



VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS RING 92

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Magic auction set for October

The next meeting of IBM Ring#92 the Vancouver Magic Circle takes place on Thursday, October 27th, 2005 at the Sunrise Community Hall in Vancouver. The entire evening will be devoted to the club's Annual Magic Auction. Anyone wishing to sell some of their unwanted magic is welcome to do so. Please call **Karen Eskilson** at 604-418-3407 to register as a seller. Our usual protocol for the evening will be in effect - 'First come, first sell, ten items, then rotate' with 10% of all sales going towards the club. Doors to the hall will open

at 6:00pm for setup, viewing, and socializing, with the auction itself scheduled to start at 7:30pm. Auctioneer **Clinton W. Gray** will be at the gavel leading the proceedings.

Plan on a lively, action packed evening, sprinkled with a few bargains and the possibility of the odd treasurer. Also, as our meeting falls just days before 'All Hallows eve' prizes will be awarded for the best Halloween costume. Wear yours ... if you dare.

Howling good time had by all at the September meeting

Our September meeting started with a workshop on Halloween Magic presented by **Dave Watters, Juan Garcia, Michael Glenister and Glen LaBarre**. They covered everything from converting standard tricks to Halloween ones, using specialty Halloween items and making up patter and a trick to go with them. Very illuminating.

The business meeting went quickly, breaking near the end for a presentation to a surprised **Ian McLeod**, who was honored for attaining the milestone of 'Order of

Excalibur' with the IBM. Ian had his Excalibur certificate and lapel pin on hand to show around to the crowd. Our Ring presented Ian with a handsome stained wood and brass Magic Wand in honour of being our first recipient of this award. Ian was interviewed by CBC radio {a copy is in the archives} and the local newspaper had a nice article and pictures of Ian with some of Ring #92's magicians. **Cathie Watters** brought out a huge cake with "Congratulations Ian on 50 years of Magic with the IBM & VMC" and



Dave Watters loses his head



V.M.C. members watch Tip Top & Tootsie competition.

we finished up the meeting on a sweet note.

Cathie, with assistance from Melodie Hewson and Rachelle Paradon treated us all to a gastronomic feast of food and beverage that had a Halloween theme. It's great to see the 50/50 money being put to good use. Speaking of which, the \$61.50 in the 50/50 pot was won by New Member **Damien Carriere**.

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The main event of the evening was the initiation requirement for new members, who must perform 3 magic effects for the entire membership. **Len Lauk, Amanda O'Leary, Damien Carriere, Errol Lipschitz** and **Cameron Fisk** entertained the crowd and were all successful in attaining full membership in the Vancouver Magic Circle.

This was followed by our newest competition for the *Tip Top & Tootsie Trophy*, which features a Halloween theme trick... only one trick or effect is



Cathy Watters with her fantastic feast

allowed. (The award is in honour of **George Patey**, recently deceased and **Bill Eliason**, his partner; Halloween being a favorite time of year for them and the trophy is named after 2 clown characters they created). The trophy was hotly contested by **Dave Watters, Trevor Watters** and **Dennis Hewson**. The funniest, fastest and shortest competition I have ever seen. When the Judges votes were tabulated, the winner of the inaugural run of the *Tip Top & Tootsie Trophy* was Trevor Watters. He had the greatest prop too... a Halloween item he bought in a department store that he gimmicked himself. He called it '*Coffin Card*' with the premise being, a previously selected card is found in a screaming, ghoulish way. It tied in nicely with the earlier workshop. Very clever.

Meanwhile the stage had been set up for the secret initiation ceremony for the new members, so as our 41 members in attendance were getting repaired, our 11 guests and one dog, **Tequila**, were asked to wait in seclusion. The new members were initiated but that is all we can tell you about that. Shhhhhh.

