

# THE PEACEKEEPER BEACON



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## Farscape Will Air As Miniseries!

By Christiarc (Oklahoma)

By now, it's no secret...the past couple years of hard work have paid off, in spades!

We've accomplished what all the experts...EVERYONE...said could not be done. Don't get comfortable, yet.

We must get the ratings sky high and there's no two ways about it! Each of us has to talk it up. We have to support the projects which will get more eyes on the MINI.

Each of us has sat down, in front of the TV and scanned through the channels for some bit of television fare worth spending time watching. No, it's not too much to ask at the end of a hard day. For many of us, *Farscape* was "that" hour per week.

*Farscape* was like a small



**"You guys ROCK!"  
Ben Browder, ComicCon, July 2004**

film, each and every week. It made us laugh, cry, shudder and gasp...but we were never bored. This is why hundreds of thousands of people, worldwide, have banded together to bring it back.

Now, troops...do whatever you can...get the numbers up for the Mini! With high

enough numbers, we'll never be without it again. Star Trek is proof. Where can *Farscape* go from here? Well, the universe IS big!

**"And it ends in "To Be Continued," right?"  
Ben Browder, ComicCon  
July 2004**

## SciFi's "Farscape Marathon" Lead-In to the Miniseries

Scapers asked for a marathon and we have received more than we'd ever expected.

All 88 episodes will be aired, in order, on SciFi's Daytime Rotation. Eleven full days of programming, completely given to *Farscape*.

Monday-Friday  
9amEST/8amCST  
Through  
4pmEST/3pmCST  
Beginning Friday, October 1st  
Through  
Friday, October 15th

Be sure to verify the times with your local listings and set your recording devices properly.

**This may be your only opportunity to record straight through from the Premiere to the end of the Mini!**

### TPB Highlights:

- Miniseries: October 17, 2004
- SciFi "Farscape Marathon": October 1-15, 2004

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## Scaper Projects: The Library Bookmark Project by Mickie (TwinCities Scapers)



Now that we're starting to push hard for advertising ideas, I thought that I'd throw this one out. How about getting a bit of extra mileage out of the Library Project. What I was thinking of was sending bookmarks to all the branches of all the libraries that we've scaped.

This is, really, a bigger project than it sounds like. I've crunched the numbers and those 131 libraries actually have over 1500 branches cumulative.

I was thinking of setting 20 bookmarks per branch as a good minimum number. It doesn't sound like much but  $20 \times 1500 = 30,000$  bookmarks (yeah, Mickie can do basic math). Sending a little bit to a lot of places also minimizes the loss if a given branch chooses not to participate.

Here's how the pricing would break down for 30,000 bookmarks:

Printing through 48hourprint.com = 800 postage for 700 packages \$ (yeah the shipping is almost as much as cost of the printing)

Total = \$1500.00

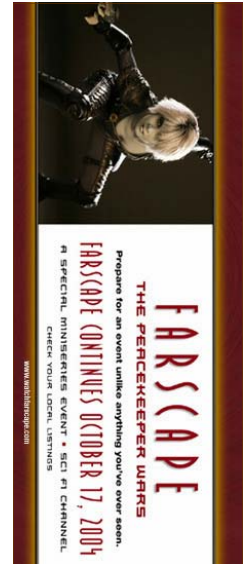
I would also like to open this up to groups or individuals who would like to use them for their own scaping efforts, library or otherwise. (100 bookmarks for a \$6.00 donation. Yeah yeah, I'm imposing a middleman markup). I did look into mass market mailings, but when all is said in done, it would only save us about \$20.00 (which I'm willing to toss in just to save us the paperwork) I'm going to need a fair amount of help to pull this off:

You may donate to this project or volunteer your help by contacting:

mickie@watchfarscape.com

I'm aiming for end of Mid-September to send these out.

More GREAT graphic artwork by mycattoldme!



### Want to see the *Frellin' Fantastic* Trailer from ComicCon? Another Scaper Blitz has done the trick!

On August 13th, red, at WatchFarscape.com, posted this message:

"Want to see the trailer? we need your help. The *Farscape* mini-series is unique in that most mini-series and tv series don't actually ever do 2 minute trailers, so there aren't really any great online venues to release a tv mini-series trailer. How would you like to see it at Apple.com's trailer site? I'd love to see it there, if only for a handful of days, but apple.com hasn't responded yet.

Well, how about if you drop them a line? [trailers@mac.com](mailto:trailers@mac.com) Let them know that there's a great new *Farscape* mini-series coming and there's a bitchin' trailer, and then tell them to contact the Jim Henson Company for information on how to get their hands on it.

As usual, *Farscape* fans responded with one email after another, until with our usual tenacity...we got what we asked for!

Friday, August 20th, on **The G Block on The Fox Report With Shepard Smith**, The Fox News Channel, the announcement was made:

The trailer for *Farscape: The Peacekeeper Wars* has debuted at [apple.com/trailers](http://apple.com/trailers), the Apple.com movie trailers page, at 3pm EST on Wednesday Aug. 25!!! It is "rockin' like a hurricane!"

In seven days an idea went from a desire to see the remarkable ComicCon trailer video, to a request blitz (at first, rejected), to an agreement to provide a venue to view the trailer we all can enjoy!

Here's the link:

[http://movies.apple.com:80/movies/independent/farscape/farscape-peacekeeper\\_m480.mov](http://movies.apple.com:80/movies/independent/farscape/farscape-peacekeeper_m480.mov)

Scapers, you could "cure a rainy day!"

### Virginia Hey's New Website

Our beautiful, blue, babe, Virginia Hey, has a new website look and style.

