

# INCREASED BLITHERING

All of you can see that the cover for *NO AWARD* #5 has a cover by Marc Schirmeister. Those of you who were active in fandom in the 1970s and the 1980s are probably well aware of Marc's fine contributions to our hobby. There are probably many reasons why Marc never won a Hugo as a fanartist, but the quality of his work is not one of those reasons.

Twenty and more years ago Marc was drawing covers for fanzines and APAs; he also was showing his fine hand at smaller interior illos. My earlier zine *Holier Than Thou* was merely one place where he placed his covers and his interior illos. I also utilised his talents for drawing covers for APAs which I was running. There were other faneds who appreciated his talents and used his work.

During those years I always felt that Marc should have been nominated for a Hugo; unfortunately, he never attained that honour.

It is my hope that Marc's return to active fanac (he has been buried in animation stuff and Furry Fandom etceteras for far too long) indicates that he is ready to do covers and interior illos for many faneds. So, ask him, already! Get his work out in front of the fans.

Then join me in nominating him for his long overdue Fanartist Hugo.



In commentary in *No Award* #5 I mentioned that I did not want the zine to be solely a product of Los Angeles fandom as I wanted the zine to be a connexion 'twixt fans of an English-speaking persuasion. I still want that. But I cannot help but notice that there are many fine writers and artists in my area and I have had to expand the size of the zine to contain their work. I note the LASFS motto – Death Shall Not Release You – and I cannot promise any more locs from Francis Towner Laney. But I can and do promise that I will continue to provide the readers of the zine of more work of Los Angeles area fans. I also promise to continue to try to get material from fans who do not live in Southern California. Articles, artwork, locs, Hugo nominations, I need 'em all. I thank you all in advance.

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*Having committed just a micro-editorial in No Award No. 5 and having no more space in the zine for a few more things I wish to say, herewith this short zine as an addendum to No Award No. 5.*