

The International Brotherhood of Magicians

BRITISH RING No 25

68th Annual Convention

EASTBOURNE

September 22nd - 26th 2004

The British Ring

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A MESSAGE FROM CYNTHIA NEPTUNE FIRST LADY PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS BRITISH RING NO 25

I am delighted to welcome you all to our 68th British Ring Convention, with a special welcome to anyone attending for the first time and to all our visitors from overseas.

Eastbourne is an excellent venue for our Conventions and it is particularly fitting for **my** convention to be here, as I was born and grew up just a few miles away. Our sincere thanks go to the Mayor of Eastbourne and her Council, the staff at the Convention venues and The Lansdowne Hotel.

Special thanks are due to the Officers and Committee of the British Ring for all their hard work in bringing the convention events together under difficult circumstances following the sudden and very sad death of our Secretary **Tony Shelley**. Tony will be greatly missed at the convention; let us all do everything we can to make Eastbourne 2004 a suitable tribute and memorial to him and his dedication to the Ring.

Thanks also to all artistes, back stage staff, dealers, stewards, organisers registration staff and other helpers.

I was overjoyed when Betty Laing agreed to be my Presidential Escort and thank for her support during the year. We are both very grateful to the Officers and members of the many Magic Societies we have visited during our year for the welcome and kindness extended to us.

Please spare a thought for those members prevented from attending due to illness or infirmity — we wish them all a speedy recovery.

We have a great line up of Magic in store for us; have a wonderful Convention.

Let the Magic begin!

CYNTHIA NEPTUNE

PRESIDENT OF THE BRITISH RING NO 25
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS





THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from Tony Wilson President of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

On behalf of IBM Board members and of all IBM members throughout the world I bring sincere best wishes for a successful Convention.

This will be the sixth British Ring 25 Annual Convention I have attended and the third in Eastbourne, and I have thoroughly enjoyed every one.

Please feel welcome to come up and say hello to my wife and me during our time with you this week as we enjoy meeting magicians from all over the world.

As the first ever President of the IBM south of the equator, the emphasis this year is on the word "International" and this truly is an International Convention with magicians attending from many of the 73 countries where the IBM has members.

Enjoy the week and the international brotherhood that joins us together.

Heremai and welcome!

Jong Wilson

Tony Wilson International Brotherhood of Magicians





A MESSAGE FROM THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR OF EASTBOURNE

I am delighted to welcome back the International Brotherhood of Magicians to Eastbourne once again.

The town is privileged to host the 2004 convention for the world's largest organisation for amateur and professional magicians and enthusiasts.

I am sure that the staff at the Devonshire Park Centre will take very good care of you at your conference and I do hope that you have a chance to experience some of the delights of our award winning resort during your stay.

I look forward to meeting you all and wish you a very successful conference.

Barbara Goodall

Councillor Mrs Barbara Goodall Mayor

Collect your registrations

Meet and Greet
old friends - make new friends
have a drink or two

and then proceed to:
THE DEALERS' EXHIBITION

Thursday September 23rd 10.30 hours

The Congress Theatre

OFFICIAL OPENING

of the

68th ANNUAL CONVENTION

by The President

Cynthia Neptune

in the presence of

The Worshipful The Mayor of Eastbourne

Councillor Mrs Barbara Goodall

EASTBOURNE EXTRAVAGANZA



Clive Moore

Clive Moore

will introduce

Michael Pearse

Paul Dabek

Fred Corvenio

Tensai



Michael Pearse



Fred Corvenio

at the Keyboard: Dave Cass

DEALERS' MAGICAL TRADE FAIR

arranged by Richard Stupple

held in The Exhibition Hall adjacent to The Winter Garden

Wednesday 20.00 - 22.30 Thursday 09.30 - 17.30

Friday 10.30 - 17.30 19.00 - 21.30

Saturday 09.30 - 17.30 Sunday 09.30 - 1500

The following Magical Dealers will be represented

Alakazam

Alan & Barbara Astra Albion Magic Co.

All Decked Out **Anthony Brahams** Banshee Magic

Bob Little

Bradbury Hughes **British Ring Sales**

Camtrix

Castle Magic Services

Cliff Lount's Bradford Magic Studio

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Russell Hall - Magick Shane Robinson

Shirley Ray - Balloon Parade

Stephen Tucker Swadling Magic Tony Curtis Magic The Card Collection The Kaymar Magic Co.