This is so relaxed and easygoing, it feels just like sitting down for a intimate chat with our "gentle Ginny."

Take a minute and visit her site.

[www.virginiahey.com](http://www.virginiahey.com)



### Farscape Sports? Sure!

(Editor's Note: When I showed the first edition to my son, he said "Cool, but there's no sports in your paper" We'll just see about that!)

When you watched the Olympic Opening Ceremonies, you were watching a Scaper's work!

Scaper, Marti Acker (aka **VodalianMage**) is part of the crew (Wardrobe) for the Opening Ceremonies in Athens.

We are EVERYWHERE! Congratulations, Marti!

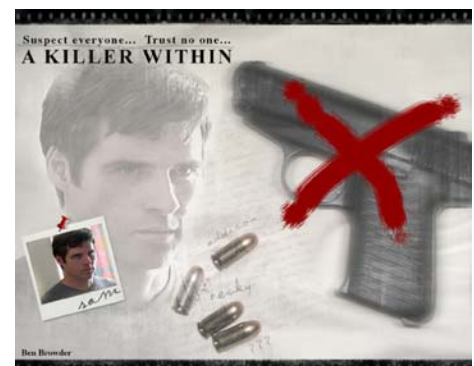
### Thanks to Apple.com For the Mini Trailer!

We should all be as quick to send our gratitude as we are to send out requests. Email to:

[trailers@mac.com](mailto:trailers@mac.com)

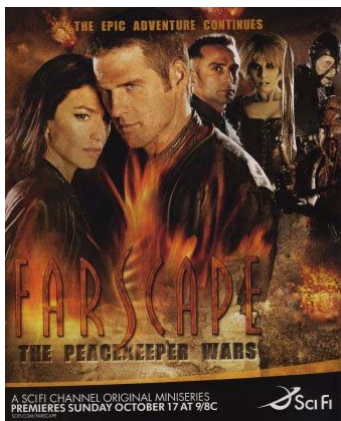
If you want to send your "Thanks" to Apple via postal mail, send to:

Apple.com  
1 Infinite Loop  
Cupertino, CA 95014



"A Killer Within" Starring Ben Browder  
Coming this fall to a theater near you!

## Media Love: All Time High



SciFi Magazine, released to stores in August, carried this full page ad for the Mini. It's a beautifully done and well placed ad. If you haven't seen it close up, you should try to do so. Send the

receipt for the mag to SciFi Magazine, along with a note explaining why you bought it. Positive reinforcement, folks!

As always, TV Guide has been "over-the-top" in generosity to the Farscape cause! TVGuide.com Insider has run very nice pieces

### Farscape:Peacekeeper Wars Viewing Parties!

You heard it from David Kemper, himself! Don't watch *Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars* by yourself! Hold a viewing party! Take a photo! Send them to this newsletter and over the months after the Mini, TPB will print your party pics. These can be family groups, scaper groups or just a few friends you have invited to share the wonders. Send the photos by email or postal mail and we'll share your good fellowship with the rest of the Scaper World!

**"I will just say this. I would say... I wouldn't watch it alone."**

David Kemper  
(about F:PW)

on the Mini and Claudia Black. The links to these are:

**August 12, 2004**

#### Farscape Miniseries Scoop!

<http://www.tvguide.com/news/insider/040812b.asp>

After several months of preproduction, the cast reassembled in Australia in December of last year for an intense nine-week shoot. "It was enormously challenging," Henson says. "It's a movie, so the scenes were bigger and there were always more characters. We were usually doing only one or two takes of a shot with four cameras rolling, so everyone had to be on their game. There was no space for people to be forgetting lines or things like that."



**Their feedback page is located at:**

<http://www.tvguide.com/services/feedback/online/contactus.asp>

**Or their postal mail address is:**

Mr. Steve Sonsky, Executive Editor  
TV Guide  
1211 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, NY 10036

Drop them a line, at TV Guide and offer Ethan Alter a word of Scaper "Thanks!"

*(A request for a PKW cover, would be nice)*

**Another good piece is the MediaSharx article, August 8, 2004.**

**Emotional Resonance & Rocket Launchers**  
*SciFi Channel: Helping An Old Friend Get Back On Its Feet*

by Scott Nance

Read it here:

<http://www.mediasharx.com/index.php/columns/2789>

If you see a printed or televised media piece about Farscape, send it to this newsletter and we'll try to publish it here. Looks like it will only increase, prior to the Mini!

## Brian Henson Gives Kudos to Fans!

**ComicCon, 2004, Brian Henson:**

*"... But one thing that I know that people have read that I've said this, but I want to say it a gain. There is absolutely no way that Farscape*



*would have been continuing, without the work of the fans of Farscape to try and keep it alive. And that genuinely is true. This mini-series was independently financed. And those financiers found out about the show, and about the possibility of it continuing, through the efforts of the fans. And they were introduced to me by the fans. So we would not be sitting here, and we would not have made this mini-series, and Farscape would not be continuing if it wasn't for everything that you've done. So that YOU for what you've done."*

## More Love from TV Guide Inside Online!

By Ethan Alter, TV Guide Inside News

**Friday Aug 13, 2004**

#### Farscape Vixen Returns

<http://www.tvguide.com/news/insider/040813b.asp>

Claudia speaks about her characters transition into the Mini, "How do you deal with a woman who was bred to be a soldier, who was never supposed to have emotions for other people, and who is now pregnant?" she says. "This time, you see a more improved, upgraded Aeryn. She's a woman now, not a girl so much. But it was bizarre at first, because I was used to Aeryn the warrior. Here, I was Aeryn the woman first, and the warrior second."

