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VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE
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THE VANCOUVER *Magic* **CIRCLE**
PRESENTS

THE VMC LIVE MAGIC AUCTION

September 27. 2018

Doors open at 6:30 PM

Auction starts at 7:00 PM

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Next VMC meeting is Thursday, September 27th, 2018

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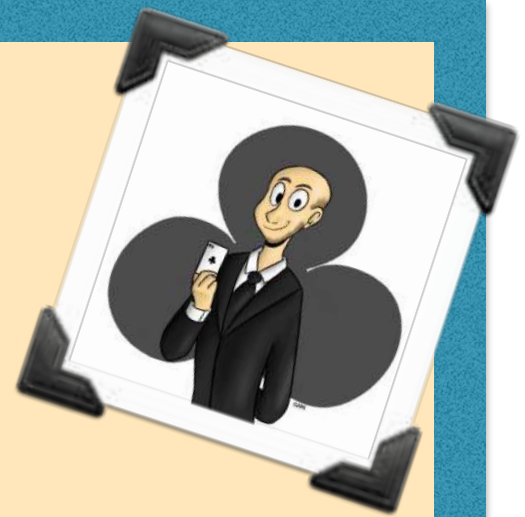
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome back from your summer break. Thanks to everyone who came out to the Picnic and to all the magicians who gave their time to perform at the World of Magic Show. The VMC is excited and proud of the events that we have planned for the rest of our year.

- If you haven't registered for this year's 3 of Clubs convention, please do so today! It looks to be another great convention.
- I hope you are thinking about a fun costume and routine for our Halloween Meeting next month. We will be having our annual Halloween themed competition and costume contest!
- Please take a moment to thank one of our hardworking executive members who work tirelessly on your behalf
- November Xmas Potluck! Please contact Graham Kita or Bulldog if you are interested in helping with organisation or running the potluck this year.

Thank you to all the members who continually give of their time and talent to our circle. We have some amazing Lectures and performances to announce very soon. You won't be disappointed!

Bryn

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36 special guests will be a part of an interactive magical experience in the Blue Moon Theatre of the five diamond luxury Shangri-La hotel in Vancouver. Will you be there to experience the magic?

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Cabaret of Wonders
October 5th and 6th, 2018

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Two-Time World Champion of Magic and the man who fooled Penn & Teller twice on their hit TV show, Fool Us brings his show, the Cabaret of Wonders, to Vancouver for a two night exclusive engagement. Shawn is presenting an evening that could only happen once in a blue moon. Interestingly enough the unique fact is it will be presented at the Blue Moon Theatre in the elegant five diamond Shangri-La Hotel in Vancouver, BC.

The Cabaret of Wonders is a 75-minute program of innovative theatrical sleight-of-hand magic. The show is performed for a small exclusive audience of just thirty-six guests to allow Shawn to present the magic he loves in the most intimate of settings. Every seat in the Blue Moon Theatre is excellent and if you're a lover of magic, this will be an evening you will recall for years to come. The magic happens close-up, right before your eyes. The magic you will see is original material created and performed by a two-time world champion sleight-of-hand expert. At each show premium VIP Seats are available to twelve lucky people to experience an interactive opportunity to become part of the show (if they choose) giving them the best seats for a once in a lifetime magic experience.

You will witness an evening of mind-blowing, interactive magic presented by Shawn Farquhar. Take part in this amazing, unusual and perfect magic show experience that impressed Ellen, Fooled Penn & Teller and has amazed the world of magic. It's not often you get to see a performer as skilled as Shawn performing live and the opportunity to be this close to the action. Watch closely... You will NOT believe your eyes!

Tickets at Eventbrite.ca or CabaretOfWonders.com



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**Registration is now open
for 2018!
October 19-21**

Rob Zabrecky

Carisa Hendrix

Christopher T. Magician

Mike Pisciotta

Jonathan Friedman

**WOW! 5 lectures – 2 shows –
2 competitions – tons of prizes
and so much more!**

CMOTY Report

By: Dennis Chan



The Children's Magician of the Year competition for the Wilf Rutherford trophy took place on Friday, June 22 at the Inlet Theatre in Port Moody. This is an adult competition. Arriving at the theatre early to set up the staging, sound and backdrops were Rod Boss, Graham Kita, Rod Chow, Henry Tom and Bryn Williams.

