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## MAGIC CLUB

### SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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# THE LOUISVILLE MAGIC CLUB

Presents... **The 34th Annual**

# IT'S MAGIC SHOW

## Friday, Sept 8th 7:00 PM

Ursuline Arts Center  
3113 Lexington Rd, Louisville KY 40206



**Matt Sohl**  
Master of  
Ceremonies

**Sebastian Penley**   **Graham Maupin**   **David Garrard**



**Buddy August**

**Dennis Alm**

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Tech Director

**Jimmy McKnight**

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# SEPTEMBER MEETING

## Erik Tait



Erik Tait has won awards for both standup comedy and magic throughout North America, appeared on Penn & Teller: Fool Us and was the 2018 International Brotherhood of Magicians Gold Cups Close Up Competition Champion. He took home 3rd place at FISM Quebec 2022, the world championships of magic, in the category of card magic. Erik is only the fourth American to accomplish this, and the first American to stand on the podium for card magic in two decades. He graduated with honors from the prestigious Humber College Comedy Writing and Performance program, which means Erik can academically prove why he is hilarious. Beyond that, Erik is the only magician in the world with a degree in funny. He

has put academic theory into practice on some of the most prestigious stages in the world, including The Magic Castle, Second City Toronto, and the Hollywood Improv. His client list has some of the most recognizable brands in the country including Honda, Macy's, and Bark Box.

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## Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM  
Kosair Building  
982 Eastern Pkwy  
Louisville, KY 40217

Join us at Panera on Poplar Level Road before the meeting for dinner.  
3131 Poplar Level Rd, Louisville, KY 40213



# UPCOMING EVENTS



**Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Keith Leff Lecture**

A 'Close Up' Look at the Art and Science of  
Strolling Magic

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**Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Annual Robert Escher Close Up &  
Parlor Competition**

Get Your Routines Ready!

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**Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Annual Holiday Banquet**

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# OUT OF MY HAT | MICHAEL RAYMER

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello as I write this I'm about to head to the Kidabra Convention in Chattanooga. I thought our one handed magic and convention recap night went well. We saw some creative magic and also learned how to do some of it. The convention recap was great hearing from Cody Clark, Bret Sohl, Sid Marvelous, about the lectures, the camaraderie, the drunken singing, the food and hearing from Buddy (Fred Fischer) August on his experiences in participating in convention contests was very helpful. He discussed going to and competing at Abbots, the S.A.M. convention and also the I.B.M. convention.

Speaking of conventions, there are many magic conventions throughout the year and one that Michele and I always try to go to is the Unconventional Convention at Cumberland Falls, Ky. It's a very low-key and "unconventional" gathering. The Unconventional is hosted by IBM Ring 198 in Lexington and has run annually since 1975. You can go and hang out and make friends, perform on the show, see the lectures and dealers room and some great Kentucky scenery. It is November 3rd and 4th.

Another convention we like is the Winter Carnival of Magic in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. This one now in its 49th year happens March 7-9, 2024 and is hosted by IBM ring 58 in Knoxville. It's a great time as the smokies are not in full swing and you get the cheaper room rates and usually have time to go sightseeing.

Next Year's I.B.M. convention will be in Tacoma Washington, July 10-13, 2024 and the S.A.M. will be in Texas joining with the TAOM (Texas Association of Magicians) Convention. Participating in the national Conventions is just one of the advantages of joining the I.B.M. or the S.A.M., each organization has a wealth of resources that are at your disposal. Joining the national organizations lets you see that the world of magic is large and vast but also a close knit family of friends.

