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FISM Newsletter

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**To all Presidents of the FISM member societies
and Delegates in the General Assembly**

Dear President, Dear Friend in Magic,

It's a pleasure to keep you informed on the latest developments and projects.

ADMISSION OF NEW SOCIETIES

Art. 10.5 of the FISM Statutes states that "The Board of Directors will be charged to gather information concerning the magical standing of the applicant Society. The result of this inquiry will be sent to the General Assembly before the voting". Following the application of the Chicago Magic Round Table, here is the result of our inquiry:

THE CHICAGO MAGIC ROUND TABLE (CMRT) – USA



- The application letter was received on December 28th, 2022.
- All the necessary documents (list of the members, Statutes of the club) were sent in attachment.
- The entrance fees were paid.

Establishment: The Chicago Magic Round Table was originally established in 1929 as an informal gathering of professional and amateur magicians that met daily for lunch at De Lazon's restaurant. Notable members included Jay and Frances Marshall, Dr. Harlan Tarbell, Harry Blackstone Sr. and Werner Dornfield. The group served as a headquarters for magicians and continued to meet until the mid-1950s. Meetings tapered off in the 1960s and the group eventually dissolved. The Chicago Magic Round Table had a brief resurgence in the late 2000s under the leadership of Dan Mindo, Tracy Atteberry and David Parr and began meeting again at the Green Door Tavern. In 2018, the Chicago Magic Round Table was re-established with a new permanent home: the Chicago Magic Lounge.

- Sponsorship letters:
 1. IBM (USA)
 2. Club de magie du Québec (Canada)
- CEO of the CMRT: Joseph Cranford
- Members: 232 (two hundred and thirty-two)
- Website: www.chicagomagiclounge.com


Activity: in 2018, the Chicago Magic Lounge began its first iteration as a once-a-week show. Their goal is to create a community for practitioners and lovers of magic, and be a part of the grand history of Chicago magic as well.


The voting for the admission of this new society shall take place before May 1st 2023.

FISM QUALIFIED CONTEST (FQC)

Many FISM Qualified Contests are planned for this year and many others are coming.

The next approved FQCs will be:

- **Campionato Italiano di Magia**
 -  Masters of Magic (Walter Rolfo - Mario Baldantoni)
 - Place: Teatro Alfieri – Piazza Solferino, 4 – Torino (Italy)
 - Web site: mastersofmagicconvention.com
 - Dates: May 11th- 14th, 2023

- **Anneaux Magiques**
 -  Organizer: Club des Magiciens de Lausanne (Jean-Claude Mugny - Christophe Crovara)
 - Place: Théâtre de Beausobre - Av. de Vertou 2 - Morges, (Switzerland)
 - Web site: www.cml.ch/am.html
 - Date: May 6th, 2023

If you are interested in organizing a FISM Qualified Contest, please read carefully all the information on the following links:

- [FISM Compliance Contest System \(EN\)](#)
- [FISM Compliance Contest System \(DE\)](#)
- [FISM Compliance Contest System \(F\)](#)
- [FISM Compliance Contest System \(ES\)](#)

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Finally, in this group which is ready to start working immediately too, there will be **nine** members:

- Gaetan Bloom (FR - Confirmed)
- Levent Cimkently (USA – Confirmed)
- Rafael (BE - Confirmed)
- Mike Caveney (USA – Confirmed)
- Albert Tam (CN-HK - Confirmed)
- Luis de Matos (PT – Confirmed)
- Kevin James (USA – Confirmed)
- Joshua Jay (USA – NEW)
- Adrian Soler (VE – NEW)

FISM CARD

The FISM card can be obtained according to two procedures: 1) by providing a society's list of its members to be given the corresponding cards (the applicant's society must be in good standing with its membership fee), or 2) by individually proving the society affiliation to FISM and making the card request directly on the website of the federation. The FISM card offers a lot of advantages: easier verification of official members, discounts and privileged services to cardholders from participating dealers. It also facilitates the gathering and processing of personalized information for the members of the FISM societies and promotes a sense of community. The benefits and services offered may increase over time and the card is valid for three years during the FISM membership.

It is now possible to choose either a physical plastic card or a virtual card sent in PDF format. Both cards offer the same advantages.

FISM MEMBERSHIP FEE

Please be aware that it is of the utmost importance that your society has paid its contribution for the triennial period 2022-2025. Do not forget that only by paying the membership fee you can sponsor candidates to compete in FISM Continental Championships and FISM World Championships, as well as participate in all FISM ballots, either online during the membership period or in person at the WCM General Assembly.

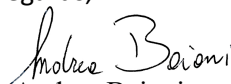
Following the FISM General Assembly decision in Busan 2018, the associations that have still not paid their fees for 3 triennials in line will be excluded from FISM. If they want to become again members of FISM, they will have to follow Art. 10 of the FISM Statutes.

If you have any doubt concerning the payment of the membership fees of your society, please send your questions to membership@fism.org.

MEET THE FISM BOARD MEMBERS

The FISM International Board members (FISM International President Andrea Baioni, Vice President Peter Din and Vice President Satoru Yamamoto), the International Advisor (Domenico Dante) and the Secretary (Priska Walther) as well attend many conventions and festivals, and these are opportunities to talk live with them to share ideas about FISM and Magic. If you are interested in meeting one of them, write to meetus@fism.org to know where and when you can schedule a live interview with one of them.

Best regards,


Andrea Baioni
International President



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