In early 2005, viewers will have the chance to see Black as a different kind of alien — a villainous one — on the popular Sci Fi series, *Stargate: SG-1*. "She's a pretty manipulative character," Black says. "I've never played that type before."

**Monday, August 16, 2004**

#### Ben Browder's Farscape Plan

<http://www.tvguide.com/news/insider/040816a.asp>

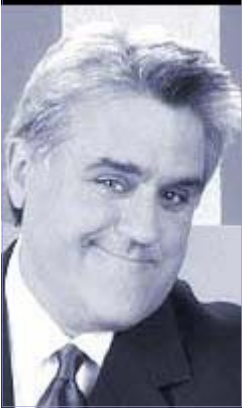
"I got tears in my eyes walking back onto the set," Browder tells TV Guide Online. "To walk back onto Moya [the living leviathan which housed Crichton and his band of interstellar

fugitives] was like seeing an old friend you never thought you'd see again. There were minor differences [in the set], but for the most part, it was like a time warp. A year and a half had passed since they had dismantled it, and there it was again."

No spoilers here, but Ben goes on to say, "When we come back to the story, they're still in 275,000 pieces," Browder laughs. "But I don't think I'm giving much away to say that Crichton and Aeryn return. However, it may not be the Crichton that people remember...."

Come on, October!

# Let's get the Farscape Cast on Leno or Conan!



## The Tonight Show with Jay Leno

Let's get the attention of *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*! Our Farscape stars will be the best guests...ever!

## Post your requests for the Farscape Cast:

<http://www.nbc.com/nbc/>

[The\\_Tonight\\_Show\\_with\\_Jay\\_Leno/feedback/](http://www.nbc.com/nbc/feedback/)

Or post at the Leno message board here:  
<http://www.nbc.com/boards/Leno/>

## Or you can send your request by postal mail:

The Tonight Show with Jay Leno  
3000 W. Alameda Ave.  
Burbank, CA 91523

## Might as well put the word out to Conan O'Brien, too!

*Late Night with Conan O'Brien*

## Post your requests for the Farscape Cast:

<http://boards.nbc.com/bb/postlist.php?Cat=&Board=Conan&page=0&view=collapsed&sb=5&o=>

## Or Email to here:

[LateNight@nbc.com](mailto:LateNight@nbc.com)

## Or you can send your request by postal mail:

Late Night with Conan O'Brien  
30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, NY 10112

## Let's make sure they know:

Are you looking for guest stars who will draw in viewers by the thousands?

## Late Night with Conan O'Brien

Then the cast of *Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars* are people you need to have as your guests...they stars of this year's biggest blockbuster miniseries on the SciFi Channel.



The filming of this mini used up all the explosives in Australia...and then some! No other couple has the chemistry on screen, like Ben Browder and Claudia Black! Get 'em now...after October 17, 2004...they are going to be the hottest pair in the world.

## Henson Donates Farscape Props for the "Scape the World" Contest!

"Thanks to all of the fans who came to Comic Con and continue to spread the word about Farscape. Your commitment to invite new viewers into Farscape's universe has been seen around the world. With the airing of the miniseries coming up fast, your efforts mean more now than ever before and I am grateful for the unending dedication you have all shown. Thanks again for all you have done to continue the Farscape adventure."

Brian Henson

Executive Producer and Director  
*Farscape: The Peacekeeper Wars*

Countdown to **The Peacekeeper Wars, Scape the World Contest**. Win authentic, official *Farscape* props. As a "thank you" to the fans for saving *Farscape*, The Jim Henson Company has generously donated a collection of six props from the set of *Farscape* to WatchFarscape.com. We want to give those props to you, the real heroes in the battle to save *Farscape*. This is where you, by doing what you've been doing so brilliantly for the past two years, will have a chance to win one of several authentic *Farscape* props, and other great *Farscape* prizes.

### THE CONTEST

This is to be an individual or local group, grassroots, fan-based PR-blitz that will take place during the week before the airing of *Farscape: The Peacekeeper Wars*.

While we'd love for every Scaper to be able to take part, the real telling of *Farscape's* future will be how well it does during its U.S. SCI FI

Channel airing, so this contest is only open to advertising, projects, or events that take place in the U.S. Scapers outside of the U.S. may enter, but their projects or events must take place in the U.S. during the time specified.

Your goal in this contest is to devise advertising, projects, or events that will reach as many non-Scapers and non-scifi fans as possible, and then you must carry out those plans. You want to attract good, positive attention to *Farscape* and to get the details of the upcoming mini-series out there to as many non-Scaper/non-scifi fans as possible. Get the local press involved, or take advantage of local events, and use all the resources at your disposal.

You or your group can enter an event or project into one of 6 different categories, you will then provide proof that your project or event occurred during the timeline set for the contest, and each completed event will be judged on a set of 5 different criteria. The project with the most points in its category will win. You or your group may enter more than one project in more than one category, but in order to win you must provide proof that a project was carried out.

No projects currently in discussion or in the works on any of the *Farscape* boards or groups will be eligible to win; to be fair to all, the contest is only open to new projects.

Be as creative as you can be, but remember that you're hoping to catch the eyes of non-*Farscape* viewers, and even non-scifi fans, so you will be *Farscape's* ambassadors to a new audience. Present Scapers and *Farscape* in the best and brightest possible light with projects that typify the high-standards, high-quality, and

creativity of the story itself.

### Categories

(one grand-prize winner per category)

Your projects will only be limited by the bounds of your imagination (and good taste and legality -- please don't get yourself arrested in the name of *Farscape*).

