



Shell Game

A Monthly Newsletter for the London Magic Community
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December's meeting

Christmas is the time for giving ... but receiving isn't bad either! And that's what happened in December with the gift exchange held at Peter Mennie's home.

It was a small crowd, but a fun evening. First, we helped Mike Fisher with an effect he was going to use the next day on television, where he would give the show's host a Christmas gift that just happened to be the signed gift card that the host was holding inside a handkerchief! Mike seemed to like the suggestions being offered - hopefully he could make use of them the next day!

We also did the gift exchange, where everyone gave and received a new trick! And we finished the night with some wonderful dessert and discussion.

Many thanks to Peter and his wife Millie for offering their home to us during a busy Christmas season for this night!

Mark Hogan

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, January 11 7:30PM

Topic: LECTURE by DEVON ELLIOTT!

Beal Secondary School
525 Dundas Street, London
T-253

January's Meeting

DATE: Wednesday, January 11
TIME: 7:30 PM
PLACE: Beal Secondary School
T-253

TOPIC: Lecture by Devon Elliott!

Making Magic

It's always a treat when one of the club members takes the time to put together a lecture for the rest of us. And this night is a special treat as our lecturer is Devon Elliott! Whereas some of us focus a lot on arts and crafts, Devon focuses on technologies that people can use to make neat things happen.

Devon's theme for the night is "Making Magic" -- making your own things to use to create magic. Devon will introduce some tools that you can use to develop and prototype your own magic effects.

Some of the greatest innovations in magic have come from magicians getting access to cutting-edge technology and scientific developments. We see less of that now, but there are some very accessible technologies that allow one to make things do what you want them to do. If magicians start playing with these, hopefully some will come up with neat, new magic effects.

Part of the night will be a hands-on workshop. If you plan on attending, please send an email to Devon at devonelliott@rogers.com so he has an idea of how many materials to bring.

Also, bring in something that you have made and show the group!

It should be quite a night!

We Want Your Reviews and Tricks!
Please send any original reviews, magic
tricks or routines to:
magic_london@yahoo.ca



CAMARADERIE: HAMILTON

Where Friends meet & New Friendships Begin

MAY 3 - 5, 2012

Registration form

PayPal: <http://cammagic.org/camaraderie/registration/>

Name: _____ CAM # _____

PLEASE PRINT: GIVEN NAME FAMILY NAME

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ PROVINCE/STATE: _____ POSTAL/ZIP _____

COUNTRY: _____ PHONE: (____) _____

E-MAIL: _____

CONFIRMATION BY E-MAIL ONLY

PRINT NAMES AND CAM NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE) OF ALL REGISTRANTS:

1. _____
2. _____

ITEM	REG. ARRIVING BY JAN. 15, 2012	ARRIVING AFTER JAN. 15, 2012	TOTAL
<input type="checkbox"/> CAM MEMBER & SPOUSE EACH	\$175.00	\$195.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> NON-MEMBER & SPOUSE EACH	\$205.00	\$225.00	(INCLUDES 1 YR. MEMBERSHIP)
<input type="checkbox"/> YOUTH 12 AND UNDER	\$ 50.00	\$ 70.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> AWARDS BANQUET	\$42.00	\$45.00	(ONLY AVAILABLE BEFORE APRIL 20)
<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK BOX FOR VEGETARIAN MEAL.			
<input type="checkbox"/> BUS TO GALA SHOW	\$10.00		\$10.00 <small>(ONLY AVAILABLE BEFORE CONVENTION)</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> DANIEL GARCIA WORKSHOP HELD WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 AT 5:30PM		\$100.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> PAUL GERTNER WORKSHOP HELD WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 AT 8:30 PM		\$65.00	

WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE FOR FULL REGISTRANTS ONLY!

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

PAYABLE BY MASTERCARD, VISA, OR CHEQUE. NO PERSONAL CHEQUES ACCEPTED AFTER APRIL 1, 2012

MASTERCARD _____ VISA _____ # _____ * _____ * _____ * _____

EXPIRATION DATE: _____ / _____

SIGNATURE: _____

Due to the increase in bank charges, the Board of Directors has decided that a \$6.00 convenience fee will be applied to all credit card settlements. CHEQUES WOULD BE APPRECIATED!

FULLY REFUNDABLE UNTIL MARCH 15, 2012.

AFTER THAT DATE A \$25.00 PROCESSING FEE WILL BE DEDUCTED.

