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FOR ALL MAGICIANS EVERYWHERE...



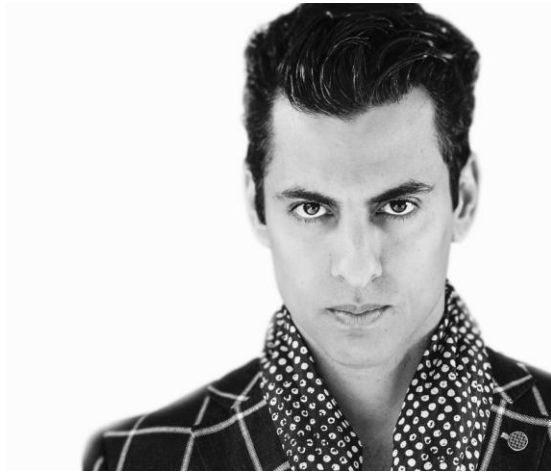
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The summer is here and things are heating up for TAOM. Remember to get your hotel reservations soon because we may run out of rooms in our block and when we do the prices will go up. Right now the Embassy Suites is giving us a rate of \$119 a night and that includes the full breakfast, manager's cocktail reception every night and a suite room complete with a microwave and small refrigerator.

Use this link to get the TAOM rate. <http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/D/DALFSES-TXA-20170830/index.jhtml>

What do we have planned? Well we've talked about many of the acts but here are two more.

You may have seen **Shimshi** on Wizard Wars or maybe on America's Got Talent where he was the last magician standing in 2008. Shimshi does not normally do magic conventions because of his busy schedule. He is the resident magician at the Wynn Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. He was part of the Wynn's featured show Le Reve but right now he is working on a whole new show for The Resort. He's been performing illusions for 23 years and was a three-time consecutive winner of the Magic Olympics by the Academy of Magical Arts in Hollywood. Vegas is his home now. Before Wynn asked him to make the Wynn his home, he spent two years at the Mirage, then when to the Sahara in the World's Greatest Magic Show and at the V variety show at Planet Hollywood. **This will be an act you don't want to miss.**



Another act on the bill is **The Other Brothers**. Daryl Williams and Darryl Davis. You may have heard of The Other Brothers and their hit new trick BARE... but that's not their only claim to fame. For the past four years, The Other Brothers have been the magical force behind some top-named magicians. They've also created countless effects, saving the best for only themselves and their audiences.

Last year, all that changed. No only did they start lecturing and performing at places like Magi-Fest and Blackpool, they also began publishing the impressive library of effects that they've built up over the years. This duo is not to be missed. Here is your opportunity to sit down and learn some of this wonderful magic from these two hidden gems. You will see them perform on both stage and close-up and give a great lecture on Friday (you are getting two for the price of one) so get there early!

Also...we will be honoring the memory of **Paul Osborne**, who died unexpectedly in October of 2016. He had been a member of TAOM since 1975. Paul was very giving and had even offered to design the 2017 TAOM program. We want to honor him because Paul gave the start to many of today's working magicians who work today through his theme park shows, which literally covered the world. If you were one of the people to whom Paul gave a start or wish to honor his memory, you can place an ad into the TAOM program. A quarter page is just \$50. The ad deadline is July 10. Email Magic4dallas@gmail.com



Remember the registration for TAOM is only \$215 for pre-registered adults and \$145 for students. We have lots of surprises in store, so come on to Frisco for Labor Day!
[REGISTER TODAY!](#)

Frank Seltzer
President, TAOM 2017



KENNEDY LECTURE IN HOUSTON & AUSTIN

When: June 20 at 7:30 p.m.
Where: IATSE Local 51 Meeting Hall,
3030 North Freeway, Houston
When: June 21 at 7:00 p.m.
Where: All Saints Episcopal Church
209 West 27th Street, Austin



Here's what Kennedy says about himself:

"Hello I'm Ken, and I think most mentalism is boring..."

My corporate audiences won't stand for long, drawn-out presentations. They want fast paced, entertaining stuff that keeps them hooked.

In this lecture you'll see me share some of my favourite pieces from my professional act as I would perform them for real corporate audiences. I want to spread the word that mentalism can be fun, it can be dynamic and can be outright funny. Although I am primarily a stand-up after dinner corporate entertainer, I also need to be able to entertain people up close so I will be including some of my favourite close up pieces too.

I'm looking forward to sharing with you a combination of close up and stand up mentalism that is designed to entertain the people's socks off!"



**TODD LEMANSKE LECTURE
IN DALLAS**

When: June 20th at 7:00 p.m.

