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The International Brotherhood of Magicians RING 21 Hollywood, California Newsletter

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Meetings held 1st Thursdays' of each month & Board meetings on the 3rd Thursdays' via the link below all starting at 7 pm

[RING 21 JITSI Board Meeting link](#)

All welcome



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# Bizarre Performance Night

**Thursday, May 1st 7 p.m. at**

**Holy Virgin Mary Orthodox Cathedral  
AUDITORIUM**

[650 Micheltorena St, Los Angeles, CA 90026](#)

Click above for turn by turn driving directions

**FREE\* for ALL except**

**\*A \$5 venue fee for members to help offset the rental fee to be collected but**

**Free parking in their lot for all.**

**Psychological effects-blurring illusion and reality  
Spirit Communication, Haunted Objects, Mystical  
Artifacts, Psychological Experiments, Grotesque  
or Unsettling Imagery, Premonitions and Strange  
Coincidences**

**Creating an eerie mysterious and sometime unsettling experience  
Often draws from folklore, mythology, horror, and ...**

**What to expect, the unexpected**

**Plus Snacks & Raffle Prizes**



**We're having a July 4th  
Magic Picnic but on  
Thursday July 3rd!**

**Traditionally with the  
I.B.M. convention and hot  
weather we forego a July  
meeting. But not this year!  
The convention falls the  
next week and we have an  
awesome meeting place with  
a/c. With a lecture by  
**Adam Wylie** on Strolling  
Magic!**

## **Holy Virgin Mary Russian Orthodox Cathedral**

**650 Micheltorena Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026**

**By Silver Lake Blvd. and the 101 Freeway**



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A man stumbles upon a magical lamp.

He rubs the lamp and a genie appears!

The genie says that he will grant the man only one wish, and that he has to pick from three choices.

He can either be the richest man in the world, the most popular man in the world, or the wisest man in the world.

The man says, "We all know that money does not bring happiness, and that popularity just makes you a slave to the whims of others, but wisdom is everlasting. I want to be the wisest man in the world."

The Genie goes "poof" and suddenly the man's face assumes a serene expression.

He sits down, rubbing his chin in thought.

Then he looks towards the genie and says, "I should have taken the money."



These steps are listed on our Membership Charter, representing our Goals and Accomplishments.



# ATTENTION

**ALL RING 21 Members & Readers of this newsletter...**



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# Join The World's Largest Magic Club International Brotherhood of Magicians And Join Local I.B.M. RING 21 Hollywood!



- Linking Ring Magazine
- Monthly Meetings
- Conventions
- Lectures
- Contests
- Workshops

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# It's a double dose of Jay

# Jay Scott Berry

When it comes to teaching the Art of Wonder, Berry is in a league of his own.

Inspiring thousands of magicians worldwide with Insightful Lectures, Hands-on Masterclasses, Digital Downloads & Private Mentoring.

The new Excelsior Lecture presents dozens of Original Effects, Moves and Routines, coupled with Performance Philosophy & Psychology.

● Professor Emeritus at The Magic Castle University.

● Headmaster at The Academy of Illusions.

Banquet

10/9/2025

Lecture

11/6/2025

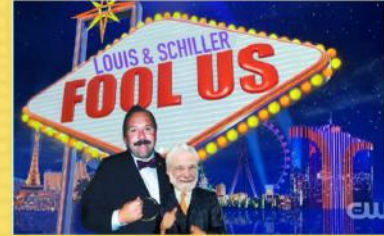
# Upcoming Scheduled\* Events

**May 1**-Bizarre Magic Performances Night

**June 5**-Close-Up Magic Performances Night for Award

**July 3**-Picnic and magic, Grilled burgers and magic and more!  
With a lecture by **Adam Wylie** on Strolling Magic

**August 21**-Initiation Ceremony (for those that joined the past year; to perform a magic effect or even just tell a joke) also **Louis & Schiller Fool Us!**



PLEASE NOTE THIS IS THE **THIRD**  
THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

(because of the MAGIC LIVE convention)

**September 4**-Elections and ???

**October 9**-The 87th Annual Awards and Installation Banquet  
Starring **Jay Scott Berry**

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS THE **SECOND** THURSDAY OF THE MONTH  
(because of a holiday)

**November 6**-The **Jay Scott Berry** Excelsior Lecture

[www.ibnring21.org](http://www.ibnring21.org)

