



# What's Happening at the IJA ?

**You can register online for the festival at <http://www.juggle.org/festival>**

**June 30 is the deadline for discounted pre-registration -- after that, register at the fest. July 5 is the last day to reserve a Nugget Hotel room at the IJA rate.**

**Don't miss the IJA fest in Sparks, Nevada! It'll be great fun and a chance to juggle with lots of people from all over. Special guest Kris Kremo will perform in the Cascade of Stars, teach a three-day special workshop entitled "3 Object Juggling" (hats, boxes, balls) and host an open question/answer session.**

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**FESTIVAL REMINDERS!!**

*by Kim Laird*

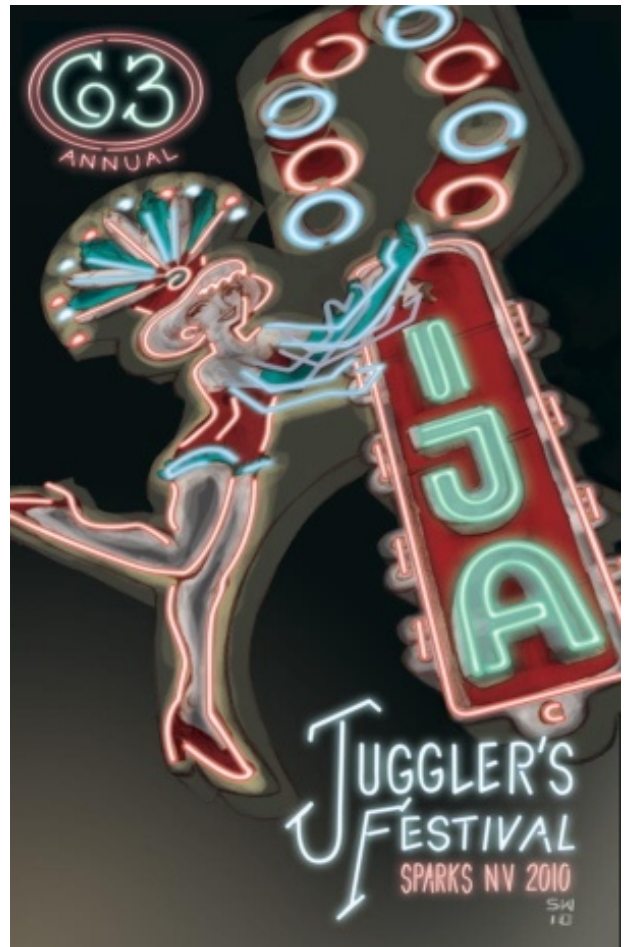
In less than one month the IJA will converge on Sparks, Nevada, for the 63rd Annual IJA Festival! I hope you all are starting to get excited about the fest and are ready to help rock the party.

A number of prop vendors have registered for the festival, and more are registering every week! So, if you are in need of some new props, the fest will be a great place to find the props you want.

Championships preliminary judging is under way! Those who entered the IJA championships should watch your email for notification of whether you made it into the finals. Notification will happen within the next two weeks.

Our MC for the Cascade of Stars Show is "Coney Island Chris" Allison, who mixes equal parts funny and freaky, drawing on a rich history of the traditional sideshow. His unique brand of comedy chaos has become a popular attraction at nightclubs across the country and he was featured on the hit television show "America's Got Talent" where he made it to the quarterfinal round of the competition. Entertainment blogger and recent audience member Andrea Reiher described Chris as a "terrifying Jerry Lewis". Reviewer Walt Hudson said that "Chris' sideshow parody left the audience breathless and gasping with laughter". Coney Island Chris is dramatic, daring, dangerous, droll and absolutely a 100% authentic and unique performer that you will not

continued ...



As recently announced, due to circumstances beyond the IJA's control, the Cascade of Stars has moved from Friday to Saturday night, and the Farewell Show has moved from Saturday to Friday night and is renamed A Taste of Vaudeville! We apologize for any inconvenience these changes may cause. For more details, including the option of show ticket refunds, see:

<http://www.juggle.org/festival/#change>

**Festivals:**

- Berkeley, CA**
- Marion, IN**
- Las Vegas, NV**
- Sparks, NV**
- Davidson, NC**
- Portland, OR**
- Philadelphia, PA**

soon forget. Coney Island Chris comically crosses the line – wherever you draw it!

Another addition to the IJA Festival stage is Book Kennison. Book is from St. Louis, Missouri. He learned to juggle at nine and began performing shows at Circus Harmony, in St. Louis's beloved City Museum at age 12. In 2004 he began his first of five summer tours with Circus Smirkus. During this time he also appeared on The Late Show with David Letterman, The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, and America's Most Talented Kids. In 2008, at 18, he was offered and accepted a one-year contract with Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey. Book is now living and working in New York City.

Also appearing at the IJA this year, Playing By Air Productions (Jacob Weiss, Founder) possesses over ten years of experience performing and creating cirque-style, collaborative productions with casts ranging from 2 to 60 performers. Playing By Air's original acts feature juggling, circus skills, physical comedy, dance, music, and other variety arts. Their performance for the IJA stage is an excerpt from their full-length production, which sold out to enthusiastic crowds at the Nashville Children's Theatre earlier this month. In August, Playing By Air will have its New York City off-Broadway premiere at the New York International Fringe Festival. You can read more about Playing By Air online at [www.playingbyaircares.com](http://www.playingbyaircares.com). Featured jugglers for the IJA stage are Jacob Weiss, Ted Joblin, and Michael Karas.

