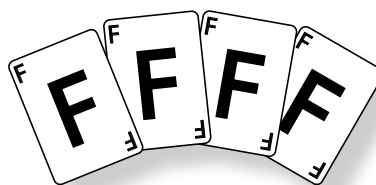




MIKE POWERS
2019 GUEST OF HONOR

created by Shawn Farquhar 2019

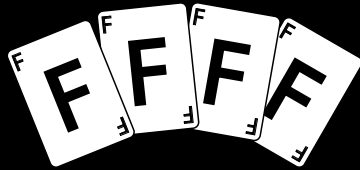


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Guest of Honor: Mike Powers



Mike has been in the magic scene for over 40 years. With Ed Marlo's guidance, he published his first book, *Powerful Magic*, in 1983. This was followed by *Top Secret Stuff* in 1990 and *Power Plays* in 2006. *Power Plays* was voted Book of the Year on the Magic Café and runner up Book of the Year in the Magic Industry Awards. Mike's newest book, *TESSERACT* (2019), has just been released. Mike's magic has appeared in every major magic publication and in the books of Paul Harris and others. He now writes a monthly column for the Linking Ring. Mike has also released bestselling items such as *Diminishing Returns*, *Holey Terror* and *The PM Principle*.

Mike has performed for many years as a close-up magician with much experience in restaurant work. In 1994 Mike was invited to perform at the Magic Castle in Hollywood. His television performances include the "Meerka Show" in Buenos Aires and as the warm up act for the British Rock group Savoy Brown. He has lectured and worked at magic conventions and clubs all over the U.S. and around the world.


Besides performing magic, Mike is also a musician. Having started as a folk musician in the 1960's, Mike now plays electric blues and rock with PT and the Cruisers and Blackjack 66.



Obie's 4F 2019

Workshops, Lectures, & Shows

Wednesday

- 8:00 pm 1st Show **4F Opening Gala**..... MC: Meir **Yedid**
- 9:45 pm 4F First Timers Meeting Executive Room
- 10:00 pm **Lecture #1**  USA **David Regal**
- 11:30 pm Pizza Party in the Hospitality Suite Crystal Room

Thursday

- 11:00 am **Lecture #2**  France **Olmac**
- 1:30 pm 2nd Show **Friends Old & New** MC: Gary **Morton**
- 3:30 pm 3rd Show **Magical Moments** MC: Joe M. **Turner**
- 8:00 pm **Lecture #3**  USA **Mike Powers**
- 10:00 pm **Lecture #4**  USA **Howard Hamburg**
- 11:15 pm Hospitality Suite Opens Crystal Room

Friday

- 8:00 am Golf Tournament (extra cost) Bruce Trigg
- 11:00 am **Workshop: Tricks that can be done in a minute** MC: Mike **Powers**
- 1:30 pm **4F/TED Talks**  MCs: Christian/**Katalina**
- 3:30 pm 4th Show **Friday's Frolics** MC: Steve **Beam**
- 8:00 pm 5th Show  **Gala français** MCs: Montreal **Trio**
- 10:00 pm Hospitality Suite Opens Crystal Room

Saturday

- 11:00 am **Lecture #5**  France **David Stone**
- 1:30 pm 6th Show **Mini World Show** MC: Dan **Garrett**
- 3:30 pm 7th Show **Fechter's Fabulous Frolics**.. MC: Shawn **Farquhar**
- 7:45 pm Tribute to our **Guest of Honor: Mike Powers**.....MC: Obie **O'Brien**
- 8:00 pm 8th Show **Closing Gala**..... MCs: **Joan/Obie**
- 10:00 pm Hospitality Suite Opens Crystal Room

Obie's 4F 2019 Program



Wednesday

- 2:00-5:00 Registration & 4F Shop open
- 6:00 Dealers' Room opens (closed during lectures/shows)
- 8:00 1st Show: **4F Opening Gala** (MC: Meir Yedid)
- 9:45 4F first timers meeting (Executive Room)
- 10:00 **David Regal Lecture**
- 11:30 Hospitality Suite (Crystal Room) opens -- Pizza Party
- 12:00 Dealers' Room closes

Thursday

- 10:00-5:00 Registration open (closed during lectures and shows)
- 10:00 Dealers' Room opens (closed during lectures and shows)
- 10:00-11:00 4F Shop open
- 11:00 **Olmac Lecture**
- 12:30 Lunch: on your own
- 1:30 2nd Show: **Friends Old & New** (MC: Gary Morton)
- 3:30 3rd Show: **Magical Moments** (MC: Joe M. Turner)
- 5:30 Supper: on your own
- 7:00-7:45 4F Shop is open
- 8:00 **Mike Powers Lecture**
- 10:00 **Howard Hamburg Lecture**
- 11:15 Hospitality Suite (Crystal Room) opens -- Free Donuts, Coffee, Soda
- 12:00 Dealers' Room closes

Friday

- 8:00 Bob Little Open Golf Tournament (see Bruce Trigg to register, extra cost)
- 10:00 Dealers' Room opens (closed during lectures, shows, and dinner)
- 10:00-11:00 4F Shop open
- 11:00 **Pat Page Memorial Workshop: Tricks that can be done in a minute** (MC: Mike Powers)
- 12:00 Lunch break: on your own – Free Beer, Coffee and Soda starts
- 1:30 **4F/TED Talks** (MCs: Christian/Katalina)
- 3:00 4th Show: **Friday's Frolics** (MC: Steve Beam)
- 5:30 Smorgasbord (ticket required)
- 6:45 Dealers' Room
- 7:00-7:45 4F Shop open
- 8:00 5th Show: **Gala français** (MCs: The Montreal Trio)
- 10:00 Hospitality Suite (Crystal Room) opens
- 12:00 Dealers' Room closes