1. Television
2. Radio
3. Print
4. Outdoor Advertising
5. Live Event
6. Internet

### Criteria

Each event will be judged in its category based on the following criteria. Points awarded in each area, to be tallied into a grand total.

- Number of viewers/participants

*example:* if you're organizing an event, rally, or flash mob, how many people participate?

- Length/Quality of exposure

*example:* if you organize a fan group to stand outside at the Today Show, do you get on air? For how long? Does a host come over and talk to you on camera?

*example II:* if you get a letter or an editorial into a local paper, what's the paper's circulation and where in the paper does the letter or editorial appear?

- Outreach to non-Farscape/non-scifi audience

*example --* How well does your project or event reach that non-scifi, non-*Farscape* audience? Handing out fliers at a local, non-scifi event will reach more of that audience than handing out fliers at a local scifi convention or meeting.

- Targeted message

*example --* Does your project or event manage to give

## GenCon Report

The Jerry Springer kind of family that are Farscape Fans joined up to scape the attendees of GenCon in Indianapolis the weekend of August 19 - 22nd. GenCon Indy is touted as the best 4 days of gaming and is attended by 25-30,000 people each year. We saw a heck of a lot of them at the Farscape booth over the four days of the con - which is a great thing. We few...we happy (and tired) few...we band of scapers that worked the booth had a great time.

We set up on Wednesday as the core group of "all weekend" scapers arrived in Indy. PKRanger joined njak and I from Ohio, Muaadeeb and the ChicagoScapers (grapeshot, Jen and Mattttt) arrived by car soon after. The lovely and talented Lowell Stouder (BigTall) also joined us from Virginia. UTChick arrived using the most circuitous route from Philadelphia to Indy by way of Florida. After setting up the booth, we all adjourned to Fridays for some food cubes and raslak. It was the last rest we'd get until Sunday.

After the con opened on Thursday it all kicked into high gear. During the 4 days of the con, I could probably count on one hand the number of

times there were no visitors at the booth. Often we had people stacked up waiting to raid the freebies on the table or to take a shot at one of the baddies (Ahkna, Scorpy, Grayza and Staleek) on the booth's dartboard to earn raffle tickets. The scapers at the booth were highly effective at pulling in the hardcore fan as well as the casual viewer and the newbie. Whether it was Lowell's booming voice, Muaadeeb's infectious enthusiasm or UTChick's quiet "come hither and throw darts" gesture, fans couldn't resist taking a peak at our swag and info.

Friday and Saturday, our scaper legion grew as Jubi Solo, Sunderflame, Camerakiller (and her



hubby) and CrystalMoon joined in the fun at the booth. Saturday was also panel day. Muaadeeb and the ChicagoScapers did the honors at 2 panels and said that fun was had by all talking the campaign and Farscape to a captive audience. Thanks to the FWA we could pay for the booth. Thanks to FarOps we had lots of swag and giveaways. Besides the lovely swag donated by other Scapers at the Con itself, Scapers around the country sent swag as well.

The final raffle on Sunday (which was the only "you must be in attendance" raffle) had scapers packing the aisles in all directions for at least two booths away. We had to hurry as security was getting quite nervous, the entire area was one big log jam as people started to arrive 30 minutes before the raffle time. Very exciting and quite hectic. We had scapers at the booth even after they turned the lights off in the hall and were shoeing people out on Sunday. Gamers seem to love Farscape :) All in all, the Farscape Booth at GenCon seemed to do it's job: whipping people up into a frenzy over Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars. And that's the way we like it.

## Henson Donates Farscape Props for Contest!

(cont.)

out the date and time of the mini-series? Or does it transmit a general spreading of *Farscape* awareness, that could be built upon by other traditional methods of advertising?

### • Creativity

example -- ah, Scapers don't need examples in how to be creative, they **are** examples in how to be creative.

Watchfarscape.com will be judging the contest. In the event of a tie, the final decision will be made by an outside body.

### Timeline

August 25rd - The Contest Begins

August 25rd - September 30th -- Brainstorming ideas on how to reach a new audience.

October 1st - 5th -- Proposal submission deadlines

October 8th - 16th -- Projects and events must occur during this time

October 17th - 31st -- Proof of completed event or project must be submitted

November 20th -- The Winners will be announced and prizes awarded at this year's official Farscape convention in Burbank.

### How to Enter

Upon the posting of this contest, new threads for each of the categories will be opened in the "I Have A Plan" forum on the watchfarscape.com community message board, Frell Me Dead.

From August 25rd to September 30th, we encourage as much brainstorming and sharing of ideas and resources as possible amongst Scapers in all of these categories. We want every fan here to reach their goal of Scaping the world; the more viewers *Farscape* has, the

better its future will be, and we'll all be winners of this contest.

On October 1st - 5th, you or your group will submit your proposed project or event to watchfarscape.com at [farscape@watchfarscape.com](mailto:farscape@watchfarscape.com) with the header "Contest Entry".

**Your project must be executed at some point during the period of October 8th through October 16th.**

You will have from October 17th to October 31st to submit to watchfarscape.com via email, fax or post mail, the proof of your project's completion and any supporting material such as ratings, circulation of publication, or event numbers. (examples - photographs, screen capture, press clippings, audio or video recordings)

On November 20th, at the official *Farscape* convention in Burbank, CA, winners will be announced and prizes will be awarded. If winners are unable to be present, their prizes will be shipped to them. In the event that a group wins, the individual who submitted the proposal will be awarded the prize.

