

ORANGE COUNTY MAGIC CLUB



OCMC Magic Lecture

**At the Anaheim Community Center
July 13th, 2022**

250 E Center St, Anaheim, CA 92805

Doors open at 7:00 for Meet & Greet
Meeting starts at **7:15**

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June's Magic Show at the Community Center

OCMC's first show of 2022 was a resounding success. 6 wonderful performances. Club President Julian Devero was the MC for the evening. Julian welcomed the almost 80 guests and told everyone about our club before introducing our first act of the evening: Percival McTavish (aka Jaron).

Jaron started us off in character, Percival McTavish and immediately grabbed everyone's attention with his floating card



routine. Jaron, concerned that those guests in the back row may be vision impaired, produced a jumbo deck of cards to finish off his card routine.

Julian gave the audience a sprinkle of some short quick rope mysteries before introducing our next act: BrettsoTheGreat (aka Brett). Julian would continue to sprinkle, short, quick

miracle magic mysteries throughout the night, between acts.



Brett gave the audience a really high-energy routine. Brett's routine with blocks, each lettered A, B, and C, where they would keep changing

places really captivated the audience, especially, some of the younger guests. Brett transitioned to a coin routine where he

had a younger guest toss an invisible coin, one at a time, into a container. You could hear the coin clink landing in the container and the audience really laughed. This was hysterical.

The energy in the room was at the optimal level; perfect for Julian to introduce our next performer, Mel Bennett, who would insure the we would go into the evening's intermission feeling astonished and



amazed. Mel, looking absolutely stunning in a perfectly tailored pastel red suit, brought his friends from the animal kingdom. A couple rabbits, and back by popular demand, Sadie the Snake rejoined Mel for a wonderful card routine. Mel and his rabbit friends could never stay in the same spot; plus, they changed their colors. Mel had the audience in the palm of his hands; now, it was time to introduce Sadie to the room.

Sadie, for those who don't remember, is the one Viper on the planet with an unusual talent for prestidigitation; plus, she's really cool too. Although, Mel has to help her out a little; she always comes through, and did find the selected card. She never lets Mel down!

A short break was taken, then once everyone was back in their seats, Club VP Brad Erickson took the stage for some incredible feats of mentalism. Brad brought a guest on stage, and with a few simple questions, was able to read her mind; okay, not exactly, this was really just to warm up the audience.



At this time, Brad has two guests think of numbers; with a free choice, and not coerced in any way, Brad successfully, and in a dramatic manner, turns his display stand around and

reveals the chosen numbers in a fun and dynamic manner.

Brad, was also joined on stage with a surprise guest, his daughter come to the show and volunteered to assist her father



in another example a mentalism.

Brad introduced our next act for the evening, Ed Smith. Ed invited a great many members of the audience to participate in his wonderful routine which utilized his talent to find a card through deduction. Ed split the deck into two and had the members of the audience take a single card from the

remaining half.

Ed would name a card, eliminating them, one at a time. In a really fun entertaining manner, as Ed was calling out the names of cards to eliminate, the audience member



would toss their card into the air.

This really increased the energy in the room. Finally, down to one card, Ed successfully names the card held by the last audience member standing.



Brad returned to the stage to introduce the final performer of the evening, our OCMC President, Julian Devero. The energy

in the room was already percolating when Julian took the stage with his new mail order magic kit - The Vanishing Bandana, that he just received Fed-Ex. Julian thought it would be fun for everyone to learn a trick together. Julian played the step-by-step instructions over the loud speakers for everyone to hear. Step1, remove the bandana from the box. Well, it turns out there was no bandana in the box, just a ripe banana. A little puzzled, but, no less determined, Julian proceeding to follow the instructions given. He proceeded to fold the banana multiple times. Really! Julian, then, deposits the banana into a folded handkerchief, squeezes the handkerchief, then whips it open for all to see – The banana has disappeared. Then out of nowhere, he produces a bunch of bananas. It was hysterical.

Julian just ratcheted the energy even more with an excellent performance of some of the great classics of magic. Card fans appearing out of nowhere, multiplying billiard balls, silks knotting themselves, and a wonderful demonstration of one of the oldest tricks in magic, the Chinese Linking Rings. All four routines, blended nicely into one flawless performance, was just a great topper to an excellent and fun evening of magic.

Everyone joined in singing Happy Birthday to Jaron and enjoyed some delicious snacks to celebrate. It was a truly wonderful evening.











Thanks to all those who paid their dues!

If you still owe club dues, visit Phil in the back of the room next to the OCMC display to pay.



Meanwhile, as Phil says, Keep Calm and Pay Your Dues!

Cash, Check, or Credit Cards accepted.

From the desk of the Treasurer/Webmaster:

If you still owe dues, here are 3 easy ways to pay them:

- 1. You can pay your club dues to Phil at this month's meeting.**
- 2. You can also pay your dues online. <http://www.theocmc.org/>**
- 3. You can mail a check to**

Orange County Magic Club
9877 Chapman Ave, Suite D #409
Garden Grove, Ca. 92841

This will greatly help us in our monthly rental payments for 2022 meetings.

Thank you, OCMC Treasurer/Webmaster

July's Lecture

July's meeting will see a return of Harrison's lecture series. Harrison will present his "How to become a Psychic Detective overnight" lecture. This is perfect for those who don't have months or years of effort to become a Psychic Detective. You can now become a Psychic Detective in less than 24 hours. That's right, less than 24 hours. One evening with Harrison's excellent instruction will give you all the tools necessary to become a Psychic Detective.



Please join us for what is certain to be fantastic lecture on Mentalism.

We hope to everyone there Wednesday, July 13 at 7:15!

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2022 OCMC Schedule



July 13th, 2022	Harrison Kaplan Lecture, "How to become a Psychic Detective overnight"
August 10th, 2022	Mini Workshop / Show & Tell
September 14th, 2022	Show Prep / Critique
October 12th, 2022	Show Prep/Critique/Performance Polishing
November 9th, 2022	OCMC Winter Show in the Larger Room
December 14th, 2022	Potluck, Show & Tell



Our monthly raffle will resume in July.



The Orange County Magic Club would like to thank past member Roger Mallet for his generous donation of several boxes of high-quality magic items to our club for use in our raffles and silent auctions. This will allow us to restock our raffles with some amazing prizes and help our club stay funded into the future so we can meet all our financial obligations and provided meaningful lectures in the future. Thanks again, Roger!

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Quote:

" Magicians and Mentalist predict the future because they create it."

— Amit Kalantri —