlantis* about the end of the shuttle progam.

Sunday is Earth Day 2018. We'll kick off our Dead Penguin filk with an hour of theme filk on in celebration of our Earth.



Consuite (Room 123)

Just a recently ago our consuite runner unfortunately had to withdraw from working at this year's FKO. We will miss her but will do our best to keep our consuite appealing.

We could **urgently** use some help: volunteer people to take short shifts restocking and keeping an eye on things, people to help prep food, people to stock the pop and make coffee, people to clean up and do dishes. All of concom have jobs to do throughout the con and none of us can take on con suite full time. It's not a big hotel and we will literally only be steps away.

At the same time, our hotel, like the OVFF's and GAFilk's hotels, has forbidden the service of hot food, so you won't see the crock pots. We are limited to a kettle and toaster plus the coffee maker and microwave that is in every room. Donations are welcome.

Consuite will be open the usual hours (more or less).

Because of attendees with significant anaphylaxis, our consuite and con function space will be <u>nut</u> <u>free zones</u>. Please confine nut containing products to your personal hotel room.

Hotel

Monte Carlo Inn & Suites Brampton. All the hotel information is in the two previous PR's which you can find here https://filkontario.ca/news/. The room block closed March 12. At that time there were almost no rooms left. A few have been release by people who sadly cannot come.

If you cannot get a room at the Monte Carlo, we are suggesting the <u>Holiday Inn Express and Suites</u>

<u>Brampton</u>, which is literally just across the road (We are on the southwest corner of Coventry and Airport Road, they are on the northeast corner. Coventry becomes Nevets east of Airport Road)

Dealers

Filk Bizarre

Do you have any pretties that you make and would like to sell? Do you have cds that you would like to sell? Do you have some books that you would like to

sell? Take advantage of our Filk Bizarre. As long as you have less than half a table's worth, we will do the selling for you, and keep track of all sales to give you a report at the end of the con. All we ask in return is that you give FilKONtario 10% of your sales, up to a total of \$50. Anything beyond that is yours to keep, and you will be doing a great favour for FKO as well! For information, contact Peggi Warner-Lalonde at peggiwl@gmail.com.

Please note: we will need an itemized list of what you have to sell, with pricing clearly indicated.

Thank you!

Craft Swap

Do you have too many craft supplies? Do you have stuff that whispers "What were you thinking when you bought me?" Are you drowning in a sea of beads, or fabric, or yarn? Why not bring the excess to FKO, and take part in a Craft Swap? Find something that someone else no longer loves, but that might fill that big hole in your crafty heart? Or simply help yourself to do some decluttering. Either way, it's a win-win for all participants.

For further information, or questions, please contact Peggi Warner-Lalonde, at peggiwl@gmail.com.

Thank you!

Registration

Adult (\$70 CAN/\$60 US until reg closes)

Youth 13-17 (\$47 CAN /\$40 US until reg closes)

Child 6-12 (\$35 CAN/\$30 US until reg closes)

Children Under 6 Free

We also take PayPal and those instructions are on the web site.

Please note you can follow the online instructions on our website, filkontario.ca, to register.