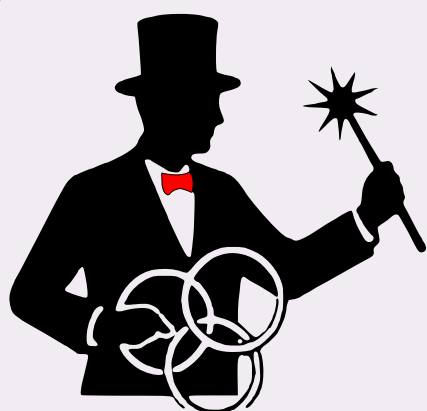


MAGIC *In the Rock*



Little Rock Magic Ring 29



RING 29

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Welcome to this issue of Magic in the Rock!

The season is upon us and all things Magical are coming to a head. Our next Ring Meeting on Nov 7th is headlining a lecture by Magician Keith Leff. I saw Keith at the Cavalcade of Magic earlier this year and was very impressed with his talent, professionalism and teaching abilities. The lecture is titled as Restaurant Magic but he is equally accomplished in stage and close-up. I believe everyone has something to gain from this lecture. See the calendar for location and details.

This is a free lecture for all Ring 29 members and \$20 for non-member.

Note this: If you join Ring 29 for our \$25 membership fee, you qualify to attend this lecture, **and all future free lectures**, as a ring 29 member. Come on guys it's a no-brainer.

The joint Ring 29/308 auction of the Jon Bucher estate in Searcy went very well. Attendance was good and most of the Items were sold at very reasonable prices. Many thanks to Marty Haughn for the hard work he has put into this. Marty is also selling a lot of magic from the Mike Jones estate via our website <https://www.littlerockmagic.net/>. Check it out for some great deals on magic.



October 2026 Newsletter

For information email: MagicBobx@gmail.com





Magical items in the news for October

MAGIC ESTATE SALE
Mike Jones
ESTATE

ALL SALES FINAL

Contact Marty via
Email, Text or WhatsApp.

MAGIC VARIETY
SATURDAY, NOV 7

You'll want to take tickets to this play as soon as you can. It's a chance to see the future of the world and meet the people who will shape it. Sometimes it's a little bit of a gamble, but it's worth it.

Buy Tickets - Book Online - Book at the Box Office

SIMPLY DARLING

OCTOBER 27, 2026 | 7:30PM
 Robinson Center | Little Rock, AR

If you have any news for future newsletters, email them to Magicbox@gmail.com.

"Magic is a bridge that allows you to walk from the visible world into the invisible world, and learn the lessons of both."





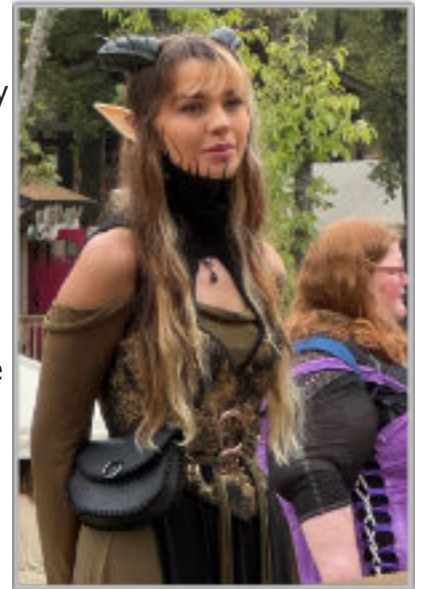
IN THE NEWS - (continued)

Renaissance Festival - Bob Bullock

Susan Bucher, Ring 308 Searcy, and myself, attended the final 2026 season weekend of the Arkansas Renaissance Festival just outside Rosebud. The facility is only three years old and I was very impressed with what has been accomplished there. A large amount of money has been invested to recreate a realistic medieval village with arts and crafts, food, and a wide variety of entertainers and professional production. I was not expecting anything of this caliber when we decided to check it out.



There will be plenty of opportunity for magicians and jugglers to participate in events next season if anyone is interested. We had a great experience.