**IF APRIL SHOWERS  
BRING MAY FLOWERS  
WHAT DO MAY  
FLOWERS BRING?**

**EXTREMELY**



# BIZARRE

**Li LAU**

**WOLFLOCK**

**01**

**March  
2025**

*Magic*

**7 PM**

**R 120 p/p**

**Drinks and Food Available**

**10 Winchester Rd, Henley on Klip, Meyerton, 1962**

Get ready for **Extremely Bizarre Magic**, a groundbreaking magical spectacle with two of South Africa's finest illusionists—**Wolflock** and **Li Lau**—for an unforgettable evening of extreme entertainment. From daring escapes to mystifying mentalism and jaw-dropping illusions, this show is a unique combination of **Danger** and **Mystery**. **Wolflock**, a master storyteller and illusionist, will transport you into a realm of wonder with his enchanting tales and impossible effects. He will leave you questioning your own eye with his abilities to defy the laws of physics. **Li Lau**, a World Record-breaking escapologist, will keep you on the edge of your seat with feats of skill, danger, and precision. **Li Lau**, aka **One Crazy China**, Will transport you back into the era of Side show miracles with daring feats that no human should attempt.

APRIL

# LINKING RING REPORT

BY BOB WEISS & LOUIS LAVE

Our April meeting we planned the awesome Rafael Benatar all the way from Madrid, Spain and he was spectacular in his performance and teachings as he is quite charming and very elegant.

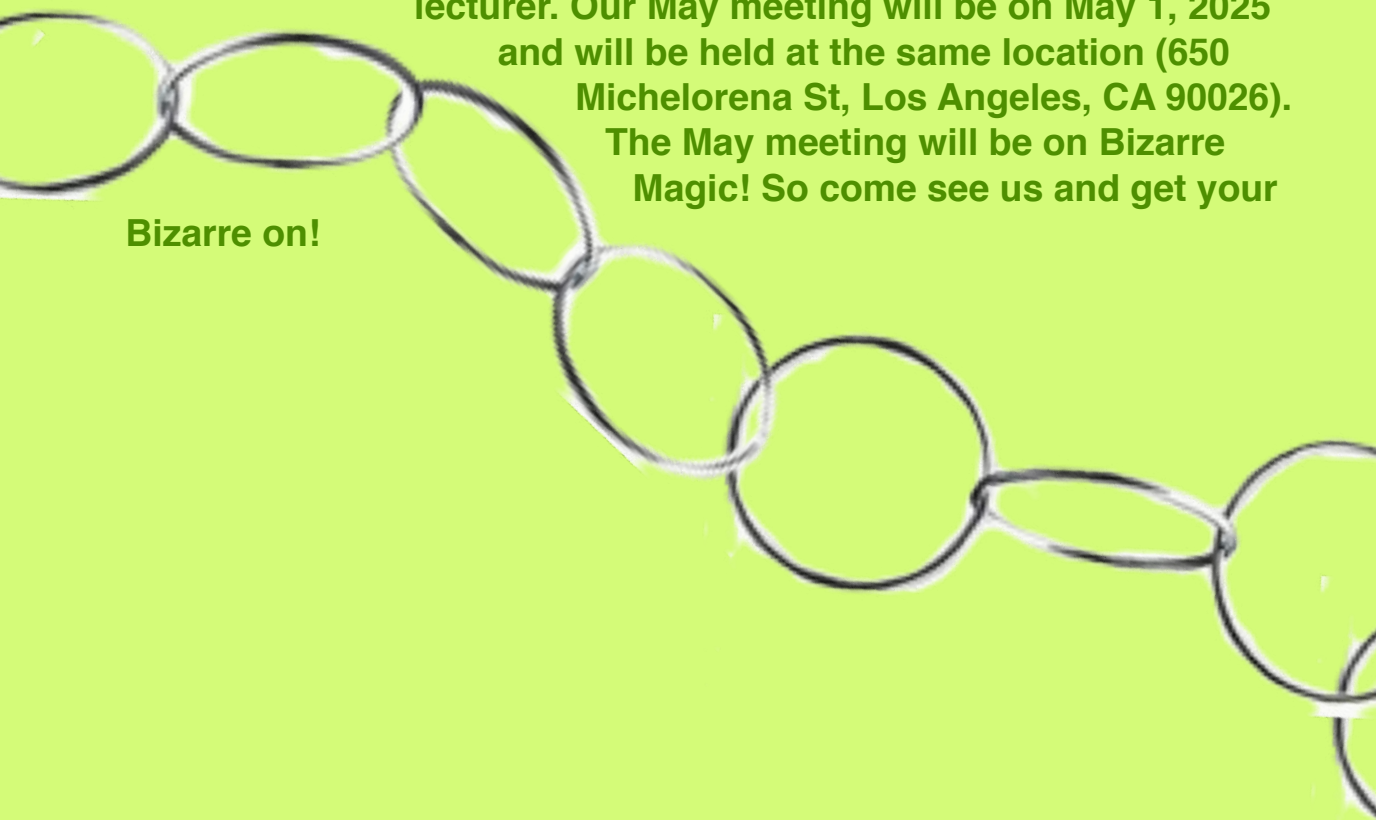
He lectured on some of his most impeccable card material starting with Countdown which he first did thirty years ago with Mike Skinner in Las Vegas. Next he performed and taught Favorite Card Trick of My Friends. He also did a version of Flash Cash that was very clean using a magnet gimmick he was selling. Also Rafael did one of his favorite creations called You and I, a great card effect find mates of cards. And of course his Cups and Balls which is legendary.