Saturday

- 10:00 Dealers' Room opens (closed during lectures, shows, and dinner)
- 10:00-10:45 2018 Registration & 4F Shop open
- 11:00 **David Stone Lecture**
- 12:15 Lunch break (ticket required)
- 1:30 6th Show: **Mini World Show** (MC: Dan Garrett)
- 3:30 7th Show: **Fechter's Fabulous Frolics** (MC: Shawn Farquhar)
- 5:30 Smorgasbord (ticket required)
- 6:45 Dealers' Room & 4F Shop open
- 7:45 Tribute to our **Guest of Honor: Mike Powers**
- 8:00 8th Show: **4F Closing Gala** (MCs: Obie O'Brien & Joan Caesar)
- 10:00 Hospitality Suite (Crystal Room) opens
- 12:00 Dealers' Room closes



Obie's 4F 2019

4F Opening Gala

Wednesday 8:00 pm

MC: Meir **Yedid** (38th 4F)

1.¹⁰ 
Argentina

Daniel Mormina

Bachelors; sponsors: Joan/Henry Evans

2.¹⁰ 
Brazil

Bernardo Sedlacek

Bachelors; sponsors: Nicolas Pierri/Eric Roumestan

3.¹⁰ 
Argentina

Nicolas Pierri

Doctorate

4.¹⁰ 
Germany

Alfonso Rituerto

Bachelors; sponsors: Joan/Obie

5.¹⁰ 
USA

Bryan Saint

Bachelors; sponsors: Glenn Brown/Mike Powers

6.¹⁰ 
Peru

George Iglesias

Doctorate; Twister Magic

7.¹⁰ 
Taiwan

Johnson Huang

Masters

8.¹⁰ 
Ireland

Quentin Reynolds

Masters

9.¹⁰ 
Taiwan

Horret Wu

5th time at 4F

10.¹⁰ 
Argentina

Henry Evans

12th time at 4F; 2000 FISM winner, 4F MVP/GoH





Obie's 4F 2019

Friends Old & New

Thursday 1:30 pm

MC: Gary **Morton** (26th 4F)

1.¹⁰ 
Spain

Miguel Ajo
Masters; 2017 FISM Europe winner



2.⁷ 
USA

Mike Spade
Masters

3.⁷ 
USA

Steven Himmel
Masters

4.⁷ 
Canada

Chris Westfall
Bachelors; sponsors: Glenn Brown/Brian Roberts

5.⁷ 
USA

John Dahlinger
Doctorate

6.⁷ 
Japan

Nobuyuki Nojima
Masters

7.⁷ 
Canada

Jeff Christensen
Bachelors; sponsors: Rod Chow/Ray Roch

8.¹⁰ 
Japan

Hayafumi
Doctorate; 2013 Hakone winner Japan

8.¹⁰ 
USA

Eric DeCamps
19th time at 4F; SAM Gold Medal winner



Obie's 4F 2019

Magical Moments


Thursday 3:30 pm

MC: Joe M. **Turner** (15th 4F)

1.⁷ 
USA

Mike Maione

Doctorate

2.¹⁰ 
China

Liu Sing Z

Bachelors; sponsors: Paul Critelli/Horret Wu

3.⁷ 
USA

David Schwartz

Masters

4.⁷ 
USA

Jeff Eline

Bachelors; sponsors: Glenn Brown/Mike Powers

5.⁷ 
USA

Gino Mozzarella

(Danny Archer) 9th time at 4F

6.⁷ 
Argentina

Martin Braesass

4th time at 4F

7.⁷ 
Taiwan

AL Chen

Doctorate

8.⁷ 
Belgium

Think Nguyen

Bachelors; sponsors: Riccardo Negroni/William Watt



Obie's 4F 2019

Pat Page Memorial Workshop

Friday 10:45 am

MC: Mike Powers (31st 4F, 2019 GoH)

Tricks that can be done in a minute

1.10



USA

Mike Powers

31st time at 4F; 2019 Guest of Honor

2.4



Canada

Michel Huot

20th time at 4F

3.4



Canada

Marc Trudel

Doctorate

4.4



Canada

Yannick Lacroix

24th time at 4F

5.4



USA

Jeff Eline

Bachelor's; sponsors; Glenn Brown/Mike Powers

6.4



USA

Gene Gordon

19th time at 4F

7.4



USA

Dave Neighbors

37th time at 4F

8.4



USA

Steve Friedberg

9th time at 4F

9.4



Canada

Derrick Finn

9th time at 4F

10.4



USA

Keith Randolph

32nd time at 4F

11.4



USA

Geoff Williams

11th time at 4F

12.4



USA

Will Fern

6th time at 4F



Obie's 4F 2019

4F/TED Talks

Friday 1:30 pm

MCs: **Christian & Katalina**

1.¹²



France

Boris Wild

What it takes to compete at FISM



23rd time at 4F; FISM winner; 2008 4F MVP/GoH

2.¹²



USA

Rolando Santos

Making evocative connections

10th time at 4F

3.¹²



USA

Maria Schwieter

Working w/South American kids

18th time at 4F

4.¹²



USA

Vince Mendoza

Why you should use the Napkin Rose

Doctorate; 3rd time at 4F

5.¹²



USA

Mike Seege

The Happiness Factor

18th time at 4F



Obie's 4F 2019

Friday's Frolics

Friday 3:00 pm

MC: Steve **Beam**

(29th 4F; 1994/2011 MVP; 2011 GoH)

