Literature

Our author guests will be discussing the following subjects during our literary track at TitanCon. There will also be a signing session at the end of the day where you can purchase books directly from some of the authors.

Is there still room for romance?

In this age of dark and gritty fantasy is there still room for romance? If so, what does it take to write a convincing and uncontrived love story or subplot?

NiNoWriMo Belfast Writers Booklaunch

Celebrating the launch of *Supernatural Suspense Anthology* by the Belfast Writers Group that participated in Northern Ireland Novel Writing Month (NiNoWriMo).
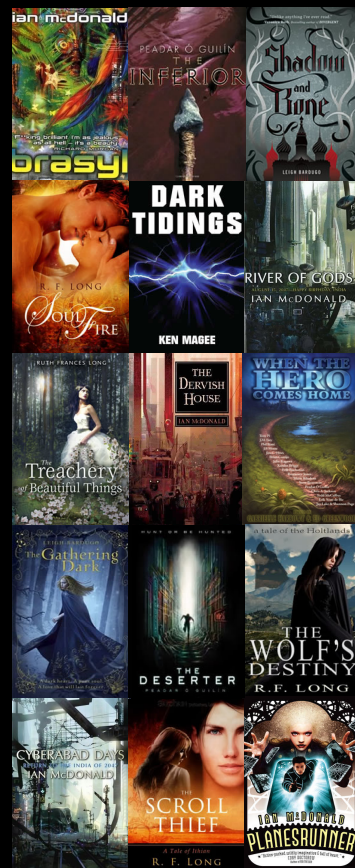
Foreshadowing in the Internet age

Twenty years ago SF/F writers could include subtle hints and clues about the future direction of the story knowing that maybe one reader in a hundred would guess what would happen next. Now with the Internet that one reader can share their ideas with everyone else and suddenly an authors' brilliant twist becomes an obvious thing that everyone knew ages ago. Is it more of a challenge to foreshadow a series of books in the Internet age? How can you successfully keep the twists and turns hidden and surprising whilst avoiding being overly subtle and obscure or turning to dues-ex-machina?

How to become a published author

Our author guests discuss what it takes to go from amateur to professional writer, the pitfalls to avoid and tips on how to succeed.

The eBooks Debate

With eBook sales now overtaking physical books the publishing industry is undergoing a radical transformation. What does this mean for publishers and have they taken the right steps to transition into this new medium? Are prices fair and acceptable for consumers whilst still offering enough growth for publishers to enable them to keep doing the vital jobs of editing, proofing and promotion? eBooks is a topic sure to spark a strong debate that will pull no punches.

Schedule:

11.30   Is there still room for romance? (*Castle Black*)

12.30   NiNoWriMo Belfast Writers Booklaunch (*Castle Black*)

14.00   Foreshadowing in the Internet age (*Castle Black*)

15.00   How to become a published author (*Castle Black*)

16.00   The eBooks Debate (*King's Landing*)

17.00   Author signing (*Riverrun*)