DRAGON CON’S DRAGON AWARDS PUBLISHES FIFTH ANNUAL 2020 BALLOT

 Fans’ Choice Awards Recognizes Excellence in Fifteen Categories of Fiction, Comics, Gaming, and Filmed Entertainment

New Partnership with Fulton County Library System Will Promote Voting and Encourage Reading

ATLANTA – August 10, 2020 – Dragon Con’s Dragon Awards, a fan-chosen awards program to recognize outstanding achievement in science fiction and fantasy literature, comics, gaming, and filmed entertainment, has published its 2020 ballot.

The Dragon Awards are decidedly a “fans’ choice” award. All fans – not just Dragon Con members or attendees – are invited to select the Dragon Award winners by voting – for free – on the fifth annual Dragon Awards ballot. The full ballot can be found here.

This year, the Dragon Awards forged a partnership with the Fulton County Library System to promote the ballot and registration through their social media and other programs at the system’s 35 locations.

“The Dragon Awards are fast becoming the industry’s leading awards program where fans – the people who not only read, watch, and play, but also love, science fiction and fantasy – get to decide the best and most beloved,” said Pat Henry, president of Dragon Con, Inc. “We are delighted to be working with Fulton County libraries to help spread the word and encourage more people to explore the best works of fiction in the galaxy.”

All voting will be done electronically and only via a ballot emailed to each confirmed voter. To vote, fans must register on the Dragon Awards website. Ballots are then emailed in batches every few days through August.

Fans have until Friday, September 4th at 11:59 p.m., Eastern, to register. Voting ends 24-hours later on Saturday, September 5th at 11:59 p.m., also Eastern.

Winners will be announced on Sunday, Sept. 6th as part of Dragon Con Goes Virtual. In response to the pandemic, Dragon Con shifted its traditional convention to a virtual four-day program, September 4 – 7, which will be streamed and available for free to fans anywhere in the universe.

The Dragon Awards were introduced in 2016 as part of the 30th Anniversary of Dragon Con, Atlanta’s internationally known pop culture, fantasy, sci-fi, and gaming convention. Nearly 38,000 fans have voted for their favorite works in the past four years, including more than 10,000 people who voted in 2019.
To accommodate as many creative genres as possible, awards will be given in each of 15 categories covering the full range of fiction, comics, television, movies, video gaming, and tabletop gaming.

The ballot was selected in an open nomination process. Using the dedicated Dragon Awards website, fans were invited to nominate one (and only one) of their favorite properties in any or all the award categories. Nominations ran from early April until July 20. The best and most popular of the nominated properties were elevated to the ballot.

Further details are available on the awards website awards.dragoncon.org. Please direct all inquiries to dcawards@dragoncon.org or mail them to: Dragon Awards, PO Box 16459, Atlanta, GA 30321-0459 USA.

About Dragon Con
Dragon Con is the internationally known pop culture convention held each Labor Day in Atlanta. Organized for fans, Dragon Con features more than about 3,000 hours of comics, film, television programming, costuming, art, music, and gaming over four days. For more information, please visit www.dragoncon.org and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.