Compilation report by **Munro MacKenzie, Karen Eskilson & David Wilson**

Visions of Excellence Award Won by a Magician

It's the Oscars for small business owners and 21 businesses were in the running as Douglas College held their 2005 Visions of Excellence Entrepreneur of the Year Awards at the Executive Inns and Hotels in Coquitlam on October 19, 2005.

Ray Medway (magician) won the prestigious award in the Service category for the Visions of Excellence Entrepreneur of the Year for his business that combines corporate training and magic called the Beach Group.

The awards are presented to the hottest self starters at special ceremonies with a number of

local city mayors, alderpersons and other celebrities in attendance (over 250 attendees). All nominated entrepreneurs are graduates of the self employment business program at Douglas College. Started in 1995, the program is acknowledged as one of the leading programs of its kind in Canada and has helped launch more than 1,800 businesses in the local Greater Vancouver area. Only eight awards are presented annually.

Ray of course gave an acceptance speech that included a very surprising and magical closing!

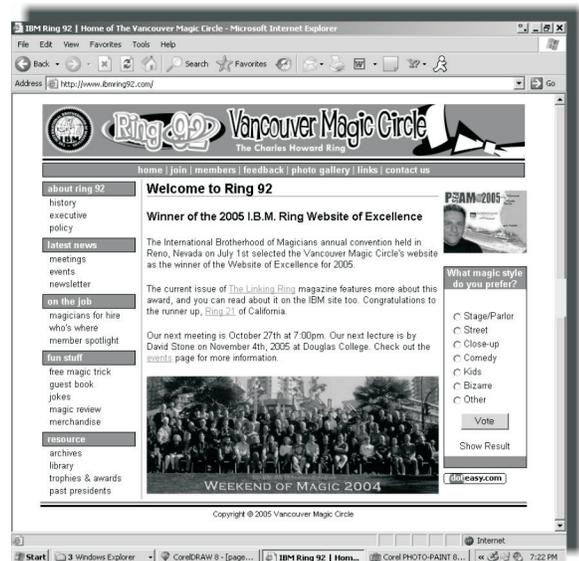
Need Information Immediately? Check out the website

We have many updates on our website! The events calendar is packed and the Who's Where sections has lots of new stuff. We keep this site updated on a regular basis now, so if you want to know about a lecture or an event check it first!

We are going to be trying an electronic newsletter - that means it will be on the website right away and you will be emailed a link to it. Please sign up for this by sending an email to our webmaster **Mike Norden**. You can find his email address on the Contact Us page.

If anyone has any ideas for a good online poll, please let Mike know.

We are working on over 200 new photos to be put up on the website for the seven different events of recent. Check it out at www.ibmring92.com or www.vancouvermagiccircle.com



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TIDBITS FROM THE TOP HAT

Omitted from last month's report about the Barry Richardson Lecture was acknowledgment of **David Hamil**, lucky winner of the lecture attendees draw that evening. Without hesitation, David donated his \$20 winnings back to the club's Refreshment Fund, benefitting all who partake in snacks at our meetings. We extend a big THANK YOU VERY MUCH to you David, for your kind generosity.

CLUB APPAREL: our new style club baseball hats have arrived and are selling for only \$10.00 each. Grey with a black brim, they feature an embroidered Vancouver Magic Circle logo on the front and a Canadian Flag with the words "IBM Ring #92" on the back. Get your at the next meeting or by calling **David Wilson** at 604-467-7887.

Monday, October 31, 2005, Penn & Teller will be on THE VIEW, ABC -- KOMO 4 Seattle at 10:00 a.m. The local listings are Shaw Cable 16, Star Choice 380, Bell ExpressVu 288.

Monday, October 31, 2005: Criss Angel will present a one hour Halloween special on A&E at 7:00pm, repeating at 11:00pm.

MURRAY (Sawchuk) will be on Blind Date, Friday November 4, 2005... (Check your local listings) MURRAY takes his date to Hollywood's Magic Castle and a walk along Melrose Ave. - watch the

fun begin! As a international champion of magic and one of America's top entertainers you are definitely in for one unpredictable episode!