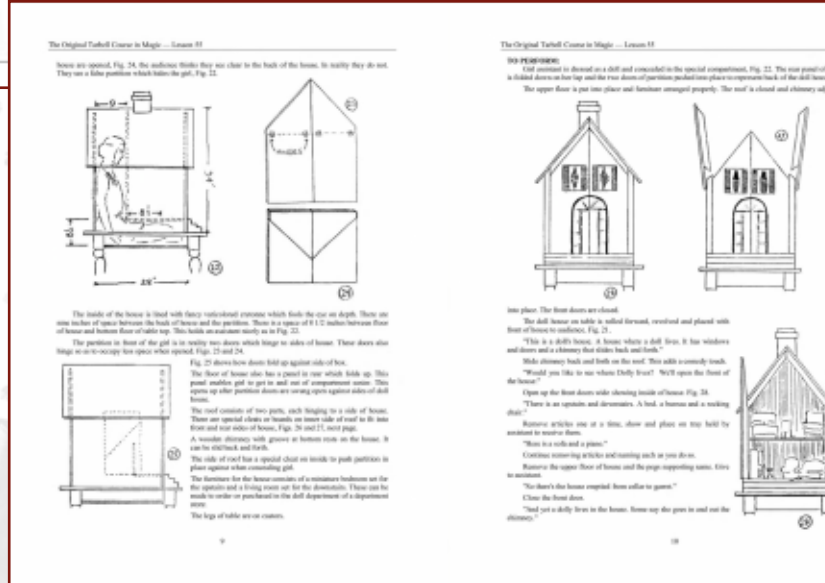
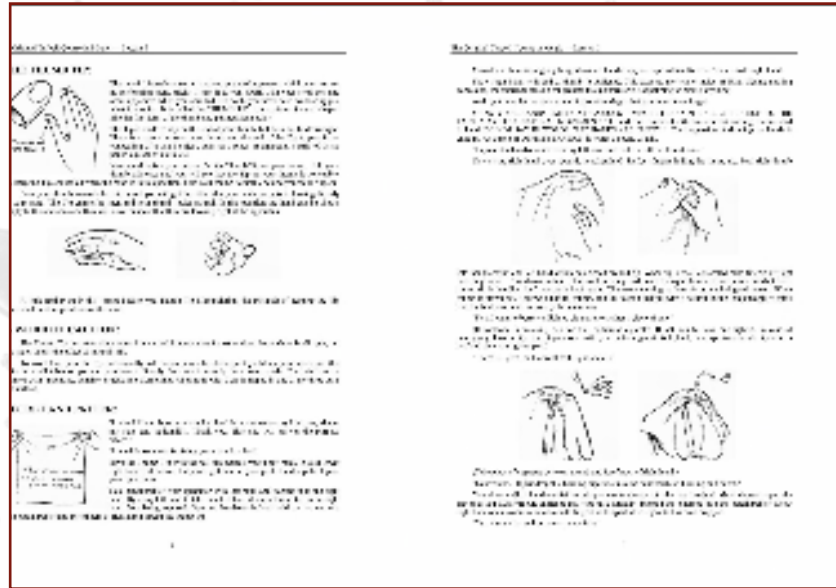
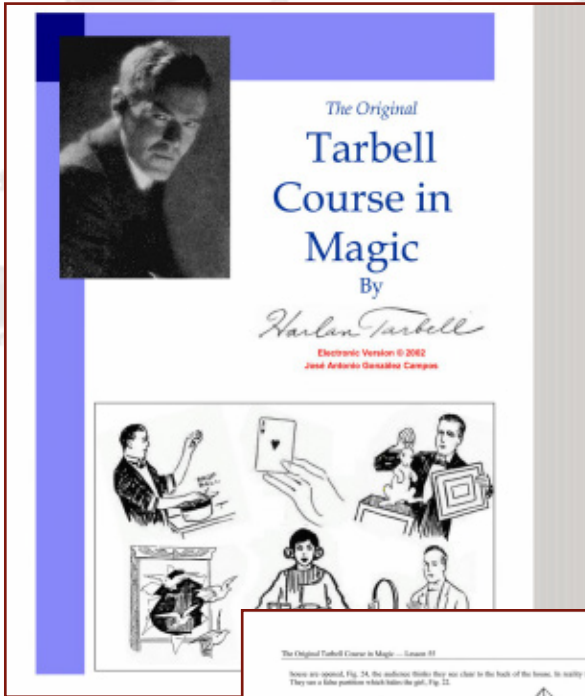
Next up is It's Magic! on September 8th and then our normal Tuesday night meeting on September 12th.

