



**MAGIC
ACROSS
TEXAS**

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The President's Report

We have been working hard to bring you the most bang for your buck! Our talent committee has put together an incredible lineup. You already know a few of the entertainers that we have lined up for you but there is so much more. The schedule is jam packed currently with NINE lectures and a panel discussion. There will be three evening shows, a professional close-up show and magic contests to participate in and or watch. All of this for only \$275.00!



So, you want to know another name of who will be there? Alright, here you go... **John Archer** from the UK! John is one of the funniest entertainers I have ever seen and he was the first man to fool Penn & Teller!

Here are a few testimonials about John:

*"You could put John Archer ANYWHERE and he would KILL an audience. John Archer got a standing ovation in the 'Penn & Teller Theatre', without Penn and Teller on the stage!" PENN JILLETTE
- Penn & Teller*

"Booking an act for my Dad's 70th birthday, I wanted a great act and went straight to JOHN ARCHER - his reputation in the magic world is among the VERY BEST. Hysterically funny, and perfectly pitched for the occasion. I'd recommend him unreservedly." DERREN BROWN - TV Magician and Psychological Illusionist

"John Archer will blow your mind. He is the Funniest man I know. Seeing him perform is Guaranteed to be one of the BEST experiences of your life!" DYNAMO - Magician Impossible

Alright I will tell you about one more. We have also gotten **Caleb Wiles!**

Linking Ring Magazine calls Indianapolis magician Caleb Wiles "a new star on the magic horizon!" Vanishing Inc. Magic is one of the world's largest online magic shops. They launched their site by selling only two products; both were Caleb's.



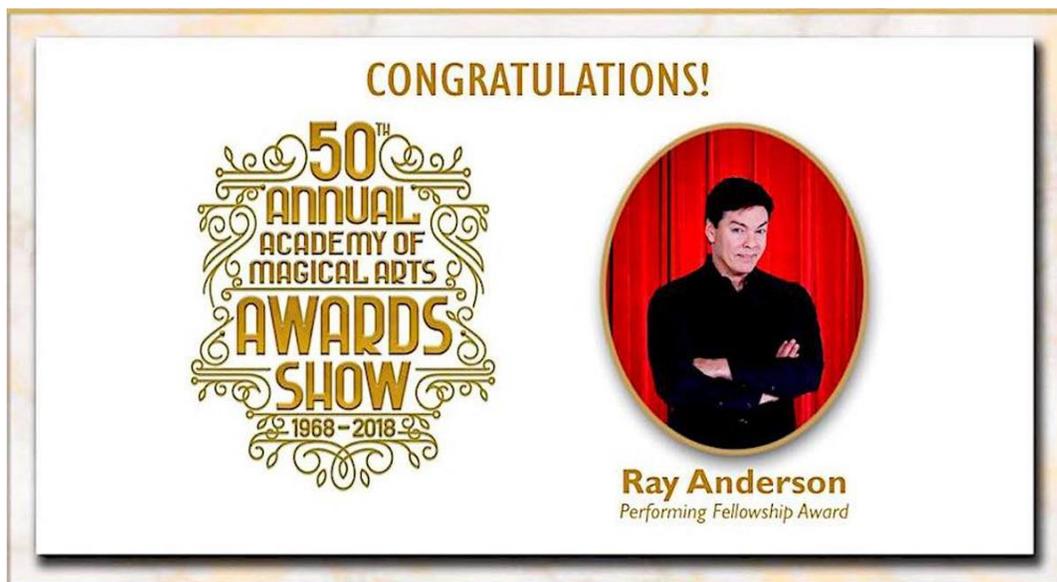
And here is another endorsement from Penn and Teller, "You are so <&%*\$#> GOOD!"

I know the TAOM website has not been updated yet but we will have all of the information up soon and just with these few peeks into what is coming, why have you not registered yet?

Register NOW and get better seating for the evening shows! Just go to www.taom.org

Jamie Salinas 2018 TAOM President

[CLICK HERE FOR DETAILS AND REGISTRATION](#)



CONGRATULATIONS, RAY ANDERSON

All Texas magicians are justifiably proud of one of our own for receiving the prestigious "Performing Fellowship Award" at the recent Academy of Magical Arts Awards Show in Hollywood. The gala event at the Magic Castle recognized Ray Anderson for his prodigious talent and long-running magic performances at Esther's Follies in Austin. *Way to go, Ray-Ray!*



Adrian Vega - "Area 52"

Sunday May 27 at 3:00 p.m. at the Alliance Françoise de Houston, 227 Lovett Boulevard. \$15.00 per person.

Adrian Vega is one of the best close-up magicians from Spain He lives in Las Vegas and works with Criss Angel as the close-up magician in his touring show "The Supernaturalists". Adrian also works as a consultant for Criss Angel.

He was Spanish Close-Up Champion in 2013, Spanish Magician of the year in 2014, won the "Award of Merit" in London in 2013, second prize in the 2016 IBM Convention in USA, and People's Choice Award and Obie's award at FFFF in 2016.

