# Erasmuscon

## Eurocon 2024

### Progress Report 2

#### **First Dutch Eurocon**

erasmuscon.nl



#### **16-19 AUGUST 2024 ROTTERDAM**

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## The team is growing!

With a successful second HSFCon behind us, the team is now fully focused on next year's Eurocon: Erasmuscon.

The past few months we actively called for volunteers to help us prepare, plan, and promote Eurocon 2024: Erasmuscon. No less than 30 people showed up on May 7th at our first public meeting. That just goes to show how passionate this community is!

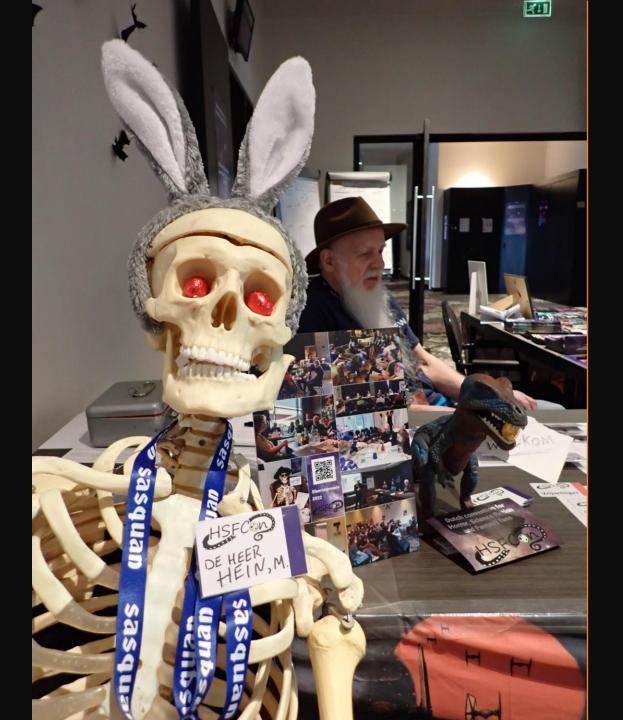
Thanks to the large amount of highly skilled volunteers, we have managed to set up a number of different teams, each with their own tasks and we are ready to start taking some big steps.

If you would like to be involved and perhaps join a subcommittee, please reach out and tell us what your Erasmuscon looks like via info@erasmuscon.nl



#### Department Heads

- Chair: André de Boer
- Finance and Dealers: Paul van Oven
- Programming: Karlijn Stouten
- Public Relations: Renske de Wolf
- Guest Relations: Tanja van Oven
- Venue and Volunteers: Jan Scholte



## Venue change!

We have moved from Ahoy to WTC Rotterdam, a more suitable venue.

This beautiful venue is closer to the city center, which is also great for accessibility to public transport, restaurants, and other entertainment outside of the con.

There are also more rooms available, meaning more program tracks!

The convention center has its own partner hotel, linked by internal passageways, and is very close to countless other hotels.

More information about hotel booking will follow on the website as soon as possible.





#### Guests of Honor

We are thrilled to have three confirmed guests of honor

### Bo Balder

Bo lives and works close to Amsterdam.

Bo is the first Dutch author to have been published in F&SF, Clarkesworld, Analog and other places. Her SF novel "The Wan" was published by Pink Narcissus Press.

When not writing, she knits, reads and gardens, preferably all three at the same time.

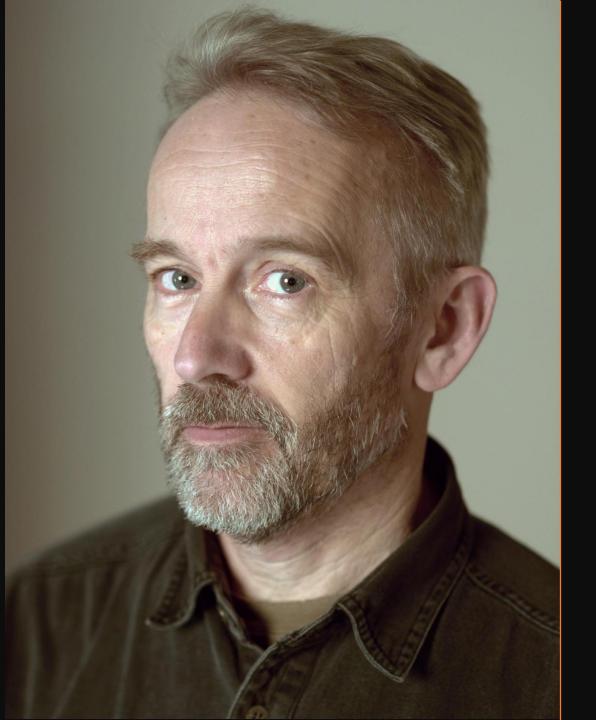
For more about her work, you can visit www.boukjebalder.nl/bibliography or www.facebo ok.com/bo.balder