In this competition no stage illusions are permitted. Use of fire, confetti, or sparklers is strictly prohibited. The winner of the Wilf Rutherford trophy will be the qualified performer that receives the most ballots cast in their favour by the audience.

Rod Boss was the producer for this event. He designed the programme booklets and the posters. Yoosik Oum, our competition chair coordinated the list of performers for the competition. The time limit is ten minutes per act. Any performer going over the ten minute limit will be disqualified. The competitors (in order of appearance) were James Hanson, Wiley Allen, Rod Chow, Ed Stehr, Marianne Dumay, Graham Kita, and the team of Care Dyck and Jordan Vo.

President Bryn Williams was the M C for this event. He also read the rules. Rod Chow was the stage manager. Many thanks to Rod Chow and Bryn Williams for keeping up with the pace of the show and making sure that the show was running on time and smoothly without any interruptions. Kaden Williams was the stage hand.

After the performances, it was voting time. There was a table set up in the lobby of the theatre with ballot boxes along with photos of each performers, where the audience members placed their voting cards into the ballot box of their favourite performer. The ballots were counted, and the winner of the Children's Magician of the Year for the Wilf Rutherford trophy was Graham Kita. Rod Chow came in second place and James Hanson came in third place. Congratulations to Graham Kita and to the rest of the performers. Many thanks to Yoosik Oum , our competition chairman for reminding the members about the competition and coordinating the line up of performers.

After the competition, featured guest performer Chris Capehart gave an awesome magical presentation that both the adults and children thoroughly enjoyed. He performed the Miser's Dream, Fraidy Kat Rabbit and his signature effect , the linking rings using only three rings.

After the show, Chris gave a lecture on silks, the Miser's Dream the linking rings and some card techniques. Many thanks to Graham Kita for picking up Chris Capehart from the airport, arranging his hotel and bringing him back to the airport. And once again , many thanks to Rod Boss for putting the Children's Magician of the Year programme together. Acknowledgments. Prize...Clownin' Around, timekeeper, Bryn Williams, ushers , Dennis Chan, Rosalind Chan, stage manager, Rod Chow, Photography, Henry Tom, Graham Kita, raffle ticket seller, Gary Robins, stage hand, Kaden Williams, computer, Clinton W. Gray, line up of performers, Yoosik Oum, Alex Seaman, Wiley Allen, ballot counters, Billy Hsueh, Henry Tom, Rosalind Chan, Gary Robins, door host, Billy Hsueh. It was a great evening of fun and entertainment for everyone. Thank you all !



June Report

By: Dennis Chan



The June meeting started off with a workshop/lecture by Shawn Farquhar. He demonstrated his skill with cards by showing different moves and techniques. After his lecture Shawn gave some one on one instructions to some of the members. Shawn is always willing to help others to improve their magic. Well done Shawn. Thanks.

The competition for June was for the Ray Gamble trophy. This trophy is awarded in recognition of impromptu card magic. Competitors are handed a brand new deck of cards with the cellophane wrapper intact. The timing starts as soon as the competitor removes the cellophane wrapper and opens the seal. The cards must be used as they are from the box. Nothing else may be added or used during the routine. The Jokers and the card box may also be used. Yoosik Oum, our competition chairman coordinated this event.

Last year's winner, Richard Piamonte was the host and MC for this event, and he also read the rules. The competitors were Joji Yamashita, Bryn Williams, Scott Jansen, Kelvin Ng, Cameron Minty, John Stenning and Robert Teszka. The winner of the Ray Gamble trophy was Bryn Williams. Congratulations to Bryn and to the rest of the competitors. Richard Piamonte did some magic and told stories in between the acts to keep the competition flowing. Yoosik Oum collected the score sheets and he also tallied the scores.