A Magical Wedding Celebration - Bob Bullock

Paul Prater, magician, mentalist and co-owner of Birdies in North Little Rock, held a 1920's themed costume party to celebrate his upcoming nuptials to the very lovely Sarah Clower. They pulled out all the stops on entertainment with magic, juggling, live music, comedy and more. It was an incredible night and Susan and I had a blast.





PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Earlier this month, October's meeting provided a small, but congenial gathering in which we shared tricks and discussed possible mini lectures that Ring members might offer to each other. Whether it is Melvin offering insights into street busking or me presenting approaches to scripting, collectively we have a great deal of wisdom to share. If there is any topic you're inclined to tackle, talk to me or another officer so we can offer some meetings in which learn from each other.

As for proper lectures, I look forward to seeing many of you at the Keith Leff lecture which will be free for all current members on November 7th. Then, we are gathering next for our Christmas party on December 5th – be on the lookout for party planning details to hit the group email in the next week or two. That said, let's end the year with some spectacular magic so perhaps start thinking about what you might share.

Finally, October 31st, it will be 100 years since the magic community said goodbye to Harry Houdini. So, as we prepare for trick or treaters, perhaps take a moment to remember one of our greats.

See you in November.

Mark Mulkerin



Mark Mulkerin - President



FOR THE RECORD

October's meeting was small due to conflicting schedules but very productive, turning into an informal brainstorming session and hands-on workshop. a combined Ring 29 and Ring 308 auction in Searcy featuring additional magic items from the Jon Bucher estate. Several events are slated for the coming months. Lucy Darling will perform in Little Rock on October 27th, and several members plan to attend including Derrick Rose, James Kinsey, myself, and Michael claxton from ring 308. November brings a combined Ring meeting and lecture by Keith Leff, followed by our annual Ring Christmas party on December 5th.

The group brainstormed ways to recruit new members into the Ring. Mark is coordinating with the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts on incorporating magic classes into their curriculum. Members emphasized the need to recruit younger magicians and revive the lapsed Juniors Club, discussing curriculum structure and incorporating contemporary magic styles to engage youth. There was also strong support for introducing member-led mini-lectures during monthly meetings to boost engagement.

I have further updated our website (LittleRockMagic.net) to feature statewide magic events alongside Ring 29 announcements. We encourage Arkansas's other three Rings to send flyers for any upcoming shows or gatherings so we can help promote them.

Several members have assisted with a documentary honoring the life and contributions of Mr. Magic, Jim Henson. Jim and multiple club members sat for interviews about his career and legacy; he remains a true treasure to the magic community.

Finally, the group collaborated on preliminary planning, run-throughs, and rehearsals for the Ring 29 Annual Show in 2027. With several past performers no longer available, recruiting new talent, refining routines, and leveraging the experience and mentorship of veteran members will be essential to making the show a success.

Your Up-to-the Minute(s) Secretary,

Bob Bullock



Bob Bullock - Secretary



BLAST FROM THE PAST

We're going back this month to October 2016!

Ring 29 Officers (October 2016)

President: Jo Jones

Vice-President & Newsletter Editor: Cedric Morley II

Secretary: Gary Fambrough

Sergeant-at-Arms: Bob White

Treasurer: Col. James Kinsey

Historian: Mike Curtis

Webmaster: Bob Bullock



Ring Events & Highlights

Our October meeting theme was "Brown Bag Magic," where members brought a small, straightforward trick to swap and try performing on the fly. To get everyone ready, Dan Hecke stepped up to lead a card-focused teach-in session centered on self-working routines that can be done with a borrowed deck at a moment's notice.

Looking back at the September announcements, it was a massive month for individual member celebrations. President Jo Jones gave a special shout-out to Dennis Schick for his tireless work keeping everyone updated online about regional events. Speaking of regional events, local favorite Maxwell Blade's Festival of Magic was just wrapping up in Hot Springs. We also celebrated our own Ralph Felder, who was prominently featured in the Linking Ring "Parade" section and was actively gathering material for his upcoming book project, Mapping Miracles.