The lecture was well received by the members. He was able to sell lots of his lecture notes and some of his effects. Because the lecture took up the majority of our meeting time, we did not have much time to do anything else for the monthly meeting. We did not have our regular raffle due to the fact we had the lecture and he was selling his products. We wanted to be respectful of our

lecturer. Our May meeting will be on May 1, 2025 and will be held at the same location (650 Michelorena St, Los Angeles, CA 90026).

The May meeting will be on Bizarre Magic! So come see us and get your

**Bizarre on!**





# Optical Illusions



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# MAGIC RESOURCES AND MORE LINKS

## OTHER LOCAL RINGS

RING 280 SANTA CLARITA  
[www.ibmring280.com](http://www.ibmring280.com)

RING 313 ORANGE COUNTY  
[ring313.org](http://ring313.org)

RING 96 LONG BEACH  
<https://www.ring96.com/>

## OTHER LOCAL MAGIC MEETINGS

SAM 291 WEST LA  
[www.westsidewizards.org](http://www.westsidewizards.org)

SAM ASSEMBLY 22. DUARTE  
<https://sites.google.com/view/magicsam22/home>

Orange County Magic Club  
[theocmc.com](http://theocmc.com)

## MAGIC LEARNINGS

THE MAGIC APPLE-magic shop  
11390 Ventura Blvd  
Studio City, CA 91604  
Also order online:  
[www.themagicapple.com](http://www.themagicapple.com)

MAGIC ON THE GO  
Magic instruction by Steve Valentine  
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## SHOWS

The Magic Castle  
7001 Franklin Avenue  
Hollywood, CA 90028  
[www.magiccastle.com](http://www.magiccastle.com)  
(323) 851-3313

Illusion Magic Lounge -  
[Santa Monica Click here for their website](#)

## PERFORMANCES ONLINE

Lex The Illusionist performs an excellent Anniversary Waltz: <https://youtu.be/PuAwD2PukLE>

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

Karl Johnson and daughter give a fun performance:[https://youtu.be/mkKwufGLB\\_Q](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>  
<https://youtu.be/Mri2yvZMBck>

**More Photos and Performance Videos from our past Meetings**  
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# More May Magic Events Around Los Angeles

**PLUS** The Renaissance Faire in Irwindale where we're sure to meet other members

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MAY  
**Magic Castle LIVE on Stage!**  
Sat, 2:30 – 4:00 PM  
The United Theater on Broadway, 929 S Broadway  
Los Angeles, CA



**4**  
MAY  
**Magic Castle LIVE on Stage!**  
Sun, 2:30 – 4:00 PM  
The United Theater on Broadway, 929 S Broadway  
Los Angeles, CA



**10**  
MAY  
**Magic-In-Giving 2025**  
Sat, 4 – 11 PM  
The Comedy & Magic Club, 1018 Hermosa Ave  
Hermosa Beach, CA



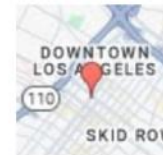
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MAY  
**Free Kids Event: The Magic of Science (Los Angeles)**  
Sat, 11AM – 3PM  
Lakeshore Learning Store, 2323 S Sepulveda Blvd  
Los Angeles, CA