Gerry Hennessey and Christopher Taylor will be shooting a promotional DVD soon for their show, "2 Men in Black" (An Evening of Unconventional Magic). They will keep us posted on that, in case any of the club want to attend the shoot. Their website, www.2meninblack.com is under construction. They also inform us they will be attending "Mindvention" in Las Vegas next month.

New member, **Damien Carriere** reports he's been doing magic shows in the lower mainland & the interior.

Dennis Chan passed word to us that former Ring #92 member Bob Masterson moved to Prince George and is getting back into magic after a long hiatus.

Proof positive of some members dedication to the club, **Munro MacKenzie** attended the October 18th Ring #92 Executive Meeting on his WIFE'S BIRTHDAY!! No word on whether he's still sleeping on the couch.

2006 Membership Dues Collections will start next month. Look for your 2006 membership dues invoice with our November newsletter.

Entertainment planned for Christmas Dinner (and it's not all magic!)

2005 Christmas Dinner organizer **Walter Ruteck** has been busy planning our Club's festive season get-together.

He recently presented an ambitious program schedule to the board of directors at our October Executive meeting, where it was enthusiastically approved. Additions

to this years Buffet Dinner and Stage Magic Competitions will be a harpist playing during desert, magical entertainment just for the kids, and a longer interlude with Santa Claus who will be handing out gifts to all the children. Please remember, you must sign up to attend and space for this years dinner has been limited to

CONJURORS' CALENDAR

the monthly guide to magic & events in our community

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27th, 2005

Vancouver Magic Circle Annual Auction

6:00pm - Set-up

7:30pm - Auction

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 2005 - 7:30pm

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proudly presents the

David Stone Lecture

Room 2201 - Douglas College

700 Royal Avenue, New Westminster, BC

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16th, 2005

IBM Ring #183 the Victoria Magic Circle

Wacky Wednesday

The Central Bar and Grill

708 View Street, Victoria, BC

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 2005

Sunrise Community Association

Annual General Meeting

1950 Windermere Street, Vancouver, BC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27th, 2005

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Annual Christmas Dinner & Show

