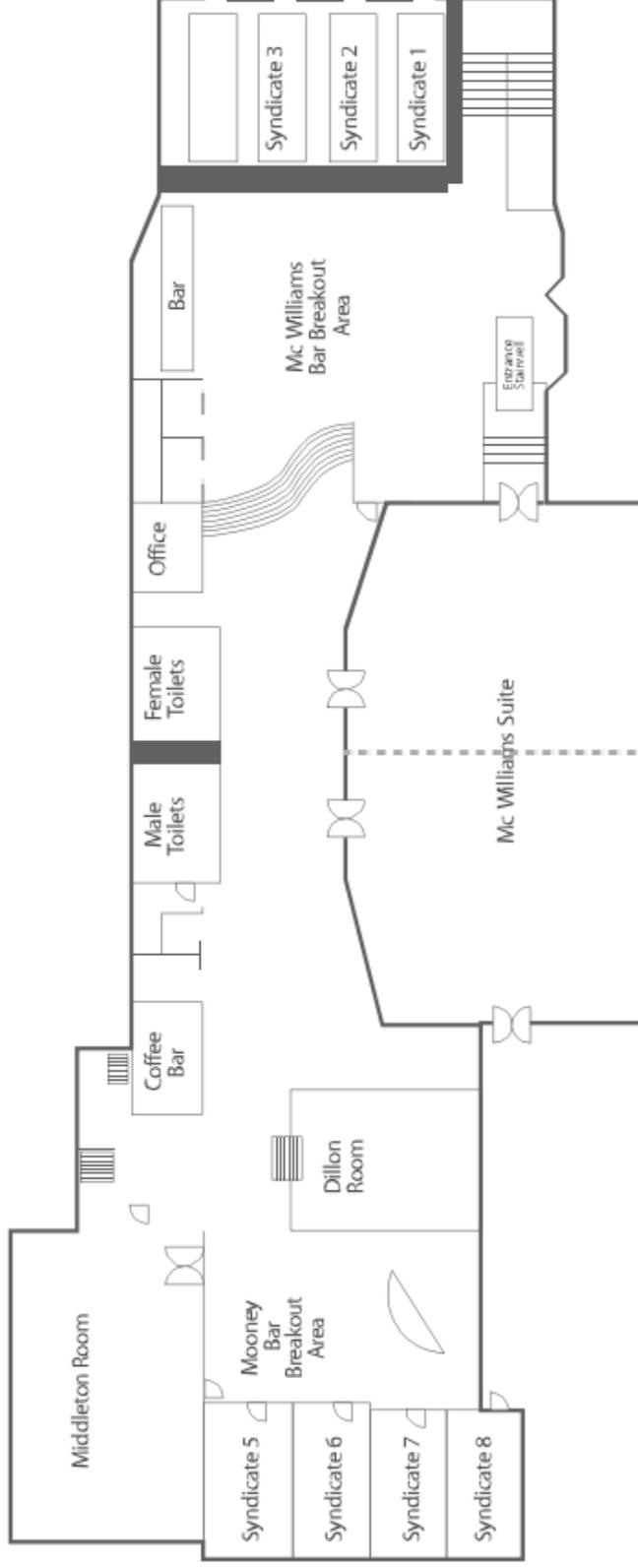


TITANCON 2017



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TitanCon 2017 Code of Conduct

We ask that all members familiarise themselves with our Code of Conduct before setting out for the convention. The Code exists to ensure that everyone who attends the convention can enjoy themselves in a safe and pleasant environment, and we ask you all to be mindful and respect it.

The full Code of Conduct can be found at http://www.titancon.com/2017/code_of_conduct.php. Key sections are repeated below for ease of reference.

Respect for Others

TitanCon wants all members to enjoy themselves. As such, we ask that you respect each other. All TitanCon events should be a space where everyone feels welcomed and comfortable.

TitanCon operates a zero tolerance policy on aggressive and violent behaviour towards event staff and other attendees.

Discrimination (based on, but not limited to, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, or physical / mental disability) is not tolerated. Harassment of any kind is not tolerated. If someone tells you "no" or asks you to leave them alone, your business with them is done.