1.⁷



Japan

Takamiz Usui

4th time at 4F; Rubic's master

2.⁷



USA

Thomas Solomon

Bachelors; sponsors: Eric DeCamps/Jim Vines

3.⁷



USA

Matt Baker

Doctorate

4.⁷



China

Jiang Zhenghua

Masters

5.⁷



USA

Christopher Quintero

Bachelors; sponsors: Oscar Muñoz/Obie

6.⁷



England

Chris Payne

Doctorate

7.⁷



Germany

Daniel Hank

Masters

8.⁷



USA

Christian & Katalina

9th time at 4F; 4F 2017 MVPs



Obie's 4F 2019

Gala français

Friday 8:00 pm

MCs: The **Montreal** Trio

3rd/21st/23rd time at 4F

1.⁷ **Boris Wild**

23rd time at 4F; 1997 FISM winner



2.⁷ **Edouard Boulanger**

5th time at 4F; winner FISM Europe Invention



3.⁷ **Alexandra Duvivier**

Bachelors; sponsors: David Stone/Boris Wild

4.⁷ **Billy Debu**

Doctorate

5.⁷ **David Stone**

11th time at 4F; 2006 FISM winner



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6.⁷ **J.B. Dumas**

Bachelors; sponsors: Obie/David Stone

7.⁷ **William Watt**

6th time at 4F; FFAP winner

8.⁷ **Rémy Robert**

8th time at 4F

9.¹⁰ **Olmac**

Bachelors; sponsors: Joan Caesar/Obie; 2009 FISM winner





Obie's 4F 2019

Mini World Show

Saturday 1:30 pm

MC: Dan **Garrett** (37th 4F; 2005 4F GoH)

1.7 
Canada

Greg Frewin
Doctorate; 1994 FISM winner



2.7 
Canada

Clark Payne
Bachelors; sponsors: Glenn Brown/Joan Caesar

3.7 
USA

Rich Marotta
Doctorate

4.7 
USA

John Michael Hinton
Bachelors; sponsors: Glenn Brown/Mike Powers

5.7 
Japan

Kengo Nakashima
Masters

6.7 
Japan

Hiro Sakai
5th time at 4F

7.7 
USA

David Regal
8th time at 4F

8.10 
Spain

Woody Aragón
9th time at 4F; Macmillan winner



Obie's 4F 2019

Fechter's Fabulous Frolics

Saturday 3:30 pm

MC: Shawn **Farquhar** (19th 4F; 2014 4F GoH)

1.⁷ 
USA

Shaun Dunn

Bachelors; sponsors: Woody Aragón/Joe Rindfleisch

2.¹⁰ 
USA

Eric Tait

Bachelors; sponsors: Glenn Brown/Mike Powers; IBM close-up winner

3.⁷ 
USA

Jason Michaels

Bachelors; sponsors: Stephen Bargatze/Chrstian Painter

4.⁷ 
Spain


Willy Monroe

11th time at 4F; World Balloon Champion

5.⁷ 
USA

Jafo

Bachelors; sponsors: Mark Fitzgerald/Dan Garrett

6.¹⁰ 
France

Ludovic Julliot

4th 4F; France winner, FISM Europe winner (2014)



7.⁷ 
USA

Greg Chapman

Bachelors; sponsors: Paul Gertner/Mike Powers

8.¹⁰ 
Japan

Lychee

Bachelors; sponsors: Satoshi/Ton Onosaka; 2019 Hakone winner

9.¹⁰ 
USA

Paul Gertner

FISM winner, 32nd 4F; Vegas winner, fooled P&T twice





Obie's 4F 2019
Closing Gala

Saturday 8:00 pm

MCs: **Joan & Obie**

(13th/49th4F; Obie was 2010 4F MVP/GoH)



Japan

Ryo Higuchi/Ryuhei Nakamura

Bachelors; sponsors: Paul Critelli/Ton Onosaka



China

Wang Yu

Bachelors; sponsors: Rocco Silano/Sinbad



Taiwan

Joad Hsu

Bachelors; sponsors: Horret Wu/Obie; GP Taiwan



Canada

Lucy Darling

Bachelors; sponsors: Joan Caesar/Mike Miller



Canada

Shawn Farquhar

14th 4F; 2009 FISM winner; 2014 4F GoH; fooled P&T 2X



USA

Rocco

20th time at 4F; 1994 FISM winner; 2017 4F GoH



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USA

Mike Powers

31st time at 4F; 2019 Guest of Honor



Spain

Pere Rafart

Bachelors; sponsors: Olmeda/Starmen; 2017 FISM 2nd cards



Spain

Adrian Vega

Doctorate; FISM Europe & IBM winner



Austria

Bill Cheung

4th time at 4F; 2018 FISM cards winner



Spain

Luis Olmedo

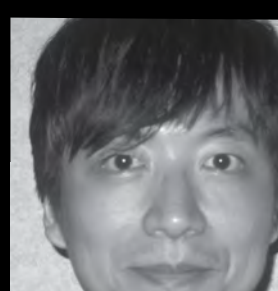
Doctorate; Spain winner

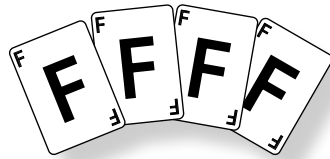


USA

Bargatze/Merrill

22nd/15th time at 4F; 2013 4F GoH/2006 FISM GP winner





Obie's 4F 2019 *by the numbers*

2019 is the 49th 4F — here are the number of times people have attended since 1971:

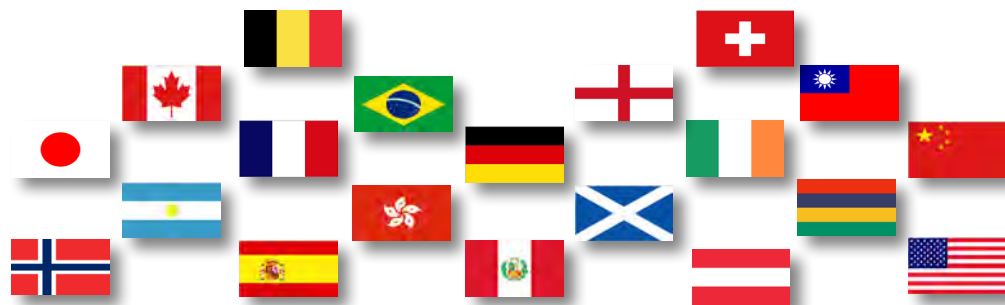
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41-45 Harrison Carroll, Dick Cook, Tim Williams.

