

# The Prestidigitator Press



A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE MEMBERS OF  
LITTLE ROCK MAGIC RING 29

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS



Ring 29 meets at 6:45 on first Thursday of the month at Baptist Hospital.  
Call Mr. Magic or a Ring 29 Officer for changes (see back page).

August Theme: MCing by Jon Bucher

August 2016

## Important News

Due to the cost of mailing hard copies we will be cutting out sending hard copies, unless you send in your address to re-subscribe. Send address to Col. James Kinsey [jamesk39@swbell.net](mailto:jamesk39@swbell.net) (501-834-7456). We will vote on this issue in the September meeting. If we quit sending the paper copy could save enough money for a lecture. Ask James how to join the yahoo group to be on the mailing list for the digital copy of the newsletter.

**Also, just a Reminder** The Ring Close-up and Stage competitions will be held again next year and we are already anticipating strong competition. Now is the time to start formulating that "germ of an idea" that you can use to develop that award winning act.



## Upcoming Magic Themes

August-Mcing by Jon Bucher

September-Halloween magic

October-brown bag magic(bring small easy magic trick)

November-Teach-in

December-holiday party

January-Christmas party

February- Thumb tip/cups and balls magic/sanada sponge balls magic

March-Birthday magic

April-?

May-close-up

June-stage

July-instillation



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## Presidents Corner

Thanks to all who attended the July meeting at Baptist Hospital! We had a very good time sharing magic, fellowshiping and talking about some things we would like to see happening in our meetings. I have asked Jon Bucher to share his mini-lecture on how to properly introduce performers when you are asked to serve as an emcee. After we all learn these best practices, I will ask for a volunteer to serve as emcee at a monthly meeting. Please come to learn this skill or to improve your own skill. Let's be ready when the call comes to be an emcee. Also, please attend to show support for Jon for sharing with us.

The Board met after the meeting and planned some interesting meeting ideas, which will be posted in the newsletter. In an effort to get more members interested in attending our meetings, we would like to have "mini-teaches" at each meeting, followed by magic. If you have an idea for a mini-teach or an idea you think members would be interested in, please share that with me or one of the other Board members. These would not take the entire meeting time because we still want to have time for performing magic.

We have two lectures in the near future so please mark these dates on your calendar.

Monday, September 19, 2016 Garret Thomas

Monday, October 10, 2016 Kozmo

Please check the newsletter for the location of these lectures.

Thanks, again, for those who attended the meeting. I hope that each of our members will make an effort to attend the meetings. Each of you are important to the success of our Ring. We miss you! If there is anything I can do to make the meetings meet your expectations, please let me know. Our meetings are to help us expand our knowledge of magic, improve our skills, and learn new ways to perform our magic.

Magically yours,

Jo

★Aug 1:	Rizzoli & Isles: 65 Hours on TNT.	<b>Magic</b>  on  <b>TV!</b>
★Aug 1:	Death Defying Acts on MAX.	
★Aug 2:	Supernatural: Criss Angel Is A... on TNT.	
★Aug 2:	<b>NEW!</b> The Carbonaro Effect: multiple episodes on TRUETV.	
★Aug 3:	The Prestige on ENCORE.	
★Aug 3:	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation: Abra-Cadaver on CLOO.	
★Aug 3:	Caillou: Just For Laughs on SPROUT.	
★Aug 3:	<b>NEW!</b> Penn & Teller Fool Us: Penn Plays With Fire on CW.	
★Aug 3:	Diagnosis Murder: Trash TV on ME.	
★Aug 4:	<b>NEW!</b> The Carbonaro Effect: multiple episodes on TRUETV.	
★Aug 5:	How I Met Your Mother: The Magician's Code on MYNET.	
★Aug 5:	Columbo: Now You See Him on HALLMARK.	
★Aug 5:	<b>NEW!</b> Penn & Teller Fool Us: Penn Plays With Fire on CW.	
★Aug 5:	<b>NEW!</b> Masters Of Illusion: Techno Magic, Quick Change... on CW.	
★Aug 5:	<b>NEW!</b> Masters Of Illusion: A Magical Smorgasbord on CW.	
★Aug 6:	Now You See Me on TNT.	
★Aug 6:	<b>NEW!</b> The Carbonaro Effect: multiple episodes on TRUETV.	

## Kozmo

Monday, October 10, 2016 Little Rock, AR – CONFIRMED

Ted Brainard is the creator of Kozmo Magic, which is recognized as one of today's premier magic video production companies. His "Reel Magic Magazine" continues to be the benchmark in the video magic industry. Ted's alter ego, Kozmo, is acknowledged to be one of the top street performers in the world today. Kozmo performed at the 2015 FISM Gala Close-Up Show in Rimini, Italy and headlined at the Magic Castle to several standing ovations! He has also toured China and the U.K.