Tom Owen UGM - Japan Wayne Dobson Wladimir Magic

ENTRANCE BY CONVENTION BADGE ONLY

The organisers would like to thank all the Dealers for participating It is hoped that conventioneers will support the Dealers in their efforts

THE CRAIG TROPHY

will be awarded to the Dealer presenting the most attractive display The displays will be judged on the morning of Friday 24th September

TIME TO VISIT THE DEALERS



Thursday September 23rd 14.00 hours

The Gold Room

THE LADIES' AFTERNOON

Tea will be served at 14.15 followed by

Rosemary Hawthorne

'A brief history of unmentionables'

Raffle tickets will be sold during the afternoon

HOSPITAL AND SPECIAL VENUE SHOWS

arranged by Derek McFaull All shows on Thursday September 23rd unless shown otherwise

South Downs School

Beechy Avenue 13.45 - 14.45 hours Bob Pamplin Ed Strong Poz Aiden Heritage

Hazel Court School

Milfoil Drive 13.45 - 14.45 hours Peter Greenwood H. John Fox David Adams Robbie Murray

Lindfield school

Lindfield Road 13.45 - 14.45 hours Stan Cruse Tony the Magician Keno John Alborough

Disabilities Trust

Milfoil Drive 14.15 - 15.15 hours Barry Black Dave Bennett Roy MacKenzie

General Hospital

Kings Drive 14.00 - 15.00 hours Stephen Dellerby Rob Mollien Hedley Fawcett (visiting three wards)



Derek McFaull

Chaseley Trust Home

Bolsover Road 14.30 - 15.30 hours Brian Nye Ned Potts Jim Cuthbert Len Rudd Reporter: Harry Hayes

Age Concern

Pat Venton Centre Junction Road 14-15 - 15.30 hours Brian Barnes Bernard Jones Sid Slavny

<u>Presidential Car</u> provided by Brian Miller

Royal Alfred Sailors' Home

Hartington Place 14.30 - 15.30 Mike Alford Merson Grant Ian Marriott Geoff Atkinson Reporter: Arnold Isaacs

Joan Hughes Court

Walnut Drive, Polegate 14.15 - 15.30 hours Michael Symes Ray Sparkes Brek Sarney Richard Graham

St Wilfred's Hospice

Mill Gap Road Wednesday 22nd 11.00 - 12.00 hours John Pye Derek McFaull Reporter: Carol Pye

Acorn Club

Seaside/Churchdale Road Wednesday 22nd 19.30 - 20.30 hours Margaret MacLean Duncan MacLean David Haggerty Bob Hayden

IBM Clowns will visit some venues under the leadership of S.T.R.E.A.K.Y. (Reg Allen)

A meeting of Hospital performers will take place on Wednesday September 22nd at 21.00 hours in the Floral Hall

THE JEFFERY ATKINS MEMORIAL LECTURE

This is presented annually, during the Convention, by a distinguished member or guest as a fitting tribute to a long serving and dedicated member of our society



Cynthia Neptune

GAY BLACKSTONE

"Blackstone - an American Magical Heritage"

Thursday September 23rd 20.00 hours

The Congress Suite

WELCOME

to our

OVERSEAS VISITORS

who are requested to meet

Moira Fletcher
in the Congress Suite
at 20.00 hours

Prior to the Civic Reception

CIVIC RECEPTION BALL & CABARET

by kind invitation of The Mayor of Eastbourne Councillor Mrs Barbara Goodall who together with the President of the British Ring Cynthia Neptune and the International President of the I.B.M. **Tony Wilson**

will receive the

OVERSEAS VISITORS

The Flag Bearers: Pupils of the Sussex School of Dance

Following the reception there will be dancing to THE JIM SHELLEY "FRISCO JAZZ BAND"

CABARET John Palfreyman

will introduce

MEL MELLERS VISAGE

Visage

Dress: Dinner Jacket or Lounge Suit

TOMBOLA

Duncan & Margaret MacLean, David Haggerty and helpers look forward to meeting you all at the tombola stand, please come along and give them your support. All proceeds are for the Benevolent and Welfare Funds.

