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DRAGON CON NAMES ITS 2019 ARTIST AND LITERARY GUESTS OF HONOR

Artist Julie Dillon and Author Brandon Sanderson Will Be Recognized

ATLANTA – June 13, 2019 – Dragon Con, Atlanta’s internationally known pop culture, fantasy, sci-fi, and gaming convention, has selected American fantasy artist Julie Dillon and American fantasy and science fiction writer Brandon Sanderson and as its 2019 Artist and Literary Guests of Honor.

Beginning with its first convention in 1987, Dragon Con has recognized an author and an artist whose creative contributions to the realms of fantasy and science fiction are widely recognized as among the very best as Literary and Artist Guests of Honor. Dillon and Sanderson will be recognized throughout the event for their contributions to their individual fields. Both will be on hand to meet fans and participate in panels to provide insight into their success and love of fandom.

“We are delighted to recognize Julie and Brandon as our Guests of Honor this year. They are endlessly creative individuals who have been widely and consistently recognized for the quality of their work,” said Rachel Reeves, convention co-chair.

An award-winning illustrator, including four Hugo awards and five Chesley awards, Dillon has created fantasy and science fiction images for games, book and magazine covers, and covers for musical albums. Much of her art has been compiled into three books, the most recent of which, *Daydreamer’s Journey*, was issued in 2018. Please visit Dillon’s website at <https://www.juliedillonart.com/>

Sanderson is a *New York Times* bestselling, award-winning novelist and short works writer who is best known for creating the Cosmere universe, in which most of his fantasy novels are set. He is also known for writing the final three installments of Robert Jordan's epic fantasy series *The Wheel of Time*. In 2018, Sanderson’s young adult novel *Calamity* was nominated for a Dragon Award, the fan choice awards organized by Dragon Con. Please visit Sanderson’s website at <https://brandonsanderson.com/>

About Dragon Con

Dragon Con is the internationally known pop culture convention held each Labor Day Weekend (Aug 29 - Sept 2, 2019) in Atlanta. Organized for fans, Dragon Con features more than 3,500 hours of comics, film, television, costuming, art, music, and gaming over four days. For more information, please visit www.dragoncon.org and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.