If you feel that you are being discriminated against or harrassed, or if you notice someone behaving inappropriately (such as violating hotel or convention policies), we respectfully suggest the following:

1. If you feel comfortable doing so, point out the inappropriate behaviour to the person(s) involved. Often this will solve the problem immediately.
2. If you do not feel comfortable talking with the person(s) involved, or if talking to them does not resolve the issue, please report the situation immediately to any TitanCon Staff Member (look out for people wearing "Staff" badges. It would be extremely helpful if you could provide a name, badge name / number and / or physical description of the person(s) involved.

Serious breaches of convention policy will result in those involved being ejected from the premises. No refund will be given. In instances where criminal law has been broken the police will be called.

Membership Badges

TitanCon is a membership-only event. Your badge serves as ID and is required for access. All members must wear their membership badges at all times. A badge is valid only for the person to whom it was issued; badges may not be shared under any circumstances. TitanCon requires that any children 12 or older have a purchased membership for the convention. Attendees under the age of 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult or guardian.

Health and Safety

Attendees must comply with the instructions of TitanCon event staff in all matters of health and safety, licensing laws and fire safety regulations. TitanCon requires that attendees comply with all convention signs and notices.

Friday Programming

3:00 p.m. TitanCon AGM

Dillon Please join us for this year's Annual General Meeting. This will be a chance to hear about recent organisational changes and our plans for moving forward following Phil's recent departure. We want to hear your views about the future of TitanCon as well as to seek additional help, not only for a "regular" TitanCon in 2018 but of course for the EuroCon we will be hosting in 2019.

4:30 p.m. Staff and Volunteers Meeting

Dillon Please come along to this short meeting if you are a staff member or able to volunteer - we will be briefing everyone on procedures, and signing up people for specific tasks where we do not already have things covered from our pre-con preparation. You will also be able to connect with your volunteers coordinator Yoann Desgrange, and the folks you will be working with and for.

5:00 p.m. An Introduction to Women Aloud NI

Jo Zebedee (mod), Kerry Buchanan, Lynda Collins, R.B. Kelly, Sarah Murray, Jane Talbot

Middleton

Women Aloud NI are a group of female writers working to support and promote each other across Northern Ireland. TitanCon regular Jo Zebedee introduces us to the rest of the group, who we are very excited to be working with towards the larger Eurocon in 2019.

7:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony

Middleton Come meet and welcome our guests of honour and featured programme participants, and open the convention in style with our Toastmaster Peadar Ó Guilín.

7:45 p.m. Art Show Grand Opening

Syndicates 7 & 8 (Art Show) Do come along and check it out - meet your exhibiting artists, and say hello to Jane Stewart, our Art Show Director. The Art Show will then be open through the evening so you can snap up purchases before someone else gets there first!

8:00 p.m. Literature Night

Middleton Literature Night is back! Come along and enjoy our authors reading from their latest novel or short story. We expect that the readings will then be finished by around 11.00 p.m. with the bar remaining open until late for those who wish to chat and socialize.

Saturday 9 September

TIME	Middleton Main	Dillon Dealers	Syndicate 7/8 Art Show	
09:00 - 09:30		<i>Dealer Move-In (No Public Access)</i>		
09:30 - 10:00				
10:00 - 10:30	Poetry and Verse Roz Kaveney (m), Pat Cadigan, Jan Siegel	Dealers Room Open Enjoy!	Art Show Open	
10:30 - 11:00				
11:00 - 11:30	The Extras Panel Peadar Ó Guilín (m), Ed Ashby, Jessica Odell, Kristy Robinson, Michael Stuart		Life Drawing Class Jane Stewart	
11:30 - 12:00				
12:00 - 12:30	Roz Kaveney Interview Jo Playford (m), Roz Kaveney			
12:30 - 13:00				
13:00 - 13:30	Staff / Volunteer Lunch			
13:30 - 14:00				
14:00 - 14:30	The YA Panel Ruth Francis Long (m), Peadar Ó Guilín, DJ McCune			
14:30 - 15:00				
15:00 - 15:30	Whose Titancon Is It Anyway? Peadar Ó Guilín, Roz Kaveney, Ian McDonald, Jan Siegel			Art Show Open
15:30 - 16:00				
16:00 - 16:30				
16:30 - 17:00	The Great Titancon Booksale Our Guests and Participants			
17:00 - 17:30				
17:30 - 18:00				
18:00 - 18:30	Closing Ceremony			
18:30 - 19:00				
19:00 - 19:30				
19:30 - 20:00				
20:00 - 20:30	Lovely Beard Contest		Evening Gaming Space	
20:30 - 21:00	Brutal Ballet followed by Raffle, Karaoke and Disco (until 1 a.m.)			
21:00 - LATE				

