



The Passport

September 2017

Down to the last few weeks...

In a little more than 5 weeks Bouchercon 2017 will be underway.

The panels and other events have all been announced. You can view and download PDFs on the website at <http://bouchercon2017.com/programming/>. It's a great line-up of panels and panelists. And, as usual, a lot of us will have some hard choices to make.

Each day starts at 8:30 (or earlier in the case of Thursday and Friday) and runs until late in the evening – with events like author speed dating (Thursday at 8:00 A.M.), the Crime Writers of Canada pub quiz, with lots of great prizes (later Friday evening), early bird panels (8:30 every morning), a dance to big band music (Saturday evening), all winding up with the Anthony Awards Brunch and the ceremony itself.

Our program book will go to the printer tomorrow! Our editor (Kathleen Fraser) and designer (Rick Blechta) have worked on this for weeks non-stop and every bit of it we've seen is gorgeous. (Rick is one talented guy – designer of program books, author, and musician in Saturday's Big Band dance!)

This will be our last newsletter. After this point look for special emails... about our auctions, events, where to pick up your registration package, how to vote for the Anthony Awards and more!

See you in a few weeks!

Let the world know you are coming...

Please tell your friends and fans you're coming to Bouchercon: on your website, in your blog, on facebook, twitter etc.

Would you like to volunteer?

Bouchercon is 100% run by volunteers. If you'd like to join us as a volunteer, please drop us a line at volunteers@bouchercon2017.com There are lots of jobs to do – bag stuffing (Tuesday, October 10), Panel Monitors and assistants, Registration Desk, Silent and Noisy Auctions, Signing Room help... and the list goes on.

Making your travel plans...

Are you're travelling from outside of Canada to Bouchercon? Please check out the links we've posted on our website. Whether or not your country is listed, please confirm requirements before you come! <http://bouchercon2017.com/travel/border-crossing/>

Special Tours and Events...

Come to our website and register for our special tours and events. Tickets are limited (all three Conan Doyle Collection Tours and Thursday's Ghost Walk are already sold out), so sign up now! For more details check out the web page at: <http://bouchercon2017.com/events/tours/> and <http://bouchercon2017.com/events/nero-wolfe-banquet/> At the same time you can buy Sunday Brunch (\$40.00) and T-Shirts (\$20.00). Update instructions are at: <http://bouchercon2017.com/registration/updating-your-registration-info/>

Haven't Registered Yet???

If you haven't signed up yet, what better time than now to join the more than 1600 people from around the world who have already registered for Bouchercon 2017. Register at <http://bouchercon2017.com/registration/> We're looking forward to hearing from you. Registration WILL close, and all event ticket and T-Shirt sales will end at midnight on October 4.

After that, you will have to take your chances on registering on-site. And you'll pay a little more, \$200 for the weekend (or for 2 or more days). And yes, we will offer day passes \$100 a day for Thursday, Friday and Saturday and \$60 for Sunday. But again, these will have limited availability, and will be sold ONLY on site. No day passes will be sold in advance, now or at Bouchercon.

Anytime...

Drop us a line at info@Bouchercon2017.com with any questions or concerns. Our aim is to answer in 24 hours or less, but occasionally it takes longer.

Our Sponsors...



Charity Auctions

Bouchercon will host two charity auctions, a silent auction that will run Thursday through Saturday and a noisy auction that will take place Friday night.

Our charity is [Frontier College](http://www.frontiercollege.ca), Canada's oldest literacy organization

For more details on our auctions, check out our website at: bouchercon.com/auctions/