



# Losander Lecture



**Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

**Kosair Charities Center**

**982 Eastern Pkwy, Louisville, KY 40217**

# Robert Escher Close Up & Parlor Competition



The 2022 Annual Robert Escher Close Up & Parlor Competition is coming up! So start to prepare your acts if you haven't already!

**Tuesday, November 15**

**7:00 PM**

**Four Points Sheraton**

**2850 Crittenden Dr, Louisville, KY 40209**

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## Future Event Dates

**Saturday, December 10**

**HOLIDAY BANQUET!**



# OUT OF MY HAT | FROM THE PRESIDENT



It's October, and you know what that means? Scary Magic! Scary Movies! Halloween Horror! Magic Week!

It's Magic! I am thrilled with everyone's performance at this Year's It's Magic! show. All of our acts did an excellent job and the show had a good variety and flowed very well. Bravo to all who were involved. Remember, the success of this show is what helps us have our various activities and only charge you your membership dues and not dues plus extra for lecturers. Many clubs charge members \$25 - \$30 to attend a lecture on top of their dues. Given that many lecturers come at a cost of \$250 - \$350 for their fee plus a hotel room (add another \$120), the net proceeds from It's Magic! really help us out.

I've been keeping busy with the Executive Boards of both the Society of American Magicians and the Society of Young Magicians which has afforded me the opportunity to visit several S.A.M. assemblies to connect with them, and while there, always invite them to our meetings. I've had phone interviews with Jenn Kramer, Kid Ace, and Mat Franco, all former SYM members who have gone pro. All of them have told me the same thing; do as many shows as you can for as many different types of audiences you can to get experience. So when we ask for volunteers to do walk around at events take the chance to put 2-3 tricks in your pocket and go get the performing experience—you'll be glad you did.

Coming up we have Pat Miller's The Magic and The Wonder show at the Kentucky Center on October 8th and I along with several other LMC members will be performing magic in the lobby prior to the show. On Monday, October 10 we will have a lecture by Losander, who will be appearing on the show. You have to see his floating table—no one does it better than the inventor!

There are some magical November events. If you want a fun laid-back convention, come down to the DuPont Lodge at Cumberland Falls for the 48th Annual Unconventional Convention hosted by the Lexington, KY IBM ring 198. It's November 4th and 5th and there is a show Friday night and Saturday night. There are two lectures Duane Laflin, and Dan Fleshman a dealer's room and plenty of time to hang out with magicians or take a nice walk down to the falls.

Get ready for our Dr. Robert Escher Close-up and Parlor Competition coming up November 15th! Bring your A-Game and you could win a cash prize!

See you at the club!

Mike

# MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

**CODY & FRIENDS - A MAGICAL VARIETY SHOW**

Hosted by Cody Clark

Tickets are \$15

Scan Here: 

Smoke & Mirrors

Sid Marvelous

James McKnight

Sat. | Oct. 15, 2022 | 7 PM

7406 Fegenbush Lane, Louisville KY

Doors open at 6:30 PM

"LMCMAGIC"  
Coupon code for LMC  
members to get \$3 off  
admission

Cody Clark Magic

Highview ARTS Center

## Cody & Friends

Louisville has long been a capital for the art of magic. We have a vibrant magic club, storied magic shops like Caufield's and J&B Magic Shop, and many magic legends such as Lance Burton, Mac King, and Steve Bargatze. But it's been far too long since Louisvillians have had a place to regularly see the regions best magicians at an affordable ticket price.

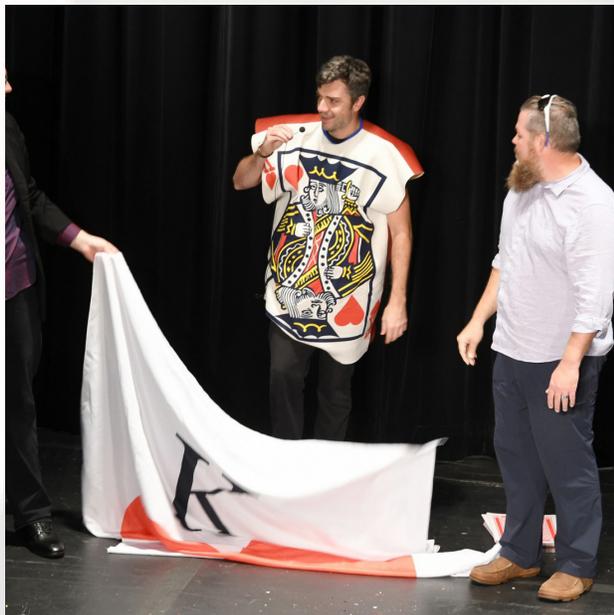
That's about to change! Starting Sat. Oct. 15th at 7 PM in the brand new Highview Arts Center, Louisville based professional magician and autistic self-advocate Cody Clark is bringing back this particular tradition with the first ever "Cody & Friends - A Magical Variety Show". These shows will feature the best magicians and variety artists whom also happen to be Cody's friends.

