

# OUTLANTA CON

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## Eugie Foster Joins Guest Roster at OutlantaCon

*Author Set to Discuss "Sinner, Baker, Fabulist, Priest; Red Mask, Black Mask, Gentleman, Beast"*

**ATLANTA GA – 14 April 2010** OutlantaCon, the Atlanta-based event for science fiction, fantasy and horror fan groups supporting and promoting gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender themes within the genres, announced today the addition of author Eugie Foster to its line-up of guest speakers. OutlantaCon's second annual convention is scheduled in Atlanta 30 April to 2 May 2010 at the Holiday Inn Select – Atlanta Perimeter.

Foster was the recipient of a Phobos award in 2002 and in 2009 was named the Bards and Sages Author of the Year. Her most recent release, the novelette "Sinner, Baker, Fabulist, Priest; Red Mask, Black Mask, Gentleman, Beast," has been nominated for Hugo, BSFA and Nebula awards as well as being named to the 2009 Tangent 3-Star Recommended Reading List.

"In the society I established in my novelette 'Sinner, Baker, Fabulist, Priest; Red Mask, Black Mask, Gentleman, Beast,' everyone is required to don a different mask each day, and the mask dictates who that wearer is for that day--their identity, vocation, caste, even gender," stated Foster, explaining how her work reflects LGBT themes. "Although it has been described as a dystopia, I wrote it to be an examination and exploration of themes of identity and self, of how our actions exemplify who we are against a backdrop of cultural roles and societal expectations, the daily decisions that comprise our fundamental sense of self, and the external and internal influences that affect these decisions."

For a complete list of speakers and events, visit [www.outlantacon.org](http://www.outlantacon.org).

### About OutlantaCon

Atlanta-based OutlantaCon is the southeast's largest event for science fiction, fantasy and horror fan groups supporting and promoting gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender themes within the genres. Held annually in the spring, the convention last year attracted over 200 registrants. For more information, visit [www.outlantacon.org](http://www.outlantacon.org).

### About Eugie Foster

Eugie Foster calls home a mildly haunted, fey-infested house in metro Atlanta that she shares with her husband, Matthew. After receiving her master's degree in psychology, she retired from academia to pen flights of fancy. She also edits legislation for the Georgia General Assembly, which from time to time she suspects is another venture into flights of fancy. Eugie's fiction has been translated into Greek, Hungarian, Polish and French, and her publication credits number over 100. They include stories in Realms of Fantasy, Interzone, Cricket, Fantasy Magazine, Orson Scott Card's InterGalactic Medicine Show and Jim Baen's Universe; podcasts Escape Pod, Pseudopod and PodCastle; and anthologies "Best New Fantasy" (Prime Books), "Heroes in Training" (DAW Books), "So Fey" (Lethe Press), and "Best

New Romantic Fantasy 2” (Juno Books). Her short story collection, “Returning My Sister's Face: And Other Far Eastern Tales of Whimsy and Malice,” is available from Norilana Books. Visit her online at <http://www.eugiefoster.com/>.

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