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Message from the President



Wow! The 2019 TAOM Convention is only five months away. My chairmen and the rest of the local San Antonio IBM & SAM club members are busy getting things squared away so we will have a super convention for everyone. I want to thank all of you who have liked and have kept up with our TAOM 2019 Facebook page so far; but remember -- "sharing is caring" and we would like to get all the shares we can. So please let's help us get our convention out to all magicians everywhere, not just Texas.

This year the stage contestants will have the advantage of a real stage and a full audience of magicians and laymen. The competition will be held as part of the Friday evening show. The deadline to enter any of the contests is July 1st. The photo below is of the stage at the Magik Theatre. This lovely old theatre has been refurbished and is the perfect size and setting for outstanding magic. **This is where contestants will vie for the coveted TAOM trophy AND the \$1000 People's Choice Award.**





EARL NELSON

TAOM is happy to announce that EARL NELSON will perform at TAOM 2019. Although he keeps an underground profile, Earl spent his early years training under Dai Vernon. He has twice been voted Close-Up Magician of the Year at the Magic Castle and performs there regularly. For more information and his many credentials, go to <http://cardstarlifestyle.com/earl>

If you haven't registered yet, it is as simple as going to taom.org/2019. There you will find convention registration, hotel information/reservation, contest rules/forms and all the other information you may need. A dealers list will be added soon. You can contact me at taom2019@gmail.com for anything you need help with. If you prefer to call or text me, the number is 512 799-3176.

Sal Manfredo
2019 TAOM President

TAOM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TAOM President Sal Manfredo met members of the Board at the Palacio Del Rio on Saturday, April 13 with a smile and friendly greeting. He and his team were gracious hosts. After a quick walk to Magik Theatre for a tour of the facilities, the Board returned to the hotel for an update on the convention and discussions about issues facing the Association.

Members are concerned about declining attendance at the annual convention and the lack of younger magicians. One suggestion that came out of the lively discussion was the need to integrate more cutting edge technology to engage younger magicians. Members also discussed the need for a small correction to the bylaws. A change in the wording of contest rules will be mailed to Board members for notification before the next Board meeting. Another issue brought before the group was the possibility of member clubs sponsoring, in whole or in part, convention registration for an up-and-coming young magician and his/her family from their city.

Congratulations and thanks to San Antonio and President Manfredo for an enjoyable, productive meeting.

MAGIC CLUBS IN TEXAS

AUSTIN - IBM Ring 60

First Monday at 7:00 p.m. except January and September

I.H.O.P at 11654 Research Boulevard in Austin

Contact: president@ibmring60.org

AUSTIN - SAM ASSEMBLY 206

Third Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Journey Imperfect Faith Community at 7500 Woodrow Avenue in Austin

Contact: magicpta@gmail.com or cantutg@sbcglobal.net

CORPUS CHRISTI - IBM RING 157

Meeting date in transition

Ronald McDonald House at 3402 Fort Worth Street in Corpus Christi

Contact: douglasjp3@yahoo.com

DALLAS MAGIC CLUBS - IBM RING 174 & SAM ASSEMBLY 13

Third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Crossroads Christian Church at 2425 Parker Road in Carrollton

Contact: dalsanders@stagemagic.com

FORT WORTH - IBM RING 15

First Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

4055 International Drive in Fort Worth

Contact: grimes1@aol.com or phylmike@att.net

FORT WORTH - SAM ASSEMBLY 138

Third Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Illusion Warehouse at 3917 McCart Avenue in Fort Worth

Contact: communications@allianceofillusionists.com

HOUSTON - IBM RING 39

Fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m. except May and December

Bayou Manor at 4141 South Braeswood in Houston

Contact: judy4birds@yahoo.com

HOUSTON - SAM ASSEMBLY 19

First Monday at 7:00 p.m. except September

I.A.T.S.E. Union Hall at 3030 North Freeway in Houston

Contact: milesroot@aol.com

MID-CITIES MAGIC CIRCLE

Second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Humperdink's at Six Flags in Arlington

Facebook: ["Mid-cities magic circle"](#)

SAN ANTONIO - IBM RING 18

Fourth Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Beethoven Hall at 422 Perida Street in San Antonio

Contact: douggorman@att.net

SAN ANTONIO - SAM ASSEMBLY 52

First Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Location in transition

Contact: douggorman@att.net

DOUG KORNEGAY HONORED

Members of Houston SAM Assembly 19 voted unanimously on March 4, 2019, to rename the club for Doug Kornegay. Doug was a member of and very active in SAM 19 as well as IBM Ring 39 and the Houston Association of Magicians. He was the president of TAOM for the Houston convention in 1989. Doug, with his wife and performing partner Donnie, were both instrumental in the success of magic in the City of Houston throughout the years. They have been recognized for their many contributions and the 2018 TAOM Convention was dedicated to them.



