

The **PERFORMER**



Little Rock Magic Ring 29 *Newsletter*

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LITTLE ROCK MAGIC RING 29

It's all about the Magic...

In the News:

The Ring 29 auction happened on July 12, 2025 with many items from the John Ransom estate. It was well attended. Similar auctions were held at Arkansas's other Rings.



Meeting Information

August 2, 2025
Ring 29 Auction
Stage Coach Clubhouse
1:00

Upcoming Events

Annual Show
November 1, 2025
Doors Open: 6:30
Show Begins: 7:00

"Make the difficult easy and the easy beautiful"
- Doug Henning -



President's Report

Marty Haughn

The last few months have been pretty hectic getting items ready for auction at four different Rings with sorting, pricing and researching the retail on all the items. July proved to be the month for all of the auctions to happen.

It began with Ring 29 on a Saturday, Ring 75 on the following Sunday, up next was Ring 308 on Monday and kicking off the final auction was Ring 403 on Thursday. I made it a goal to attend all four and succeeded.

Although not all of the items sold, know that there will be an opportunity to purchase them at later dates. Keep in tune with the Rings to see when and how you may be able to find that one item you can not live without.

I don't want to speak for the other Rings, but Ring 29 made over \$1000 when combining the high end items sold early and the auction total. Each Ring was able to keep the money for their clubs. We were fortunate to have been gifted an entire magician estate and are forever grateful.

As a reminder, our new meeting days are on Saturday at 1:00, unless otherwise specified, will be held at the bank. See the Schedule of events on the website for more information.

Secretary's Report

Mark Mulkerin

Little Rock Magic Ring 29 met Saturday, July 12, 2025 at the Stage Coach Clubhouse. President Marty Haughn presided.

The meeting began shortly after 1 pm with Marty sharing the outcome of the auction of the higher value items online with proceeds to be shared between Arkansas's four Rings. From there, Marty explained how the live auction would proceed with most of the items provided by the Ransom Estate with some items brought by Ring members. Proceeds from the estate items would go to Ring 29 with member sales going to each member.

With well over a hundred lots up for bid and the meeting well attended, the auction accounted for most of the time with Marty serving as auctioneer. Items included DVDs, books, props, gimmicks, posters, and more. Blayk Puckett assisted Marty tracking the bidders while James Kinsey and Christy Kinsey recorded the buyers, distributed the purchases, and accepted payments. While the bidding at times got competitive, it remained friendly throughout.

Approaching the two-hour mark, Marty wrapped up the auction by sharing when and where the other three Rings' auctions would take place.

Blast from the Past

Bob Bullock

Blast from the Past

July 2001

Ring 29 of the International Brotherhood of Magicians

July 2001 was a month of celebration, reflection, and good old-fashioned showmanship for Ring 29. Our members took center stage at the July 5th meeting, where everyone was encouraged to perform and *explain* their favorite trick. This format turned out to be a real crowd-pleaser and learning opportunity, as members not only performed but also taught their handling and patter, allowing everyone to take home something new.

Mid-month, on July 16, Ring 29 hosted its **First Annual Installation Banquet** at Brown's Country Kitchen in Benton. In addition to installing our new officers for the 2001-2002 year, we also held a solemn Broken Wand Ceremony honoring **Fred Hartman**, one of only two lifetime members, who passed away on June 23 after a long illness. Fred had been a fixture at our meetings for many years, and his presence was truly missed.

Officers for July 2001:

- President: Dan Hecke
- Vice President: Bill Fulton
- Secretary: Christy Henson
- Treasurer: James Kinsey
- Sgt. at Arms: Jon Bucher
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Board Members: Chris Westfall (Membership), Jon Bucher (Board Rep)

July also saw members traveling for magic near and far. Several Ring 29 magicians—Kyle Hamsher, Gene Berry, Margaret Leclair, and Christy & Jim Henson—attended the IBM Convention in Orlando. Back home, Scott Davis was spotted performing corporate magic in Washington, D.C., continuing his streak of high-profile gigs.

One of the more heartwarming stories came from **Sam Boyce**, who organized a charity show in May (sadly reported after our deadline) called "*Magic in May*" benefiting the White River Battered Women's Shelter. Featured performers included Jimmy Rhodes, Rocky Clements & Company, and the Boyce Family Act. It's the kind of community spirit that keeps Ring 29 rooted in service and heart.

The club was also buzzing with excitement about the upcoming "**Tales of the Wizard**" public show planned for August to raise funds for the Junior Magician Scholarship Fund, and our eyes were already on a September 15 workshop featuring David Ginn, Samuel Patrick Smith, and Steve Taylor. The summer was jam-packed with opportunities to grow, perform, and connect.

With magic happening across Arkansas and beyond, Ring 29 in July 2001 was vibrant, active, and ever-growing—just the way we like it.

Bob Bullock - Ring 29 Historian



Auction Photos



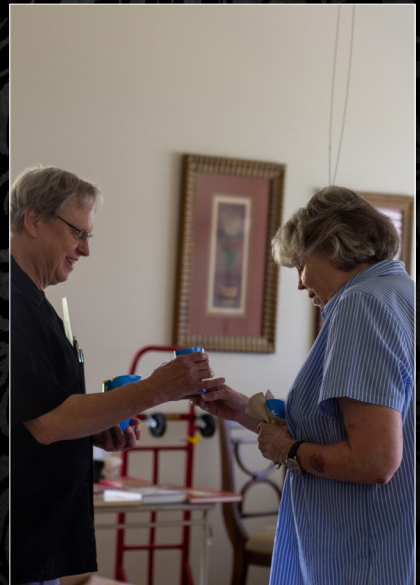
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Schedule of Events

2025

Date	Meeting Location	Theme	Lecturer	Host/Emcee
TBD	Location to be announced	Arkansas Masters of Illusion	N/A	Marty Haughn
February	First Community Bank	Open Magic	N/A	
March	First Community Bank		N/A	
April	First Community Bank		N/A	
May	First Community Bank		N/A	
June	Stagecoach Clubhouse	Officer Installation	N/A	Larry Bean
July	1:00 p.m. Stagecoach Clubhouse	Ring 29 Auction	N/A	
August	First Community Bank	Storytelling Magic	N/A	
September	First Community Bank	Box Magic	N/A	
October	TBD	Haunted Magic	N/A	
November	First Community Bank	Annual Show - Finally	N/A	
December	TBD	Ring Christmas Party	N/A	

- The clubhouse address: 100 Stagecoach Village, Little Rock, Arkansas.
- First Community Bank Address: 17820 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock, Arkansas

These are our normal meeting gatherings. Any additional activity throughout the year will be listed.

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All members of Ring 29 must first be a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians. I.B.M. Applications can be obtained from 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*.

www.littlerockmagic.net or www.littlerockmagic.org

Our 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.

Using Ring 29 Email Group

To be added to our email group, contact James Kinsey or Marty Haughn

We now use GOOGLE GROUPS for our email service.

Ring 29 is proud to endorse and support Little Rock's world class Magic Vendor, "Mr. Magic"
Mr. Magic is owned and operated by retired Fire Chief Jim Henson and is a primary contact for Ring 29.

Mr. Magic (Jim Henson)

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