

FISM Newsletter

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To all Presidents of the FISM member-societies and Delegates in the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the FISM

Dear Delegate, Dear Friend in Magic,

It's my pleasure to keep you abreast of the latest developments.

FISM CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

After the successful Continental Championships in North America, Europe and Asia, Latin America proved that it is able to hold its own with the other continents. The FISM Latin American Championships were hosted by FLASOMA (Federación Latin-Americana de Sociedades Mágicas). The convention was organized in Montevideo, Uruguay, from 4 to 8 February. It was attended by about 400 magicians from the following Latin American countries: Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Brazil, Paraguay, Peru, Bolivia, Venezuela, Cuba, Colombia, Guatemala, Mexico and Ecuador. Quite some 'aficionados' had come all the way from Spain.

Sincere congratulations are due to the President Sergio Ferrer and his crew for the flawless organization of the event. (Granted! Some of the scheduled activities started late, but it was wonderful to see that no-one was in the least upset by this.)

We are also very grateful to FLASOMA General Secretary, Héctor Carrión, who was perfect in combining this demanding job with his duties as FISM Continental President. Special thanks go to Daniel Ketchedjian who was very efficient as President of the Jury.

There were 60 competitors and these were the winners:

MANIPULATION

- 1. Caio (Brazil)
- 2. Deklan (Argentina)
- 3. Michelle (Peru)

GENERAL MAGIC

- 1. . . .
- 2. Raúl Pintos (Argentina)
- 2. Karim (Spain)

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3. Jonas (Argentina)

"MAGIA ARGUMENTADA" (Thematic Magic: acts having a well defined theme, mostly G.M.)

- 1. Bruno Tarnecci (Peru)
- 2. Gisel (Peru)
- 3. . . .

COMEDY MAGIC

- 1. Jaime Figueroa (Spain)
- 2. . . .
- 3. . . .

MENTALISM

- 1. Luxor (Spain)
- 2. Wagner Messa (Brazil)
- 2. Arturo Dupen (Spain)
- 3. Vierini (Brazil)
- 3. Augusto Zanardi (Argentina

PARLOUR MAGIC

- 1. Ignacio López (Argentina)
- 2. Samuel Arribas (Spain)
- 3. Looking Magic (Spain)

CARD MAGIC

- 1. . . .
- 2. Luis Olmedo (Spain)
- 3. Ignacio López (Argentina)
- 3. Cris Quintero (Argentina)

MICRO MAGIC

- 1. . . .
- 2. Arturo Dupen (Spain)
- 3. Luis Fosc (Brazil)
- 3. Daniel Soler (Colombia)

INVENTION

- 1. . . .
- 2. Juan Roldán (Spain)
- 2. Arturo Dupen (Spain)
- 3. Looking Magic (Spain)

Prizes were also given for "Magia Infantil" (Magic for Children) and "Magia Juvenil" (Juniors). There were no competitors in the category Stage Illusions.



The General Assembly, held on February 4th, was very well prepared and proved to be an example of efficiency. (Assisted by Sergio Ferrer and Chen Kai, Héctor Carrión had complete control over the meeting.)

Four new clubs were accepted as a member of FLASOMA and thus joined the FISM family:

- "MISDIRECTION", Brazil
- "Associação De Mágicos Do Rio de Janeiro » (AMARJ), Brazil
- "Academia Boliviana de Magia e Ilusionismo", Bolivia
- "Asociación de Magos Rosarinos" ("ASOMAR"), Argentina

Of the two candidates for the organization of the next FLASOMA Convention (Fortaleza, Brazil and Buenos Aires, Argentina), the Argentineans won the bid. The event will take place from February 8 to 12, 2017.

Ray Francas was elected as the new FLASOMA President. The BoD congratulates him on his nomination.

FISM WCM 2018

SOUTH KOREA

We received an update of the application of Busan for the organization of the World Championships of Magic in 2018. Mr. Kang Yeol Woo, President of the Organizing Committee, promised to send an adapted bid book to the delegates.

FINLAND

The organization Team in Helsinki announced that they are considering to reduce the running time of the Convention from six to five days. As a consequence the number of competitors would be reduced from 100 to 90 for stage and from 50 to 40 for close-up.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gerrit Brengman stands for re-election as International Vice-President for a consecutive three-year term. In case there are other candidates, they can send me their application before the end of April 2015.

Kind Regards,

Comenco

Domenico Dante

International President



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