Ballot for Voting for the 2017 FAAn Awards

WHAT ARE THE FAAn AWARDS? The Fan Activity Achievement Awards (FAAns) are the annual recognition by members of the science fiction fanzine community of the creativity of their peers. The recipients will be announced April 30, 2017 during Corflu 34 in Los Angeles, Calif. (details at corflu.org .)

WHY IS THE BALLOT DIFFERENT? This year's FAAn Awards ballot is my experiment to see if more people will vote if voting is easy.

In recent years, everyone who voted independently made a list in each category in which they had an opinion, then decided within each category their, for example, most favourite artist, second most favourite artist, etc.

Each year's administrator assigned points to each choice: e.g. first choice, five points; second choice, four points; etc. Fifth choice in a category was worth one point.

New this year is my inviting everyone who voted last year, plus last year's administrator, to be nominators. In my invitation I explained that they–effectively my jury–could nominate a maximum of four favourites in every category in which they cared to nominate.

I told nominators not to rank their choices. You see the result on the ballot.

Also on the ballot I included in each category the option for you to vote for a choice different than the listed, nominated, options.

My thanks to these nominators for accepting my invitation and doing the collective heavy lifting: John D Berry, Bill Burns, Claire Brialey, Graham Charnock, Nic Farey, Mike Glyer, John Hertz, Andy Hooper, Edwin Howe, Kim Huett, Rob Jackson, Roy Kettle, Hope Leibowitz, Robert Lichtman, Guy Lillian III, Jim Linwood, Lloyd Penney, Curt Phillips, Mark Plummer, John Purcell, Steve Stiles, Walter Wentz, Pete Young.

READ BEFORE VOTING: 1. One ballot per person. You must give your name. You can submit more than one ballot but only the newest ballot will be counted. Receipt of your ballot will be acknowledged. 2. You don't have to vote in every category. 3. You are voting on work made public during 2016. 4. A vote for yourself/your own work will not be counted. Editors may vote in Fanzine Cover for a cover of their own fanzine if they are not the artist/designer; fans who have contributed to a publication are not disbarred from voting for it. 5. Unlike in previous years, this year you may vote only once in each category. 5.Voting is FREE. You do not need to be a member of Corflu 34 to vote. 6. **Deadline** for voting is **midnight April 11, 2017**.

HOW TO VOTE: Maximum of one (1) vote in each category. If you want to vote for an unlisted choice, use the Other option. Send your votes or questions to **murrayraj@yahoo.ca** (.ca!, not .com!), or mail your ballot to the 2017 FAAn Awards Administrator: Murray Moore, 1065 Henley Road, Mississauga, Ontario L4Y 1C8 Canada. (If you think your name might not be known to the Administrator, please provide information, such as the name of a fan contact). ((You have read READ BEFORE VOTING, above HOW TO VOTE, yes?))

FAN ARTIST. Fan Art is presented in a fannish context, in fanzines and other forms of publication created by science fiction fans, in any media. Vote for one of:

Brad Foster, or Dan Steffan, or Steve Stiles, or Taral, or Other = give your single vote in this category to an artist you prefer to any of the above artists.

FANZINE COVER. Fanzine Cover includes both front covers and back covers. Vote for one of:

BEAM 10 <u>efanzines.com/Beam/Beam10.pdf</u>, or

Broken Toys 50 efanzines.com/Taral/BrokenToys-50.pdf, or

Inca 12 efanzines.com/Inca/Inca12.pdf, or

Reluctant Famulus 111 <u>efanzines.com/Reluctant/ReluctantFamulus-111.pdf</u>, or

Other= give your single vote in this category to a fanzine cover you prefer to any of the above covers. (See http://efanzines.com/covers2016.htm for more examples; covers not shown there are, of course, also eligible).

GENZINE (General Interest Fanzine). A Genzine is a fanzine which normally contains a significant amount of material by authors other than the editor(s). Vote for one of:

Banana Wings, or Fugghead, or SF Commentary, or Trap Door, or Other = give your single vote in this category to a genzine you prefer to any of the above genzines.

LETTERHACK (Letters of Comment). The Best Letterhack award is also known as the Harry Warner Jr Memorial Award for best fanzine correspondent. Vote for one of:

Steve Jeffery, or Robert Lichtman, or Paul Skelton, or Other = give your single vote in this category to a letter writer you prefer to any of the above letter writers.

PERZINE (Personal Fanzine). A Personal Fanzine has only one editor who produces all, or nearly all, of the content. Vote for one of:

Broken Toys, or FLAG, or Vibrator, or The White Notebooks, or Other = give your single vote in this category to a perzine you prefer to any of the above perzines.

SPECIAL ISSUE. Special Issue can be a standalone publication or an issue of a continuing fanzine. Vote for one of:

THEN, or Xenotect, or Other = give your single vote in this category to a special issue you prefer to any of the above special issues.

FAN WRITER. Fan Writing is presented in any fannish context, e.g. fanzines, apas, fannish blogs, fan websites, and social media. Vote for one of:

Andy Hooper, or Mark Plummer, or Dan Steffan, or Taral, or Other= give your single vote in this category to a fan writer you prefer to any of the above fan writers.

FAN WEBSITE: Vote for one of:

news.ansible.uk/, or eFanzines.com, or fanac.org, or file770.com, or Other = give your single vote in this category to a fan website you prefer to any of the above fan websites.

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