**3**  
MAY  
**Magic Touch**  
Sat, May 3 – Sun, May 4  
Sound Nightclub, 1642 N Las Palmas Ave  
Los Angeles, CA



**10**  
MAY  
**Magic at the Biltmore with David Minkin**  
Sat, 4:00 – 5:30 PM  
The Biltmore Los Angeles, 506 S Grand Ave  
Los Angeles, CA



**10**  
MAY  
**The Extraordinary Card Magic of Jason Ladanye**  
Sat, 4 – 8 PM  
Hollywood Improv, 8162 Melrose Ave  
Los Angeles, CA



**25**  
MAY  
**Magic at the Majestic with David Minkin**  
Sun, 4:00 – 5:30 PM  
Anaheim Majestic Garden Hotel, 900 Disneyland Dr  
Anaheim, CA



COMING THIS AUGUST 21st

# LOUIS & SCHILLER FOOL US



## Schedule for I.B.M. 2025 Convention – Houston, TX

DATE/TIME	EVENT/SET-UP	LOCATION
<b><u>Monday, July 7</u></b>		
5:00pm – 10:00pm	Lance Burton Teen Seminar (Youth & Parents Only)	Champions III
<b><u>Tuesday, July 8</u></b>		
9:00am – 9:00pm	Lance Burton Teen Seminar (Youth Only)	Champions III
2:00pm to 8:00pm	Dealer Load-In and set-up	Legends V-VI
3:00pm – 8:00pm	Registration Open	Legends I & II Foyer/Director's Room
8:00pm – 9:00pm	<b>Early Bird Special – Marcus Eddie</b>	Legends I-IV
8:00pm – Midnight	JAM Experience	Ballroom Foyer

<b><u>Wednesday, July 9</u></b>		
9:00am - Noon	Registration Open	Legends I & II Foyer
9:30am – 10:30am	<b>Lecture – Joan Dukore - Strolling Magic</b>	Legends I-IV
10:00am – 12 noon	Lance Burton Teen Seminar (Youth Only)	Champions III
10:00am – 2:00pm	Dealers Open (Welcome and Dealer Room Specials)	Legends V-VI
11:00am – 12 noon	<b>Lecture – Jon Allen</b>	Legends I–IV
11:00am – 12 noon	Board Meeting (Mike Dunagan)	Champions V-2nd floor
12 noon – 2:00pm	Lunch – Grab-and-Go	Hotel Lobby
1:00pm – 5:00pm	Registration Open	Legends I & II Foyer
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Dealers Open	Legends V-VI
2:00pm – 3:00pm	<b>Mervant – One Person Show</b>	Legends I-IV
3:00pm – 5:00pm	Dealers Open (Silent Auction Opens; 1stDay Raffle Specials)	Legends V-VI
4:00pm – 5:00pm	<b>Lecture - Danny Orleans</b>	Legends I-IV
6:30pm – 7:30pm	Welcome Orientation and Autographs	Legends Foyer
8:00pm – 9:00pm	<b>Gala Show – Zabrecky Hour</b>	Legends I-IV
9:30pm – Late	JAM sessions “Share Your Magic” Ideas/Tricks	Legends Foyer
<b><u>Thursday, July 10</u></b>		
9:00am – Noon	Registration Open	Legends I–II Foyer
8:30am – 9:00am	Close-Up Contestants Meeting	Legends VII
9 am – 9:30am	Close-Up Judges Meeting	Legends VII
9 am – 9:30am	Territorial Vice Presidents Meeting	Champions IV
10:00am – 2:00pm	Dealers Open - Silent Auction continues	Legends V-VI
10:00am – 11:00am	<b>Lecture – Gaia Elisa Rossi</b>	Legends I-IV
11:15am – 12:15pm	Annual Business Meeting	Champions V
11:00am – 12 noon	Lance Burton Teen Seminar (Youth Only)	Champions III
12 noon – 2:00pm	Lunch – Grab-and-Go	Hotel Lobby

12:30pm – 1:30pm	Spouse Event (Trip to Galleria Mall)	
1:00pm – 5:00pm	Registration Open	Legends I–II Foyer
2:00pm – 4:00pm	International Close-up Contest (Hosted by Lady Sarah and Keith Fields)	Legends I–IV
3:00pm – 5:00pm	Dealers Open	Legends V-VI
4:15pm – 5:30pm	<b>Guests of Honor - Kristy &amp; Randy Pitchford</b>	Legends I-IV
7:00pm – 8:00pm	JAM closeup – “Share Your Magic”	Ballroom Foyer
8:00pm - 9:00pm	<b>Gala Show – Marcus Eddie (MC); Liz Toonkel, Nicole Cardoza, Justin Purcell, and Mandy Muden</b>	Legends Ballroom
9:30pm – Late	Open Mic Night –Your Moment to Shine - bring magic to share – Hosted by Lady Sarah and Keith Fields	Legends Ballroom
10:30pm - Late	JAM Sessions – “Share Your Magic”	Legends Foyer

