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SCI-FI EXPO INVADES IRVING THIS WEEKEND

Fans invited to meet their favorite Sci-Fi and Comic stars, plus more

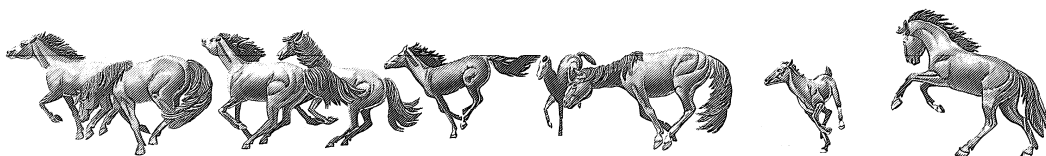
IRVING, Texas (Feb. 9 2012) – C2 Ventures *Sci-Fi Expo* invades Irving this weekend on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 11 – 12, for the third convention hosted by Dallas Comic-Con producers held at the [Irving Convention Center at Las Colinas](#) since its opening last January.

Fans of *Dollhouse*, *Firefly*, *Angel*, *Stargate* and *Battlestar Galactica* have the chance to meet their favorite stars and more. Comic fans won't be disappointed either – some of their favorite artists are in town to share their work in Artists' Alley.

"We're really happy to bring our sci-fi themed show to this beautiful new facility," said show producer Ben Stevens. "With 300,000 square feet at our disposal, the Irving Convention Center provides room to spread out and really grow; the fans have told us they really love our new 'home' as well."

Topping the Sci-Fi Expo guest list are Eliza Dushku, star of *Dollhouse*, *Buffy* and *Angel*; and numerous movies, including *True Lies*, *Bring It On*, and *Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back*.

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Dushku will greet fans and sign autographs on Saturday only, along with Adam Baldwin. Baldwin starred in the 1987 movie *Full Metal Jacket*, recently played "Agent John Casey" on the TV show *Chuck*, and appeared in *The X-Files* and *Firefly* series.

Saturday and Sunday's guest list includes three additional actors from the popular *Firefly* series, including Jewel Staite, also from the cast of *Stargate Atlantis*; Sean Maher, who recently appeared in *The Playboy Club* TV show; and Ron Glass. Glass landed a role in *Star Trek Voyager* and first found fame as character Det. Ron Harris in the popular 1970s sitcom, *Barney Miller*.

Other media guests appearing both days are Alexis Cruz of the *Stargate* movie; James Hampton of *F-Troop* and *Teen Wolf* fame; Noah Hathaway, best known as "Boxey" on the classic *Battlestar Galactica* TV series; Angie Bolling, Ellen from the *Robocop* movies; and stunt performer, Alina Andrei, cast in *The Office*, *CSI: NY* and *Dexter*.

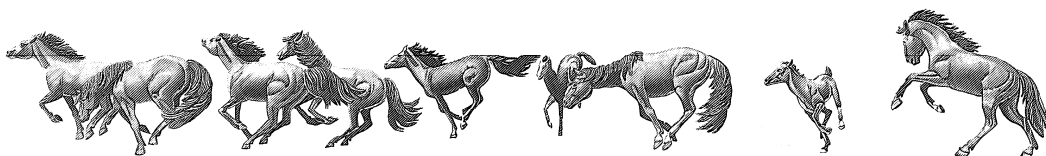
Comic fans will find more than a dozen top-notch artists at the Sci-Fi Expo, including:

- Eisner award-winning artist Bill Sienkiewicz of *Elektra: Assassin*, *Fantastic Four*, *New Mutants* and *Moon Knight* fame
- Bernie Wrightson, legendary co-creator and artist of *Swamp Thing*
- Joe Jusko, award-winning cover artist of Marvel Masterpieces trading cards
- Fan favorite, Mark Brooks, Marvel artist of *Amazing Spider-Man*

Plus, fans are invited at no additional charge to attend Q&A sessions with the guests. More than 200 exhibitor booths featuring comic books, movie memorabilia, old and new toys, clothing and other merchandise will transform the Irving Convention Center into a Sci-Fi haven for fans. Professional photos with select actors are available for an additional fee.

Admission to the Sci-Fi Expo varies upon purchase level. VIP passes are \$60 each, include show admission 30 minutes prior to other ticket holders, priority access to the autograph area and first seating for Q&A sessions. Passes are valid Saturday and Sunday, with a limited number available. Priority passes are \$40 each, allow entrance to autograph areas ahead of general admission, and are valid Saturday and Sunday, with a limited number available for purchase. One-day General admission is \$15. Admission for children ages 5-12 is \$5 when accompanied by a paid adult; children's passes are good both days.

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Expo hours are 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11; and 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 12. The Irving Convention Center, 500 W. Las Colinas Blvd., is located at the intersection of SH114 and Northwest Highway in Irving, Texas. For more information, please visit scifiexpo.com. For promotional use, downloadable *Sci-Fi Expo* images are available at scifiexpo.com/DCC/press-pix.html

About C2 Ventures:

C2 Ventures is a partnership of long-time *STAR WARS* fans Ben Stevens and Philip Wise. Since 2001, C2 Ventures has been the most trusted name in *STAR WARS* autographs, providing more authentic autographs to fans than any other provider worldwide. We produced the massive autograph program at the official *STAR WARS* Celebration II in 2002, Celebration III in 2005, Celebration IV in 2007, Celebration Japan in 2008 and Celebration V in 2010.

C2 Ventures continues to work closely with more than 100 celebrities from the *STAR WARS* Universe, including Mark Hamill, James Earl Jones, Carrie Fisher, Christopher Lee, Anthony Daniels and Samuel L. Jackson, to provide or produce special appearances at conventions and retail stores, authentic autograph signings on your product or our licensed photos, special events, exclusives, and more.

About Irving, Texas

Located immediately adjacent to Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and between Dallas and Fort Worth, Irving, Texas, boasts more than 75 hotels and nearly 12,000 rooms. Las Colinas, a 12,000-acre master-planned community within the city of Irving, is known worldwide for its quality and uniqueness. The city is home to 10,000+ companies, 50 Fortune 500 companies, and the world headquarters of six Fortune 500 companies. For more information, visit the [Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau](http://IrvingConventionandVisitorsBureau.com) site.

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