



4F Magic Inc.
2026 Guest of Honor
Tom Gagnon





4F 2026 Contents

Welcome to the 53rd annual Fechter's Finger Flicking Frolic, the 13th edition of this eBook and our third 4F incorporated as a Not For Profit: 4F Magic Inc. The order of the pages here is meant to compliment the event timing.

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4F 2026 Guest of Honor

Tom Gagnon



Tom's lifelong journey in magic began at age nine, sparked by a chance encounter with a traveling magician in a Piggly Wiggly. That moment led him to the Carnegie Public Library—and to *Greater Magic*, a book that still holds a special place in his heart. By eleven, he was already performing publicly, and by thirteen, he found a mentor in retired magician Thurmond Montague, who not only gifted him classic stage apparatus but also introduced him to *Expert Card Technique*—a book that would shape both his magic and his future as an illustrator.

After serving four years in the U.S. Navy, where he deepened his passion for art, Tom's path briefly detoured through construction work before returning—thanks in no small part to his wife Carol—to magic in earnest. Together, they opened a magic shop in Marion, Indiana, which quickly became a hub for local magicians. Tom soon became a respected performer, lecturer, and leader in the magic community, serving as President of IBM Ring 168.

While his performing career flourished, Tom's greatest impact may be in the world of magic illustration. Beginning with his first book *Slightly Original* in 1981, he developed a distinctive style defined by precision, clarity, and his signature use of shadow. Over the years, he has illustrated many of magic's most important works, including *The Vernon Chronicles*, *The Classic Magic of Larry Jennings*, and numerous other landmark publications and lecture notes for some of magic's most influential figures.

In addition to illustrating, Tom is an accomplished creator and author, with his sleights and routines appearing in leading magic journals and books worldwide. His contributions have earned him numerous honors, including the IBM Award of Special Merit, the FFFF MVP Award, the Magic Circle's Cecil Lyle Award, and induction into the Michigan Magicians Hall of Fame.

Respected by peers, admired by friends, and beloved by those who know him, Tom's work continues to influence generations of magicians—both on the page and at the card table.





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2026

Program

Wednesday

1:00 pm Registration
2:00 pm 4F Shop open
5:00 pm Dealers' Room opens (closed during lectures/shows)
7:30 pm **1st Show: Opening Gala** (MC: Joe M. Turner)
9:00 pm **Lecture #1: Willy Monroe**
12:00 am Dealers' Room closes

Thursday

10:00 am Registration open (closed during lectures and shows)
10:00 am Dealers' Room & 4F Shop open (closed during lectures and shows)
10:30 am **Lecture #2: Joe Rindfleisch**
1:30 pm **2nd Show: Magical Moments** (MC: Andost)
3:30 pm **ED Talks** (MC: Brian Curry)
7:30 pm **3rd Show: Friends Old & New** (MC: Keith Fields)
9:30 pm **Lecture #3: Tom Gagnon**
11:00 pm Hospitality Suite opens (closes at 1:00 am)
12:00 am Dealers' Room closes

Friday

10:00 am Dealers' Room opens (closed during lectures and shows)
10:00 am 4F Shop open (closed during lectures and shows)
10:30 am **Pat Page Workshop: Strolling Mentalism without Cards** (MC: Mike Powers)
1:30 pm **4th Show: Friday's Frolics** (MC: Meir Yedid)
3:30 pm **Lecture #4: Sing Zen Liu**
8:00 pm **5th Show: Fechter's Frolics** (MC: Michael Dardant)
10:00 pm Hospitality Suite open (closes at 2:00 am)
12:00 pm Dealer's Room closes

Saturday

10:00 am 2027 Registration & 4F Shop open
10:00 am Dealers' Room opens (closed during lectures, shows, and dinner)
1:30 pm **6th Show: Mini World** (MC: Horret Wu)
3:30 pm **One Man Show: Henry Evans**
5:30 pm Banquet (ticket required)
8:00 pm Guest of Honor Tribute: **Tom Gagnon**
8:30 pm **7th Show: Closing Gala** (MC: Steve Beam)
10:30 pm Hospitality Suite opens (closes at 2:00 am)
12:00 am Dealers' Room closes

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Opening Gala

Wednesday 7:30 pm

MC: **Joe M. Turner**



1.⁵



USA

Joshua Messado

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Paul Richards/Eric Jones

2.⁵



Canada

Pierre-Daniel Bourgeau

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Mark Montreuil/Chris Pilsworth

