

ORANGE COUNTY MAGIC CLUB

Meets on the third Wednesday of each month.

At the Garden Grove Women's Club

9501 Chapman Ave.

The corner of Chapman and Gilbert



The next meeting on November 20th 2019

November Meeting

Doors open at 7:00 PM – Meeting begins at 7:30 PM.

Pre-meeting magic sessions with Harrison begin at 6:30!

Officers:

President..... **Julian Devero**
Vice President..... **Brad Erickson**
Secretary..... **Joy Fujita**
Treasurer..... **Brenda Montoya**
Sergeant at Arms..... **Harrison Kaplan**
Webmaster.....,..... **Phil Ureno**
Newsletter..... **Robert Widmer**
Raffle..... **Bill Pearce**
Advisor..... **Armando Gutierrez**

Silent Auction – Any member can bring one magic item per month to be put in the Silent Auction. You can either donate the item to the club and the club keeps all the money or you keep 80% of the sale price while the club gets 20% of the sale price.

The Silent Auction is a win/win for both the club and the members. This is your chance to get rid of that magic trick that is just sitting in your closet collecting dust. Turn that prop, gimmick, book, DVD, or VHS into some cold hard cash so you can buy some more magic.

This auction is meant for items worth \$20, or more.

Webmasters Report – As some of you may know, we no longer have a website. Phil Ureno is developing the new club website. Donations are very welcome. The estimate for getting everything up and running is estimated to cost approximately \$500 for three years. At the November meeting, Phil will be taking donations for the website. Contact Phil Ureno at 559-250-5786 for

more details. The new website promises to include some great new features such as paying your dues online.

The club history was lost with the old website. Anyone with knowledge on Orange County Magic Club history is encouraged to pass that information on to Phil for the website. History can be lost, so, send Phil any club history at ocmcmagic@yahoo.com.

NOVEMBER SWAP MEET



Dealer's Table \$20

Contact Brenda Montoya at (213) 362-8262 to reserve a table.

Upcoming Events

November: Swap Meet – This month’s meeting will be a Swap Meet. Dealer’s tables are \$20. Contact Brenda Montoya at (213) 362-8262 for more information and to reserve a table.

Other Magic Events:

December Potluck – December 18th will be our annual potluck dinner and gift exchange. Bring a dish to share and a gift to exchange.

OCMC Lunch Meetings on Fridays

Every Friday at noon OCMC club members meet for lunch at:

Marie Calendar’s
18889 Brookhurst Street
Fountain Valley, CA
714-963-6791

Members are encouraged to attend, buy a lunch, then session on tricks and/or talk about Magic.

Magic Sessions –

Harrison has volunteered to begin leading magic sessions prior to club meetings beginning at 6:30 pm.

Harrison’s 1st Session on Magic

November 20th

6:30 – 7:15

You will need to bring a Sacagawea dollar coin to this first session.



Harrison has been studying and performing magic for over 40 years and has known and had sessions with some of magic’s heavyweights such as Charlie Miller, Ed Marlo, Larry Jennings, Bruce Cervon, Dai Vernon, Stewart James and many others.

He has a ridiculously large library of magic. This enables him to be very selective in choosing the best and most practical material, which can save the learners time and confusion of finding which techniques work best for different effects.

Session topics will range from card and coin magic, to impromptu magic with everyday items (bottle caps, cigarette papers, dice, paper napkins, string, and corks, etc.). Most of the magic effects will be at the basic to immediate level.

These sessions are for magicians only. Harrison will guide session attendees in a focused and concentrated manner to maximize the magicians learning experience.

Attendees at the club's September meeting, know that Harrison possesses the chops to deliver a really solid learning experience. His performance with a deck of cards was simply flawless in both technique and presentation.

Sessions will begin as 6:30 and last to approximately 7:15 prior to the monthly club meeting.

Raffle Prizes – O.C.M.C. is running low on raffle prizes. We have plenty of magazines; but, need tricks, books, and DVDs; hopefully, instructions are still with any tricks. Contact Bill Pearce (or any board member) if you have any magic to donate to the raffle.

We thank Steve Nakauchi, the Estate of Otis Martin and Marty Gorman (Koboe Egbok) for recent donations.

The Orange County Magic Club is looking for a new meeting place for our club. If anyone knows of a place for less than our current rent at the Women's club of \$125/month, please let us know; perhaps, we can find a place for half that amount or even lower.

October Stage Contest

This year's stage contest was our best ever. 5 great acts, 3 seasoned judges and a packed performance hall made for an incredibly magical night.

There were nearly 60 people in attendance as Master of Ceremonies Frank Yee opened up the night entertaining the audience with jokes, informing the audience about Orange County Magic Club and then introducing the performers.

