

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:

December 13th at 1pm, IBM Ring 29 will gather for our Christmas party at the Stagecoach Village Clubhouse.

The Intrigue Theater in Eureka Springs has Sean-Paul and Juliana Fay performing their show, Perplexed, on December 6th & 13th at 5:45pm and their show, Portal, on December 26th at 5:45pm.

At 8pm on December 19, Paul Prater will perform at Birdies Cabaret Lounge. The show offers magic and mentalism that explores the creepy side of Christmas, looking at the origins of our traditions.

If you have any news for future newsletters, email them to markmulkerin@yahoo.com.

Meeting Information

Ring 29 Christmas Party

Date: December 13
1pm

Stagecoach Village Clubhouse

*"What the eyes see and the ears hear,
the mind believes."*

Harry Houdini



President's Report

Marty Haughn

We had our January show this month due to the weather. Although it was a challenge to ensure all ticket holders were notified, I believe we filled every seat for the show.

The magicians of Arkansas Masters of Illusion, Blayk Puckett, Paul Carlon, Richard Knoll, Jimmy Rhodes and Joey Williams, performed exceptionally well for an enthusiastic audience. Thank you for such a great show.

We have our annual Christmas party coming December 13th. It will be held at the Stagecoach Clubhouse at 1:00. See your email for details and RSVP information.

Setting things up for 2026 we are fortunate to have Nathan Kranzo come through Little Rock for a lecture. He will be here February 25th, 7:00 pm at the First Community Bank. Location may change and further information will be available if it changes.

On May 2, 2026 we will have another show. Time and location to be determined. If you are interested in performing in May, please let me or one of the officers know.

Finally, if you have a recommendation for future lectures please let one of the officers know.

See you all in December.

Secretary's Report

Mark Mulkerin

Little Rock Magic Ring 29 met Saturday, November 1, 2025 at the Jacksonville Community Center in Jacksonville. President Marty Haughn presided.

In lieu of a regular meeting, the Ring members gathered for a fundraising performance by the Arkansas Masters of Illusion. Marty opened the show and roused the audience shortly after 7pm. Blayk Puckett began the entertainment with feats of dexterity culminating in pulling a cloth from beneath a candlestick balanced on his head.

Paul Carlon then followed. He performed a torn and restored newspaper with the help of an audience member and transformed a regular soda bottle into a miniature one. Finally, he brought up a young boy to learn secret of the silk and egg routine and sent him home with a balloon hotdog.

Richard Knoll demonstrated his floating table with the aid and under the observation of an audience member before introducing the comedic magic of Jimmy Rhodes.

Jimmy began with his colorful umbrella having its canopy replaced by silks and the canopy appearing in a silk bag. He continued with the help of two audience members tying many silks onto two ropes held by the audience members. With a firm pull, the silks leapt off the ropes leaving the audience members amused and perplexed.

Blayk returned next to demonstrate more dexterity with a five-ball juggling routine, mysteriously behaving knots on a rope, how to cut a lemon the hard way, and a hoop and glass trick.

Joey Williams performed next bringing up an audience member who had a hundred bill. After the bill was placed in an envelope and the audience member had to pick which envelopes to have shredded, Joey safely retrieved the bill from a lemon held by an audience member. After the relieved audience member returned to his seat, Joey offered his rendition of a Snowstorm in China.

Richard then took center stage flanked by the others and performed feats with silks culminating in a flag production expressing gratitude for our veterans. The show/meeting concluded with a singalong of God Bless America followed by photos and autographs.

Blast from the Past

Bob Bullock

Blast from the Past

November 2010

Fifteen years ago, November was a busy and exciting time for Ring 29. The highlight of the month was the club's always-popular Grab Bag Magic Night, where members drew props from mystery bags and had to create impromptu performances on the spot. These evenings never failed to spark creativity and laughter—sometimes even uncovering new talents and unexpected skills!

The officers that year were: President Tyler Vodehnal, Vice President Jon Bucher, Secretary Kylan Mann, Treasurer James Kinsey, Sergeant-at-Arms Pam Medrez, Historian Mike Curtis, and Webmaster Bob Bullock.

The fall of 2010 also marked one of Ring 29's most ambitious outreach efforts: Boo at the Zoo. Over eight nights, members performed eighteen stage shows, plus strolling magic and storytelling, at the Little Rock Zoo's Civitan Amphitheater. Ring 29 received publicity on TV, radio, and in newsletters, giving our performers exposure across the city. Special thanks at the time went to members like Jon and Susan Bucher, Bob Bullock, Rebecca Davis, Randall Eller, Dan Hecke, Kylan Mann, Pam Medrez, Dennis Schick, Donald Wortman, and many others who volunteered their time and talents to make the event a success.

The October meeting just prior had featured Jay Scott Berry, whose lecture wowed the club with elegant routines such as the Diamond Silk Fountain, Retrograde ribbon restoration, and his renowned Lightning Switch. His appearance helped fuel the magical energy going into November.

On a historical note, the Blast from the Past column in November 2010 looked back forty years to October 1970, when Ring 29 was led by President Walter F. Scott and Secretary Gene Walther. That year, Frank Caple—longtime member and beloved magician—was celebrated for winning both “Best Stage Act” and “Best Act of the Convention” at TAOM. Frank's legacy of excellence was honored again in 2010, just months after his passing.

Looking back, November 2010 captured the spirit of Ring 29 perfectly: a balance of fun meetings, public service, and a strong respect for the magical legacies that continue to inspire us today.

Arkansas Masters of Illusion



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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	Trevor Duffy Lecture	Trevor Duffy	
October 11	Dane Dover's Home 8500 Woodruff, Sherwood	Haunted Magic	N/A	
November 1	Jacksonville Community Center	Annual Show - Finally	N/A	
December 13	1:00 p.m. Stagecoach Clubhouse	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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