3.⁵



USA

Glenn Farrington

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Eric DeCamps/ Bill Malone

4.¹⁰



USA

Shank Kothare/Ed Ripley

5.⁵



Canada

Eric Bedard

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Keith Fields/Shawn Farquhar

6.⁵



USA

Rick Holcombe

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Steve Beam/Jeff Case

7.⁷



China

Jiang Zhenghua

8.¹⁰



China

Jeffrey Wang

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Joan Caesar/Glenn Brown



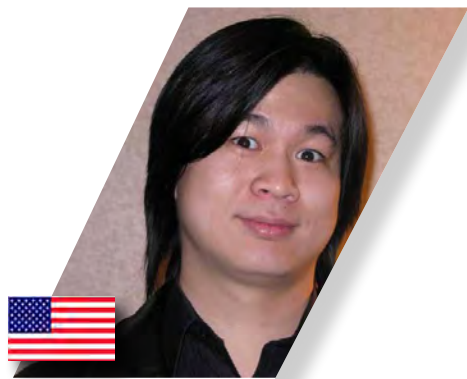
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Magical Moments

Thursday 1:30 pm

MC: **Andost**



1.7 
Scotland

Neil Stirton

2.7 
USA

Michael Breggar
Doctorate

3.5 
USA

Felice Ling
Bachelor's | Sponsors: Francis Menotti/Rick Merrill

4.7 
Mexico

Juan Carlos Rodarte

5.7 
USA

Randy Pitchford
Master's

6.7 
USA

Jafo

7.5 
USA

Jim Turnpaugh
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8.7 
USA

Dave Elliot
Master's



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Friends Old & New

Thursday 7:30 pm

MC: Keith **Fields**



1.⁷ 
USA

Kirk **Patrick**

2.⁵ 
USA

Jay **Jayaraman**

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Steve Friedberg/Mike Powers

3.⁷ 
USA

Edmund **Apperson**

Master's

4.⁷ 
USA

Meadow **Perry**

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Michael Dardant/A. Duvivier

5.⁷ 
USA

Ice **McDonald**

6.¹⁰ 
Argentina

Facundo **Daelli**

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Henry Evans/Daniel Mormina

7.⁷ 
France

Boris **Wild**





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Friday's Frolics

Friday 1:30 pm

MC: Meir **Yedid**

1.⁷



USA

Lindsey Noel

Bachelor's | sponsors: Chris Capehart/Brian Curry

2.⁷



Canada

Billy Hsueh

Doctorate

3.⁵



USA

Michael Joseph

Master's

4.⁷



USA

David Hudspath

Master's

5.⁵



USA

Michael Chaut

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Chris Capehart/Will Fern

6.⁷



England

Christian Grace

Doctorate

7.⁷



USA

Alyx Hilshey

Master's



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Fechter's Frolics

Friday 8 :00 pm

MC: Michael **Dardant**

1.⁷ 
USA

Joe Garsetti
Master's

2.⁷ 
USA

Joel Greenwich

3.⁵ 
France

Morgan De Cecco
Bachelor's | Sponsors: Josn Caesar/Michel Huot

4.⁷ 
USA

Alexander Great

5.⁷ 
USA

Michael Bloemeke
Doctorate

6.⁵ 
USA

Ran'D Shine
Bachelor's | Sponsors: Steve Friedberg/Chris Capehart

7.⁵ 
USA

Rob Thompson
Bachelor's | Sponsors: Robert Bengel/John West

8.⁵ 
Peru

Axel Luna
Bachelor's | Sponsor: Steve Beam/Howard Hamburg



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Mini World

Saturday 1:30 pm

MC: **Horret Wu**



1.¹⁰



Brazil

Bernardo **Sedlacek**

2.¹⁰



Argentina

Daniel **Mormina**

3.¹⁰



USA

Bob **Bengel**

4.¹⁰



USA

Will **Fern**

5.¹⁰



USA

Thomas **Solomon**
Doctorate

6.¹⁰



USA

Geoff **Williams**

7.¹⁰



Japan

Satoru **Furukawa**



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Closing Gala

Saturday 8:00 pm

MC: Steve **Beam**

1.¹⁰



USA

Eric **DeCamps**

2.¹⁰



USA

Benjamin **Barnes**

Doctorate

3.¹⁰



China

Sing Zen **Liu**

Doctorate

4.¹⁰



Germany

Marcus **Billner**

Master's

5.¹⁰



Argentina

Gustavo **Raley**

6.¹⁰



Japan

Shimpei

7.