The Contestants:
Phil Ureno
Julian Devero
Brad Erickson
Ed Smith
Fernando Alvarez

The Judges:
Armando Gutierrez
Harrison Kaplan
Ken Sands



First up was Fernando Alvarez. With a volunteer from the audience, Julianne, Fernando first sculpted a magic blue & white balloon hat for Julianne. This hat along with a magic wand enabled Fernando to blend a red, white and blue silk scarf into an American flag. At first, the flag was not quite perfect, with the colors in the wrong place—this was determined not to be Fernando’s fault; but, due to the wand not being

large enough, Fernando then allowed Julianne to use as larger and more powerful wand; still, the flag as not perfect; finally, he gives a huge wand to Julianne to wave across the bag of colored silks resulting in an American flag with the red, white and blue right where they belong.

Fernando followed up stuffing a green (GO), yellow (Caution), and red (STOP) silk into a tube, with a blow, the silk flew out of the tube all knotted together.

Finally, Fernando is joined on stage with audience volunteer Danelle. Fernando’s personal assistant Morty the Monkey then attempts to read Danelle’s mind. Danella selects a card with a letter on it and then shuffles the deck. There were six cards, each with a letter on them “A” through “F”. The cards are shuffled again and tossed into a bag. Morty the Monkey reaches in and finds a “Z”; but, that was not Danella’s card. Danella’s card, a “Y” was in a banana bag she was holding the entire time.

Next up, Phil Ureno, as the Traveler, used a very special set of instructions to pour water into a copper vase, the vase was covered with a piece of cardboard, then turned upside down. Volunteer Julianne then held the inverted vase on top of her head, Phil gently removed the cardboard barrier, the water had vanished. Phil then attached a faucet to Julianne's head and was able to retrieve some water. Due to Phil's skill, Julianne amazingly remained dry the entire time.



Julian Devero took the stage. Dropping several silks through a newspaper cone, the silks came out the bottom of the cone knotted together. Julian followed with a series of astonishing card fans, then multiplying billiard balls, he finished with a performance of the Vanishing Bandana with a shocker ending producing an entire bunch of bananas.



Next, Brad Erikson began his performance with a very interesting 3 card monte; except, instead of cards, Brad used sponge balls; but these were not ordinary sponge balls, these balls squeaked; well, one of the balls squeaked. Samantha volunteered to assist Brad to locate the squeaking sponge ball; it seemed easy enough, yet, the balls seemed to take turns on which one squeaked.

Brad finished up producing a huge candy cane, then, pouring peppermint and sugar into a pot, with a little mixing, Brad removed the lid and low and behold, a peppermint cake.

Our final performer of the evening, Ed Smith took the stage. Ed had a very nicely bowed red gift box in his hand. Inside the red box was a black box, inside the black box was a green critter of sorts. Ed then replaced the red box inside the black box. Which was quite strange since the black box was smaller than the red box?

Ed performed a series of rope tricks. Ed snipped off the ends of the rope, that left him with only middles—3 middles to be exact. Then Ed again had 2, then 3 ends again. The ropes were various lengths until Ed stretched them to be equal.

Ed finished up the rope routine with a surprise ending linking three rope loops together and then unlinking them.



The Judges used a 10-point scoring system:

- 1) Introduction
- 2) Opening Trick
- 3) Department
- 4) Dress/Costume
- 5) Material/Tricks
- 6) Transition from trick to trick

- 7) Character/ Acting
- 8) Interaction with Audience
- 9) Speech/Patter
- 10) Closing Trick

After deliberation, the judges announced this year's winners of the Floyd Baldwin Stage Contest:

- 1st Place: Julian Devero
- 2nd Place: Brad Erickson
- 3rd Place: Phil Ureno

The Popular Performer of the Night award went to Julian Devero.

The 2019 Stage Contest was an incredibly fun night filled with wonderful magic performances.

Bill Pearce conducted the raffle. Many happy winners.

Winner	Prize	Format
Ed Smith	Rein Cardnation, Kris Nevling, Magic Makers	DVD
Steve Nakauchi	Linking Ring 2006 8 issues	MAGS
Julian Devero	Ribbon 2 Roses, Inv. Thread, Appearing Wand, Zip Stones, Split Force Deck, Mirage Deck. Band Shapes, Jumbo 52 on 1	BAG TRX
Robert Widmer	The Mis-Made Dollar Bill	TRICK
Jerry	Mic-Made Dollar Bill	TRICK
Bill Pearce	Suds-Instant Impressions III Suds-Making Gimmicked Cards Paperweight - Diamond Jim How to Make Finger Ring, Aces Up - Searles	BKLT MSC

" The expert magician seeks to deceive the mind, rather than the eye."

Sol Stein