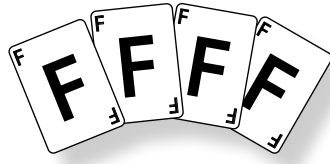
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26-30 Steve Beam, Glenn Brown, Gary Freed, Antony Gerard, Bob Macey, Raj Madhok, Richard Mattner, Gary Morton, David Oestreicher, Gary Plants, Charlie Randall, Prof. Rem, Buddy Smith, Bruce Trigg, Scott Wells.

20-25 John Bannon, Stephen Bargatze, Craig Dickson, Steve Duperré, Lee Eyer, Mike Hrab, Michel Huot, Jim Klayder, Yannick Lacroix, Bob Little, John Luka, Rocco Silano, George Silverman, Don Voltz, Randy Wakeman, Boris Wild.



People from **20** countries on **5** continents are attending **4F** this year: **20** from Canada, **12** from Japan, **10** from England, **9** from France, **6** from Spain, **4** each from Argentina, China, Germany, and Taiwan; **2** from Scotland, **1** each from Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Ireland, Italy, Mauritius, Norway, Peru, and Switzerland; and about **152** from the USA. We have about **22** contest winners from conventions around the world, including **15** FISM Winners; **8** past Presidents of the IBM; **6** past Presidents of the SAM — and **30** 4F first timers.



Obie's 4F 2019 Attendees



Argentina

Martin Braessas
Henry Evans
Daniel Mormina
Nicolas Pierri



Austria

Bill Cheung



Belgium

Think Nguyen



Brazil

Bernardo Sedlacek



Canada

Glenn Brown
Joan Caesar
Rod Chow
Jeff Christensen
Lucy Darling
Robin Dawes
Steve Duperré
Shawn Farquhar
Derick Finn
Greg Frewin
Terry Greenwood
Michel Huot
Yannick Lacroix
Allan Nackan
Clark Payne
Chris Pilsworth
Brian Roberts
Bruce Trigg
Marc Trudel
Chris Westfall



China

Chong Huang
Liu Sing Z
Wang Yu
Jiang Zhenghua



England

Harold Cataquet
Will Houstoun
Simon Lane
Mark Leveridge
Amanda Nicot
Roger Nicot
Chris Payne
Darryl Rose
Bob Swadling
Marcus Taylor



France

Edouard Boulanger
Billy Debu
JB Dumas
Alexandra Duvivier
Ludovic Julliot
Olmac
Rémy Robert
David Stone
Boris Wild



Germany

Daniel Hank
Clemens Ilgner
Alfonso Riteurto
Christian Schenk



Ireland

Quentin Reynolds



Italy

Alain Iannone



Japan

Hayafumi
Ryo Higuchi
Hide Kimoto
Lychee
Ryuhei Nakamura
Kengo Nakashima
Satoshi Onosaka
Nobuyuki Nojima
Hiro Sakai
Shimpei
Takamiz Usui
Yumi



Mauritius

William Watt



Norway

Rune Carlsen



Peru

George Iglesias



Scotland

Peter McLanachan
Neil Stirton



Spain

Miguel Ajo
Woody Aragón
Willy Monroe
Luis Olmedo
Pere Rafart
Adrian Vega



Switzerland

Roland Meister



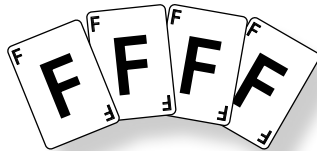
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Johnson Huang
Horret Wu



USA

Ken Abbott
Katalina Absolon
Gene Anderson
Andost
Danny Archer
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Matt Baker
John Bannon
Stephen Bargatze
Steve Beam
Kevin Bethea
Bill Bishop
Thomas Blacke
Gordon Boyd
Joe Cabral
Joe Cappon
Harrison Carroll
Jack Chancellor
Evert Chapman
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Dick Cook
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Tom Craven
Paul Critelli
John Dahlinger
Eric DeCamps



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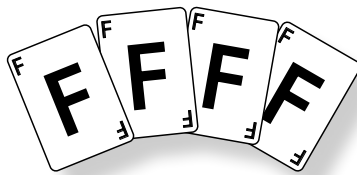
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Michael Dedee
Marc DeSouza
Craig Dickson
Eric Dockery
Shaun Dunn
Roy Eidem
Jeff Eline
Matt Episcopo
Tyler Erickson
Bill Evans
Lee Eyler
Buddy Farnan
Dale Farris
Michael Feldman
Will Fern
Keith Fields
Alan Fisher
Mark Fitzgerald
Gary Freed
Steve Friedberg
Dan Garrett
Antony Gerard
Paul Gertner
Gene Gordon
Doug Gorman
Alexander Great
Joel Greenwich
Andy Greget
Viny Grosso
Howard Hamburg
Darryl Harris
Rick Hebert
Terry Hedges