CHECK BELOW IF YOU WISH TO BE SENT:

___ PARLOUR ___ CLOSE-UP CONTEST - MUST BE REGISTERED FOR FULL CONVENTION & ATTEND AWARDS BANQUET

SEND VIDEO OF STAGE PERFORMANCE TO ARRIVE BEFORE MARCH 15.

MAIL THIS COMPLETED FORM AND FULL PAYMENT TO: CAMARADERIE REGISTRATION

92 WATER ST., ELORA, ON N0B 1S0

CONVENTION HOTEL: CROWNE PLAZA, 150 MAIN ST. E. HAMILTON, ON

PHONE: 905-528-9546 or 888-528-3451

Ask for CAM convention rate (\$109.00/night) **BEFORE MARCH 30, 2012**

News Of Interest

CAMaraderie Convention line-up!

Here is the official line-up (so far!) for the Canadian Association of Magicians (CAM) convention this coming May in Hamilton:

Lectures:

Michael Finney
Duane Laflin - Regular
Rick Merrill
Duane Laflin - Gospel
Paul Gertner
Stephen Bargetze
Daniel Garcia
Tom Vorjohan & Daniel Herron (balloon sculptures)

Close up

Paul Gertner
Stephen Bargetze
Rick Merrill
Daniel Garcia
Richard Turner: 1-man show

Gala Show:

MC: Michael Finney
Hyunjoon Kim
Stephen Bargetze
Neil Croswell
David & Dania

Banquet:

Elvis Tribute

Competition:

MC: Doug Hunt

Extra Charge Workshops on Wednesday, May 2:

Daniel Garcia
Paul Gertner

See the above registration form for convention and hotel information (Convention registration prices go up on January 15!). You can also visit the official website: <http://cammagic.org/CAMaraderie/>.

CAM Convention performer biographies



Stephen Bargatze

Stephen Bargatze is an internationally acclaimed comedian and magician with over 25 years of experience.

His genuine personality endears him to any audience, and he quickly develops a strong, positive relationship with the crowd. No longer merely spectators, audiences find themselves caught up in the comedy and amazement of Stephen's zany performance.

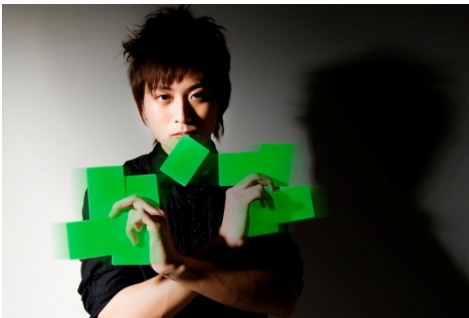
He has been a featured entertainer, magician, comedian and lecturer at the *Blackpool magic convention*, the largest magic convention in the world, as well as the country music awards post-ceremony celebration.

Stephen has worked with or for several of the top stars in country music including **Bill Cosby, Garth Brooks, Barbara Mandrel, Ray Stevens**, and several more.

Stephen is a regular performer at *4F*, an invitation-only, annual gathering of the world's top 200 magicians

He is an *International Brotherhood of Magicians Close up Champion* and received the Comedy award at *Abbott's Magic Convention*.

Mike Chao



Mike is one of the most famous magicians in Taiwan, and has been seen for the last few years on television in Asia.

He is the first Taiwanese to obtain the 1st prize of card manipulation at a congress of magicians in France. He preceded this with wins in Italy, in Japan and was also named champion of the magicians in Taiwan in 2009.

You will be impressed with his rare talent as a manipulator. It is the first time he has been seen in Canada.

Harry Anderson coming to Whitby



Legendary TV and movie performer and magician Harry Anderson will be appearing at the Class Act Dinner Theatre in Whitby on Saturday, May 19.

Harry Anderson made his living as a street performer until he was "discovered" on the talk-show circuit in the late '70s. Looking all the world like a young Willy Loman, Anderson delighted in flim-flamming his "suckers" and then revealing his chicanery. He made his film debut as, appropriately, a sideshow prestidigitator in *The Escape Artist* (1982) then appeared on a sporadic basis as wise guy thimbleric Harry the Hat on the TV sitcom *Cheers*. This led to his being cast as freewheeling Judge Harold T. Stone on the weekly *Night Court* which ran from 1984 to 1992.

Despite his insouciant "hustler" persona, Anderson is an immensely appealing performer with a strong following among children, and starred in such Disney TV-movie productions as *The Absent-Minded Professor* (1988) and *Harvey* (1995). In 1993, Harry Anderson launched another long-running sitcom, playing real life newspaper humorist Dave Barry (whom he resembles not one whit!) in *Dave's World*.

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