



Progress Report #2

Conflikt 8

January 30 - February 1 2015

A Word from the Chair:

Traditionally this space has hosted a paragraph from the convention committee Chair about the upcoming Conflikt, thus allowing the Publicity Princess to delegate part of the writing and give the reader a refuge from the relentless cheer of the Publicity Princess. Traditionally the Chair is also someone other than the Publicity Princess. As a terrible error has been made and the Publicity Princess is the Chair, the Chair and the Publicity Princess are squabbling over who will write this paragraph. I think I'm winning.

– Jen Kilmer, Chair

CONFLIKT LUNCH!!

Yes, once again we are having an amazing ticketed lunch with flash filking fun and the exclusive CD! We will have two soups, a green salad, and a variety of sandwiches available along with coffee & tea. Tickets are still available on the website for \$40 each!!! Includes the Conflikt 8 Lunch CD.

LUNCH CD SUBMISSIONS!!

...are still open through January 23rd! Email sound@conflikt.org!!! More info in the Conflikt Policies PDF on Conflikt.org!

GLORIOUS GUESTS!!

- Guest of Honour **Cecilia Eng** is a longtime songwriter and performer. Through Friends of Filk she's nurtured filk in the Pacific Northwest and brought numerous performers to Orycon. Cecilia was inducted into the Filk Hall of Fame in 2013!
- Toastmaster and Pegasus "Best Performer" Award winner **Alexander James Adams** brings faeries, fiddles, and possibly some stories for Conflikt!
- Interfilk Guest and multiple Pegasus "Best Performer" nominee **Toyboat** melds filk & rock for maximum fun! According to Talis Kimberley, "Grab your seat early and be prepared to leap out of it and dance."

SING-ALONG!!

Conflikt's membership records a sing-a-long song as part of Friday's Opening Ceremonies for the Lunch CD! This year's sing-a-long is "**Our Mrs Reynolds**" by Guest of Honour Cecilia Eng! See the Sing-Along page on Conflikt.org for more info!

CONCERTS!

- 3/5! (A *completely different* band that just happens to contain many members of our Interfilk Guest Toyboat!)
- Stringapalooza!
- PDX Broadsides!
- *Bone Walker* book and CD launch with author Angela Korra'ti (Anna to her friends), Dara Korra'ti, and guest musicians like **Alexander James Adams!**

...and (of course) our guests **Cecilia Eng**, **Alexander James Adams**, and **Toyboat!!**

OPEN FILKS!

Play your favourite tunes and learn some new favourites! The **Salmon Run** kicks us off on Friday! Open filk Friday & Saturday nights! We finish Sunday night with our traditional **Smoked Salmon Filk!** Because who wants to leave early when we're having so much fun!?!?

THEME CIRCLES!

- Ecumenifilk!
- Pegasus Floating Category Circles!
- Filker's Memorial, sharing memories & songs for filkers who have passed in the last year!
- "Filth", for tawdry songs! (Adults only)

AMAZING AUCTION!

We will auction off filk rarities, chocolate, and other fannish things to raise money for Interfilk, the filk fan fund! They make it possible for us to have an extra guest each year – like Toyboat – and they promote the exciting intermingling of filkers around the filk cons!

Bring your item donations with you to the con, and come to the auction for a fabulously fun and hilarious good time! (No purchase necessary.)

WORKSHOPS & OTHER FAB FILKISH FRENZY!

- Music and Magic workshop with SJ Tucker!
- Circle to Concert with PDX Broadsides!
- Workshops on drums, harmonica, production, and playing in a band with **Toyboat!**
- Two-fers! Sign up for your own tiny concert, 2 songs or 10 minutes!
- Band Scramble! Sign up Friday to join a band and perform a song on Sunday!
- Songwriting Contest! Theme will be announced at Opening Ceremonies!

CON SPACE!

Conflikt's function space will be in the Hilton's Convention Center on the east side of the hotel above the parking garage. A covered (but not enclosed) walkway connects the convention center and hotel.

Our con space is along one hallway, separating us from other groups in the hotel and convention center. The drawback is that you may end up walking a tenth of a mile (or 2 or 3) between the con space and your room. You may want to bring a tote bag, backpack, or folding luggage cart to help reduce trips.



HOTEL INFO!

Hilton – SeaTac International Airport
17620 International Boulevard
Seattle, WA 98188
1-206-244-4800 or 1-800-HILTONS

Conflikt group room rates:

1 person: \$106.00 plus tax per day
2-4 persons: \$111.00 plus tax per day

Group code: **CON8**. If you have problems getting in the group, please make the reservation you want and email the hotel liaison through the contact form on our website.