### Other Details

You don't need to enter the contest in order to think up a project for you and your friends to participate in. In fact, we want to encourage that, and that's the basis of this project. The props are a "thank you" from The Jim Henson Company, and this contest is a "thank you" from us, for doing everything you've done over the past two years. You are an amazing, endlessly creative community and this is just our small way of encouraging you towards that last little push to the mini-series, but also giving you a chance to get something back for all the hard

work you've already done.

Whatever you can do, big or small, national or local, print or live, donating to charity or throwing a Scaper party, will all be part of ensuring that *Farscape* has a future beyond the mini-series.

Best of luck to all the participants.

All the info you need may be found at:

<http://www.watchfarscape.com/forums/showthread.php?p=545730#post545730>

## Upcoming Events

### August 28-29: Creation SciFi Com

Sacramento Scapers will be operating the Farscape booth.

### September 3-6: DragonCon

Southeast Scapers ([www.southeastscaper.com](http://www.southeastscaper.com)) are on board for this one.

### September 2-6: Worldcon/Noreascon, Boston, MA

Boston Scapers will be there, caring for the FS fantable.

### September 24-26: FenCon, Dallas, TX

We can't tell if there is a scaper group doing a booth or table. Hope one of you from Texas will let this newsletter know.

### September 30-October 3: Arcon, Collinsville, IL

This is the St. Louis, MO area. Hope a regional group will be there, too. Let us know if your group will be there and we'll put this in for next month.

Send us notification of any event your group is planning and we'll get it in print.

## Spread the Scaper Word!

Harveywhispers  
(TwinCities Scapers)

### Con Organizers - DRD Keychains - CHEAP!!!

I was recently able to broker a deal in which an online toy dealer is will-



ing to sell their last 250 DRD keychains for .89 cents each. Original price for these keychains is \$7.99 each, and the company is willing to provide this deal due to the respect they have for the Scaper work ethic.

As of today, I have attained 125 of the keychains for the efforts of

FarOps. That leaves a possibility for other Scaper groups/Scapers to attain a number for their own swag supplies. Another possibility is to donate toward more keychains heading to DragonCon and WorldCon. Whatever the case, I will be collecting paypal payments for keychains over the next two days (thru Monday evening). My request is that, if purchasing for the swag stores of your own group, just shoot me a PM first. This will allow me to ensure that the kindness of the toy dealer is not being exploited for purposes of getting a cheap keychain/re-sale. If donating for Dragon/WorldCon, just note as such in the paypal transaction.

If you just want one for your collection, I just wouldn't feel right about abusing the great deal these fine folks agreed to.

#### Note:

Generous donations have already resulted in the ability to send an additional 56 keychains to DragonCon/WorldCon.

## Cheap Buzz!

### Share this newsletter

Print 2-5 copies of this newsletter. Leave the copies at your local coffee shop, bookstore, library, or anywhere else someone may sit and read.

This newsletter is read by more people than could have ever been anticipated. If each of us were to copy it and leave even one copy on a waiting room table at a doctor's office, dentist's office, beauty shop, automotive repair...all new viewers are reached at, virtually, no cost!

Waiting rooms are "waiting" on this great way to create all new buzz!

This newsletter prints out easily on regular 8 1/2x11" sheets.

Send an email to TPB and let us know where you left copies!

### Signatures

Almost all email setups have a "signature" option. Use yours to promote the Mini, every time you send an email. Locate your email "signature" option and sign all your emails with:

"Farscape Returns! Epic four-hour Miniseries, *Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars*," begins October 17, 2004 on the SciFi Channel ...Tune In and Share The Wonders"

For email "sigs" which accept a graphic, 20 Great Banners by Anubis are at:

<http://www.watchfarscape.com/forums/showthread.php?t=26101&page=1&pp=40>

## Calendars-David Franklin & Lani Tupu

Available at:



David Franklin's  
2005 Calendar

Lani Tupu's  
"Limited Edition"  
Sketch Pad  
2005 Calendar



David Franklin's Calendar will be "in stock" September 1st.

"He was a lowly Lieutenant. Described pejoratively as the "ultimate peacekeeper". Political animal, lackey, Smithers, brown-nose, playing.... the scorn heaped on him seemed endless.

After undergoing an Xtreme makeover he has reinvented himself. "

Lani Tupu's "Limited Edition" Sketch Pad, 2005 Calendar is available now.

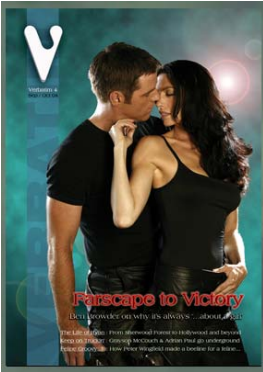
This calendar compiles several of Lani's limited edition sketches. Please check out the various sketches to get an idea of what is contained in the calendar. There are 11 of his sketches plus one candid shot of Lani preparing his paints.

### Order online here:

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## Verbatim Magazine



ISSUE 4:  
*"Women are smart. If women watch it, it's smart. That's my opinion. (Laughs) Hey, look, I take that position, because it's safe. Women are smarter than men. I don't argue with my mother, I don't argue with my*

*wife. They're smarter than I am. I know that, okay? I have women on a pedestal because they're better looking, they're smarter, and, dog gone it, I like 'em."*

**Ben Browder, Farscape**

Order here:

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## Joe Navarro's New Farscape Book!

The final text has just gone to the publisher on Joe Navarro's new *Farscape* book. The name of the book is *The Creatures of Farscape, Behind the Scenes at Jim Henson's Creature Shop*, and it follows the creation of *Farscape's* myriad alien characters from the early days when the show was still called *Space Chase*, right through *The Peacekeeper Wars*.

