

The Fleming Flashpaper

The International Brotherhood of Musicians RING 21 Hollyweird, California Newsletter

The Magic Castle Goes High-Tech!

Breaking News! The legendary Magic Castle is embracing the future in a move sure to raise eyebrows (and possibly canes), they've announced a partnership with a major tech company to install "Reality Shifters" in the Close-Up Room. These AI-powered devices will analyze your act and automatically enhance your tricks, projecting holographic doves, pre-reading minds, and even synthesizing audience gasps for that extra "wow" factor. Traditionalists fear the tech will take the soul out of magic, while others see it's a chance to finally one-up Penn & Teller. Stay tuned for updates ...or are they just pre-recorded?

International Brotherhood of Magicians to Offer Accreditation for Doves

The venerable I.B.M. is raising the bar for avian assistants! They're launching a brand new accreditation program for doves used in magic acts. Doves will be evaluated on their temperament, wingspan, and ability to vanish gracefully into thin air (or a cleverly concealed assistants sleeve). Magicians will be required to have their doves certified to perform, leading to a surge in dove bootcamps and panicked calls to breeders. Will this ensure a new generation of will-trained doves, or is it a ridiculous flight of fancy?

I.B.M. Announces Annual "Tell-All" Competition

Get ready to rewrite the rulebook! The International Brotherhood of Magicians has announced a revolutionary new competition-the Grand Revealer! Aspiring magicians are invited to submit their most cherished illusions, complete with detailed explanations and instructional videos. The winner will be crowned the "Grand Revealer" and receive a lifetime supply of disappearing ink and endless rounds of applause (hopefully not sarcastic). The magical community is abuzz with debate. Will this destroy the art of magic, or is it a chance to learn from the masters? You decide...after the competition reveals all its secrets, of course.

Penn & Teller Reveal Their Secrets... Through Mime!

The legendary duo has announced a new show, "Penn & Teller: Unspoken," where they'll finally reveal their most guarded secrets...entirely through mime. With tickets selling out in minutes, the magic community is abuzz with speculation. Will they expose their methods or is this a cleverly disguised new routine? One thing's for sure, audience members better brush up on their interpretive dance skills!

Also in the magic news...

Lance Burton

Announces his retirement from magic to become a pastry chef and open a Houdini-themed bakery.

David Copperfield

Debuts a new illusion where he swaps places with a random audience member live on stage. Audience members are scrambling to practice their best illusions in hopes of being chosen.

Criss Angel

Partners with a famous fitness brand to launch a new “Mind over Matter” workout program that promises to levitate participants through sheer willpower.

Penn & Teller

Declare they’re disbanding their act after a disagreement over whether to bring back the sawing a woman in half illusion. Penn argues it’s outdated, while Teller remains mysteriously silent on the matter.

Breaking News: Rabbits Unionize! Demand More Carrots, Less Torture

In a development that would have stunned Houdini himself, the National Rabbit Magic Performers Association (NRMPA) has gone on strike! These furry performers are demanding better working conditions, including a 40 hour carrot week, mandatory breaks for grooming, and an end to the dreaded “hat trick.” The Magic Industry Association (MIA) is scrambling, with rumors of robotic rabbits and mime-based routines circulating. Will live rabbits disappear from magic acts altogether? Only time will tell (or perhaps a well-placed magician).

Remember, fellow illusionists, laughter is the best magic! Happy April fools’ Day!

P S. Did you notice the hidden message in the first letter of each paragraph? Now that’s some real magic!

AND NOW FOR THE REAL NEWSLETTER



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Works in Progress

Performance Night

Thursday
April 4th

7 p.m. at the

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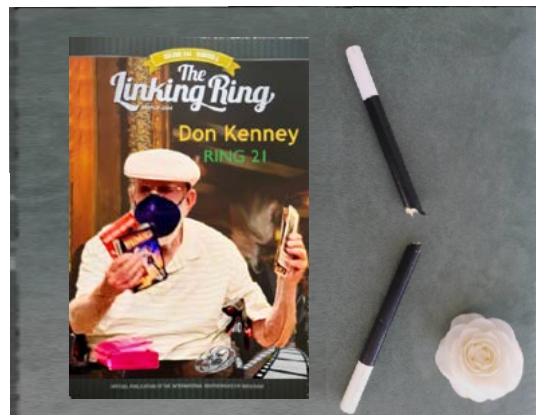
Working on something but might need help or suggestions?