If you bring a car, our group room rate includes discounted parking of \$5 per night. (Parking is \$10 per day for Conflikt members who do not have a room.)

If you're not driving, the hotel offers free shuttles to Sea-Tac airport. SeaTac's light rail station is across the 176th street from the hotel. There's also frequent bus service on International Blvd.



More Hotel Notes...

The hotel is across the street from the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. Light sleepers may want to bring earplugs!

There are few non-hotel restaurants near the hotel. A Denny's is in walking distance (for most folks) to the north. There are more about a mile south on International Blvd!

The hotel pool will be closed – it's January at the 47th parallel!

WOW! YAY! YIPPEE!! HOW DO I SIGN UP!?!?

ONLINE

Register at our website with PayPal and/or credit card: www.conflikt.org

BY MAIL

Print out a registration form from the website & mail it with your cheque to:

Conflikt
PO Box 60004
Shoreline, WA 98160

AT DOOR

We will naturally have registration at the con!

What does Conflikt cost?

- Attending memberships are US \$55 for the full weekend or \$60 at the door!
- Day passes will be available!
- Children 12 & under admitted free!
- Lunch tickets are \$40!
- Supporting memberships are US\$25 and include a songbook and a Lunch CD!

The nearest 7-11 convenience store is across 176th St from the convention center!

International Boulevard is Pacific Highway South on some maps. It's also Washington State Route 99!

The nearest music store is the Guitar Center southeast of Westfield Southcenter mall, about 4 miles away!

A plethora of eateries ring Westfield Southcenter as well!

How Do I Get To Conflikt? You know, to the:

Hilton – SeaTac International Airport

17620 International Boulevard

Seattle, WA 98188

(At International Blvd between S 176th St & S 180th St)

PLANES

If you're flying into Seattle-Tacoma (SeaTac)

International Airport, there is a 24 hour shuttle service is available to and from the hotel. Follow the signs at SeaTac Airport to Hotel Shuttles and look for the one to the SeaTac Hilton. There are phones available to call the hotel to request the shuttle, if you don't spot it right away!

OR follow the signs to the **SeaTac / Airport Light Rail Station!** Walk through the station and across International Blvd. Take the elevator down to street level. The hotel is across S 176th Street from you!

TRAINS (and other PUBLIC TRANSPORT)

If you're taking the local public transit, check out the trip planner at:

<http://tripplanner.kingcounty.gov>

Plug in "17620 International Blvd" as your destination. Bus routes that stop near the hotel include the A Line on International Blvd and the 156 to Westfield Southcenter mall.

The **SeaTac / Airport Light Rail Station** is located at International Blvd and 176th! Right by the hotel! The station has a pedestrian bridge to the hotel's side of International Blvd. The light rail station even has a website:

<http://tinyurl.com/7oqpukk>

The light rail also stops near Amtrak's King Street Station in Seattle, if you want to take a train to a train!

TELEPORTERS

Local Earth coordinates:

47° 26' 39" N
22° 17' 44" W
110m elevation

Please consult your device documentation to convert to other forms of reference if needed.

AUTOMOBILES

From I-5 or I-405:

If you're coming from Canada, Oregon, and other points North or South of Tukwila, you'll probably take I-5. If you're coming from the Eastside (or if you're coming from Eastern Washington on I-90) you'll probably want to take I-405.

Whichever way you're arriving, these directions start where I-5 meets I-405, and I-405 becomes state route 518.

1. Merge on to highway 518.
 - a. From I-5 North, take exit 154A and stay to the Left on the exit ramp to West 518 towards Burien
 - b. From I-5 South, take exit 154B and stay to the Left on the exit ramp to West 518, Burien/Sea-Tac Airport
 - c. From I-405 South, continue straight across I-5 and you are now on Westbound 518.
2. Take the "SeaTac Airport / Highway 99" combined exit. Stay in the far right lane.
3. Immediately take the Highway 99 sub-exit.
4. Turn RIGHT to go to South Highway 99.
5. Turn RIGHT onto South Highway 99, which is also International Blvd.
6. Drive south on 99.
 - a. **For the Hilton Convention Center:** Turn LEFT onto S 176th Street. There is an entrance to the main Hilton lot and a second entrance to the Hilton Convention Center on the RIGHT.
 - b. **For the Hilton lobby:** Turn LEFT onto S 180th St to access the Hilton. There is a left-turn lane.