USA

Stephen **Bargatze** | Rick **Merrill**



Lecturer: Sing Zen Liu

Sing Zen Liu is one of the hottest close-up magicians in China. Liu is dedicated to performing live shows instead of promoting himself on social media. He has performed and gave lectures in many cities in China, (Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Wuhan, Hong Kong, Macao, Nanjing, Hangzhou, and more). In addition to this, Liu has also created and shared many ideas with the magic community. Today Liu will be sharing his special brand of magic with all of us.

2012 Shanghai International Youngsters Magic Convention winner

2013 China national magic convention close up Grand Prix

2015 China lecture tour

2017 China lecture tour

2018 Japan UGM magic convention close up winner

2018 Japan JCMA magic convention close up winner & future award

2018 Bangkok International Magic Festival close up Grand Prix

2019 The 1st time to perform at FFFF

2024 The 2nd time to perform at FFFF

2023~2024 China live magic show tour.



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Lecturer: Willy Monroe

Willy Monroe is a multifaceted artist: co-author of the most popular Spanish language book about balloon modeling “Mr.Balloon: The Shaping of Air”. He is also one of the magicians most recognized by fellow card magicians - both nationally and internationally. A regular attendee of such prestigious (invitation only) conventions as “Las Jornadas Cartomágicas de El Escorial” and FFFF in Buffalo, New York. Therefore, it should come as no surprise that he has performed at the legendary Magic Castle in Hollywood on more than one occasion. And recently he Fool Us and P&T too with his original Rubik cube routine.

This lecture CARD/ART HD (High Dexterity) illustrates the first great block of technical/creative development by Willy Monroe, revealing a profound philosophy of magic based on the techniques discovered through his mentor Gabriel Moreno.



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Lecturer: Joe Rindfleisch

Joe Rindfleisch is known as a pioneer in the field of rubber band magic. His new rubber band effects are visual foolers and have helped to revitalize the interest in rubber band magic. In addition, Joe has traveled the world teaching not only his incredible rubber band effects but also hundreds of published close-up effects using cards and coins. Joe received a standing ovation at the invitation only Fechtters convention and after you see his performance and lecture, you will understand why.

This lecture will be presented more like a workshop with each attendee being given rubber bands to follow along with. Several effect along with theory will be thoroughly explained and at the end Everyone will be able to walk away knowing how to do at least 3 effects or even more!



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One Man Show: Henry Evans

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Just some of his many awards:

At the World Championship, comprising of FISM winners from the last 20 years, Henry Evans won The Gold Prize, First Prize, given in a real golden cup valued in 10.000 USD.

1st Prize at the World Championship in Card Magic FISM 2000 in Lisbon, Portugal.

MVP Award FFFF Convention 2002, USA

Two-time nominee for Best Lecturer at the Magic Castle, in Hollywood, California, USA 2001, and 2004.

Magician of the year 1995, 2000, 2005, 2011, and 2012 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Guest of Honor FFFF Convention 2009, USA.

Lecturer in more than 40 countries around the world.

Performer and lecturer at the Magic World Championship FISM 2009 in Beijing.

Cover of Linking Ring magazine April 2009 issue.



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4F/ED Talks

Thursday 3:30

MC: Brian Curry

1.²⁰



USA

Gary Brown

Alexander, the Man No One Knows!

Bachelor's | Sponsors: Mike Maione/

2.²⁰



USA

Craig Dickson

PK ... in the beginning

3.³⁰



USA

Gene Anderson

You are the Emcee...