TIME	Syndicate 6	Syndicates 1&2
	Programme / Workshops	Programme / Workshops
09:00 - 09:30	Volunteer Check-In Yoann Desgrange	Combat Workshop Fencing NI
09:30 - 10:00		
10:00 - 10:30	Worldcon/Eurocon 2019 Carol Connolly (m), Emma England,	Combat Workshop Fencing NI
10:30 - 11:00	Dave Lally, Jo Playford	
11:00 - 11:30	Samwell's Diary Crafting Workshop Emma Andrews	This Doesn't Look Like Belfast - Or Does It? Ian McDonald (m), Kerry Buchanan, R.B Kelly, Jo Zebedee
11:30 - 12:00		
12:00 - 12:30	Jewellery Workshop Chloe Henderson	Combat Workshop Fencing NI
12:30 - 13:00		
13:00 - 13:30	Build-a-Beard Workshop Pebble and Beth	Combat Workshop Fencing NI
13:30 - 14:00		
14:00 - 14:30	Samwell's Diary Crafting Workshop Emma Andrews	Pat's Birthday Cake Panel and Celtic Languages Sing-a-Long Pat Cadigan and Friends
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15:00 - 15:30	Jewellery Workshop Chloe Henderson	Combat Workshop Fencing NI
15:30 - 16:00		
16:00 - 16:30	Spoiler Laden GoT Discussion Adam Whitehead	Combat Workshop Fencing NI
16:30 - 17:00		
17:00 - 17:30	The Napping Panel	<i>To be announced</i>
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Registration / Info Desk
Open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the 1st Floor Coffee Bar. Badge collection and membership sales.

Merchandise
Open from 10 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the 1st Floor Coffee Bar, for collection of pre-ordered items and selected cash sales.

Green Room
Open from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Syndicate 5 for Guests and Participants

Nook (next to Dillon)
We invite pop up readings, quiet reading, story telling, gaming and (GoT spoiler free) discussion space in our nook, located outside Dillon. Pop by and see what's occurring.

Gaming
We are without the chaps from Backspindle Games this year, and as such we will be opening Syndicates 7 & 8 as gaming space on Saturday evening from 8 p.m. We also encourage folks to bring their own games and use the Nook, and other spaces around the convention.

Saturday Programming

9:00 a.m. Volunteer Check In

Syndicate 6 Please quickly check in with Yoann if you are volunteering this morning. Any time up until 9:45 a.m. is great to help us work effectively.

10:00 a.m. Poetry and Verse

Roz Kaveney (mod), Pat Cadigan, Jan Siegel

Middleton Roz, Pat and Jan ease us into the day with a selection of poetry from previous and upcoming publications, as well as discussing verse and its resonance in genre literature.

10:00 a.m. The Worldcon/Eurocon 2019 Discussion

Carol Connolly (mod), Emma England, Dave Lally, Jo Playford

Syndicate 6 Join team members from the Dublin 2019 and TitanCon 2019 teams, who will tell you all about the exciting opportunities that await with Worldcon coming to Dublin followed by Titancon hosting the Eurocon over successive weekends in August 2019.

11:00 a.m. The Extras Panel

Peadar Ó Guilín (mod), Ed Ashby, Jessica Odell, Kristy Robinson, Michael Stuart

Middleton

Titancon favourites “Wee” Kristy Robinson, Michael Stuart, Jessica Odell and Ed Ashby regale us with stories and anecdotes of life on the set of Game of Thrones.

11:00 a.m. This Doesn't Look Like Belfast - Or Does It?

