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Do you know what the term "fannish" means? How about "filk" or "fen"? Or "Twonk's Disease"? If not, there's a good chance you're a mundane, which is to say you're not a hardcore SF fan. For you, David G. Hartwell--one of the field's finest editors and most stalwart champions--has written *Age of Wonders*, a book about the inner workings of the SF cognoscenti. It is an intriguing look into the rabid subculture spawned by science fiction that also offers insights into why some people give up reading SF in their teens, while for others it becomes a lifelong passion.

#### Review

"A landmark work, daring, imaginative, witty--it is the best commentary on the field yet written."--Roger Zelazny, creator of the *Amber* series

"David G. Hartwell has taken his cosmic mind on a marvelous exploration of science fiction as it was, as it is, and as it may well be. I was enthralled by *Age of Wonders* all the way through."--Frank Herbert, author of *Dune*

"An insider's view of the science fiction scene today--full of insights, sidelights, convention nights--by one of the ablest minds in the business. Engaging and engrossing."--Gregory Benford, author of *Timescape*

#### About the Author

David G. Hartwell is one of science fiction's most experienced and influential editors. A winner of the World Fantasy Award, Hartwell has edited many anthologies including *The Ascent of Wonder: The Evolution of Hard Science Fiction* (with Kathryn Cramer), *The World Treasury of Science Fiction*, and a new annual series, *Year's Best SF*, from HarperCollins. He has also received fifteen Hugo nominations.

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