They would like to take this opportunity of thanking all the members who have donated gifts or who have helped in any way.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

and

Election of Officers for 2004/2005

Members only admitted

Printed agenda and copies of Accounts will be available

THE BALLOT BOX WILL BE AT THE REGISTRATION DESK UNTIL 17.00 HOURS ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD

Friday September 24th 10.30 hours

The Floral Hall

STAR LECTURE •

Terry Herbert

will introduce

JOHN STYLES

My Magic Life



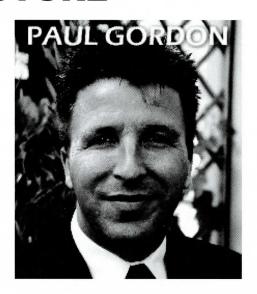
STAR LECTURE •

Tom Owen

will introduce

PAUL GORDON

"About Professional Strolling Card Magic"



THE STEWARDS



The Chief Steward, **Don Beattie,** would like to thank, on your behalf, all those members who volunteered to give up some of their enjoyment to act as Stewards.

COMPETITION FOR THE BRITISH RING SHIELD AWARDS

Running Order of Competitors

- Mark Shortland (Northampton)
- 2. The Great Velcro (Brighton)
- 3. Loki (Westgate on Sea)
- 4. Reflections (Lincoln)
- 5. Steve Gore & Co (Bradford)
- Martin Cox(Bishops Stortford)
- 7. Steve Dela (Newport)

- 8. Safire Illusionists (Colwyn Bay)
- 9. Simon Hannah (Amesbury)
- Kohei Kobayashi(Japan)
- 11. Les Gerard (London)
- 12. Viva (Nuneaton)
- 13. James Fortune (Purley)
- Jason Steele & Joanne (Walsall)

Awards

The British Ring Shield + £1,000 for the most entertaining Magic Act
The Theo Speaker Cup + £500 for the runner up
The Alastair Wand + £250 for the third place

The Conventioneers Trophy for originality in effect, method or presentation

The Craig Trophy for the best Lady performer
The Dittia Shield for Manipulation

The Tom Harris Cup for Comedy

Competition Organiser: John Pye

Award Co-ordinator John Palfreyman

Stage Director: Neil Roberts

On the Keyboard: Dave Cass DPLM, GCLCM

Timekeeper: Tony Brooks & Chris Poole

Chairman of the Judges: Ali Bongo

Judges: Shirley Ray, Tony Wilson, Alan Shaxon, Rich Bloch, Richard Pinner, Harry Reeve.



John Pye

CONVENTION BANQUET

GRACE

Derek McFaull, Chaplain to the British Ring

Menu

Toast List

Medley of Melon

Sauté of Chicken
with olives, bacon,
cider & onions
Broccoli spears, Carrot &
Swede cocktail
Parmentier & herb potatoes

Cassis yoghurt torte & fresh cream

Fresh filter coffee & mints

The Queen proposed by the President Cynthia Neptune

The British Ring
proposed by
Tony Wilson
International President I.B.M.

Response by The President

Cynthia Neptune

who will also propose the toast

Eastbourne & Guests

Response by
The Worshipful
The Mayor of Eastbourne
Councillor
Mrs Barbara Goodall

Dinner Jacket or Dark Lounge Suit

Toastmaster: John Pye

THE LATE, LATE GALA



Peter Greenwood



Wayne Dobson



Zane

Peter Greenwood

will introduce

RICHARD PINNER

HIKARI FURUYAMA

WAYNE DOBSON

HOUSCH Ma HOUSCH

ZANE



Richard Pinner



Hikari Furuyama



Housch ma Housch

At the Key Board: Dave Cass

INTERNATIONAL CLOSE-UP GALA

Organised by Mike Gancia



Hayashi



Marc Paul



Paul Wilson

RICH BLOCH (USA)

EUGENE BURGER (USA)

WLADIMIR (Slovenia)

HAYASHI (Germany)

PAUL WILSON (UK)

MARC PAUL (UK)

ILDREN'S SHOWTII



Produced & Directed by Terry Herbert

Your host

Tricky Ricky will introduce

UNCLE WIGGY



Uncle Wiggy



IAN & FRIENDS

NUTTY & PICCOLO

The IBM Clowns make flowers Mayhem!