Entertainers
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM
jensencollector.com/lectures

SUNDAY, MAY 27 • 2 PM
8330 LBJ Fwy, Dallas, TX 75243 | 8th floor • Room B838

Ryan Plunkett Dallas Lecture

As you may know, Ryan is very busy as the Lead House Magician of the Chicago Magic Lounge. Before that, he was one of our own.

Join us for a fun homecoming where Ryan will be sharing effects from:

- Some Assembly Required
- A New Angle
- Plus some unpublished routines

And I'm sure if we encourage him, he will talk some about the Chicago Magic Lounge...

Note about A New Angle:
You may have heard that it is out of print and it is. However, Ryan promised he would save a few copies for us, so if you haven't gotten a copy yet, this may be your last chance.

Houston's Annual
**MEMORIAL DAY
BARBECUE**
1PM MONDAY MAY 28TH
MAGIC BY **KIKO**
BBQ BURGERS HOTDOGS
Alliance Francaise
427 LOVETT BLVD

*Festivities will include a special day
recognition for a special guy-o*



Kiko Pastur Lecture

***Tuesday May 29 at 7:30 p.m. at
the IATSE Local 51 Meeting Hall,
3030 North Freeway in Houston.***

Spanish magician Kiko Pastur has built a reputation for innovative and baffling magic. Grounded in both the traditional and the new, Kiko tests boundaries in both presentation and method, resulting in his own unique style. We are honored to be able to welcome him to lecture for our group as a preview of his appearance in Houston at this year's T.A.O.M. convention as one of our featured lecturers/performers.

Amazing
ILLUSTRATIONS PRESENTS...

MONDAY, 7PM
JUNE 4TH

THE LIVING ROOM @THE LINE BAR
940 E. BELTLINE · RICHARDSON
RESERVATIONS: 214.720.2262

ADMISSION IS FOR ADULTS 21 AND OVER.

TICKETS \$15
(INCLUDES 1ST DRINK)

MAGIC IN THE LIVING ROOM



Illustration of three playing cards: a 10 of spades, an Ace of jokers (featuring a cartoon rabbit), and a Queen of hearts. The cards are set against a background of stylized snowflakes and a large orange shape.

You can get Specially Priced \$10 tickets. Just [CLICK HERE](#) and use the promo code DMC13. Seating is extremely limited and we fully expect to sell out, so make sure you get your tickets early.

THE ILLUSIONISTS - LIVE FROM BROADWAY

Five of the most incredible illusionists on earth will entertain on Tuesday, June 5th. THE ILLUSIONISTS – LIVE FROM BROADWAY will return to North Dallas for one night only at The Pavilion at Toyota Music Factory in Irving. [CLICK HERE](#) for tickets.





BITS AND PIECES OF INTERESTING STUFF

Mid-Cities Magic Circle...

Meeting the second Tuesday of every month at Humperdink's in Arlington at 7 for dinner. Magic gets underway about 8 p.m. The topic is "Your Favorite Trick". Bring any trick and perform. Check out Mid-Cities Magic Circle on Facebook for more details!



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!

IMPROV

In **Houston** - Ted Schwank and Carter Blackburn take you on a high-energy adventure in magic, illusion, and comedy.

In **Addison** EVERY SATURDAY at 2:00 p.m.

In **Arlington** EVERY SUNDAY at 2:00 p.m.

For dates and times, go to <http://improv.com/>

John Magic's Theater and Museum in Austin

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.



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. *Reservations required.*





**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.

In Memoriam



Kathy Jo Wells, wife of Scott Wells for 43 years, passed away on May 2, 2018 following a prolonged battle with a cancerous brain tumor diagnosed in April 2017. Kathy was a Registered Dental Hygienist and mother of two children, Sean Elliott Wells and Nicholas Scott Wells. Born in Mattoon, IL, she married Scott in 1975 and moved with him from Illinois to Tulsa, OK to Midland, TX to Omaha, NE to Houston, TX to Dallas, TX then back to Houston. During this time, she worked for various dentists as a Hygienist and involved in church activities in every city. She was a loving wife, beloved "mother" to many, devoted Christian, and a funny, kind and gentle soul.

Kathy was Scott's "ta-dah" girl and "box jumper" as they performed across the U.S. and aboard cruise ships. They were regular performers at Houston's Magic Island and, in fact, were the last stage act before they closed in September 2008. Kathy assisted Fumio Inagaki with his winning comedy act at the TAOM in Abilene, TX. She always jokingly said she had won a TAOM contest whereas Scott never did. Kathy was an avid reader so the family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the [Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation](#). A "Celebration of Life" service will be held for her on Saturday May 12, 2018 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. at Las Velas, 5714 Fairdale Lane, Houston, TX 77057.

ONE LAST THING

Convention time is closer and closer! If you haven't registered for it or made your hotel reservation, don't put it off any longer. President Jamie Salinas announced that there would be no mid-year meeting this year so you won't get a chance to preview the Hilton Americas in downtown Houston. It's a wonderful hotel and everything is right there -- all the lecture rooms, stage, close-up rooms, visiting areas, etc., etc., make it a comfortable place for a convention.



If you were at the Houston convention in 2012, it's at the same hotel. Go to <https://aws.passkey.com/go/TAOM2018> to reserve your room at the incredibly low rate of \$112 per night.

Judy Hollingsworth
TAOM Club Coordinator