### Friday, July 11

9:00am - Noon	Registration Open	Legends I–II Foyer
10:00am – 2:00pm	Dealers Open	Legends V–VI
9:00am – 10:00am	<b>Lecture: Bebel: magic from France</b>	Legends I-IV
10:00am – 11:00am	<b>Lecture: Giacomo Bigliardi</b>	Legends I-IV
11:15am – 12:15pm	Board Meeting (Stephen Levine)	Champions V
11:00am – 12 noon	Lance Burton Teen Seminar (Youth Only)	Champions III
12 noon – 2:00pm	Lunch – Grab-and-Go	Hotel Lobby
1:30pm – 1:50pm	Group Photo (All Convention Attendees)	TBD
1:30pm – 4:00pm	Registration Open	Legends I–II Foyer
2:00pm – 3:30pm	<b>Lecture and Q &amp; A – Dan Sperry</b>	Legends I–IV
3:00pm – 5:00pm	Dealers Open	Legends V–VI
5:30pm – 6:30pm	Grand Banquet (ticket required)	Discovery Ballroom

**Special Guests of Honor Kristy and Randy Pitchford, owner of The Magic Castle**

**Plus the Dealers Room**

6:30pm – 7:15pm	<b>Grand Banquet Show (ticket required) – Joan Dukore, Rachel Ling Gordon, Walter King Jr. - The Spellbinder</b>	Discovery Ballroom
8:00pm – 10:00pm	<b>International Stage Championship Gala Show and Awards</b>  <b>Jon Allen (MC), Danny Orleans, Sean RaeVon Wilson, Diego Vargas</b>	Legends I-IV
10:30pm – 11:30pm	<b>Late Night Show: Zabrecky – The Late Great Spook Show</b>	Legends I-IV
<b><u>Saturday, July 12</u></b>		
9:00am – 10:00am	<b>Lecture – Javi Benitez</b>	Legends I–IV
10:00am – 2:00 pm	Dealers Open	Legends V-VI
10:00am – 12 noon	Registration Open for St Louis 2026 convention	Legends I–II Foyer
11:00am	Dealer Room Silent Auction Closes	Legends V-VI
11:00am – Noon	<b>Lecture – Jared Kopf</b>	Legends I-IV
11:00am – Noon	Lance Burton Teen Seminar (Youth Only)	Champions III
12 noon – 1:30pm	Merlin Lunch Social (ticket required) and Presentation by Randy & Kristy Pitchford	Discovery Ballroom
12 noon – 1:30pm	Lunch – Grab-and-Go	Hotel Lobby
1:30pm – 2:30pm	<b>Lecture – Rob Zabrecky: ABZ’s of Magic</b>	Legends I–IV
1:30pm – 4:00pm	Silent Auction – pay for winning bid purchases	Legends V–VI
3:00pm – 5:00pm	Dealers Open (Last Call)	Legends V-VI
3:30pm – 5:00pm	<b>Close-Up Gala – Diego Vargas (MC), Justin Purcell, Bebel, Giacomo Bigliardi, Joan Dukore, Jared Kopf, Javi Benitez</b>	Legends I-IV
7:00pm – 8:00pm	JAM closeup – open to all	Legends Foyer
8:00pm – 9:30pm	<b>Grand Finale Magic Show – Mervant (MC), Gaia Elisa Rossi, Javi Benitez, Jon Allen, Dan Sperry</b>	Legends I-IV
10:00pm – Late	Farewell Party and Final JAM sessions	Ballroom Foyer





Showcase Your Skills After The Meeting!

**Calling all magicians!**



After our meetings, Manny will be ready to record anyone who wants to perform a quick, 30-second or so magic trick or illusion for a fun Instagram Reels video project.

This is your chance to shine and share your magic with the world. Join in and let the magic happen!



Listen

for exciting news about our  
*87th Annual Awards and  
Installation Banquet*  
announcement soon!