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THREE MAGIC EVENTS

Tuesday, October 9th 7:00PM Diamond
Jim Tyler Lecture

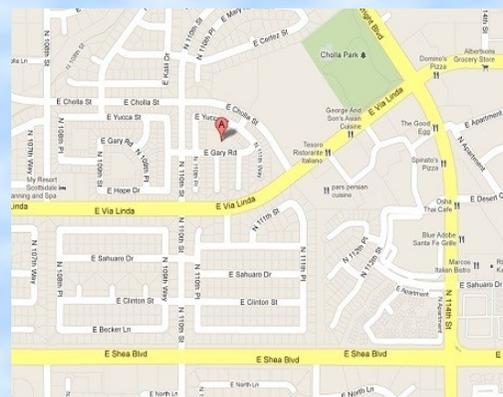
Tuesday October 16th 7:00PM
Magic Auction & Flea Market

Friday October 19th 7PM
Joshua Jay Lecture

Lectures are FREE to Ring 55 members or
a special discounted \$10 price for all
others.

FREE Snack & Beverage (donated by Wizard Magic Shop)

The Las Vistas Clubhouse,
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COMING Next Month...

Fr. James Blantz Lecture



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Random Thoughts from your Pres

We have **THREE** club events this month. **Diamond Jim Tyler** lecture on October 9th, our annual **Magic Auction/Flea Market** on October 16th, and **Joshua Jay** Lecture on October 19th. In November we will be treated with a special lecture by **Fr. James Blantz**. Many other fun meetings are up in the future too. The biggest magic event will be the national **IBM Convention** will be in Phoenix in July 2013. We are still looking into other possible places we can have future meetings so if you know of any centralized meeting place that is free or cheap, please let me know so I can check it out. Keep updated on the latest magic events by visiting our website at www.ring55.org and read the blog.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We need members to submit content for the following projects...

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Diamond Jim Tyler Lecture Tuesday, October 9th.

DIAMOND JIM TYLER



Diamond Jim will teach magic from his award-winning act, his new *Bamboozlers* books and his best-selling book and DVD *Pockets Full of Miracles*. He will also share new material and other reputation makers!

This special lecture is FREE to Ring 55 members

Not a paid Ring 55 member? We have a special low discounted \$10 for all others.

Magic Auction & Flea Market Tuesday, October 16th

Sellers have two options to make money at our event.

1) Regular Auction: submit a list of items you have for sale to leigh@wizardmagic.com so we can put it into our computer database ahead of time. We assume all magic items to be sold should be in working order if not, please tell us in the description.. If an item has a reserve, please list it as well. It is recommend you package cheaper multiple items together 10% of the sale price goes to the RING 55 Club and the balance given to the seller.

2) Swap sellers table. Table sales space is \$10 per table. It is recommend you bring in your own table if you have one because we only have a very limited number at our clubhouse.

Ring 55 can accept cash, checks, or major credit cards



Joshua Jay Lecture Friday, October 19th

Biography By John Armato

Twenty-eight-year-old Joshua Jay has been called magic's Renaissance man by *MAGIC* Magazine. It's not hard to see why: he is a performer, lecturer, author, and a photographer of all things mysterious.

He maintains a globetrotting performance schedule—Jay has performed in over fifty countries and appears regularly on national television (most recently on Good Morning America and the Today Show).

His performance style is completely unique: he performs with ordinary, borrowed objects, causing them to twist, bend, appear, and vanish at will. At only seventeen years old Joshua Jay was crowned world champion for close-up magic at the World Magic Seminar, and he is now regarded as one of the leading creative forces in the magic world.

But he's not just a performer...

In 2009 he penned a best-selling magic book, *MAGIC: The Complete Course*, and had his fine-art photography exhibited in several shows (appearing currently at the Culture Museum in Linz, Austria). How does he do it?

The Secret is Right in Front of You

He figured it out. His dad showed him a card trick when he was a child, and after hours of experimenting in his room, Joshua figured it out. His dad was a magic enthusiast and knew when to be impressed. His reaction was simple: "You have the makings of a fine magician."

His dad was right. Since that day Joshua Jay has made numerous television appearances in magic specials and on programs like Good Morning America, CNN, and the TODAY Show. He has been a headline performer and lecturer in over 50 and routinely performs for distinguished politicians and major celebrities. Jay is a headliner at the prestigious Magic Castle in Hollywood and is the author of two best-selling books on magic (his first is published in five languages and is now in its fourth US printing). In 1998, he was crowned champion at the World Magic Seminar. Most recently, he was named 2009 International Magician of the Year by Primio Magia, the Latin American Council of Magic.

Joshua is a monthly columnist for *MAGIC*, the world's largest circulated magazine for magicians.

Joshua also acts as magic consultant for several multi-national toy manufacturers (most recently for Marvel Comics) and has helped design many of the magic sets on toy store shelves.

Revealing Truth

"Good magic hides the trick," he says. "Great magic reveals some sort of truth. It's a form of self-expression. I want my magic to be meaningful. I want people to find more in it than deception. People should enjoy magic, of course, but they should also feel connected to others through it. Magic should cause people to reconsider what they think they know and the way they perceive things."

Joshua does plenty of things that will make you reconsider what you think you know. His main performance style is close-up. Coins, bottles, and borrowed hundred-dollar bills, defying expectations in countless ways. But his passion is cards. ("I'm up to two packs a day," he says.) Not your uncle's card tricks, mind you. These are head-turning, jaw-dropping pieces of strange that have garnered Joshua international renown as a card magician extraordinaire.

Flexibility ... right in front of you

From corporate functions to private parties to VIP backstage events, Joshua is performance-driven.

His track record of success includes the production of his sell-out one-man show, "At Home on Stage," that brought the audience into his "bedroom" and took them through a day in his magical life.

He is also an accomplished photographer, and has infused magic into his work. Cheating moves, card sleights, and magical methods become fine art in Jay's ongoing photographic study. In 2009 his magic photography was included at the annual European Capital of Culture Festival in Linz, Austria (where he also performed at the inaugural event).

His appreciation for mystery and psychological nuance have taken Joshua on an already long journey in a still-young life, and left countless audiences applauding in his wake.

"He's not trying to be this cool mysterious stranger," says veteran international award-winning magician Gregory Wilson. "I've known him since he was a teenager and I've performed with him on five continents. I'd like to be able to say I've seen him progress, but he's been good from day one. He's focused, unflappable and self-effacing, which is a very admirable quality. Right away I knew there was something special about this guy." Joshua's magic is up-close and personal—simple, clear and undeniable. It happens when you're watching, no matter how close you're watching. The secret is right in front of you. The Secret is Joshua Jay



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