Best Western Sands Hotel

1755 Davie Street, Vancouver, BC

5:00 pm - Doors Open

5:15 pm - Strolling Magicians

6:15 pm - Dinner

7:55 pm - Magic for children

8:35 pm - Santa Claus, Gifts

8:55 pm - Stage Competition

MON, DEC 26th to MON, JAN 2nd, 2006

S.A.M. Assembly #95 - Carl Hemeon Assembly

Vancouver's Science World

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26th, 2006

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January Meeting

Annual General Meeting & Elections

FRI, MAY 19th & SAT, MAY 20th, 2006

Stan Kramien's 19th ANNUAL

Northwest Magic Jamboree

Big top Ranch, Newberg, Oregon

Registration includes meals & open bar

Magicians - \$125.00

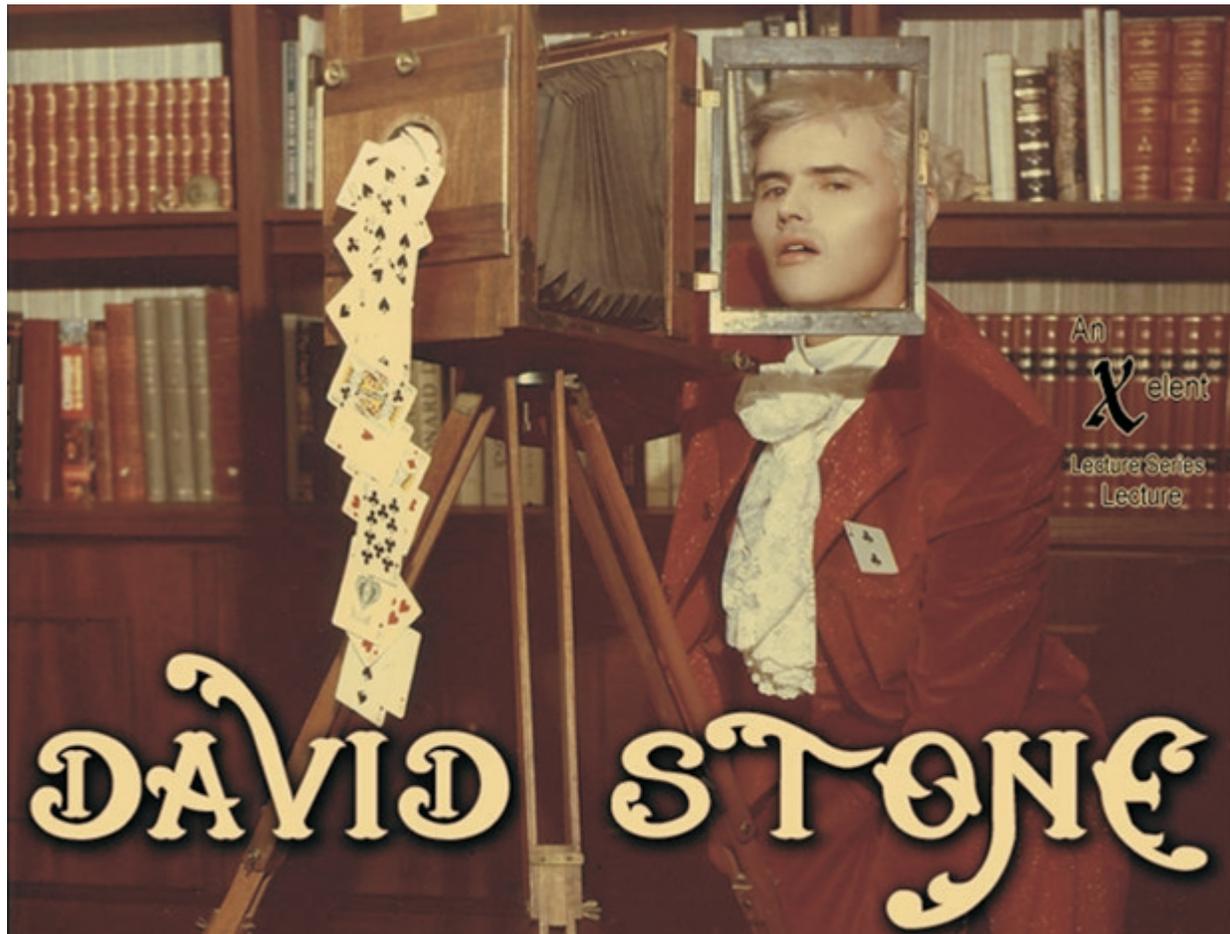
Spouses - \$ 60.00

Canadian money at per until Nov 5th

only 120 seats. All members and their immediate family are welcome.

A small fee of \$5.00 per Ring #92 Member will be in effect. Call Walter at 604-591-1930 to get your name on the list or to sign up for the Stage Magic Competitions. It will be a very MERRY event!

IBM Ring #92 The Vancouver Magic Circle PRESENTS



Being one of France's most popular magicians around today, David performs on five continents representing his homeland. Also having collected a very impressive number of prizes and awards from top magic competitions, he has been invited to share his material all over the world. Attend David's lecture and you will learn brand new coin magic concepts and card sleights which you will use in everyday situations. Learn step by step with David as he personally teaches you how to perform audience tested commercial magic. Mark your calendar now. You don't want to miss this one at all if you have ANY interest in close up magic!

Friday November 4th 2005

7:30pm

Room 2201, Douglas College

700 Royal Ave

New Westminister, BC

Members: \$20 Advanced / \$25 Door

Nonmembers: \$25 Advanced / \$30 Door

Reserve your seat by calling David Wilson at (604) 467-7887