Steven Himmel
John Michael Hinton
Mike Hrab
Gary Hughes
Richard Hughes
Brad Jacobs
Matt Jacobs
Jafo
John Jemola
Mike Joseph
Michael Kaminskas
Michael Kirschner
Jim Klayder
Larry Kohorst
Shank Kothare
Allan Kronzek
Jason Ladanye
Rian Lehman
Marv Leventhal
Bob Little
John Luka
Bob Macey
Dan MacInnis
Raj Madhok
Mike Maione
Rich Marotta
Richard Mattner
Ice McDonald
Vincent Mendoza
Rick Merrill
Jason Michaels
John Miller
Mike Miller
Scott Miller

Gary Morton
Thomas Mosier
Dave Neighbors
Obie O'Brien
David Oestreicher
Christian Painter
Gary Para
Kirk Patrick
Gary Plants
Mike Powers
Gene Protas
David Prouty
Patrick Przysiecki
Andrew Quinn
Christopher Quintero
Charlie Randall
Keith Randolph
Dwight Redman Sr.
Eric Redman
Bob Rees
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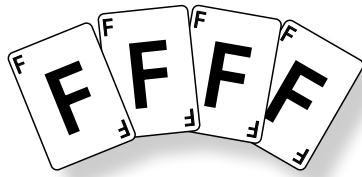
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Erik Tait
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Corbett Troyer
Joe M. Turner
Arie Vilner
Jim Vines
Don Voltz
Randy Wakeman
Gary Ward
Tony Weiland
Bill Wells
Scott Wells
John West
Don Wiberg
Rick Wilcox
Geoff Williams
Tim Williams
Mark Yeager
Meir Yedid
Hull Youngblood
Mark Zacharia



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Dealers

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Bob Little	boblittlessupersunday.com
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Charlie Randall	magicbookshop.com
C. Schenk/R.Nicot	card-shark.de
Twister Magic	twistermagic.com
Takamiz Usui	beat758@live.jp
Meir Yedid	mymagic.com



Obie's 4F 2019 First Time?

If this is your first time at 4F, I'm sure you have a few questions. Let's see if I can answer a few:

Queue Sheets

One of the things Jimmy C needs to know BEFORE you get to 4F is whether or not you will be supplying music to accompany your performance, and if so, instructions so that things will run smoothly. If Jimmy does not receive this information by April 15th, 2019, then you may be performing without music. Jimmy C will be emailing all performers with a Queue sheet which you'll need to complete and email to him at jimmymagic@yahoo.com with your music; if not, bring the files on a USB Flash drive, or as a last resort on a CD or DVD to the convention.

Staging

If you have any staging requirements, please let Scott Miller (magicjokers@sbcglobal.net) know as soon as possible.

Airport Rides

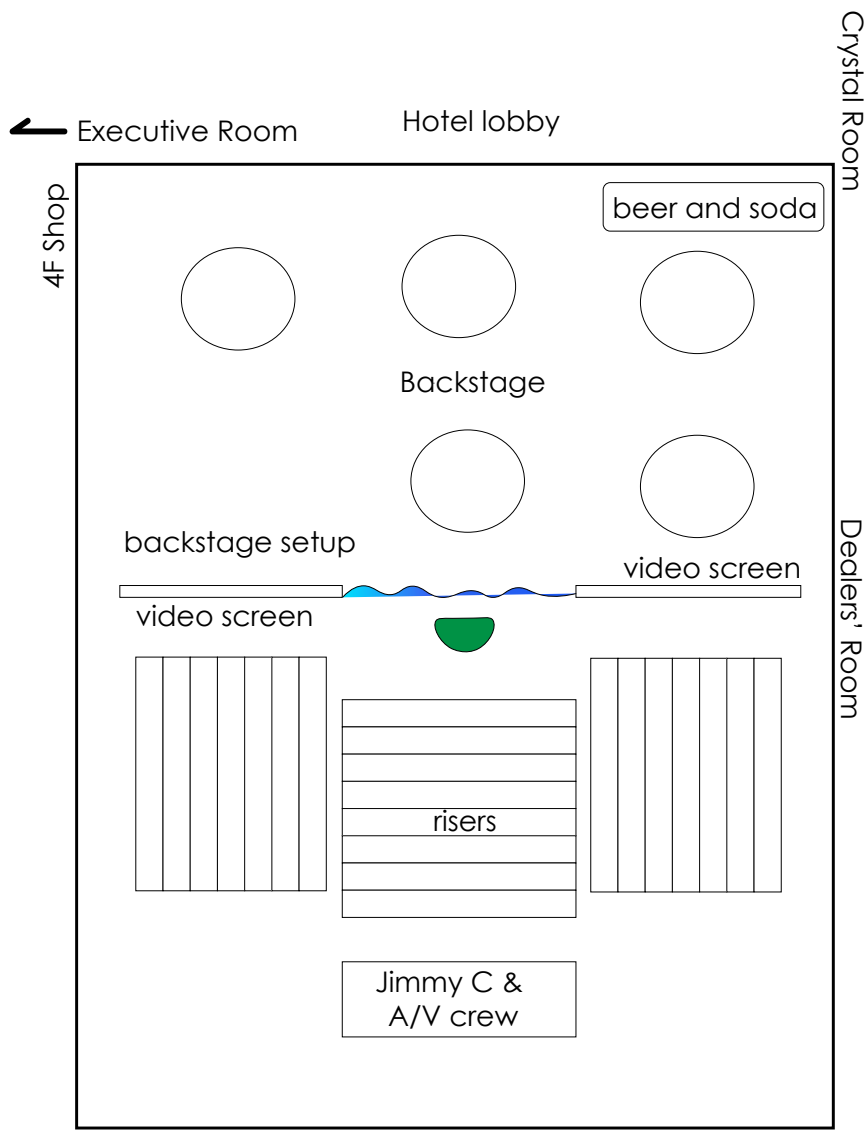
If you are flying to Buffalo for the 4F this year, and you'd like a ride to or from the airport, Jimmy C is managing rides. One way is \$40, and to/from is \$75 -- email Jimmy C (jimmymagic@yahoo.com) for more information on airport rides.

