



Stand for TAFF!

The 2023 TAFF (Trans-Atlantic Fan Fund) Race is now officially open for nominations!

With no Worldcon in Europe or North America in 2023, the next delegate will travel to Pemmi-con 2023, the NASFiC (North American Science Fiction Convention) in Winnipeg, Canada. It takes place on July 20th – 23rd 2023 and is bound to be an exciting event!

Who can become a candidate?

Assuming you have the time, the wish to go, and the nominators to back you up, any European science fiction fan can volunteer to become a TAFF candidate.

For this race, you need two North American nominators, and three European nominators, who will then proceed to contact the current TAFF administrators (details below) by December 4th 2022, informing us of whom they nominate for this honour.

You will also need to send an official statement of standing for TAFF to the administrators listing your nominators, plus a 101-word platform statement, and a £10/€12 bond fee sent via PayPal to EUTAFF@gmail.com.

What do you do as a TAFF delegate?

TAFF sends the chosen delegate across the Atlantic where they get to visit different fannish communities and make friends across the continent. Each trip has a target convention, which is the only pre-set destination for the trip, the rest is up to you. Afterwards, you come home and take over the European administration part of this wonderful fan fund. We hope that you can help raise money for the fund, for example by hosting fan fund auctions and other events, prior to, during, or (usually) after your trip.

Who can become a nominator?

Anyone in North American or European science fiction fandom who is not a current administrator. Meaning, you can't ask either Fia or Orange Mike to nominate you. Not this time, anyway.

The nomination period will close on December 4th. Voting to elect said TAFF delegate will commence five days later on December 9th 2022, and close on April 11, 2023.

Note: When counting the votes, if there are more than three candidates, we will not apply the “20% rule” until the candidates with the fewest votes have been eliminated and there are just three candidates left.

More details about TAFF can be found at David Langford's excellent website, taff.org.uk. If you are interested in standing for the 2023 TAFF Race or would like to nominate some deserving fan, please contact Fia Karlsson, the European Administrator (EUTAFF@gmail.com), or the North American Administrator, Michael Lowrey (n.a.TAFF.2020@gmail.com). Good luck, and we look forward to this being a fun and energetic TAFF race!

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