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Fist of Dragonstones™ - Fantasy Characters do your bidding in new Days of Wonder™ game

Closed-fist, blind-bid auction game to release in November

Sausalito, **CA – October 1**, **2002** – Days of Wonder, Inc. announced today that it will publish the fantasy auction game, *Fist of Dragonstones* this coming November. Created by well-known game authors, Bruno Faidutti and Michael Schacht, the game features 33 exquisitely illustrated character cards by noted French artist, Julien Delval.

Fist of Dragonstones features a unique closed-fist, blind auction. Players secretly place gold and magic coins in their fist to bid for control of enchanted character cards. All players reveal their bids simultaneously to see who has won the right to the character. The winner then uses the card's powers to gain additional coins or Dragonstones; place spells on other players; or win scoring points.

"Michael and I designed Fist of Dragonstones as a follow-up to Citadels, my previous fantasy card game," said co-author, Bruno Faidutti. "The character cards represent the various inhabitants of the deep magic forest - wizards, trolls, goblins, witches and even dragons. These creatures are as grasping as they are powerful, and players bid for the favor of using their magic abilities."

Release Dates and Online Play

Fist of Dragonstones will be released in Europe and the U.S. in November 2002 with both French and English language editions. Additionally, an online version at www.dragonstones.com will also launch this fall. Purchasers of Fist of Dragonstones will receive a *Days of Wonder Webcard* that provides free access to Dragonstones Online where they can play against other opponents, compete in tournaments, measure their online rank, and schedule online play with their friends. Dragonstones.com will also host online forums and interactive tutorials to help new players learn how to play.

About Days of Wonder

Days of Wonder, Inc. publishes high-quality, family-strategy board and card games that are easy to learn and fun to play. Days of Wonder is a privately held company with offices in Sausalito, CA, and Paris, France.