See you soon  
Mike

# PUBLIC DOMAIN BOOK OF THE MONTH

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### HARLAN TARBELL



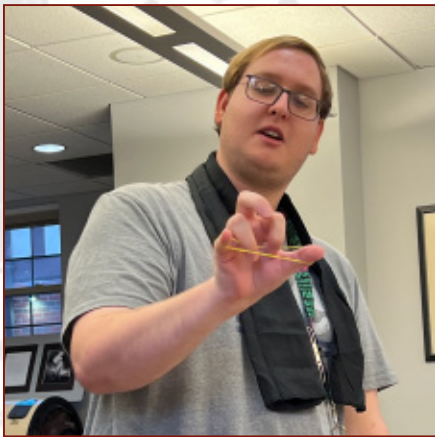
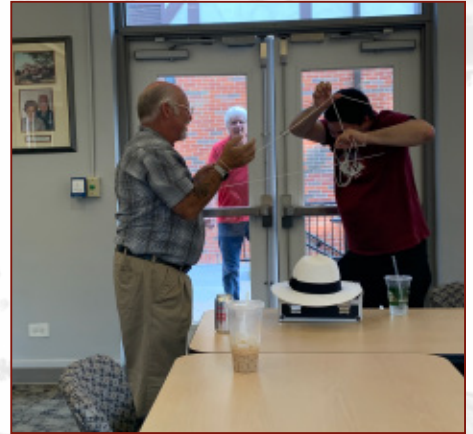
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Justin Willman wants to melt your brain while making you laugh. He's best known as the star and creator of the hit Netflix series *Magic For Humans*. But you may recognize him from one of his many television appearances (*The Tonight Show*, *The Today Show*, *Ellen*, *Conan*...). Or maybe you know his work as a host (*Baking Impossible*; *Cupcake Wars*; *Win, Lose or Draw*...). Or maybe he's the child magician you hired in suburban St. Louis in the '90s. If you don't know Justin, he's a magician and comedian who's mastered the art of turning cynics into believers (or at least getting them to laugh). His live show is simultaneously mind-blowing and hilarious, and will likely keep you up at night wondering how the heck any of it was possible. Justin is also a proud father, a loving husband, and has zero experience as a licensed boat mechanic (that's a different Justin Willman).



# AUGUST PHOTOS



## FROM THE EDITOR | MATT SOHL



September! Already! We are in the last few months of the year, which also happen to be some of my favorite inside and outside of the magic world.

First of all, Halloween season is coming up which is a great time of year for magic, plus International Magic Day is on Halloween! Make sure to get out and do some spooky or not so spooky magic. I'm gonna try to do my levitating wine glass at a few dinners!

It's also the time of year where you can wear pants and jackets outside without sweating to death, so you can pack more things in your pockets. And there's no humidity to destroy your cards while performing. Load up those pockets and show some people some magic!

Inside the magic club we have a lot planned this time of year. The It's Magic Show, the close-up contest, and the Christmas banquet to name a few! You'll see the It's Magic poster on a previous page of the newsletter. Buy your tickets now and spread the word!

**Another thing I'd like to do more of for the club is film some of your magic. So, if you have a trick you'd like to perform for your**

**social media channels or promo reels, please let me know so we can set up some time to get out there and film! I've got a trick I am working on right now that will hopefully be filmed sometime in the next month or two. I'll post it in the facebook group when I'm finished!**

If you need anything between now and the next time I see you, feel free to reach out to me! My contact info is on the last page of the newsletter.

See you all soon.  
Matt



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