Mrs Back to Front

Mrs BACK TO FRONT **TENSAI**



Tensai

All seats £4.00. Available from The Theatre Box Office Tel: 01323 412000

Stage Management: Rena Findlay & Moira Fletcher

EDDIE DAWES

presents

MORE HISTORY OF MYSTERY

(The Collectors' and Others' Seminar)

TIM REED Collecting in the Internet Era

MAX MAVEN Unravelling the Thumb Tie

DAVID PRICE The Bob Gysel Letters: some

impressions of an American

'Character'

MICHAEL BAILEY Memories of Claude Chandler and

Claudine

POLICY ON PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEO & AUDIO TAPING

There are official still and video photographers. They shall be the only persons with authorisation to photograph performances, lectures or demonstrations at any venue and then only with the permission of the artiste and the Committee.

VIDEO CAMERAS

There will be no video taping of any performances in any of the official venues, lecture rooms or theatres, other than by the above mentioned official video photographer. It is recommended that attendees leave their video cameras in their rooms as they will not be allowed into the theatres.

OTHER CAMERAS

No flash pictures of lectures, demonstrations or magical performances may be taken at any time in any of the official venues, theatres or lecture rooms, other than by the above mentioned official photographer. Still pictures may be taken using existing light, provided that flash is not used and that such picture taking is not an annoyance to other spectators.

AUDIO TAPING

Audio taping is allowed only with permission of the performer.

NEWS MEDIA

News media personnel must be authorised by the PRO and escorted by an official.

CLOSE-UP COMPETITION

for the

ZINA BENNETT TROPHY

Arranged by Bryan Atherton

Mister Avesta (Antonius van Est)

Stephen Barney

Andy Clockwise (Andrew Martin)

Rex Cooper

Jeepers Creepers (Geoff Atkinson)

Steve Dela

Andy Field (Andrew Wakefield)

Kevin Gallagher

Mel Harvey

Dr How (Steve Gore)

Rob Mollien

Tony O'Neill

Tim Shoesmith

Chris Stevenson

Robert Temple

The Netherlands Guildford

Harlow

Luton

Harrogate

Newport (Salop)

Gloucester

Burton-on-Trent

Gloucester

Bradford

The Netherlands

Halifax

Watford

Buxton

Buxto

Sunderland

Chairman of the Judges: Mike Gancia

Judges: Tony Wilson, Obie O'Brien, Brian Glover and Geoff Ray

STAR LECTURE •

Richard Stupple

will introduce

PAT FALLON

'Children's Magic in the Real World'



FROM THE CHIEF WELFARE OFFICER

As we come together to enjoy the Convention let us not forget those, who through illness, hospitalisation, or misfortune cannot be with us.

If at anytime you hear of any member with bereavement, illness or in trouble please let me know at once.

Do have a word, if you see me around with news of people with whom we have lost touch.



Derek M°Faull Chief Welfare Officer British Ring No.25

THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS BRITISH RING No25

presents

INTERNATIONAL MAGIC

THE CONGRESS THEATRE

Saturday September 25th 2004 20.00 hours

The programme arranged and presented by

&



The late Tony Shelley



John Pye



Technical Advisor Ali Bongo



Stage Director (British Ring)

Neil Roberts

INTERNATIONAL GALA SHOW



Wladimir

Mac Ronay Jnr

Overture DAVE CASS

at the Keyboard

Introducing our Master of Ceremonies

RICH BLOCH

(USA)



(Slovenia)

MAC RONAY Jnr

(France)



(France)

LU CHEN

(Taiwan)



Dave Cass



Lu Chen



Mortimer

The programme is subject to alteration



INTERNATIONAL GALA SHOW



Rich Bloch

Overture **DAVE CASS**at the Keyboard

Our Master of Ceremonies returns

RICH BLOCH (USA)



Kenji Minemura

KENJI MINEMURA

(Japan)



Max Maven

MAX MAVEN (USA)

MARTYN JAMES



Martyn James

The taking of photographs and videos during the performance is strictly forbidden

CONVENTION SERVICE

Conducted by

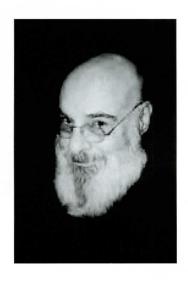
PADRE DEREK McFAULL

Hon Chaplain to British Ring No 25

The Service will be undenominational Silver collection for The Welfare Fund

Sunday September 26th 10.30 hours The Floral Hall

STAR LECTURE •



Trevor Lewis

EUGENE BURGER

(USA)

'60 minutes with Eugene Burger'

Mandy Davis

&

THE YOUNG MAGICIANS' CLUB

invite you to

A JUNIOR WORKSHOP

FEATURING STARS OF MAGIC

FOR MEMBERS/NON MEMBERS AGED 10 - 18 ONLY

Sunday September 26th 12.30 hours

The Floral Hall

GRAND AUCTION

In aid of Benevolent and Welfare Funds

Auctioneer: Alan Driffield

THE EDDIE DEXTER WELFARE STAND

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Please support your Welfare Stand
Why not buy your 'take home' presents here?