To top off a spectacular season, the club hosted a phenomenal mini-lecture by Dane Dover on mastering the classic Linking Rings. We were also geared up for a highly anticipated lecture by Ted Brainard (better known as street-performing legend Kozmo) on October 10th, followed by superstar illusionist Justin Flom bringing his organic arena magic to nearby Harding University on October 25th.



Bob Bullock - Historian



BLAST FROM THE PAST - (Continued)

Beyond Little Rock, the wider magic community had plenty of major headlines making waves in October 2016:

The David Baldwin Collection: In Chicago, Potter & Potter Auctions hosted a landmark sale featuring rare, historic magic apparatus, automatons, and mystery clocks from the famous David Baldwin collection, with several high-ticket vintage pieces crossing into the five-figure mark.

Lance Burton on Tour: Legendary master of sleight-of-hand Lance Burton made headlines as he hit the road with his touring show, "Lance Burton & Friends," bringing grand illusions, comedy, and classical stage magic out of Vegas and into regional showrooms across the country.

It is amazing to look back and see how much vibrant magic was happening right here in Arkansas and around the world a decade ago. Until next time, keep practice time on your calendar and keep making the magic happen!

Your Humble Historian,

Bob Bullock



Bob Bullock - Historian



EVENT CALENDAR - 2026

Date	Time	Meeting Location	Description	Lecturer
Jun 06, 2026	1:00 pm	Saint Michael's Episcopal Church 12415 Cantrell Rd, Little Rock, AR	Officer Installation	N/A
Jul 11, 2026	1:00 pm	Saint Michael's Episcopal Church 12415 Cantrell Rd, Little Rock, AR	Meeting	N/A
Aug 31, 2026	7:00 pm	Stagecoach Clubhouse 100 Stagecoach Village, Little Rock, AR	Meeting/Lecture	Jamie Williams
Sep 12, 2026	1:00 pm	Mabelvale Church of Christ 10820 Mabelvale West Road, Mabelvale, AR	Meeting/Lecture	Alan Sands
Oct 03, 2026	1:00 pm	Saint Michael's Episcopal Church 12415 Cantrell Rd, Little Rock, AR	Meeting	N/A
Oct 10, 2026	12:00 pm	Janett and Larry Crain Public Library 1609 W Beebe Capps Expy, Searcy, AR	Ring 29/308 Auction	N/A
Nov 07, 2026	1:00 pm	Mabelvale Church of Christ 10820 Mabelvale West Road, Mabelvale, AR	Meeting/Lecture	Keith Leff
Dec 05, 2026	1:00 pm	Stagecoach Clubhouse 100 Stagecoach Village, Little Rock, AR	Ring 29 Christmas Party	N/A
Jan 09, 2027	1:00 pm	Saint Michael's Episcopal Church 12415 Cantrell Rd, Little Rock, AR	Meeting	N/A
Feb 06, 2027	1:00 pm	Saint Michael's Episcopal Church 12415 Cantrell Rd, Little Rock, AR	Meeting	N/A
Mar 06, 2027	1:00 pm	Saint Michael's Episcopal Church 12415 Cantrell Rd, Little Rock, AR	Meeting	N/A
Apr 17, 2027	7:00 pm	Jacksonville Community Center 5 Municipal Dr, Jacksonville, AR	Annual Magic Show	N/A
May 08, 2027	1:00 pm	Mabelvale Church of Christ 10820 Mabelvale West Road, Mabelvale, AR	Meeting	N/A



For up the most current calendar visit our website LittleRockMagic.net



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Membership

To become a member of Ring 29, you must first be a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.
Contact Mr. Magic (below) or any Ring 29 Officer for information on joining the IBM or Ring 29.

Visit:

LittleRockMagic.net/Information.html

Website

Our website has been filled with a wealth of information to assist our members and potential members.
You can view current and past Newletters, photographs, or the Ring 29 Event Calendar.

LittleRockMagic.net or LittleRockMagic.org

Ring 29 Email Group

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 group, please contact *Vice President **Marty Haughn***.

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We now use GOOGLE GROUPS for our email service.



Mr. Magic (Jim Henson)

501-580-2860

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Mr. Magic is owned and operated by retired Fire Chief Jim Henson. Jim is a source for quality magic tricks, books and videos and is a primary contact for Ring 29.