Performing

Everyone has to perform their first time at 4F. You have 5-7 minutes to do your routine -- 10 minutes if it is a competition act (e.g. FISM). One thing Obie is particular about is how you dress when performing -- please no jeans or T-shirts (a sports coat would be ideal.) My advice is to do what you do best -- some solid magic, rather than a new routine you are still working on. The 4F audience wants you to succeed, so take a deep breath, relax and enjoy yourself.

First Timers' Meeting

Every year, Obie hosts a meeting for First Timers; the meeting this year is 9:45 Wednesday night in the Executive Room (just off the main hotel lobby.) Attendance is mandatory, and it will give you more information about Obie's 4F.



This is a rough approximation of how things will be set up in the main room. Thanks to Jimmy C, there are large video screens on each side of the stage that can be viewed from both the front and from backstage. There is a large closeup table center stage with three chairs which can all be removed if needed. The backstage setup area is used by Scott Miller and his crew to mic up performers prior to their performances.



Obie's 4F 2019

Meals: *on your own*

There's a **free breakfast buffet** included with your room. Some of your meals at 4F are provided (you'll get tickets for Friday dinner, Saturday lunch and dinner), and there is good food in the hotel. For those who want to explore, here's what we have found locally:

Alex's Place

8322 Park Road, Batavia, NY
585 344-2999

A decent steakhouse, and the closest restaurant to the hotel; best to make a reservation first.

Applebee's

8322 Lewiston Rd, Batavia, NY
585 344-0600

Reasonably priced family restaurant.

Peking Buffet Chinese Restaurant

8322 Lewiston Rd, Batavia, NY
585 343-8828

One of Obie's favorites.

Settlers Restaurant

353 W Main St, Batavia, NY
585 343-7443

A popular breakfast diner.

Thursday and Friday Lunch offer for 4F registrants only:

Hotdogs: \$2.25
Hamburgers: \$2.50
Cheeseburger \$3.00
Pizza: \$2.00/slice
Chips/Snack Bags: \$1.00
24 oz. Pop: \$2.00

Red Osier

6492 Main Rd. (NYS Route 5)
Stafford, N.Y.

585 343-6972 (reservations recommended)

Easily worth the 20 minute drive.

Sport of Kings

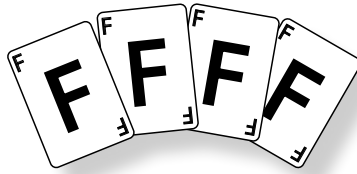
419 W Main St, Batavia, NY
585 343-1274

Expensive, but decent breakfast spot.

Subway

8351 Lewiston Rd, Batavia, NY
585 343-7827

Fast food, submarine sandwiches.



Obie's 4F 2019 Links

- 4F Web Page: <http://www.ffffmagic.com>
- Pat Page Memorial Workshop: <http://www.mallofmagic.com/pp2019>
- Denis Behr's Magic Book Archive: <http://archive.denisbehr.de>

A quick search of YouTube and you'll find a lot of 4Fers — the names in **bold** are attending 4F this year:

Andost

Gene Anderson

Jerry Andrus

Woody Aragón

John Bannon

Stephen Bargatze

Bébel

Denis Behr

Giacomo Bertini

Mathieu Bich

Chris Capehart

Charlie Caper

Mike Chao

Bruno Copin

Dani DaOrtiz

Michael Dardant

Marc Desouza

Henry Evans

Buddy Farnan

Shawn Farquhar

Eddie Fechter

Yann Frisch

Dan Garrett

Paul Gertner

Lennart Green

Chris Hannibal

Pit Hartling

Hayashi

Vincent Hedan

Guy Hollingsworth

Alain Ianonne

Robert Jägerhorn

Joshua Jay

Eric Jones

Shin Lim

Gazzo Macee

Bill Malone

Jay Marshall

Rick Merrill

Willy Monroe

Michael 'Six' Muldoon

Tom Mullica

Oscar Muñoz

Marc Oberon

Shoot Ogawa

Ouka

Pif

Miguel Puga

Del Ray

Juan Luis Rubiales

Bob Sheets

Rocco Silano

Johan Ståhl

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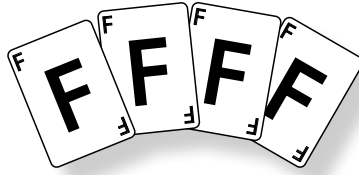
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International Federation of Magic Societies