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Walkaround Mentalism without Cards

Friday 10:30 am


MC: Mike Powers

1.10.7 
USA

Mike **Kirschner**

2.10.7 
USA

Danny **Archer**

3.10.7 
USA

Mike **Breggar**

Doctorate

4.10.7 
USA

Rolando **Santos**

5.10.7 
USA

John **Bannon**

6.10.7 
USA

Matt **Baker**

7.10.7 
USA

Raj **Madhok**



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Attendees 1/2

Argentina

Daniel Mormina
Facundo Daelli
Gustavo Raley
Henry Evans
Hernan Maccagno

Brazil

Bernardo Sedlacek

Canada

Alexander Moreaux
Billy Hsueh
Bruce Trigg
Derick Finn
Eric Bedard
Gary Wiseman
Glenn Brown
Joan Caesar
Marc Trudel
Michel Huot
Pierre-Daniel Bourgeau
Rod Chow
Steve Duperré
Terry Greenwood
Yannick Lacroix

China

Jeffrey Wang
Jiang Zhenghua
Sing Zen Liu

England

Christian Grace
Matthew Le Mottée
Mark Leveridge
Eva May Nicot
Chris Payne
Darryl Rose

France

Alexandra Duvivier
Boris Wild
Morgan de Cecco
Tiffany Sauvage
Xavier Belmont

Germany

Christian Schenk
Marcus Billner

Japan

Satoru Furukawa
Shimpei
Yumi

Mexico

Juan Carlos Rodarte

Peru

Axel Sáenz

Scotland

Marcus Gordon
Tom Crosbie
Peter McLanachan
Alan Rorrison
Neil Stirton

Spain

Willy Monroe

Taiwan

Alec Tsai
Jeffrey Wangi
Horret Wu

USA

Jason Alan
Gene Anderson
Edmund Apperson
Danny Archer
Matt Baker
John Bannon
Stephen Bartzte
Bruce Barnett
Benjamin Barnes
Steve Beam
Bob Bengel
Glenn Biegly
Bill Bishop
Dan Block
Michael Bloemeke
Trixie Bond
Michael Breggar
Gary Brown
Tony Cabral
Harrison Carroll
Evert Chapman
Michael Chaut
Jim Cherry
Dick Cook
David Corsaro
Jeffrey Cowan
Brian Curry
John Dahlinger
Michael Dardant
Eric DeCamps
Marc DeSouza
Craig Dickson
Roy Eidem
Dave Elliot
Lou Entin
Matt Episcopo
Bill Evans
Buddy Farnan
Will Fern
Glenn Ferrington

Keith Fields
David Finklestein
Alan Fisher
Mark Fitzgerald
Gary Freed
Ken Frehm
Steve Friedberg
Tom Gagnon
Jim Gabor
Joe Garsetti
Tony Gerard
Dennis Gesel
Gene Gordon
Doug Gorman
Alexander Great
Joel Greenwich
Howard Hamburg
Rick Hebert
Terry Hedges
John Michael Hinton
Rick Holcombe
David Hudspath
Jimmy Ichihana
Matt Jacobs
Jafo
Jay Jayaraman
Eric Jones
Mike Joseph
Michael Kaminskis
Kevin Kelly
Michael Kirschner
Larry Kohorst
Shank Kothare
Allan Kronzek
Rian Lehman
Marv Leventhal
Felice Ling
Jake Lundgren
Bob Macey
Dan MacInnis
Raj Madhok

Attendees 2/2

USA

(continued)

Mike Maione
 Bill Malone
 Ice MacDonald
 Vincent Mendoza
 Francis Menotti
 Rick Merrill
 Joshua Messado
 John Miller
 Mike Miller
 Gary Morton
 Colleen Murphy
 Todd Nelson
 Lindsey Noel
 David Oestreicher
 Kevin Oliver
 Gary Para
 Kirk Patrick
 Tom Phelps
 Randy Pitchford
 Gary Plants
 Mike Powers
 Gene Protas
 David Prouty
 Patrick Przysiecki
 Andrew Quinn
 Charlie Randall
 Keith Randolph
 Bob Rees
 Prof Rem
 Paul Richards
 Joe Rindfleisch
 Ed Ripley
 Scott Robinson
 Gary Rog
 Ricardo Rosenkranz
 Rolando Santos
 David Schwartz
 Maria Schwieter
 Michael Seege
 Ran'D Shine
 Sam Sléibhín
 Thomas Solomon

Mike Spade
 John Sturk
 Ryan Swigert
 Michael Tallon
 Eric Templeton
 Jerry Templeton
 Vic Trabucco
 Joe M. Turner
 Jim Turnpaugh
 Arie Vilner
 Don Voltz
 Randy Wakeman
 Tony Weiland
 Bill Wells
 Scott Wells
 John West
 Rick Wilcox
 Geoff Williams
 Tim Williams
 Mark Yeager
 Meir Yedid
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First Time Performers Guide 1/4

Welcome to 4F! We are really excited to have you perform for the first time and want the experience to be great for you. To make your performance as stress-free as possible, we've created this document to give you a better understanding of what you can expect for the performing conditions. The number of magicians in the audience ranges from 175 to 225. The first few rows of seats are at floor level and then the seating is tiered on two additional levels of risers. The viewing angles at the sides is almost 180 degrees, but not quite.