It's packed with tons of cool art and photos, most of it in color, including a lot of stuff that's never been seen before. As a lifelong SF fan and makeup/makeup FX junkie, Joe wanted to do the kind of book he'd be interested in buying.

The book covers the initial design phase, going all the way back to its earliest *Space Chase Days*, when most of the characters looked very different than the way they finally ended up on screen. D'Argo as a giant animatronic lizard? Zhaan a male Buddhist monk-type? Scorpius a multi-legged insect? Some of the original art has never been seen anywhere before, mainly because it was scattered around dusty shelves in the

London Creature Shop for years. Plus lots of interviews with the people who were there at the time, from producer Brian Henson to series creator Brian Henson to the original artists and designers.

Suffice to say, you'll find some photos that probably won't be seen anywhere else, a few revelations about scenes that never made it into the final product, and a couple of surprises. Joe has promised you won't be disappointed.

Oh yes, this book also has an introduction by producer, Brian Henson, and a final word by Dick Smith, arguably one of the world's greatest living makeup artists.

The release date is scheduled for October 2004, to coincide with the airdate for *Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars*.

Read about this book at:

<http://www.farscapeworld.com/news/shownews.php?id=175>

If you wish to order this book, order from this link and support the FarscapeWorld site!

## Browder's Audiobook, *The Interlopers*, by Alan Dean Foster

You might have heard that Ben Browder recently narrated an audiobook for Buzzy Multimedia- *Interlopers* by Alan Dean Foster. It's going to be an 8-CD set, selling for \$45.00, and ready for mailing in early October. Word has it that it's going to be very

good. (which is not at all surprising, since Alan wrote it and Ben narrates it!)

You can visit any of these links to purchase:

[fsgfinejewelry.com](http://www.fsgfinejewelry.com) (DorothyGail's site)

<http://members.aol.com/acsfanfiction/> (aeryncrichton's fanfiction site.)

[www.forfarscape.com](http://www.forfarscape.com) (the Farscape Webmaster's Association Site)

<http://farnews.org/index.php?cat=24>

(FarNews.org)

## Nat'l Advertising Campaign

With the invaluable help of LilOrion, we've been busy contacting cable networks to help get a view of our best options given the amount of money currently in the fund.

As of this afternoon, the balance of the fund of the National Television Advertising Project is \$9,731.93. With this total, we've got some options to think about. We've contacted the following cable networks for prices:

Cartoon Network (during Adult Swim)

\$6982 - \$13962 (:15 and :30 seconds - ad will automatically be shown twice)

FX

\$798 - \$8138 (:30 commercials)

A&E

\$3897 - \$22,179 (:30 seconds)

The History Channel

\$5368 - \$22,395 (:30 seconds)

Discovery Channel

\$2922 - \$3565 (:30 seconds)

The Learning Channel

\$7776 - \$14163 (:30 seconds)

Animal Planet

\$1487 - \$4173 (:30 seconds)

The Travel Channel

What we're going to hit by advertising on non-NBC Universal networks, is that we won't be able to give the date and time of the mini-series. Networks don't generally like to advertise for their competitors. We'll have to say something along the lines of "check your local listings for date and time" or, alternately

## Jul (www.watchfarscape.com)

we're planning on having the commercial direct interested people to the easily remembered farwhat.com url for the date and time of the mini-series, and for more information on Farscape.

What we really need now, to make this as effective as possible, is more money. More funds will allow us to make sure we can get enough repetition of the message to get last minute buzz about the miniseries going.

As soon as we've decided definitely which channels we'd most like to go for, and their prices, we'll update this again.

For more detailed info, visit: <http://www.watchfarscape.com/forums/showthread.php?t=27466>

## “The Saga Continues: The Farscape Trading Card Adventure”

Due to the extensive success of “Unrealized Realities: The Farscape Trading Card Project”, I am proud to unveil “The Saga Continues: The Farscape Trading Card Adventure”. Specifically, this is meant to serve as a continuation of our efforts to complete a genre-jumping project!



October 17, 2004  
on the SciFi Channel!

### The Plan

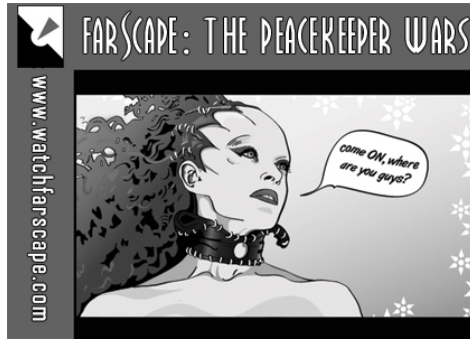
We will be using a total of 12 new art submissions, to produce a total of six two-sided trading cards.



Each piece has been provided by our original artists, and will be presented in the color/black & white format. 2,000 of each card will be produced, for a total of 12,000 trading cards.

We are in need of Scapers, through the entire United States and any of our willing worldwide friends, to contact a local electronics specialty store regarding the possibility of giving customers cards as a promotional item during the two-week period prior to the miniseries. Types of stores we specifically want to focus upon are those

who have proven friendliness to Scaperdom, or Farscape products. Immediately coming to mind, are Best Buy or Suncoast Pictures, within my own region. Should



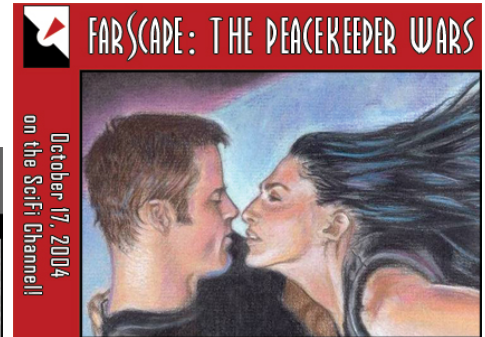
you prefer to aim your attentions at a different type of store within your area, you might choose to again focus upon the comic shops as was done in our initial round.