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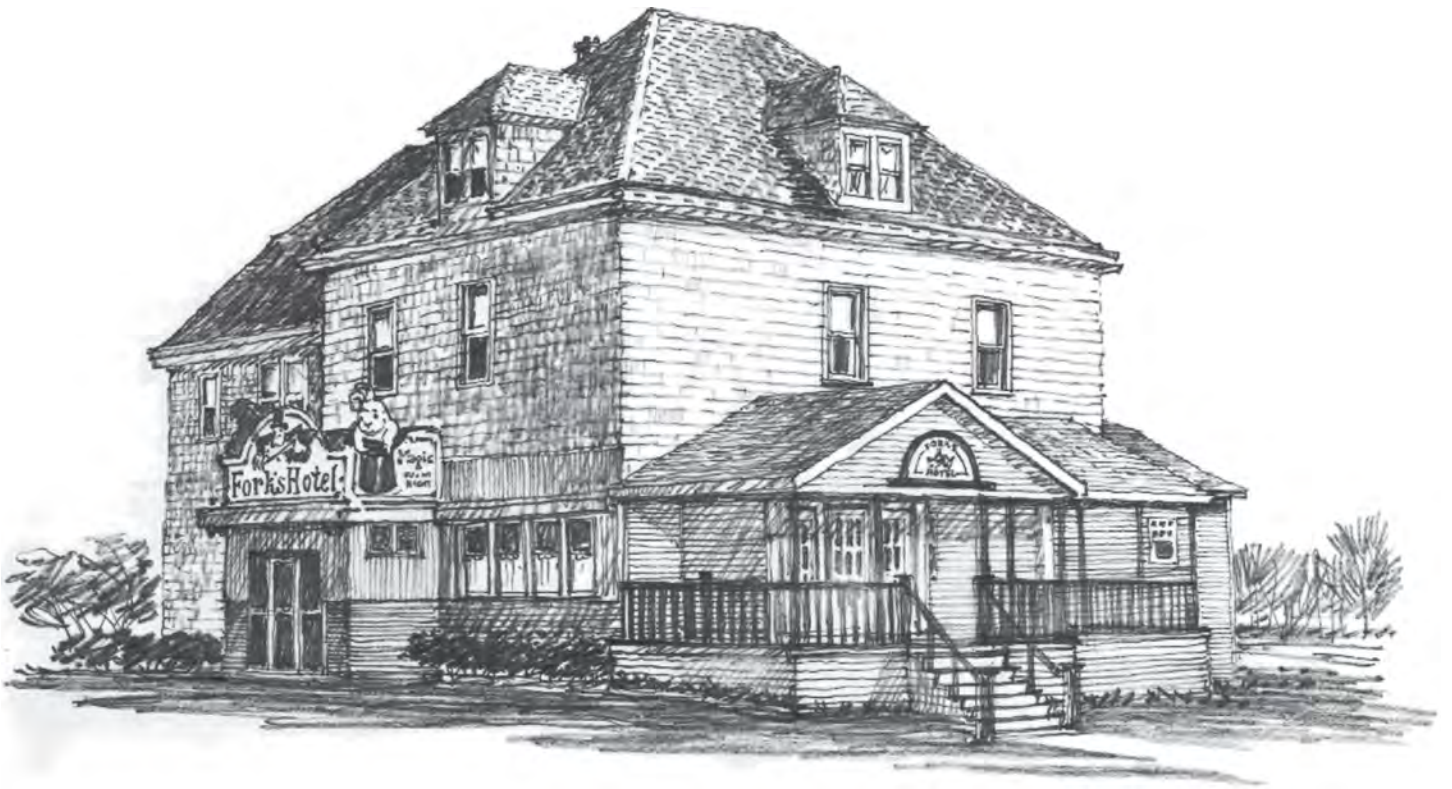
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To learn more about FISM 2021, visit fismquebec2021.com. For more on the North American qualifying event May 6-10, 2020 in Quebec City, check out fismna2020.com.





Obie's 4F 2019
History



Forks Hotel sketch by Earle Oakes



1977 Jim Ryan
 1978 Eddie Fechter
 1979 Larry Jennings
 1980 Gene Gordon
 1981 Bob Read
 1982 Sid Lorraine
 1983 Steve Dusheck
 1984 Rick Johnsson
 1985 Tom Mullica
 1986 Jay Marshall
 1987 **Tom Craven**
 1988 Phil Willmarth
 1989 Gary Ouellet
 1990 Shigeo Takagi
 1991 Harry Lorayne
 1992 Daryl
 1993 **Paul Gertner**
 1994 Derek Dingle
 1995 Paul Daniels
 1996 Jerry Andrus
 1997 Johnny Thompson
 1998 Juan Tamariz
 1999 Lennart Green
 2000 Bill Malone

2001 Herb Zarrow
 2002 Max Maven
 2003 **Meir Yedid**
 2004 Pat Page
 2005 **Gene Anderson/Dan Garrett**
 2006 Aldo Colombini
 2007 Ton Onosaka
 2008 **Boris Wild**
 2009 **Henry Evans**
 2010 **Obie O'Brien**
 2011 **Steve Beam**
 2012 **David Stone**
 2013 **Stephen Bargatze**
 2014 **Shawn Farquhar**
 2015 Oscar Muñoz
 2016 The Fat Brothers
 2017 **Rocco**
 2018 Pit Hartling
 2019 **Mike Powers**
 2020 Mark Mason
 2021 **Jimmy C**
 2022 **Christian Schenk**
 2023 Charming Choi

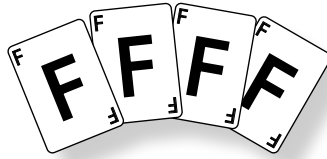
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1983	Steve Dusheck	2003	David Stone
1984	Bob Stencil	2004	Armando Lucero
1985	Jerry Andrus	2005	Reed McClintock
1986	Shigeo Takagi	2006	Flicking Fingers
1987	Rocco	2007	Shoot Ogawa
1988	Gary Kurtz	2008	Boris Wild
1989	David Williamson	2009	Dick Cook
1990	Juan Tamariz	2010	Obie O'Brien
1991	Aldo Colombini	2011	Steve Beam
1992	Lennart Green	2012	Denis Behr
1993	Jim Krenz	2013	Dani DaOrtiz
1994	Steve Beam	2014	Michael Dardant
1995	Paul Daniels	2015	Amanda/Roger Nicot
1996	Pat Page	2016	Jimmy Cieslinski
1997	Alex Elmsley	2017	Christian & Katalina
1998	Tom Gagnon	2018	Howard Hamburg
1999	Lennart Green	2019	Maria Schwieter
2000	Bill Malone		
2001	Tim Ellis/Sue-Anne Webster		