Where: 5816 West Plano Parkway
in Plano

**A Lecture on "Real World"
Close-up Magic**

This lecture is jam-packed with Todd's most requested material. He teaches routine from his professional repertoire that he uses to make a living. He holds nothing back!

**SCOTT HOLLINGSWORTH
CARD SESSION IN AUSTIN**

When: Saturday, June 24th,
9:00 a.m. 'til noon

Where: 10511 La Costa Drive
in Onion Creek, Austin

Scott Hollingsworth will present "Card Mastery - Simplified Techniques for Card Handling and Presentation".

Scott's twenty-five plus years' as House Magician at Houston's Magic Island make him uniquely qualified to claim "mastery" of cards. He performed thousands and thousands of close-up shows and his love of cards was evident at every one of them. You will learn routines and techniques that are astounding, yet practical for all skill levels.

Reservations required. Contact Lou Hornung at lhornung@sbcglobal.net



BITS AND PIECES OF INTERESTING STUFF



THE CURT MILLER MAGIC AND COMEDY SHOW LIVE AT MOODY GARDENS HOTEL IN GALVESTON

**2 shows daily July 1 through 7
Magic! Comedy! "Vegas-Style" Grand Illusions!**

The Curt Miller Magic & Comedy Show returns to the beautiful Moody Gardens Hotel in Galveston for the 9th great year with many surprises for 2017. Magician & Illusionist Curt Miller blends dazzling magic, music, dance, and great comedy in a theatrical show that will leave your whole family amazed, amused, and most of all, entertained!

Go to <http://MagicComedyShow.com> or call 832-767-2692 for information and tickets

JOHN KLINE LIVE IN MCKINNEY

Don't miss seeing **John Kline** perform two public shows at the Main Street Magic Theatre in McKinney on Saturday, July 8th, 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. For more information, contact Jennifer at 214-274-7802.





DAVID BLAINE IN AUSTIN

When: July 18 at 8:00 p.m.

Where: Austin City Limits Live at
The Moody Theater
310 West Willie Nelson Blvd.

His upcoming show in Austin is as much a mystery as he is. Contact [Austin City Limits](#) for information.

IMPROV

Dal and Cinde Sanders will take the stage at the Arlington Improv on June 25. They will be flying solo this time so they will be performing magic they don't always get to bring to the Improv stage including some new magic from their Saturday morning TV show, *Kartoon Circus*.



In **Arlington** EVERY SUNDAY at 2:00 p.m.
Doors open at 1:00 pm, Show begins at 2:00 pm.
Details at <http://improv.com/>

In **Addison** EVERY SUNDAY at 2:00 p.m. Doors open at 1:00 for lunch and pre-show entertainment. Details at <http://improv.com/>
Michael Williams leads an all-star cast.

In **Houston** - Ted Schwank and Carter Blackburn take you on a high-energy adventure in magic, illusion, and comedy. For dates and times, go to <http://improv.com/>



The Society of Young Magicians chapter chartered under the Dallas Magic Club meets at the Main Street Magic and Fun Company in historic downtown McKinney (211 North Tennessee Street) on the second Sunday of each month. For details, contact Jennifer at 214-274-7802.

Houston Young Magicians meet at Frankel's Costume Shop at 2:00 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month. The group is sponsored by Houston IBM 39 and SAM 19. Contact Scott Hollingsworth at 832-338-7956 for information.

John Magic's Theater and Museum

Elaborate stage shows start at 7:00 p.m. every Saturday night with family-friendly magic entertainment. Friday evenings feature close-up magic by John Magic and Chris English. Private close-up shows are available Monday through Thursday by appointment.



The theater is located at 13419 Fitzhugh Road off 290 past Oak Hill west of Austin. Buy your ticket at the door or make reservations at <http://www.magicstheater.com>



Second Saturday Magic Sale

Magic, Etc., Fort Worth's premier magic shop hosts a Second Saturday Sale every month where magicians can score good savings on props and supplies. Magicians get "special" treatment and special prices. Magic, Etc. is located on Forest Park Boulevard at I-30 in Fort Worth.

Thrifty Third Thursday

Magic, Etc. and Fort Worth Costume started a new monthly gathering of magicians from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. You are invited to wheel and deal for the best buys ever only at Fort Worth's own Magic, Etc. and Fort Worth Costume.

HUMPERDINKS

Restaurant & Brewpub

Monday Night Magic in Arlington

All magic aficionados are invited to attend informal gatherings at Humperdink's Restaurant at LaQuinta Inn, #6 North Six Flags Drive in Arlington every Monday night. Bring your cards and props to practice your "chops" in the back room.