Cynthia Neptune's regular helpers, Ernest & Jean Ainley, Alan & Betty Driffield, look forward to meeting all Conventioneers at the stand and thank everyone for their support

DON'T MISS THE AUCTION OF UNSOLD GOODS AND PRE-USED MAGICAL APPARATUS, BOOKS & MEMORABILIA at 12.30 hours on Sunday in the Floral Hall

THE ZINA BENNETT TROPHY - PAST WINNERS

	Fred Lowe		Mark Leveridge
	Howard Peters	///////////////////////////////////////	Janet Clare
	Arthur Setterington		Rex Cooper
	Bob Ostin		Eddy Smit
	Ali Bongo		Kevin Reay
	Claude Manley		John Hotowka
	Ted Daniels		Tony Brooks
1965	Jack Lowen	1988	Mike Austin
1966	Norman Peace	1989	Stephen Ford
1967	Larry Spencer	1990	David Jones
1968	Arthur Setterington	1991	Patrick Maddison
1969	Not held	1992	Steve Bedwell
1970	Geoff Ray	1993	Dusty
1971	Trevor Lewis	1994	Alistair Cook
1972	Kevin Fox	1995	David Penn
1973	Bob Read	1996	Jayson George
1974	Christopher Payne	1997	Herman Koster
1975	Not held	1998	Jon Allen
1976	Bob Gill	1999	Trevor Stone
1977	Wayne Dobson/Peter Duffie	2000	Lee Davis
	Rex Cooper	2001	Sean Carpenter
	Ken Hawes		Mark Shortland
1980	Harry Nicholls		Richard Pinner

STAR LECTURE •

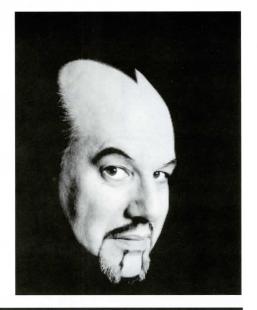
Mike Gancia

will introduce

MAX **MAVEN**

(USA)

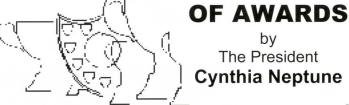
'A few thoughts on a Sunday Afternoon'



Sunday September 26th 16.00 hours

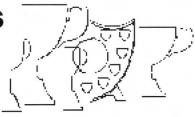
The Congress Theatre

THE PRESENTATION



The President **Cynthia Neptune**

followed by



INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW **PRESIDENT**

DON BEATTIE



Eddie Dawes

EDDIE DAWES

presents

THE BELL RINGERS

Featuring



Peter Scarlett



Scott Penrose

PETER SCARLETT ROBERT TEMPLE CHRIS PRATT SCOTT PENROSE

VAN BUREN & COMPANY

With Magic, Mystery and Illusion

Accompanied at the Keyboard by Dave Cass



APPRECIATION

The President, Officers and Organisers express their gratitude to all who have supported our 68th Convention including:

The Mayor of Eastbourne
Councillor Mrs Barbara Woodall

Chris Jordan
General Manager, Eastbourne Community Service

Mark Sayer Congress Theatre

Emma Delaney
Conference Co-ordinator, Eastbourne

The General Manager of the Lansdowne Hotel

Artistes in all shows

The Sussex School of Dance

The Lecturers

The Press

Helpers at the Tombola and the Welfare Stand

The Stewards

The Judges in the Shield, Close-up and Dealers' Exhibition

Returning Officer David Price and his tellers

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CHURCH SERVICE Derek McFaull AUCTION Alan Driffield

Peter Scarlett

Bob Hayden

Cynthia Neptune

I.B.M. CLOWNS' GOLDEN NOSE YEAR

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WE CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF CLOWNING



WILL NORMAN
Speciality: Juggling on Unicycle
Founded the Troupe in 1954 at the
Brighton Convention, and led us on
Thursday afternoons and Saturday
mornings until his death in 1969 at
Great Yarmouth Circus.