This is the night then as it's works in progress performance night. Open meeting for all members and guests and magi.

Regretfully to report, Don Kinney has passed away so we will begin the meeting with his Broken Wand Ceremony, condolences to Karen & family, aloha Don.

Photos, Links,
Comic Strips,
Roster & More
Inside too!

Coming Soon
Story on
David Copperfields'
island and museum

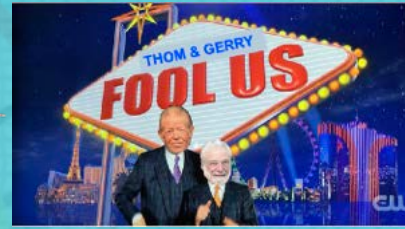


Note we're allowed to bring snacks!

Upcoming Scheduled* Events

April-“Works in Progress” Performance Night

May-Thom & Gerry Fool Us! →



June-Movie theme Performance Night

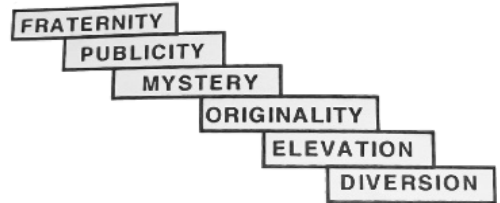
July- No meeting as it's the [I.B.M. Convention July 10-13, 2024 Tacoma, WA](#)

August- Initiation Ceremony and Dealer Demo by Bob Weiss

September-Elections & Music theme Performance Night

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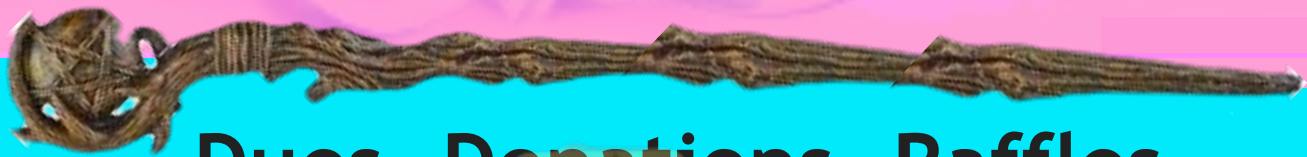
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Have you ever heard about the [Ghost Army](#), It was a WWII top secret army unit that created illusions with inflatable tanks, trucks, jeeps & even airplanes. They also used records blasting sound effects on huge speakers and sketches to fool the Nazi's that we had many units at the Rhine River. It worked and saved an estimated 30,000 people. Real life magic!





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Lex The Illusionist performs an excellent Anniversary Waltz: <https://youtu.be/PuAwD2PukIE>

Bob Thomas: FUNNY book test with Lex participating: <https://youtu.be/FQ-w0bOXSS4>

Michael Larkin: Ninja ring Daryl coin routine
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bShYQju5Zqk>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wyUg-UGhGlw>

Karl Johnson and daughter give a fun performance: https://youtu.be/mkKwufGLB_Q

Don Kinney: Short hilarious interview at Kingsley Manor. <https://fpkingsleymanor.oneday.com/Video/E3B7436B42>

Jim Richardson: A fun card trick & longest card trick: <https://youtu.be/TptMf-XKe30>
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More Photos and Performance Videos from our past Meetings
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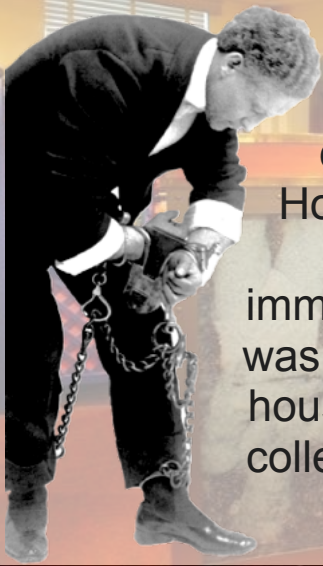
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Don't forget, if given a name badge to bring and wear it at our next meeting and let us know if you need one.

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The History Museum at the Castle
 formerly known as The Houdini Historic Center
 celebrated last week what would have been
 Houdini's 150th birthday. Born Erich Weiss
 on March 24, 1874 his family
 immigrated to Appleton, WI when he
 was four years old and this museum
 houses one of the largest Houdini
 collections in the country. Plus it's
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