Kozmo will begin his lecture with a performance of his professional street act. This is a treat in and of itself. Kozmo will proceed to explain each effect in his street act. Kozmo pushes the envelope by teaching you why he has chosen each effect and why he has placed each effect where it is in his act. You will hear Kozmo talk about conditions on the street. He will give you his thoughts on how to make your "hats" bigger. You will laugh at some of the anecdotes you will hear, including a great story about Harry Anderson.

Kozmo will show you how the principles of performing in the street can also be applied to the restaurant magic venue as well as the trade-show floor.

You may well jump for joy, as there is ONLY ONE card trick in the lecture. To some of you this may be your motivation to attend the lecture.

What You Will Learn At Kozmo's Lecture:

- Translocation Coins – The reasons why Kozmo opens with this effect
- Coins In The Cup – You will learn how to make this effect play big rather than play small
- A Card Trick – How to make this trick play big or play small
- The Sugar Packet Trick – Why this effect plays so strong
- Chop Cup Routine – Kozmo's complete routine with all its nuances
- The Jar – A brand new switching device that will be introduced later this summer

Learn how to make your magic play stronger, and learn a lesson in psychology, magic, and audience management!

Plus much much more!!!

"Kozmo is what magicians need to be -- ENTERTAINING!" - Karl Norman

"All magicians need to see you work". -- Obie O'Brien

"Thanks, Kozmo, for a great lecture. The best we've had in two years! I enjoyed your message of connecting with your audience and focusing on the fun in magic." -- Bill, IBM 4 / SAM 47, Rochester, NY

"Performance is always about the audience, but being able to gather and energize an audience is a First Principle that Kozmo understands in spades. I watched him work the hard-scrabble streets of the Big Easy. He is the best I've seen in the trenches, bar none!" -- Jon Racherbaumer

## Ring History

We will look back 40 years again this month to the August, 1976 meeting of the Ring. It is a nice follow-up to last month's report. The President that year was Don Terry and the Secretary was Bob Spray. The Ring met at different locations at this time and calls were made to the secretary for directions.

"We had a fairly good "crowd" for our August meeting. We are looking forward to Larry Valentine's lecture on August 24. Magic was in abundance as Dr. John McCollough Smith divined the serial number from a borrowed bill. Unfortunately his thought waves were periodically hindered by a somewhat slower thinking spectator. Bob Spray then got "All-Balled-Up". Jim Henson produced a mountain of silks from a rather small empty box. Logan Pritchett (our prize winning member at the night before party in Evansville) showed us mini-stratospheres and how to make change for a dollar using a mini silk cylinder.

Ring members were delighted to see Mr. Nolan Blass again. Mr. Blass enchanted us with several of his "experiments." No matter how careful we were at selecting cards - no force - Mr. Blass was able to find out what it was or managed to produce a duplicate from another deck without knowing the selected card.

We understand that the Wilcox's have arrived in Altus, Ark. It is hoped that we'll be able to get together with them and the Fort Smith Ring sometime soon. Welcome to Arkansas!!

Today, as in 1976, participation by members make the meetings successful and enjoyable ones. Show your magical spirit by showing other members what you can do. Bring a trick and let your unique style shine."

Until next time, remember, the past calls you to remember how good it was and challenges you show how great it can be.

Your humble historian, Mike Curtis.



## Upcoming MAGIC

Garret Thomas  
September 19th

The Workshop (Memphis)  
October 5-8

Kozmo  
October 10th

If you know of any upcoming shows or magic events please contact the editor

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## Magically Delicious Sunny



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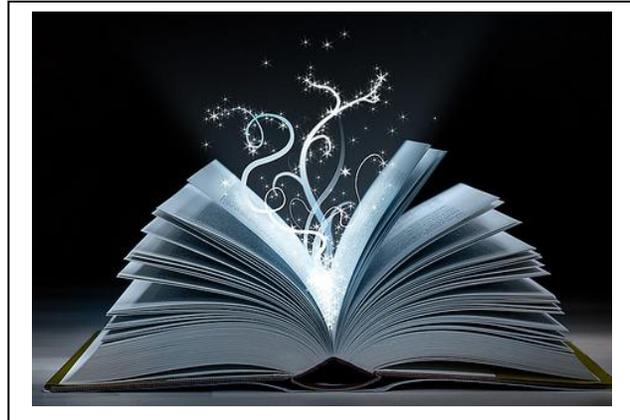
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## Theme Details

MCing by Jon Bucher!

### Membership

All members of Ring 29 must first be a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians. I.B.M. Applications can be picked up at Mr. Magic or from [http://www.magician.org/membership\\_application.pdf](http://www.magician.org/membership_application.pdf). Contact Mr. Magic or any Ring 29 Officer for information on joining the IBM or Ring 29.

### Mailing Lists

In addition to this newsletter Members can receive last minute email information on meetings, events, and lectures. If you wish to be added to our email list, please contact Treasurer **Col. James Kinsey**.

### LittleRockMagic.net

Our new website has been filled with a wealth of information to assist our members (and potential members). New features are being added daily. Check out the Ring 29 Highlights video, the Magicians for Hire page, or the Ring 29 Event Calendar.



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