



Presented by –  
The Norwegian Explorers of Minnesota  
The University of Minnesota Libraries  
The Friends of the Sherlock Holmes Collections

**"Dark Places, Wicked Companions, and Strange Experiences."**

August 8 – 11, 2019

We have a wonderful group of confirmed speakers who will surprise and entertain us with the many dark places, wicked companions and strange experience Mr. Holmes and other characters have encountered. The conference will be held at The Graduate Hotel with an accompanying exhibit at the Elmer L. Andersen Library, home of the Sherlock Holmes Collections at the University of Minnesota.

**Confirmed Speakers Include:**

Marcus Geisser  
Cheryll Fong  
Regina Stinson

Shannon Carlisle  
Dan Payton  
Bill Mason

Alan Rettig  
Ross Davies  
Jeffrey Hatcher

Long suffering companion panel: Judy Margolin, Mike McKuras, Barbara Shaw

Sunday morning will again feature a radio show re-enactment by the Red-Throated League.

**Conference Location and Lodging:**

Registration and all sessions will be held at the **Graduate Hotel** (formally the Commons Hotel, site of our last two conferences), 615 Washington Ave. SE., Minneapolis, Minnesota. A block of rooms has been reserved for conference attendees. Guests have until July 7, 2019 to reserve a room, but rooms go fast so reserve now. Call 800-822-6757 or 612-379-8888 and ask for the Sherlock Holmes Conference to receive the special rate of \$164 per night, plus tax/fees, for a single or double room. View the hotel's website at <https://tinyurl.com/NorwegianExplorersConference>

**Airport Transportation**

\*Light rail service is available on the Blue Line from the Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport to the Downtown East Station where you will switch to the Green Line. Take the Green Line to the East Bank Station which is across the street from the hotel.

\*Another option is the SuperShuttle – (800) BLUE-VAN or [www.supershuttle.com](http://www.supershuttle.com).

\***Ride Share &** Taxi services are available, with fares approximately \$25-60 one way.

**Dealers' Tables**

For Information on dealers' tables contact Tim Reich at [treich1895@gmail.com](mailto:treich1895@gmail.com) or by mail at Tim Reich, 6809 Pillsbury Ave. S., Richfield, MN 55423

## Schedule

There will be a **Thursday evening** reception (cash bar) at **The Graduate Hotel**.

**Friday morning** is reserved for experiencing the **Conference Exhibit** at the **Elmer L. Andersen Library** (222-21<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, the next light rail stop towards Minneapolis, or a walkable 0.8 miles).

Our conference will begin on **Friday afternoon**, August 9, 2019, at 1:00 PM. at **The Graduate Hotel**. The Friends of the **Sherlock Holmes Collections annual meeting** will be held **late Friday afternoon** with noted playwright **Jeffery Hatcher** as our speaker. Friday evening will be open for your personal dining choice.

Presentations will resume on **Saturday morning**, August 10 at **The Commons Hotel**. A luncheon and banquet will also be held at the hotel that day, with a banquet program featuring always entertaining **Bill Mason**.

The conference will conclude at the **Graduate Hotel** on **Sunday**, August 11 by 1:00 PM. and will include the reenactment of a radio show by the Norwegian Explorers' own Red-Throated League.

Registration fee includes all presentations, Saturday lunch and banquet dinner, refreshments at breaks and conference keepsakes.

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### **Registration Form**

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ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$240 Registration(s) per person, which include Saturday luncheon and evening banquet

\_\_\_\_\_ \$70 Saturday evening banquet dinner(s) for guest(s)

If registering guest(s) for banquet, please indicate their name(s):

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\$\_\_\_\_\_ Total, check enclosed and made payable to the Norwegian Explorers

Mail to Ray Riethmeier, Attendee Liaison  
The Norwegian Explorers of Minnesota  
12015 Townview Road.  
Minnetonka, MN 55343

Or, register and pay conveniently online using **PayPal** at [www.norwegianexplorers.org](http://www.norwegianexplorers.org)

Registration must be received by **July 12, 2019**. Questions? Email Ray Riethmeier at [ray.riethmeier@tr.com](mailto:ray.riethmeier@tr.com)