72nd World Science Fiction Convention—
2014 Site Selection Ballot

Everyone who votes will become a Supporting Member of the selected 72nd Worldcon

Rules (Please read carefully):

To be eligible to vote, you must be a living, natural person and either an Attending, Young Adult, or Supporting Member of Chicon 7. Ballots cast for memberships held by non-natural persons, such as “Guest of” memberships, clubs, toys, et cetera, may only be voted as No Preference.

If you are not a member of Chicon 7 and want to vote by mail, you may become an Attending, Young Adult, or Supporting Member by filling out the form on the reverse side of this ballot and sending a separate check for the appropriate fee made out to “Chicon 7.” You may, if you prefer, charge your Chicon 7 membership to one of the major credit cards listed overleaf. Do not mail cash.

You must include the Site Selection Advance Supporting Membership (Voting) fee of $40.00 US. This payment automatically makes you a Supporting Member of the 2014 Worldcon. Make checks payable to “72nd Worldcon.” You may, if you want, charge your Site Selection fee to one of the major credit cards listed overleaf. Do not mail cash.

You may cast your ballot by mail or in person at Chicon 7. Mail your ballot to Site Selection at the address listed below.

Voting: Site Selection ballots are tallied by preferential balloting procedures. The winner is the first bid to receive a majority of those ballots expressing a preference. This means that you should indicate your favorite selection with a “1,” your next favorite with a “2,” and so on. If you mark an “X” with no other marks, that will count as a “1” for that bid and no other preferences.

Mailing Instructions

1. Mark your vote and fill in the membership and payment details on the other side of this sheet.

2. After filling out both sides of the ballot, fold the ballot along the dashed line below then tape the fold shut at the solid line, in order to conceal your vote from casual viewing prior to the ballot count.

3. Include your name and address on your ballot. You must sign your ballot. In addition to being used to validate the ballot, we will provide the voter’s name and address to the winning bid so that they know who their members are.

4. Mail the ballot and any payment necessary to Site Selection at the address listed on this side of this sheet. You may authorize someone else to deliver your ballot to the convention for you.

The deadline for receipt of mail-in ballots is August 11, 2012. Voting at the convention will end at 6 PM CDT on Saturday, September 1, 2012.

For the full details of the rules, see Article 4 of the WSFS Constitution. If you have any questions regarding this ballot or the application of Article 4 to the selection of the 72nd Worldcon, contact us at the address below or at siteselection@chicon.org.

Chicon 7
Att’n: Site Selection Administrator
PO Box 13
Skokie, IL 60076 USA

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London in 2014
14-18 August 2014
Bid Committee: Steve Cooper (Board Chair), Alice Lawson (Committee Chair), Eemeli Aro, James Bacon, Rita Medany, Farah Mendlesohn, Mike Scott, Liz Batty, Claire Brialey, Vincent Docherty, John Dowd, Deb Geisler, Colin Harris, Carolina Gómez Lagerlöf, Mark Plummer, Theresa Renner, and Ian Stockdale

Facilities: London, UK
ExCeL (Exhibition Centre London)
Aloft London Excel, Ramada Hotel & Suites, Novotel, Crowne Plaza, Premier Inn, Ibis, Custom House Hotel

Website: http://www.londonin2014.org/

Advance Membership (Voting) Fee (select only one)
Includes a Supporting membership in the 72nd Worldcon

_____ I enclose a check, money order, or traveler's check for $40 USD made out to "72nd Worldcon."

_____ I authorize Chicon 7 to charge $40 to my credit card (details in the next column)

We must receive mail-in ballots by August 11, 2012.

At-con voting will close at 6:00 PM CDT on Saturday, September 1, 2012.

Eligibility to Vote (select only one)
You must be an Attending, Young Adult or Supporting Member of Chicon 7 to vote.

_____ I am a member of Chicon 7. My membership number (if known) is ________
(Your membership number is printed on the mailing labels of our preconvention publications. Do not use your Hugo Voting PIN. You may still vote even if you do not know your membership number.)

_____ I am not a member of Chicon 7. I want to purchase a Supporting membership in Chicon 7 for $50.
(The following choices are only available until July 31, 2012. After that date, please join at the door and vote at the convention.)

_____ I am not a member of Chicon 7. I want to purchase a Young Adult membership in Chicon 7 for $100.

_____ I am not a member of Chicon 7. I want to purchase an Attending Membership in Chicon 7 for $195.

Select payment method for Chicon 7 membership:

_____ I enclose a check, money order, or traveler's check payable to "Chicon 7"
_____ I authorize Chicon 7 to charge my credit card for the amount indicated above in US dollars

Credit card charges will be made in US dollars and will appear as "Chicago Worldcon Bid."

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Write-in
In order to win, a Write-in bid must file the required paperwork with Chicon 7 before the close of voting.

No Preference
Equivalent to an abstention or blank ballot, a vote for No Preference means that when it becomes your highest remaining choice, you don't care which bid wins. We will not count any choices numbered after this choice.

None of the Above
A vote for None of the Above indicates that you are opposed to all of the bids. If None of the Above wins, the WSFS Business Meeting at Chicon 7 will select the site.

Signature–Unsigned ballots will be considered “No Preference” if otherwise valid.