But wait...there's more! Second Tuesday TOO! This special interest group, the Mid-Cities Magic Circle, focuses on performance. They meet on the second Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9:30 at Humperdink's.

The purpose of the Mid-Cities Magic Circle is to provide a venue for Dallas/Fort Worth performing magicians to study their art and improve as public performers. Each meeting focuses on a single theme -- development of performance skills, routines, and other elements important to the public performance of magic.

There is no formal membership, no officers, no notes or minutes. For more information -- forget it! There is simply no one in charge to respond. Just show up on the second Tuesday of the month at Humperdink's and join the fun and magic!



Shane Wilson and Chris Alonzo at Sakura in Houston

Pearland's superb hibachi restaurant, Sakura, is proud to present the magic talents of **Chris Alonzo** every Friday and **Shane Wilson** every Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m.

Cards in South Austin

The **South Austin Card Group** meets on the last Saturday of each month. Get in touch with Lou Hornung at lhornung@sbcglobal.net for details and to be added to the meeting notice distribution list.

Scott Hollingsworth is the featured performer/teacher for the meeting on June 24, starting at 9:00 a.m. Doc Seaton has offered his lovely home theatre for this month's meeting. The address is 10511 LaCosta Drive in Onion Creek. Bring a couple of decks of cards. *Reservations required; contact [Lou Hornung](mailto:lhornung@sbcglobal.net).*



Magic on the Grill at Tokyohana 3239 Southwest Freeway in Houston

David Rangel coordinates a covey of local area magicians who perform close-up magic every Thursday and Saturday night at Tokyohana Grill and Sushi Bar, 3239 Southwest Freeway, in Houston. Enjoy excellent Oriental cuisine or sit at the sushi bar with top talent magic on the side. Thursdays from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.

IBM PRESIDENTIAL HONORS AT RING 60 PICNIC

IBM President **Oscar Munoz** is shown here presenting an IBM Presidential Citation to 95-year-old **Ramon Galindo**. The presentation was one of four that Oscar made at the annual Ring 60 IBM picnic on June 11, 2017. Other recipients were Kent Cummins, Trixie Bond, and J. D. Stewart.



In Memoriam



W. David Luther
January 28, 1942 - May 26, 2017

Rest in peace, Dear Friend. David died after a lengthy illness, but will be remembered as a genuinely good person. He served as Legal Advisor for the Texas Association of Magicians for many years and was president of the organization in 19.. for the annual TAOM convention in Austin.

David was a true renaissance man -- real estate attorney, licensed pilot, MENSA member, certified scuba driver, law enforcement finger print expert, professional photographer, EMS volunteer besides his avocation as magician, mentalist, and balloon sculptor.

A Life Member of the Society of American Magicians, David helped revitalize Assembly 206, bringing the Austin assembly into national prominence. Starting in 1990, David organized and produced a series of several dozen workbooks for assembly meetings, and headed up a National Magic Week celebration that was judged the best in the nation.

David created his own kind of magic with the people he knew, and will be missed.

John Ice
June 8, 1934 - May 15, 2017

John William Ice passed peacefully in Houston following a long battle with dementia.

John served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He had a long, successful career in the printing business in both Chicago and Houston. He was a lifelong member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, the Society of American Magicians and the Texas Association of Magicians and served as President of the Houston magic clubs.

John will be remembered fondly for his dry sense of humor, soft-spoken kindness, and sleight-of-hand at the magic table.



PAUL DIAMOND
July 21, 1928 - May 7, 2017

Alas to say, "Mr. Humble" is with us no more. Magician, magic dealer, and lecturer Paul Diamond's light and fire have faded, dimmed, and died.

Paul was a Life Member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians with the Order of Merlin Excalibur (50 years of continuous service). His Texas Association of Magicians membership goes back to 1965. His dealers' booth at TAOM conventions was always a lively gathering spot. For many years, he and his wife Andi owned and operated Paul's Magic and Fun Shop in Fort Lauderdale.

His self-applied title, "Mr. Humble", was an amusing contrast to his boisterous manner and bombastic wit.



ONE LAST THING

The passing of dear friends and colleagues saddens the heart but makes one realize how precious those friendships are. TAOM conventions are the glue that binds you to magicians who live far away. This annual get-together is important in so many ways. Please come this year and bring a young magician to foster the next generation for magic. I'll see you there.



Judy Hollingsworth
TAOM Club Coordinator