

Ktistec Press releases Feast of Laughter, a tribute to author R. A. Lafferty

Almost entirely out of print these days, Hugo Award winner R. A. Lafferty has definitely not been forgotten by a growing community of fans as well as the many authors, including Neil Gaiman, Samuel Delaney, Gene Wolfe, Alan Moore and Harlan Ellison, who have continually sung his praises and acknowledged his influence on their own work.

Last month, Ktistec Press released the first volume of Feast of Laughter, a collection of essays, analysis, interviews, fiction and poetry inspired by the ever elusive Cranky Old Man from Tulsa.

Just in time for the Lafferty centennial, the generous volume concludes with the classic Lafferty story, The Six Fingers of Time, along with an essay and review by biographer-to-be Andrew Ferguson and editor Kevin Cheek, respectively. A labor of love by inspired fans, the magazine celebrates the literature of an original American treasure.

In the mid-1980s, Lafferty was a member of Oklahoma Science Fiction Writers (OSFW). Some meetings took place at his home. The photo accompanying this story was taken by Keith Purtell in R.A. Lafferty's home, where he wrote on a typewriter surrounded by walls of books. This decades-old photo has not been previously published.

Issue #2 is planned for a March 2015 release and submissions are due January 31, 2015. Anyone interested in contributing can email editor@feastoflaughter.org.

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Quotations about R. A. Lafferty

“One of the few writers who have made me laugh aloud”
-Arthur C. Clarke

“Lafferty defies categorization; his work is unlike anyone else’s.”
-Harlan Ellison

“Lafferty has to be the maddest, the most colorful, the most unexpected writer alive.”
-Theodore Sturgeon

“Lafferty has the power which sets fire behind your eyeballs. There is warmth, illumination, and a certain joy attendant upon the experience. He's good.”
-Roger Zelazny

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