



PulpFest 2010 continues the proud tradition of a summer pulp con, now in its 39th year. A new and improved version of the venerable convention for fans and collectors of vintage popular fiction and related materials, *PulpFest* returns to the Ramada Plaza Hotel and Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio in 2010. It will begin on Friday, July 30th at 9 AM and run through Sunday, August 1st.

Located just off Exit 116 of Interstate 71, the Ramada Plaza is only twenty minutes from Columbus International Airport and ten minutes from downtown Columbus. The Ramada offers complementary transportation via shuttle to and from the airport, downtown Columbus, and various other locations (including restaurants) within a five-mile radius of the hotel.

The Ramada Plaza will offer a guest-room rate of \$79 plus tax per night. The newly renovated hotel features high-speed wireless Internet access in the main lobby, convention center, and guest rooms as well as other amenities. Parking is free for hotel guests and single-day convention attendees. The Ramada's spacious restaurant serves traditional American cuisine and is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner seven days a week. A sandwich cart will also be accessible to conventioners for lunch service on Friday and Saturday, outside of the dealers' room. Please call the Ramada Plaza at 614-846-0300 to make a reservation or visit their website at <http://ramadaplazacolumbus.com/> for additional savings. Please be sure to mention *PulpFest* to receive the special convention rate.

Following the resounding success of the inaugural *PulpFest*, the 2010 event will be bigger and better. Sellers of pulp magazines, digests, vintage paperbacks, and other paper collectibles will find a nearly 10,000 square foot dealers' room that will accommodate 100+ eight-foot tables. For information about registering as a *PulpFest 2010* dealer, please write to Jack Cullers at one of the

Member Registration for the Summer's Great Pulp Convention!

addresses noted at the end of this newsletter.

Although the focus of *PulpFest 2010* will be pulp magazines and related materials, vintage paperbacks, digests, men's adventure magazines, first edition hardcovers, series books, dime novels, original art, Big Little Books, B-movies, serials and related paper collectibles, old-time-radio shows, and Golden and Silver Age comic books will also be available for sale. Please remember that *PulpFest* is not a comic book convention. Also, sexually explicit material, including *Playboy*, *Penthouse*, and *Oui*, will not be allowed.

Our evening programming will take place on the sixth floor of the Ramada Plaza. We're still working on our scheduling options, but you can count on informative panel discussions, several in-depth presentations, and at least one auction.

Our guest of honor at *PulpFest 2010* will be William F. Nolan, best known as the co-author of *Logan's Run*. The writer of more than 80 books and 750 magazine and newspaper pieces, Mr. Nolan is best known in pulp circles for *The Black Mask Boys*, an anthology drawn from and history about *Black Mask Magazine*, celebrating its 90th anniversary in 2010. Additionally, he edited and compiled *Max Brand: Western Giant*, a bio-bibliography of one of the most prolific authors to emerge from the pulp industry, and one of the best biographies of Dashiell Hammett, a founder of the hardboiled detective story. Mr. Nolan was recently named one of the 2010 recipients of the *Lifetime Achievement Award*, presented annually by the Horror Writers Association.

For those who arrive at the convention center on Thursday, July 29th, *PulpFest* will be offering an evening film program and welcoming party. You'll also be able to pick up your registration materials. Further details will be announced later. So please bookmark www.pulpfest.com for regular

updates as our convention plans take shape. You'll also find information on our website about the city of Columbus, our hotel, our dealers, promotional activities and other topics, along with links to book and pulp dealers, pulp-related publishers, conventions, and other great websites. You can also subscribe to our regular email updates through the *PulpFest* website.

Another aspect of our programming will be the presentation of the annual *Munsey Award*, named after Frank A. Munsey, the man who published the first all-fiction pulp magazine. The *Munsey* will be awarded to a deserving person who has given of himself or herself for the betterment of the pulp community be it through disseminating knowledge about the pulps or through publishing or other efforts to preserve and foster interest in the pulp magazines we all love and enjoy.

If you have someone in mind that you feel worthy of the 2010 *Munsey Award*, please let us know. Send the person's name and a brief paragraph describing why you feel that person should be honored to Mike Chomko, 2217 W. Fairview St., Allentown, PA 18104 or to mike@pulpfest.com.

Please visit our website or write to Mike for further nomination guidelines. The deadline for nominations is April 30, 2010.

The convention will officially open on Friday, July 30 at 9 AM. A prepaid three-day membership will cost \$30. A prepaid, three-day membership with early-bird access from 8 AM to 9 AM on Friday morning will also be available for \$40. A three-day membership at the door will cost \$35. Early-bird memberships will not be available at the door. Friday or Saturday only memberships will cost \$15. Sunday only memberships will cost \$5 and will only be available at the door. Children age 15 and younger, accompanied by a parent, will be admitted for free. Supporting memberships for those who cannot attend *PulpFest 2010* will be available for \$20. All members (including supporting members) will receive a complementary copy of the convention's program book, *The Pulpster #19*. Please send your questions, check or money order to David J. Cullers, 1272 Cheatham Way, Bellbrook, OH 45305. Questions and payments through Paypal can also be sent to Jack by using his email address—jassways@woh.rr.com.



MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM

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3-DAY MEMBERSHIP @ \$30 3-DAY MEMBERSHIP WITH EARLY-BIRD ACCESS @ \$40
FRIDAY ONLY MEMBERSHIP @ \$15 SATURDAY ONLY MEMBERSHIP @ \$15
SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP @ \$20

How did you find out about *PulpFest*? ALTER-EGO BOOK SOURCE
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ILLUSTRATION PAPER & ADVERTISING COLLECTOR'S MARKETPLACE
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