

**ARCANA 40: A Convention of the Dark Fantastic**  
**October 15-17, 2010 \* Best Western, Bandana Square, 1010 Bandana Blvd W \* St Paul MN**

**Guest of Honor: P.C. Hodgell**

P.C. Hodgell is the author of the novels *God Stalk* and *Dark of the Moon*, recently republished by Baen in the omnibus volume *The God Stalker Chronicles*; *Seeker's Mask* and *To Ride a Rathorn*, reissued by Baen as *Seeker's Bane*; the new novel, *Bound in Blood*; and the story collection *Blood and Ivory: A Tapestry*. Most of her fiction deals with Jame, a young woman with a hidden past and unusual powers, in and out of the wonderful city of Tai-Tashtigon. Her fiction freely mingles humor with the macabre. Visit her at [www.pchodgell.com/site/](http://www.pchodgell.com/site/).

Caitlin R. Kiernan is unable to attend Arcana 40.

**Hotel**

The Best Western, 1010 Bandana Blvd W, at Bandana Square, St Paul, is a former railroad building with original tracks running through the lobby, and has a swimming pool, sauna, free internet computer, and free wireless. A free Continental breakfast is served in the lobby for hotel guests. Bandana Square next door has the Twin City Model Railroad Museum (admission \$6). A nearby restaurant is Gabes by the Park, 991 Lexington Parkway N (about three blocks from the hotel). A variety of restaurants lie within a mile and a half. The hotel has a strong connection to the fan community; this year it hosted the Western convention Con-Sarnit June 5; and the speculative fiction convention Diversicon July 30-August 1. Arcana will meet there for the 19th consecutive year. Rates are \$97 + 13.62%/tax/night. Mention Arcana when reserving your room; 651-647-1637. Deadline: September 24.

**Hospitality**

Arcana is a mellow but stimulating gathering of readers and viewers of the dark fantastic. Part of our pleasant social atmosphere is our hospitality suite, open Friday, mid-afternoon to late night, and Saturday and Sunday, mid-morning to late night; hosted by Twin Cities hospitality mainstay Sybil M. Smith. Stop in for refreshments and conversation. Hospitality will be supplemented by Krushenko's late night Friday and Saturday, featuring films and treats.

**Programming**

Arcana features its usual solid track of panels, presentations, readings, and films related to the dark fantastic, including a Guest of Honor reading and interview, and panels on Scandinavian horror films, "What are You Reading?," ghosts, and Fritz Leiber's centennial. To volunteer, contact Eric M. Heideman (see below).

**Dealers and Art Show**

Arcana is a serious collectors' convention. Dealers' tables are available for \$30; plus \$25 for each convention membership. Space for art display and sale by attending artists (\$1 per piece) and/or artists who undertake to hand-deliver and pick up their work (\$1.50 per piece) is also available. Dealers and art show information: Brian K. Perry, c/o Arcana or at 763-506-0398 or [bperry8268@aol.com](mailto:bperry8268@aol.com)

**Auction**

Rare and unusual dark-fantastic books, films, and materials. To donate or consign material, contact Dwayne H. Olson c/o Arcana, or at [dholsen84@gmail.com](mailto:dholsen84@gmail.com).

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**Arcana 40 Registration**

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State/Province, Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(s): ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Website \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like info on the following:  Program participation  Dealer Tables  Art Show  Party hosting  Volunteering

Enclose check or money order and mail to: ARCANA 40, PO Box 8036, Lake Street Station, Minneapolis MN 55408.

Make checks payable to Arcana. (Do not mail cash.) Or pay via PayPal to [arcanacon@comcast.net](mailto:arcanacon@comcast.net)

Rates: \$35; Supporting \$10, Converting \$25 through October 1; \$40 or converting \$25 At the Door

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