Ian McDonald (mod), Kerry Buchanan, R.B Kelly, Jo Zebedee

Syndicates
1&2

Authors from Belfast talk about the city and surrounding areas as both direct setting and inspiration for their writing.

12:00 Noon Roz Kaveney interviewed by Jo Playford

Middleton

We look at the many achievements of Roz Kaveney, writer, poet and critic. Most recently awarded the Lambda for her novel *Tiny Pieces of Skull* - which in her own words, “only took 20 years to publish”.

1:00 p.m. Staff and Volunteer Lunch

Middleton All staff, volunteers and programme participants are invited to join us for a complementary lunch provided by TitanCon.

1:00 p.m. Build-a-Beard Workshop

Syndicate 6 This workshop is for anyone that wants to enter the Lovely Beard Contest taking place at 8.00 pm, but either can't or doesn't want to, grow their own facial furniture. We will have plenty of artificial beards in a range of colours available for decorating with many exciting and sparkly things. The decorations and colouring products may also be used by those with natural beards.

2:00 p.m. The YA Panel

Ruth Francis Long (mod), Peadar Ó Guilín, DJ McCune

Middleton The organisation that administers the Hugos, awarded at the World Science Fiction and Fantasy Convention (Worldcon) every year, has just created a specific YA Award - The Lodestar. We will see this awarded in Dublin in 2019. What does this mean for writers and readers of this now established subgenre? Explore this idea and others central to the growing YA scene with our panel.

2:00 p.m. Pat's Birthday Cake Panel and Celtic Languages Sing-a-Long

Syndicates 1&2 No unofficial Bake-Off to be seen here - nope. Come and sing and eat cake - who doesn't like singing and eating cake? Pat Cadigan (Queen of Cake and not judging anything at all ... guv ... honest...) No-one at all with any home baked items whatsoever... Oh no - not here...

3:00 p.m. Whose Titancon Is It Anyway?

Peadar Ó Guilín, Roz Kaveney, Ian McDonald, Jan Siegel

Middleton The gang are back with this year's quiz as our panellists entertain and probably confuse within the well-known improvisational comedy format. Strap in after going to the bar to stock up for the drinking game. Shenanigans ho!

4:00 p.m. Spoiler Laden Game of Thrones Discussion

Adam Whitehead

Syndicate 6 Adam Whitehead, of the Wertzone, leads this year's TV series based discussion group. Get it all out of your system :)

4:30 p.m. The Great Titancon Booksale

Middleton Buy your books direct, get them signed, check out the craft kits and talk more with our Guests of Honour, Featured Programme Participants, and workshop providers. Catch up further with our *Game of Thrones* Guests, get pictures (using your own devices) and get your programmes and t-shirts signed.

5:00 p.m. The Napping Panel

Syndicate 6 Do you need a rest? Bring a cushion or pillow, have a breather, curl up, have 40 winks. Just take it easy for a bit. Please be quiet and chilled out in this space. Bring what you need.

6:00 p.m. Closing Ceremony

Middleton We bring the day to a close with our guests, committee, and members. Come along and show your appreciation, before breaking for dinner and then returning for the evening's entertainment.

7:00 p.m. Lovely Beard Final Preparations

Syndicate 6 A chance for competitors to make final preparations and to check in with Pebble over the presentation arrangement.

8:00 p.m. Lovely Beard Contest 2017

Middleton With prizes to be awarded in Best Natural, Best Artificial and Best in Show categories, we invite you to participate and support our Lovely Beard wearers this year. Lovely beards are welcomed to be worn by all genders and none, but must be worn on the face. Thank you.

8:30 p.m. Brutal Ballet

Middleton Brutal Ballet are back with their amazing black lit, heavy metal soundtrack show piece, with new performers. We are excited to see what they have for us this year.

8:45 p.m. Raffle, Karaoke, and Disco

We bring Saturday to a close in the best way we know, by getting over excited about the raffle and rocking out our best karaoke efforts. As it's Pat Cadigan's birthday weekend, we will be playing some of her favourite disco tunes, along with TitanCon favourites. Make your DJ requests and sign up for the Karaoke with Jon and Richard on the night.