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Obie's 4F 2019 Bookmarks

Every year, David Prouty makes bookmarks for the Guest of Honor and MVP; 4F attendees sign the jumbo originals as a souvenir for the honorees:

49TH ANNUAL
**FECHTER'S FINGER
FLICKING FROLIC**
APRIL 24 - 27, 2019



MIKE POWERS
GUEST OF HONOR
2019

PAST GUESTS OF HONOR

1977	- JIM RYAN
1978	- EDDIE FECHTER
1979	- LARRY JENNINGS
1980	- GENE GORDON
1981	- BOB READ
1982	- SID LORRAINE
1983	- STEVE DUSCHECK
1984	- RICK JOHNSON
1985	- TOM MULLICA
1986	- JAY MARSHALL
1987	- TOM CRAVEN
1988	- PHIL WILLMARTH
1989	- GARY QUELLET
1990	- SHIGEO TAKAGI
1991	- HARRY LORAYNE
1992	- DARYL
1993	- PAUL GERTNER
1994	- DEREK DINGLE
1995	- PAUL DANIELS
1996	- JERRY ANDRUS
1997	- JOHNNY THOMPSON
1998	- JUAN TAMARIZ
1999	- LENNART GREEN
2000	- BILL MALONE
2001	- HERB ZARROW
2002	- MAX MAVEN
2003	- MEIR YEDID
2004	- PAT PAGE
2005	- GENE ANDERSON & DAN GARRETT
2006	- ALDO COLOMBINI
2007	- TON ONOSAKA
2008	- BORIS WILD
2009	- HENRY EVANS
2010	- OBIE O'BRIEN
2011	- STEVE BEAM
2012	- DAVID STONE
2013	- STEPHEN BARGATIE
2014	- SHAWN FARQUHAR
2015	- OSCAR MUNOZ
2016	- THE FAT BROTHERS
2017	- ROCCO
2018	- PIT HARTLING

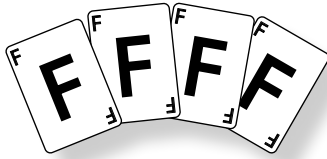
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IN MEMORY OF
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| 1988 | - GARY KURTZ |
| 1989 | - DAVID WILLIAMSON |
| 1990 | - JUAN TAMARIZ |
| 1991 | - ALDO COLOMBINI |
| 1992 | - LENNART GREEN |
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| 1998 | - TOM GAGNON |
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| 2002 | - HENRY EVANS |
| 2003 | - DAVID STONE |
| 2004 | - ARMANDO LUCERO |
| 2005 | - REED MCCLINTOCK |
| 2006 | - FLICKING FINGERS |
| 2007 | - SHOOT OGAWA |
| 2008 | - BORIS WILD |
| 2009 | - DICK COOK |
| 2010 | - OBIE O'BRIEN |
| 2011 | - STEVE BEAM |
| 2012 | - DENIS BEHR |
| 2013 | - DANI DAORTIZ |
| 2014 | - MICHAEL DARDANT |
| 2015 | - ROGER & AMANDA NICOT |
| 2016 | - JIMMIE CIESLINSKI |
| 2017 | - CHRISTIAN & KATALINA |
| 2018 | - HOWARD HAMBURG |



Obie's 4F 2019 In memory of...

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Mike Amico
Jerry Andrus
Arturo Ascanio
Chris Ball
Howard Bamman
Jos Bema
Roger Bernheim
Frank Bierovic
Jack Birnman
Thomas Blacke
John Blake
Ernie Blau
Ed Blodgett
Ali Bongo
Vanni Bossi
Anthony Brahams
Gordon Braun
Wesley Braun
A. C. Brickell
Rodger Bucy
Frank Callahan
George Campbell
Del Cartier
Bob Cassidy
Jim Cellini
Dom Cervas
Aldo Colombini
Tim Conover
Del Copley
John Cornelius
R. C. Crabb
Roger Crabtree
Walter Cummings
Father Cyprian
Steve Dacri
Paul Daniels
Daryl
Cliff Davis
Mike Desimone
Bud Dietrich
Derek Dingle
Pat Doolin
J.C. Doty
Auke van Dokkum
Doc Dougherty
Herb Downs
Dave Drake
Steve Dushek
Tony Econ
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Neal Elias

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Joe Farina
Eddie Fechter
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Piet Forton
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Winston Freer
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Frank Garcia
Brian Gillis
Brian Glover
Eli Goldberg
Gene Gordon (Avery)
Albert Goshman
Ray Goulet
George Graham
Ace Greenberg
Dick Grigsby
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Claude Hale
Trevor Hamilton
Doug Henning
Mike Hilburger
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Al Hillman
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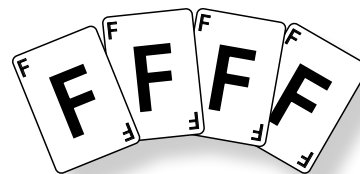
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Behind the Curtain





Obie's 4F 2019

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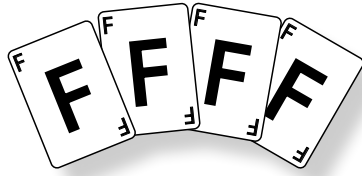
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- Glenn Brown – registration, publications
- Jimmy Cieslinski – airport rides, head A/V
- Dan Garrett – diplomas
- Mike Joseph – 4F setup, catering
- Meir Yedid – 4F web site



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It takes a lot of people to make 4F work every year, here are a few of them:



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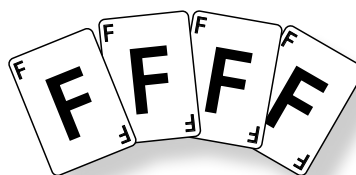
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Obie's 4F 2020

Guest of Honor:
Mark Mason
See you there!