Airport Rides

The M Hotel offers a shuttle service – call them at **(716) 681-2400** when you arrive. If there is no shuttle service available, take a cab and the hotel will reimburse you for it.



First Time Performers Guide 2/4

Performing

Everyone has to perform their first time at 4F. You have up to five minutes to do your routine, 10 minutes if it is a competition act (e.g. FISM). If you are doing a FISM act, please let Glenn know. Our advice is to do what you do best - some solid magic, rather than a new routine you are still working on. The 4F family wants you to succeed, so take a deep breath, relax and enjoy yourself.

Lights

If you haven't performed on a stage before, one element of the set-up is that there are stage lights shining on the performance area. This makes it difficult to see the audience past the first few rows. During your practice sessions, you may consider having a few bright photography lights directed towards yourself to mimic the conditions you'll experience at the convention. If you are standing for your set and not seated at the close-up table, remember to stay in the area where the lighting is the brightest. This will ensure that you will be seen by the audience. On the edges of the performing space, you will be able to see the audience better, however, they will not be able to see you as well.





First Time Performers Guide 3/4

Music

Some performers set their magic to music. Ken Frehm 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 Ken does not receive this information by April, then you may be performing without music. Ken Frehm will be emailing all performers a queue sheet which you need to complete and e-mail to him at kfrehm@gmail.com with your music; if not, bring the files on a USB Flash drive. There will be time on the morning of your performance to run through your cues. Keep in mind that there will be 6 or 7 other performers on your show, so be aware that you won't have unlimited time to go through a large number of music cues.

Staging

If you have any staging requirements, please let John Michael Hinton, john@johnismyfriend.com, know as soon as possible.

Microphones

If you have a talking act, you will be given a microphone to amplify your voice. The wireless microphones are head mounted. The microphone fits over one ear and typically clear tape is attached to the microphone arm and your cheek. This prevents the microphone from moving around during your performance. The transmitter is a belt pack that clips onto your pants or belt. If you are from the UK, you will clip the belt pack onto your trousers. Ladies will have different options.

There are two or three microphones in use, so when one performer is finished, their microphone is transferred the next performer. There is sufficient time to set the microphone and you will have help from the stage crew.



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First Time Performers Guide 4/4

Table

The table for the close-up is semi-circular. It has a green surface which is suitable for quite a bit of the performers. If your act requires a specific surface to accomplish your magic, bring it along.



Screens and Video

There are two large screens on each side of the performing area that allow some of the audience at the sides and further back, a better view. The camera position is elevated at the back where the AV crew is located. The camera can have a wide shot or if requested can come in for a tighter shot. That can be discussed with the AV crew during your run-through.

Backstage Crew

The backstage crew will either add or remove the table for you. If you have two volunteers while performing at the table, they will also put two chairs for you. There are MCs at each performance, so the transition between performers is covered by their notes and jokes. In some cases, a curtain was also moved into place to allow for a special set-up. You can discuss your requirements with the backstage crew during the rehearsal.



Guests of Honor

1977	Jim Ryan	2001	Herb Zarrow
1978	Eddie Fechter	2002	Max Maven
1979	Larry Jennings	2003	Meir Yedid
1980	Gene Gordon	2004	Pat Page
1981	Bob Read	2005	Anderson/Garrett
1982	Sid Lorraine	2006	Aldo Colombini
1983	Steve Dusheck	2007	Ton Onosaka
1984	Rick Johnsson	2008	Boris Wild
1985	Tom Mullica	2009	Henry Evans
1986	Jay Marshall	2010	Obie O'Brien
1987	Tom Craven	2011	Steve Beam
1988	Phil Willmarth	2012	David Stone
1989	Gary Ouellet	2013	Stephen Bargatze
1990	Shigeo Takagi	2014	Shawn Farquhar
1991	Harry Lorayne	2015	Oscar Muñoz
1992	Daryl	2016	The Fat Brothers
1993	Paul Gertner	2017	Rocco
1994	Derek Dingle	2018	Pit Hartling
1995	Paul Daniels	2019	Mike Powers
1996	Jerry Andrus	2023	Mark Mason
1997	Johnny Thompson	2024	Jimmy C , Charming Choi , & Christian Schenk
1998	Juan Tamariz	2025	Eric DeCamps
1999	Lennart Green	2026	Tom Gagnon
2000	Bill Malone		