## Jasper Fforde

Jasper Fforde has been writing in the Comedy/Fantasy Genre since 2001 when his novel 'The Eyre Affair' debuted on the New York Times Bestseller list. 'Red Side Story', to be published in February 2024, is his 17th novel and he counts his sales in millions. He lives and works in his adopted nation of Wales.

Fforde's writing is an eclectic mix of genres, which might be described as a joyful blend of Comedy-SFthriller-Crime-Satire. He freely admits that he is fascinated not just by books themselves, but by the way we read and what we read, and his reinvigoration of tired genres have won him many enthusiastic supporters across the world.



## Andrzej Sapkowski

Andrzej Sapkowski, also known as the "Wizard of the Witcher", is a polish author who has captured the hearts and minds of fantasy enthusiasts worldwide. With his intricate world-building, morally ambiguous characters, and a healthy dose of dry humor, Sapkowski has carved out a unique place in the genre.

But don't let his serious storytelling fool you – Sapkowski is also known for his tongue-in-cheek wit and willingness to poke fun at the tropes of the genre. He's even been known to make appearances at conventions with swords in his hands.

Whether you're a fan of his books or the popular video game/streaming adaptations, there's no denying that Sapkowski is a master of the fantasy genre. So come join us at Eurocon 2024 and let's raise a glass to the man who brought us the unforgettable world of the Witcher. Just try not to get too close to any portals.



## Programme call

Would you like to participate in the programme of Eurocon 2024: Erasmuscon? Our now fully formed programming team is looking for enthusiastic experts.

Whether you have visited countless worlds, by book portal or spaceship, or have explored just one world thoroughly, come tell your tale and regale others with your adventures and discoveries.

We are looking for lecturers, artists, discussion leaders and time travellers.

Come tell us the stories you want to share. We welcome everyone who wants to participate. Reach out via info@erasmuscon.nl with your ideas.



### Dealers

Are you considering applying for a spot in our dealer room?

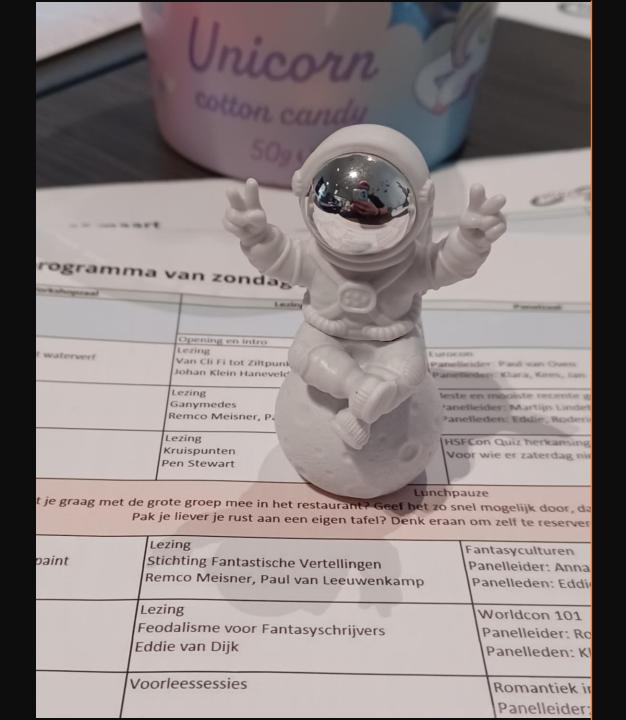
More information on options and pricing will follow on the website, but feel free to reach out to us via info@erasmuscon.nl if you are already interested in a spot.



## Advertising with us

Would you like to be featured in our physical programme booklet at Erasmuscon?

Please reach out to us via info@erasmuscon.nl for more information.



## Membership

Will you be attending our Eurocon in 2024?

You can register on our website: https://registration.erasmuscon.nl/

A list of already registered members that agreed to have their names published can be found on the same page.