During the business portion of the meeting Bryn Williams thanked the people who attended The Children's Magician of the Year contest and to those who participated in the competition. He also thanked those who helped behind the scenes to make the competition a success. A full report on the competition will come at a later date. He also thanked those who placed ads in the programmes. And a big thanks to Rod Boss, the Children's Magician of the Year chairman for coordinating the whole event from designing the programmes, and posters and making sure that the competition ran smoothly. Bryn also reminded the members about the picnic which takes place on Sunday, August 19 at William Shelly Park (near Broadway skytrain station)

It was nice to see long time Vancouver Magic Circle member Dave Murdoch. We haven't seen Dave for a long time. He is doing well. Many thanks to Shawn Farquhar for bringing some card clips and mugs for sale at the meeting. Both of these items has the VMC logo on it. The club auctioned off one of the card clips. Alex Seaman had pen sets for sale. One pen says "The Three of Clubs" and the second pen says the "Vancouver Magic Circle since 1942. We had three "far away" guests at the meeting. One was from Australia, one from Hong Kong and one from Mainland China. They all enjoyed a fun and magical evening. Mike Vetterli provided the refreshments. Graham Kita sold raffle tickets. Henry Tom was the winner of the 50/50 draw. Bryn Williams donated some DVDs as prizes. Graham Kita, Henry Tom and Steve Braybrooke took photos of the evening's events. This is the last meeting until September. The September meeting is auction night. If you still have "stuff" that you bought at last year's auction and haven't used yet, bring them to the auction.

There were 40 members and 14 guests in attendance.



VMC Picnic Report

By: Dennis Chan



Another quick and fun filled magical summer has come and gone. Some of the members went to Magic Live in Las Vegas, and some members went to the PCAM convention in Bakersfield. Some members went to both conventions. Some of those who went to the PCAM convention also spent another two days in Los Angeles to visit the Magic Castle to take in some shows.

The club's annual picnic took place at William Shelley Park in Vancouver. William Shelley was one of the original founders of the Vancouver Magic Circle. Wiley Allen selected this venue. There were plenty of burgers, hot dogs, chips, potato salad, macaroni salad, and soft drinks. Many thanks to Bryn Williams and Rosalind Chan for picking up the supplies for the picnic. Dennis Chan and Graham Kita worked the barbeque.

Graham Kita was in charge of the contests. There was the usual card tossing contest and the water balloon tossing contest. Our always generous donor Graham Kita likes to reward the people who participate in the picnic contests. He donated the prizes this year. Billy Hsueh was the winner of the card tossing closest to the pin contest. He won cards, a magic trick and a bubble gun. Care Dyck and Rosalind Chan were the winners of the water balloon tossing contest. They won two super soaker water guns.

And of course what would the afternoon be without the club's most popular picnic event, the watermelon eating contest. In this contest, a watermelon is cut into wedges, placed onto a tarp, and then covered with whipped cream. Contestants are then blindfolded, on their knees and with their hands behind their backs, then the "eating" begins. The person who eats the most "red" is declared the winner. The contestants were Scott Jansen, Graham Kita, Wiley Allen, Gabriella JL and Cameron Minty. Cameron Minty was the winner. He won a watermelon water game. This is a very popular contest with plenty of fun and laughs.

Mike Vetterli and Robert Teszka performed their fifteen minutes of magic to qualify for their Wand Holder's Degree.

Other guests who brought food to the picnic were Cameron Minty and Chris Estrada. Graham Kita and Henry Tom took photos of the afternoon's events. Dennis the "Bulldog" Chan provided the barbeque.

Many thanks to everyone for all their help with the cleaning up after the picnic. Thanks to Andy, Dennis's neighbour for helping him bring the barbeque, and tables, and other picnic supplies to the park. He also gave Dennis a ride home. It was a fun filled and successful magical picnic afternoon. There were 27 members and 28 guests in attendance.

Many thanks to all who were there !

Dennis Chan Graham Kita





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