Cards will be available at a slightly increased rate, this time, due to a strong need to offset postage expense that is sure to be related. Expense will be \$10.00 donation, per each 100 cards an individual/group would like to secure for their area.



Logistical problems encountered in the first version of this project have all been resolved, as I now have a team specifically focused upon shipping. It is the duty of these lucky individuals to daily access the notices, print

By harveywhispers(Wisconsin)



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on the SciFi Channel!

the orders/addresses and prepare the envelopes well in advance of card delivery.

We would love for this project to be a success...for this, we need the donations to

start and the need to begin!

**Card Delivery**  
If I am able to collect \$400.00 within the next two weeks, we will have the trading cards three weeks in advance of the miniseries! I am starting the “pot” with \$30.00 of my own funds!



### Donations

[www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com)

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[harveywhispers@twincitiesscapers.com](mailto:harveywhispers@twincitiesscapers.com)

Mail: Twin Cities Scapers  
PO BOX 362  
Balsam Lake WI 54810

## Claudia Black as “Vala” on SG1

It's called "Prometheus Unbound" and her character is named Vala. This is what <http://www.stargate-SG1-solutions.com/ipw-web/b2/index.php?m=200406> says about Claudia's role!!!

Stargate writer and Co-Executive Producer, Joseph Mallozzi told fans that Black will play Vala, the alien woman who steals the Earth's only starship 'Prometheus,' and with it, Dr. Daniel Jackson.

Vala, dryly humorous, challenging and cynical, uses her looks to try to distract Daniel from preventing completion of her mission,

which is to deliver the Prometheus to her people, whom she alleges to be rebels fleeing from Ba'al. Vala herself was once the host to a Goa'uld symbiote.

Farscape's Aeryn Sun is one of the strongest and smartest female characters to ever grace the screen, with Black taking a coveted TV Guide cover as one of the sexiest stars in the universe. Farscape fans are fortunate to be able to welcome Claudia Black back to her most famous role in the mini-series *Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars*, which finished filming in March of this year

and is currently in post-production.



GateWorld.net



## Round 2—Sticker Project

### THE STICKER PROJECTS

The sticker projects were born out of the desire to raise funds for **FarOps** and also provide the donators with a Farscape-related gift for their generosity.

For more info on Farscape Regional Operations aka **FarOps**, please visit their website at: [www.FarOps.com](http://www.FarOps.com)

Their current project – *The Convention Project*, was set up to ensure a Scaper presence at as many conventions as possible. They've been scaping unsuspecting people, one convention at a time, for the better part of 2004.

To date the stickers projects have raised **\$300.23** for **FarOps**.

### STICKER PROJECT #1

The first batch of stickers featured four **PK\_Paul** "Fartoon" creations and one

**Esk** "CarScape" design.

### STICKER PROJECT #2

The second batch of stickers featured five **Ratscape** designs. This project is currently open for donations and more information can be found here: <http://www.watchfarscape.com/forums/showthread.php?t=26349>

You will get a gift of 25 stickers (5 of each design) for each donation of \$15.

### Round 2 Stickers



### Round 1 Stickers



## Preregister for the Mini on DVD!

This is one number that can REALLY get more *Farscape*!

REMEMBER: *Firefly* got a movie based on the sales of its DVDs!

REMEMBER: *Family Guy* is BACK in production based on its DVD sales!

You want more *Farscape*? Then make sure The Powers That Be (TPTB) funding this mini-series see BIG DVD sales num-

bers for their investment. DVD sales are more important then ever, and may, just may be MORE important than the Nielsen's. If you want more *Farscape*, then do what you can, when you can to get those DVD sales up. Up, UP!

In the meantime, go to Amazon.com and get on this email alert thingy; they're passing these numbers on to TPTB:

<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/t...?v=glance&s=dvd>

*"We could not...in truthfulness to all of our fans...change things."*

David Kemper,  
Speaking about the Mini

## David Kemper Speaks on Video at SciFi.com



In this video clip, DK speaks enthusiastically about *Farscape*, the Mini and the fans of *Farscape*!

*"The miniseries certainly pushes things to a...an edge that we didn't have in the series. In terms of revealing more, I would say that it's pretty consistent across the board..What we've done is consistently maintain the characters, and no one will be disappointed; Old fans will go...YES, that's Farscape, I know it, I love it...New fans will go...Where the hell did this show come from and how come I missed*

*it?...and it will probably cause them to go back and watch the series."*

*"People always want to know about the sex and sexual tension on Farscape. Most of the people who work on Farscape and create Farscape like sex and sexual tension; therefore we felt, well, why not put it in the show? It's somewhat revolutionary, only because . . . I think all the people who did certain science fiction shows before us were afraid to tackle the subject."*

Check it out at:

<http://www.scifi.com/farscape/>

## Dave Elsey: Creature Shop Monster Maker

Star Wars.com

August 20, 2004



Dave Elsey

From his fantastical creatures in "Farscape" to his plant-wrangling skills in *The Little Shop of Horrors*, Creature Shop Creative Supervisor Dave Elsey is very familiar with transforming foam, latex and a hodgepodge of

materials into beloved characters within the sci-fi cinematic universe.