SCOTT HOLLINGSWORTH ON STAGE



The beautifully restored Pavilion Education Center at 693 South Bay Boulevard in the coastal city of Palacios will host the magic of Scott Hollingsworth at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 27. The event is a public fair, fundraiser, and family party to benefit the City By the Sea Museum. Everyone welcome!

JOE LIBBY AND FRIENDS AT KING WILLIAM FAIR IN SAN ANTONIO

Famed ventriloquist Joe Libby will entertain at the King William Fair on April 27 in the King William Historic District of San Antonio. Come out and enjoy the fair and watch Libby amaze you with feats of ventriloquism.



BEN JACKSON PRESENTS Magic, Music, and Mayhem



An unforgettable evening of sophistication and sorcery.

Ben performs two shows nightly on a monthly schedule at the Houston Museum of Natural Science's Brown Theater. Coming up: April 27 & 28, May 24, & 25, and June 28 & 29. For tickets, go to <https://www.benjacksonmagic.com/live/>

Ben's delightful one-man show has moved to the Houston Museum of Natural Science. He has earned numerous awards during his career, the most recent being a trifecta of First Place, People's Choice, and Medal of Merit at the United States National Close-up Magic Competition at the Golden Nugget Casino in Las Vegas. The Medal of Merit has been awarded only 7 times since 1902.

EXPERIENCE

WILL BAFFLE'S

SHOW OF WONDERS

FAMILY FUN

FOR ALL AGES

MAGIC AND ILLUSIONS

APRIL 28TH, 2019

2PM & 4PM

FARR BEST Theater 109 N MAIN ST
MANSFIELD TX
76063

FOR TICKETS AND INFO
WWW.WILLBAFFLE.COM

PRESENTED BY:

SCOTT ALEXANDER LECTURE

Dallas - April 28, 2:00 p.m. at 8330 LBJ Freeway, 8th Floor, Room B838

Houston - April 30, 7:30 p.m., IATSE Meeting Hall, 3030 North Freeway

Scott's lecture is a sparkling cocktail of time tested effects, with some of his own clever twists. He will cover the ins-and-outs of serving up a well-rounded stand up show program. He provides you with a recipe of how to blend trick selection with audience engagement, levels of interest, and how to play the small stuff bigger. Scott tips some of his stand-up routines from his Standing Up On Stage Video Series featuring the Chop Cup, Invisible Deck, Ring Flight, and Cards Across. He talks about the importance of opening strong and conveying your personality early with his hilarious Candle to Flower Routine.



ROBBIE BENNETT PRESENTS Magic, Comedy & More!

This spectacular show will preview new material at MATCH - Midtown Arts & Theater Center Houston on May 2. Tickets are going FAST! Bring friends, family, and strangers. The show is fun for the whole family.

For tickets and more info, go to <https://matchouston.org/events/2019/anomaly-magic-robbie-bennett>