Ron (SMOKEY) Townsend Speciality: Playing Accordion

Joined us at the Weymouth Convention in 1968. Took over from Will when he died. Led us until he was contracted to clown at Butlin's right through the year in 1987? Died Nov. 7th 2001.

GREETINGS FROM THIS YEAR'S GIGGLE OF CLOWNS

OUR PRESENT LEADER



DEZ COLONA W.D. Cartledge



DOTTY Esme Penfold



PICCOLO Leon Knott



SPARKY Aidan Heritage



S-T-R-E-A-K-Y Reg Allen



TAFFY lan James



NUTTY Keith Norman



CLIVO Clive Moore



JEANI Jean Ellison



ZEECO John Ford

Come and see our display in the foyer!



GREETINGS TO THE BRITISH RING AND BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION from THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD of MAGICIANS

Tony Wilson
Roger Miller
Fred Casto
Don Wiberg
Mike Santow
Phil Willmarth

International President
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International Vice President
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International Treasurer
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Join the I.B.M. and receive the excellent 'Linking Ring' monthly

BRITISH RING SALES

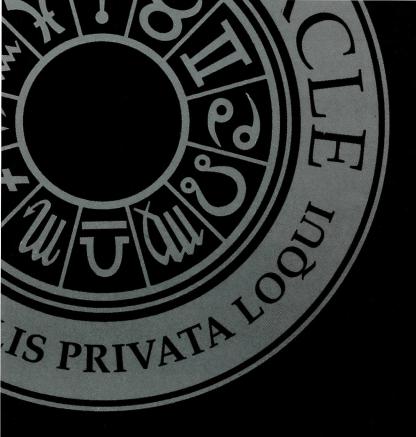


You will find lots of 'goodies' - badges, banners, ties, cufflinks, stationery, playing cards, diaries, plaques, dishes, pens, address books, bottle openers, book marks, pendants and much more.

Support your Society! Take home an interesting gift.

Surprise your landlady by giving her a lovely paperweight, glass dish or ash tray with the British Ring insignia.

BRITISH RING SALES



BEST WISHES TO

THE BRITISH RING

FOR ANOTHER GREAT CONVENTION IN EASTBOURNE 2004

THE
MAGIC CIRCLE
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Edited by Donald Bevan

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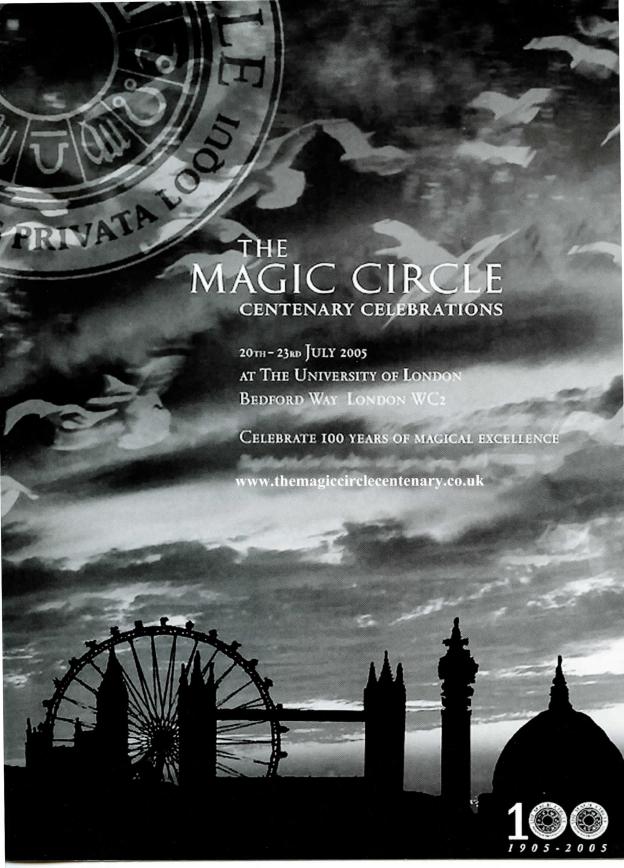


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