

The Art, The Craft, The Joy of... COSTUME!

Are you interested in Costume? Do you wear, design, construct, study, photograph, display, collect, or do you just like to watch the clothing go by? Are you looking for other people in New England who share your interest? Join the.

Northern Lights Costumers' Guild

Who are we and why do we do it?

We are the New England chapter of the International Costumers' Guild (ICG), which is a worldwide organization of costume professionals and hobbyists. It is a non-profit, charitable, and educational organization designed to "promote the educational, cultural, literary, artistic, and theatrical advancement of costume design and construction, and the influence of costume (clothing), fabrics, and design upon societies and cultures." It is also designed to "promote public goodwill towards the costuming community and to provide a public forum for the discussion of costume, clothing, and other related subjects through publications, conferences, and other special projects." The ICG publishes *The ICG Newsletter*, which features articles on techniques, events, and items of interest to costumers. ICG's website: www.costume.org.



Members of the Northern Lights also enjoy Costume-Con, the annual conference presented by costumers around the world for costumers and all about costuming. Costume-Cons provide presentations, seminars and workshops in various costuming skills as well as competitions for the best in the world of amateur costuming. Costume-Con's Visual Archive: www.costume-con.org.

Where can you find us?

Our members are scattered over the greater New England area. You can also find concentrations of costumers at regional Science Fiction Conventions like Arisia (www.arisia.org) and the World Science Fiction Conventions (www.worldcon.org). For information about the dates, times, and places of our next meetings, see us at: noelcg.costume.org.



Why do I want to join?

We keep each other informed about special events of interest including exhibits, costume competitions, and fabric sales – largely by email. We also provide peer review, host meetings, work sessions, field trips, and organize group costume efforts by our members. Membership allows you to join in the fun and be a part of an active, friendly network of people who share your interest in costuming.

Please send the completed form and correspondence to Northern Lights Costumers' Guild c/o Susan Smith, Treasurer, 1 Glen Meadow Road, Franklin, MA 02038, or email to treasurer@noelcg.costume.org. Please use "Costume Guild" in the subject line. Please make checks

payable to Northern Lights Costumers' Guild. Date _____

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Noel/Primary Chapter Membership (includes ICG membership):

___ Individual (\$14.00)

___ Student/Senior (\$9.00, please provide documentation)

___ Household (\$24.00, covers up to 3 people at one street address and one copy of printed publications).

Non-ICG/Secondary Chapter Membership (Noel Membership only as secondary chapter):

___ Individual (\$6.00)

___ Head Household + 1 Member, same address (\$10.00)

___ Head Household + 2 Members, same address (\$12.00) You *must* provide the name of your Primary

Chapter to receive this rate. _____