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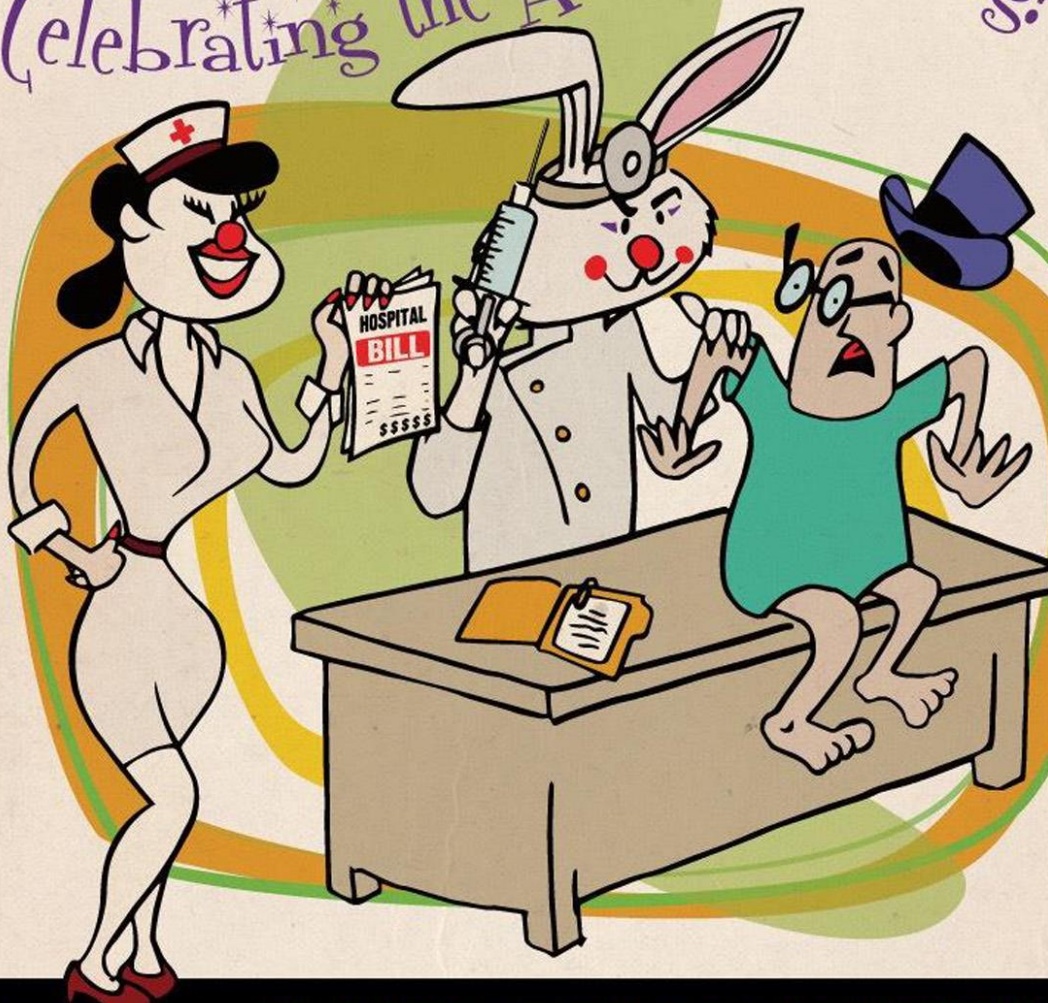
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MAGIC

IN THE
LIVING
ROOM

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MAY 7
• 7PM •

THE LIVING ROOM @ THE LINE PUBLIC HOUSE
\$15 IN ADVANCE • \$20 AT THE DOOR
WWW.MAGICLIVINGROOM.COM

JUSTIN WILLMAN
Dallas House of Blues

Justin Willman will bring his show, Magic In Real Life, to The House of Blues in Dallas on Friday, May 10th. Justin is the star and executive producer of the Netflix original series Magic for Humans. He's a regular guest on The Tonight Show, Ellen, and Conan. His online videos have logged over a 100 million views. And one time he performed at the White House for the Obama family. Justin was born in St. Louis, lives in Los Angeles, and does not own a rabbit.

For information and to purchase tickets, go to

<http://www.justinwillman.com/>



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DALLAS MAGIC CLUB
SAM ASSEMBLY 13 • IBM RING 174

**2019 ANNUAL BANQUET
& OFFICER INSTALLATION**
MAY 12, 2019
STARRING

KERRY POLLACK AND RUBEN VILAGRANDE

Wine & Magic

with magician
Trigg Watson

As seen on:

May 17 & 18

Tickets \$20
(food and drink sold separately)

**EXPERIMENTAL
MAGIC**

**SATURDAY MAY 18, 2019
8PM**

**MENTALISM
ILLUSIONS**

**RITCHY
FLO** **TAYLOR
DARREN LLOYD** **VEGAS**

TICKETS \$20-30 @PREKINDLE.COM
CONFETTI EDDIE MAGIC PARLOR
823 EXPOSITION AVE. DALLAS TX 75226
WINNER BEST MAGIC PARLOR 2014



NATHAN KRANZO LECTURE Houston - May 21

Kranzo's coming to Houston! The lecture will start at 7:30 p.m. The date is May 21. The location is Bayou Manor, 4141 South Braeswood (the regular meeting place for IBM Ring 39). The price is FREE TO MEMBERS and \$20 for others.

