



COVID-19 UPDATE

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, all in-person events are canceled until further notice.

Monthly Zoom meet-ups will be available.

Please see our [Facebook page](#) for details.

We look forward to getting back together and sharing the art of magic as a community in the future. Until that time, stay safe and stay sane!

From the President | Out of My Hat



Michael Raymer

Our Monthly Zoom Meetings are attracting a small attendance, but at this point, they are the only way we can connect as our meeting facilities have not opened back up. Our primary concern is our members' health and welfare; we do not want to chance anyone getting infected with the virus at one of our meetings. If you haven't joined us for a Zoom get together, please consider doing so. We plan on having more Zoom meet-ups. I want to re-cap what we have had on our Zoom meetings.

Tuesday, April 28, was a lecture by Past S.A.M. National President, Bruce Kalver. Bruce showed us tech tricks and gadgets, a number prediction, and a useful online program for creating art--that had one of our young members logging in creating images during the lecture. Our May 11th meeting was themed "show us your favorite trick" and included performances of rope, cards, and stage magic. Our May 26th Zoom meeting was themed "anything but cards" and included some coin magic, rope magic, and commercial effects. Our June 9 Zoom meeting was a lecture by Kayla Drescher with her Performance Workshop. Her workshop was well-received, and members are still talking about it months later." One of the best lectures we've had on performance and crafting your act and persona - lots of great tips from a working pro." July 14, we hosted an online lecture by Nathaan Phan. Besides being a likable guy, Nathaan presented some real workable material and had lecture notes and other items available at special lecture only prices. We will continue to look forward to a time when we can join together in person and take all precautions to ensure it is done safely.

Michael

From the Editor



Hello all! 2020 has been a heck of a year so far. Hopefully, as we continue into the second half of the year, we can find some positivity. One great thing that has come from this pandemic is my ability to work from home and watch my new daughter grow up. She's just about to start walking! So, when we can finally meet back in person, she'll be running around the meeting room saying hello to everyone she can! I'm including a photo of her down below so you can see how much she has grown!

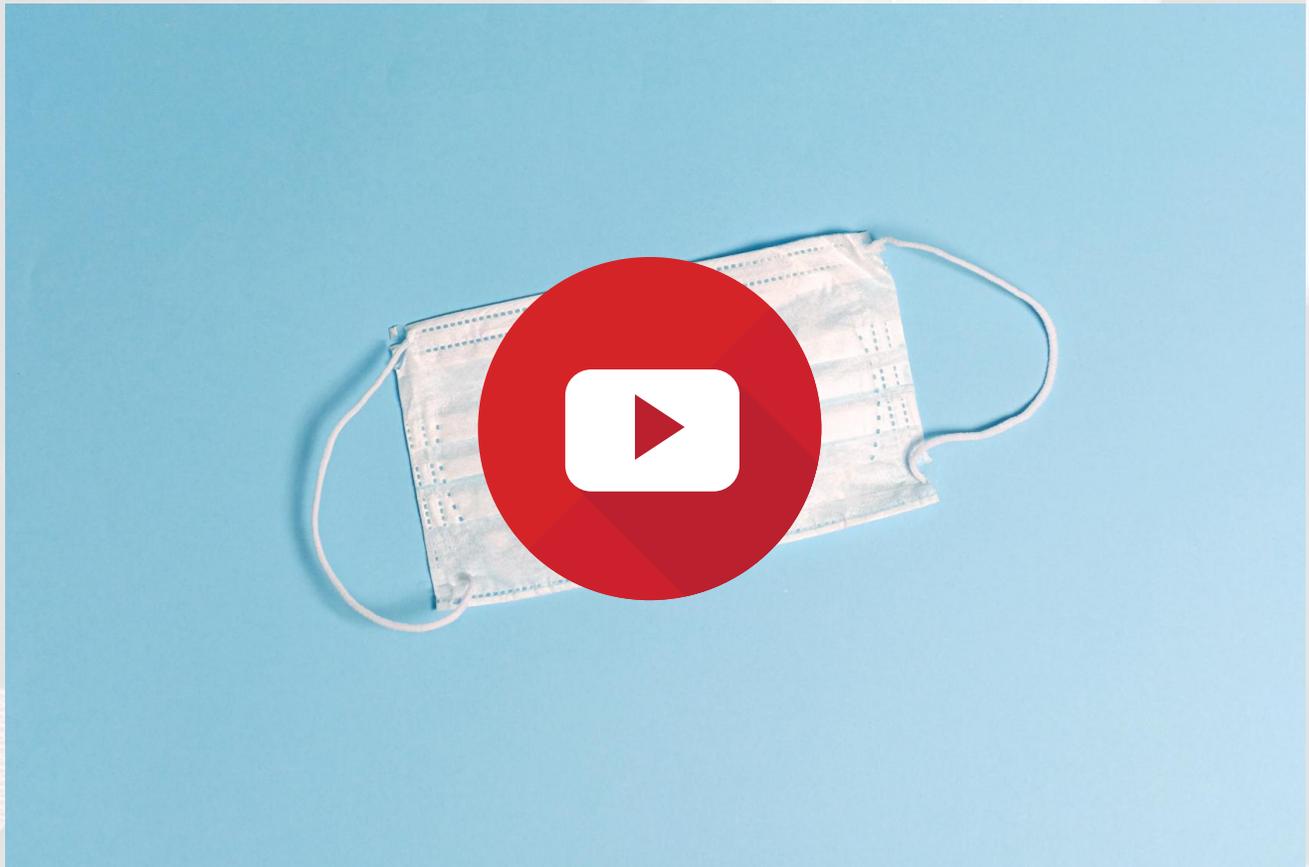
The quarantine and societal shutdown has had a lot of negative impact, but there is also plenty of positive to find in there. If you've been fortunate enough to work at home or have some time off work without any stressors, hopefully you've taken the time to practice up on some sleight of hand. Clubs all over the country, including our own, have also been offering plenty of online lectures and other opportunities to connect with magicians. In this time of social distancing, it seems that we've come closer as a world and nation of magicians. So, continue your goals that you started at the beginning of the year, or make new ones if the others can't be done now. Try out some new tricks and methods. When we see you virtually or in-person once again, show us what you have been up to! I'll see you soon.

Matt



MAGIC IN A PANDEMIC?

I came across this cool video the other day on reddit's magic community. Apparently you can purchase the method at the link down below.



video from u/deathofcake

[Purchase the Method Here](#)

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