Elsey's resume reads like a cult film dream list. He did creature effects in *Alien 3*, worked as a special makeup effects artist on *Hellraiser*, *Mission: Impossible*, *M:I 2*, and *Waxwork* (in which he also played "Zombie #6.") He honed his animatronics skills in the cult classic of *The Little Shop of Horrors*. He is perhaps most well known by genre fans for his role as the creative supervisor on the sci-fi TV series "Farscape" where he designed and maintained up to 50 different creatures.

For his latest role as the Creature Shop Supervisor for *Star Wars: Episode III: Revenge of the Sith*, Elsey and his team are responsible for "anything that has any appendage, horns or unusual contact lenses, to full suits and Animatronic puppets," but also for revamping a few characters who are nothing less than iconic in the minds of *Star Wars* fans worldwide.

Read the entire article at:

<http://www.starwars.com/episode-iii/bts/profile/f20040820/>

## Are you all sitting down?!?!?

Nope, it's not about the Comic-Con DVD, we're still working on that but I got some really cool unrelated news.

We just wrapped an interview with Ben and Brad Keller (the director of *A Killer Within*) and (you are sitting down, right?! This is your last warning!) they'll try to have a special edition DVD of *A Killer Within* just for us Scapers!! Including this interview, with some really cool stories from the set, comparisons to *Farscape* and a lot of other stuff. How cool is that?!?! Brad Keller is all DorothyGail made him out to be and Ben and Brad were having so much fun

together, it was just great And if Brad gets it his way then we will get to see much, much more Ben (something I can wholeheartedly support ) And a trillion billion Thanks to DorothyGail, because without her help this wouldn't have happened.

Well, I can't say too much more, except that if you'll enjoy watching it even half as much as we enjoyed shooting it, you'll be in for a real treat, 'cause those two just rock I don't know when the DVD will available but I'm sure we'll be amongst the first to know

## By Tiriel

And everybody: Please, please, please keep your fingers crossed that Dr Pepper comes through and sponsors that afterparty for *A Killer Within*! I didn't get to see the movie itself, but just from listening to them talk I really, REALLY wanna see it NOW! LOL! Something else

to test my (lack of?!) patience. Looks like this is going to be a great autumn for Scapers, isn't it?!?!?

Love and Peace and Hell Yeah!!!!

## PK Cadet Tshirt

Newly available on the fan market is the ever fashionable "PK Cadet" t-shirt. As is visible in the pictures below, the design has been made to resemble the popular shirts which many of our government agencies have created. Our designer went out of her way to make a design which served the dual purpose of giving Scapers their own take on the

"FBI" shirts, and one that provided yet another



other venue for easy advertising of that darn little miniseries.

Shirts will become available during the period of mid-September, as we are currently using this time to gauge the precise interest level of possible owners. The design will be affixed to each shirt through a heat press process, which is akin to a VERY upgraded version of the iron-on we have each used. Said process produces a



## harveywhispers (TwinCities Scapers)

highly durable graphic, which would fade slightly upon numerous washings. Projected price will be \$12.00 per shirt, including all applicable shipping charges. Should you wish to send gift shirts to individuals, send shirts to a media outlet or include a shirt in any project we can get it done for you.

Should you have interest in attaining a shirt, please send a message to me indicating the number of shirts you would want.

I can be reached through regular email: ([harveywhispers@twincitiesscapers.com](mailto:harveywhispers@twincitiesscapers.com)), personal message at FMD and snail mail (address to follow).

Twin Cities Scapers  
PO Box 362  
Balsam Lake WI 54810

Dear Apple.com,

The entire Scaper community has been waiting to see the trailer for *Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars*.

Thank you for taking a chance and hosting this trailer. This epic miniseries will bring you visitors from all over the world. The Farscape community is well known for supporting those who support *Farscape*.

I will be telling everyone I know to visit your site and watch!

Sincerely,



The Stars of Farscape



Ben Browder & Claudia Black

Are you looking for guest stars who will draw in viewers by the tens of thousands?

Then these are the two people you need to have as your guests...the stars of this year's biggest blockbuster miniseries on the SciFi Channel...*Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars*!

The filming of this mini used up all the explosives in Australia...and then some! No other couple has the chemistry on screen! Get 'em now...after October 17, 2004...they are going to be the hottest pair in the world.



Please sponsor the Premieres and After Parties for the film "A Killer Within," starring the talented actor, Ben Browder. Support Ben and we will throw our consumer dollars into support for Dr. Pepper!

Name:  
Location:  
Age:  
Occupation:



Do you know who these people are?  
It's the two sizzlin' stars of the biggest TV event this year!



Ben Browder and Claudia Black, stars of Henson's epic Miniseries:

### FARSCAPE: PEACEKEEPER WARS

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# Bumper Scape (Part Deux)

by pkgrl

With 1,000 new, professionally printed bumper stickers already distributed to Scapers, and being plastered on cars all over the country, the Bumper Scapers are ready to do it again!

This time, they need help paying for these stickers, which are only about 40 cents each.

People who want to contribute to the new round of stickers may do so by going to:

[www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com)

and using Dominar of Action's email:

[doa@watchfarscape.com](mailto:doa@watchfarscape.com)

There are two goals in this round of sticker madness:



Bumpersticker Artwork by mycattoldme

One, to help the PNFF Scapers place as many stickers as possible in their local Suncoast stores (they've already gotten the OK)

Two, to provide as many stickers as possible to anyone else who wants to put one on their car, or in their car window, or in a store window, etc...The KEY is that we want these stickers to BE USED.

Yes, they would make a nice keepsake, but the main drive of this project is to get the name *Farscape: Peacekeeper Wars* out there in the public mind!

USE the stickers, then, *after* the mini, save it.

See all the information you need in this thread:

<http://www.watchfarscape.com/forums...ead.php?t=27442>

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