Nathan is a full time entertainer who has acquired a reputation for creating unique and original magic. He is well-known for his original magic creations have been published in national and worldwide publications.

**PARLOR
MAGIC
SHOW**

**SATURDAY MAY 25, 2019
8PM & 11PM**

**MYSTERY
INTRIGUE**

**ALAN
PAOLETTI**

**EMMA
DLEMMMA**

**ARTY
DODGER**

**TICKETS \$20-30 @PREKINDLE.COM
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Glenn Morphey

LECTURE

Don't Miss it! Glenn's lecture is jam packed full of strong, real world magic that's as fun to watch as it is to perform.

Glenn Morphey is coming to Dallas on Sunday, May 26. The lecture will start at 2:00 p.m. in the 8th floor meeting room B838 at 8330 LBJ Freeway. His material will benefit ALL magicians. Don't miss it!

Houston's Annual

MEMORIAL DAY
BARBECUE

1PM MONDAY MAY 28TH

MAGIC BY MICHAEL VINCENT

BBQ BURGERS HOTDOGS

Alliance Francaise

427 LOVETT BLVD

RSVP REQUIRED: eprotas@gmail.com

Down the road....

June 11 - Dan Fleshman Lecture in Houston

June 15 - Harry Maurer Public Show in Spring

July 9 - Dameon (a.k.a. Hal Meyers) Lecture in Houston

September 17 - Nathan Coe Marsh Lecture in Houston

October 26 - Shin Lim at the Majestic Theater in Dallas

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!



THE IMPROV IN ADDISON...

Mike Williams heads up an all star line-up in Addison every other weekend. It's Comedy and Magic that you won't want to miss.

Visit www.improvaddison.com for show information or to purchase tickets.



THE IMPROV IN ARLINGTON...

Mike Squires headlines shows at The IMPROV in Arlington on alternate Saturdays. Mike will casually blow your mind. Doors open at 1:00.

Go to www.improvarlington.com for tickets.

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.

Cards in South Austin
SECOND SATURDAYS

Cardicians in Austin get together once a month to swap moves and stories, routines and fun. To confirm times, locations, and dates and for more info, contact Lou Hornung at

lhornung@sbcglobal.net



MAGICIANS' INSURANCE

S.A.M. has a new insurance policy that is much better than the previous one offered. Here are some numbers!

Old policy with Specialty Insurance; rate was \$283. The new carrier is PEEP Insurance Agency (Performing Entertainers & Event Professionals) and costs \$175 for the same coverage. The General Liability limits are \$1,000,000 per occurrence with a \$2,000,000 aggregate. PEEP also offers free Additional Insured Certificates (downloadable) that are processed instantly 24/7 using the self service portal. It also offers optional equipment coverage of \$15,000 insured value, coverage for audience volunteers and other great benefits. For info, go to <https://www.magicsam.com/page/Insurance>



JOHN CORNELIUS

Magician, creator, inventor, innovator, author, and all-around good guy John Cornelius has passed. He entered the world on April 22, 1948 and left us on April 21, 2019. Among the numerous awards garnered by this magic genius was the first place in close-up at the 1979 FISM. His illustrious career in magic is applauded world-wide. Hardly a magician anywhere doesn't "do" one of John's creations or routines.

John is survived by his wife Linda. A Rosary will be held at our Lady of Sorrows Church, 3107 N. St. Mary's, on Thursday, April 25. On Friday there will be a service at 10:30 a.m. at Lady of Sorrows Church with a procession following to San Fernando #3 for interment.



ONE LAST THING

The mid-year meeting of the TAOM Board of Directors in San Antonio on April 13 was most enjoyable. Sal Manfredo and his enthusiastic team are ahead of the curve in the planning department. The hotel has all the amenities one could wish for and the public rooms reserved for TAOM's use will work well.

A short trek down the street brought our group to the Magik Theatre before the business meeting began. It is a *perfect* venue for magic! The interior has been lovingly restored to the genteel elegance of days gone by, but includes all the mod-cons we expect in a theater today.

Don't delay, if you have registered for the convention, [do it now!](#) Seats will be assigned by number in order of your registration.



Judy Hollingsworth
TAOM Club Coordinator