* those in bold are here this year; those in grey are deceased



1982	Karl Norman	2004	Armando Lucero
1983	Steve Dusheck	2005	Reed McClintock
1984	Bob Stencil	2006	Flicking Fingers
1985	Jerry Andrus	2007	Shoot Ogawa
1986	Shigeo Takagi	2008	Boris Wild
1987	Rocco	2009	Dick Cook
1988	Gary Kurtz	2010	Obie O'Brien
1989	David Williamson	2011	Steve Beam
1990	Juan Tamariz	2012	Denis Behr
1991	Aldo Colombini	2013	Dani DaOrtiz
1992	Lennart Green	2014	Michael Dardant
1993	Jim Krenz	2015	Eva May/Roger Nicot
1994	Steve Beam	2016	Jimmy Cieslinski
1995	Paul Daniels	2017	Christian & Katalina
1996	Pat Page	2018	Howard Hamburg
1997	Alex Elmsley	2019	Maria Schwieter
1998	Tom Gagnon	2023	Tom Craven
1999	Lennart Green		& Eric DeCamps
2000	Bill Malone	2024	Tom Phelps
2001	Tim Ellis/Sue-Anne	2025	Fred Fechter
2002	Henry Evans		
2003	David Stone		

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Bookmarks

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

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 FLICKING FROLIC**
 APRIL 22 - 25, 2026

TOM GAGNON
 Guest of Honor
 2026

PAST GUESTS OF HONOR

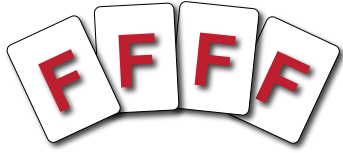
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- 1978 - EDDIE FECHTER
- 1979 - LARRY JENNINGS
- 1980 - GENE GORDON
- 1981 - BOB READ
- 1982 - SID LORRAINE
- 1983 - STEVE DUSCHECK
- 1984 - RICK JOHNSON
- 1985 - TOM MULLICA
- 1986 - JAY MARSHALL
- 1987 - TOM CRAVEN
- 1988 - PHIL WILLMARTH
- 1989 - GARY OUELLETT
- 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 DARGATZE
- 2014 - SHAWN FARQUHAR
- 2015 - OSCAR MUÑOZ
- 2016 - THE FAT BROTHERS
- 2017 - ROCCO
- 2018 - PIT HARTLING
- 2019 - MIKE POWERS
- 2023 - MARK MASON
- 2024 - CHARMING CHOI, JIMMY CIESLINSKI,
 & CHRISTIAN SCHENK
- 2025 - ERIC DECAMPS

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 FLICKING FROLIC**
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IN MEMORY OF
EDDIE FECHTER

4F MVP AWARDS

- 1988 - GARY KURTZ
- 1989 - DAVID WILLIAMSON
- 1990 - JUAN TAMARIZ
- 1991 - ALDO COLOMBINI
- 1992 - LENNART GREEN
- 1993 - JIM KRENZ
- 1994 - STEVE BEAM
- 1995 - PAUL DANIELS
- 1996 - PAT PAGE
- 1997 - ALEX ELMSLEY
- 1998 - TOM GAGNON
- 1999 - LENNART GREEN
- 2000 - BILL MALONE
- 2001 - TIM ELLIS & SUE-ANNE WEBSTER
- 2002 - HENRY EVANS
- 2003 - DAVID STONE
- 2004 - ARMANDO LUCERO
- 2005 - REED MCCLINTOK
- 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 & EVA MAY NICOT
- 2016 - JIMMY CIESLINSKI
- 2017 - CHRISTIAN & KATALINA
- 2018 - HOWARD HAMBURG
- 2019 - MARIA SCHWIETER
- 2020/22 - MICHEL HUOT & RUNE CARLSEN
- 2023 - TOM CRAVEN & ERIC DECAMPS
- 2024 - TOM PHELPS
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