In this first edition, Cody's starting out with his best friends in Louisville magic. Your lineup includes 2022 Kentucky State Fair Talent Contest semi-finalist James McKnight, 2021 Louisville Magic Club Close-up Magic Contest winner Sid Marvelous, and husband-wife magic duo and 2020 Louisville Magic Club Magic Bag Challenge Winners Smoke & Mirrors. Plus Cody himself will emcee and share the routines his audiences know and love.

Tickets are \$15 and can be [purchased here](#) or at the door. Doors open at 6:30 PM, come early for open mic walk-around magic from the Louisville Magic Club. Use code "LMCMAGIC" for \$3 off your ticket!

# IT'S MAGIC PHOTOS!

photos by Bret Sohl & Don Yeoman



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## FROM THE EDITOR | MATT SOHL



OCTOBER! Wow...We've entered the last three months of the year. And what a great year it has been! Just over the past few years, I have seen some awesome growth in this club. I see more members meeting outside of regular meeting times, and more members performing out in public!

I've also seen myself grow as a performer in just the last year. And that is thanks to this club! Being around like-minded creative people, even once a month, has been encouraging enough for this almost 30-year-old to get back into magic so much so that I performed my first stage routine this year. That's no small feat.

I've always enjoyed the stage with acting, but have never had the courage to be up there just myself. I always got into my head and would talk myself out of doing it (which is why it took me 3 years to enter the close-up contest for the first time).

So again, thank you to all the members of this club that are so encouraging. I hope I can be as encouraging to the future of magic as you all have been to me.

I'll see you at the next meeting!

Matt Sohl  
Editor

# CINCY S.A.M ASSEMBLY

Greetings Mystics,

Our next gathering will be on October 14. Our theme for the evening will be "Something Spooky this way comes!". John Blaylock will be doing a lecture on ESP cards. We will follow this up with you doing a spooky routine. Of course, if you don't have something spooky to share, show us something you are working on. Also check out the attached flier (below).

7PM St. Bernard Catholic Church  
735 Derby Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45232

If the parish is showing a movie that evening, go to the side door (look for the door signage).

Rick Rave  
President S.A.M Assembly 11  
Queen City Mystics



*Count  
Marco's  
Haunted Castle*

*Final Year*  
*Celebrating 60 yrs. 1962 - 2022*

*3456 Crooked Tree Dr., Mason, OH 45040*

*Oct 28<sup>th</sup> Thru 31<sup>st</sup>*  
*6:00-10:00 P.M*

Mark Wiechman  
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Donations benefit  
*The Pray-Hope-Believe Foundation*  
And  
*The Shine Like Sable Foundation*

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# HOUDINI HOSPITAL FUND



Dear Compeers,

It is amazing that of our 4,000+ members, no one has requested Houdini Fund assistance due to a COVID-19 illness. Over the years since Harry Houdini donated money to support ailing magicians, the fund has grown through the generosity of S.A.M. members, friends, and families and careful investments to now provide a greater level of assistance. Originally a Parent Assembly Fund, it was merged into the S.A.M.'s Magic Endowment Fund in 1987, where it now operates as a separate grant-making organization with its own trustees. Today, money is available to be given to magicians and allied artists (clowns, face painters, ventriloquists, storytellers, jugglers, stilt walkers, etc.) who are in financial need from recent illness or injury. Dental funding assistance is also allowable!

These are grants, not loans, and are confidential. You do not have to be an S.A.M. member to be eligible. While Medicare and medical insurance provide primary coverage, Houdini Fund grants can defray other extras such as co-pays and other out-of-pocket costs. Whether you need outpatient oxygen, wheelchairs or similar durable medical equipment, contact us.

If you need financial help and have fallen ill in the past six months, please apply:

E-mail an outline of your condition with a note from your doctor and/or a copy of the medical bill to [HoudiniFund@MagicSAM.com](mailto:HoudiniFund@MagicSAM.com) or visit our webpage [HERE](#).

Yours in M-U-M,  
The Houdini Fund Trustees

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