



Shell Game

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April's meeting

Two lectures in one night! The club was proud to present two magicians on their way to perform at the FFFF convention – Giacomo Bertini and Vanni Bossi!

Giacomo Bertini is considered one of the finest coin magicians in the world. And he surely did not disappoint! With Vanni providing the translation, Giacomo proceeded to collectively blow us out of the water! His first routine included some phenomenal moves in a Spellbound-like effect where an African penny changed to a half-dollar, and back again. He then produced 4 coins from the corners of the close up pad, and performed a marvelous Coins Across routine, which the last coin penetrating his stomach! An incredible and unique Coins Across performance followed, and he ended with his version of Jon Ramsey's ' classic Cylinder and Coins.

Vanni Bossi started his performance by having 4 cards selected – and producing 4 coins underneath them, and hung them invisibly in the air! His unique take on the Card to Wallet allows for the wallet to be on the table throughout the routine! He showed us his creations with his version of Card in Jewel Box and a card change underneath the card box. A spectator then threaded two coins onto a string and Vanni removed one them – 3 times – 3 different ways! An impromptu Coin in Bottle was next, followed by a chosen card appearing inside a glass! He also performed a Rising Card, Rising Light Bulb and folding card – without using his hands! He ended the evening with his Ring in Light Bulb and a Pen through Bill that's as real as it gets!

There was a TON of world-class magic this night – thanks to Giacomo and Vanni for sharing their immeasurable gifts with us!

Next Meeting: (NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE)

Monday, May 5 7:00PM

Beal Secondary School
255 Dundas Street, London T-253

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PLACE: Beal Secondary School
Room 253

Topic: LECTURE by SIMON LOVELL!!

Simon Lovell is a world-renowned close up entertainer incredibly gifted in the art of sleight-of-hand. His level of skill is second only to his ability to entertain and create laughter. His talents are especially popular at private parties and corporate functions where he can seamlessly entertain from group to group, amazing everybody along the way!

Simon's live engagements have received wide acclaim. Simon's performed all over the world, from the famous Magic Castle in Hollywood to the London Palladium, through the middle and far east to Australia, and South America

Simon is a highly experienced performer with over 350 television credits to his name. Additionally, Simon has produced 16 videos, published 21 books, and written hundreds of magazine articles, short stories and scripts. In recent years he has been professionally engaged advising others performers in live and film situations, lecturing world wide to casinos and also to specialist groups of magicians

See the club's web site for much more information on this lecture:

http://www.geocities.com/magic_london/lecture.html

It should be a very special evening. Be sure to tell your friends! Let's have a huge turnout for one of the best there is!

(NOTE: This evening is \$15 for non-club members.)

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

News Of Interest



CelebraCadabra hits the air!

(from the IBM web portal)

Set your Tivo! It's a Battle of the Wizards -- And Jeff McBride is the Judge! CelebraCadabra begins April 27 on VH-1... check local listings for times in your area. See seven TV and film stars vie for the title of "Best Celebrity Magician" when they gather at the Magic Castle and other locations in Los Angeles and in Las Vegas, as they attempt to learn and perform the art of magic. Guided by veteran magicians, the competitors face tough crowds and a master panel of judges who will determine which celebrities get to advance to the next round and a shot at a grand prize of \$100,000.

The celebrities are C. Thomas Howell, comedian ANT, Hal Sparks, Chris Reid (Kid from Kid n' Play), Lisa Ann Walter, Carnie Wilson, Kim Wyatt from The Pussycat Dolls. Jeff McBride, Max Maven & Jonathan Levit are the judges.

The show runs weekly from April 27 to June 22.



Jeff McBride, Asi Wind, Murray, Rocco, Jonathan Levit, Simon Lovell, Silly Billy, David Regal, Derek Hughs, and Franz Harary

Hamilton Magic Summit – May 5

Hello magician friends,

I have been asked to pass this on to you and personally invite you to our Hamilton Magic Summit coming up. Yes, this will be history.... our two future IBM and SAM leaders in magic will meet in our very own backyard.

Please mark it on your calendars and come to celebrate this event with us this coming May 5th at 7:00pm to 10:00pm in Hamilton.

We have invited the Mayor of Hamilton, and several other dignitaries to help us celebrate this event. The media will be present as well, (for the first half) as we will like to promote this wonderful art of ours. On the second half a lecture will take place for the magician crowd.

I would ask you to please pass this to your magician contacts, and clubs and invite them to come to Hamilton. Coffee, water, and some nibs will be available. If you have any other questions please email myself, or Ring 49 president Mr. Rene Chouinard at rchouinard@cogeco.ca

Once again, on behalf of the Doug Henning - Ring 49 and all it's members we thank you for anticipated support and we sincerely hope to see you at this historic event of magic.

Magically yours,

Diego Mejia
Ring 49 Treasurer



Get excited about the IBM/SAM convention

In the next few months, we will include some information about the combined IBM/SAM convention being held this year in Louisville, Kentucky from July 21-27, 2008.

The convention features these six never-to-be-performed-again lectures!

- § Jim Steinmeyer – “The Secret No One Tells You”
- § Derek Lever – “The World’s Greatest Magic Inventors”
- § David Williamson – “Organic Magic – The Art of Impromptu Performance”
- § Eberhard Riese – “The Evolution of an Act”
- § David Kaye – “The First Century of Children’s Magic”
- § David Ben and Jon Racherbaumer – ‘Vernon and Marlo – The Masters of Card Magic”

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