We are still in need of a Numbers Director for the fest! Anyone interested in directing the numbers competitions please contact Kim Laird at [laird@juggle.org](mailto:laird@juggle.org). And speaking of volunteering, if you are interested in volunteering in any way, contact Dina Scharnhorst at [festvolunteers@juggle.org](mailto:festvolunteers@juggle.org). You can also volunteer on site. We need people willing to serve a short two hour door security shift, act as usher to hand out programs at the shows, plus lots of other things that make the fest a great

time. Volunteering is also a great way to get to know more of your IJA family. So make sure to email Dina or see her at the volunteers table at the entrance to the fest to volunteer!

And now for important news about the Internet.... Many of us depend on the Internet for so many things today, even when we're at the festival. We want to let you know what to expect about Internet access at this year's festival, and offer some alternative ways to get Internet access while you are in Sparks if you decide not to use the hotel's system.

The Nugget Hotel offers wireless Internet access (Wi-Fi) in all guest rooms for an additional charge of \$9.99 per day, per computer, or \$49.99 per week, per computer. You can register and charge the fee for Wi-Fi to your guest room account once you're connected, or buy a connection coupon from the front desk. Paid hotel room wireless will not get you wireless access in the juggling space.

There is no Internet access available in the convention areas of the hotel. Obviously, this is quite different from many recent festivals where we have had free or low-cost Wi-Fi provided by the facility in the gym as well as guest rooms. The IJA has investigated some solutions for Internet access during the festival, and we want you to have this information before you leave home. For the most up-to-date internet information and to review the options we have found for you, go online to [www.juggle.org/festival/2010/2010internet.php](http://www.juggle.org/festival/2010/2010internet.php).

IJA Festival 2010 is going to be a great time for all. With the positive vibe that the IJA tends to bring with us to a community, we are bound to add a little SPARK to Sparks!

### **YOU CAN HELP THE IJA YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAM (YEP) GROW!**

Kim Laird, Erin Stephens, and Kevin Axtell (creators/authors of YEP) have applied for a grant to really get the program rolling and YOU can help get that grant! The grant application has been submitted through the Pepsi Refresh Program.

Each month, submissions are accepted from the 1st through the 15th of that month, or until Pepsi receives 1,000 ideas, whichever comes first. Pepsi is looking for projects that are beneficial, achievable, constructive, and "shovel-ready" (meaning it can be finished within 12 months of funding). That pretty much sums up the IJA Youth Education Program!

How can you help? Get everyone you know including yourself to go online to [www.refresheverything.com](http://www.refresheverything.com) and VOTE. You get 10 votes per day but can only vote for YEP once each day. To give us the best chance of winning this \$25,000 grant, vote for YEP once every day from August 1 through the 31st. You can use your other nine votes in other categories. Using your other votes in the same category as YEP decreases our chance of winning the grant. The IJA Youth Education Program is listed under EDUCATION.

So get online and vote. Tell all of your friends, jugglers and non-jugglers alike, to go online and vote, too. Let's make this grant a reality for the IJA!

[www.refresheverything.com](http://www.refresheverything.com)

**Festival Workshops**, by Matt Hall

Greetings, everyone, from Workshops Central!! We have another great slate of learning opportunities for all festival-goers this year--something for everyone no matter what your level or prop choice.

We are less than a month away and I would like to make one last request for workshop leaders to come forward and offer their time and talents. If you heard from me last year and haven't heard from me yet, that is my bad and completely unintentional. Get in touch with me and we will get you a time and a place to share your skills.

If you are leading a workshop, then let me offer my thanks again and also encourage you to work on your lesson plans and workshop handouts.

To everyone planning on being in Sparks, I suggest you check out the current (and ever-evolving) workshop schedule on Google Calendar, so that you can begin planning your days at the festival! Forward Nevada!

Here's the link:

<http://www.juggle.org/festival/2010/2010workshops.php>

Once you're in Google Calendar, switch to Week or Agenda mode, and find July 27.

See you in Sparks!

Matt Hall

**North American Kendama Open II is happening!** by Matt Hall

It will be held on Wednesday at 2-3pm on the Gym Stage and is open to any and all comers. Following on the heels of the British Kendama Open and the European Kendama Open (held at the last BJC and EJC respectively) this fun little match comes in two flavors: Speed Trick and Best Trick.

The Speed Trick section pits two players against each other in head-to-head competition to finish a pre-determined and previously published list of 10 tricks in the fastest time. For reference, check out:

[http://www.juggling.tv/vaults/view\\_video.php?viewkey=471a70c1fd1b46033a75](http://www.juggling.tv/vaults/view_video.php?viewkey=471a70c1fd1b46033a75)  
(The 10 tricks demonstrated by Team KD)

[http://www.juggling.tv/vaults/view\\_video.php?viewkey=dc6853edfa4c7e1638b4](http://www.juggling.tv/vaults/view_video.php?viewkey=dc6853edfa4c7e1638b4)  
(The 10 tricks demonstrated by BKO champion Mark)

The Best Trick section is just a five minute jam where each player tries to pull the best trick he or she can pull off. If you miss, just go back to the end of the line and try again when your turn comes up. Audience applause determines the winner.

For your reference, you can see more details at: <http://www.kendama.co.uk/> (click on the Competitions link, or just scroll down the main page until you get to the 2009 BKO links)

Come by and join in / watch the fun!

**Membership Drive Drawing - Final Report**, by Kim Laird

Thank you to all IJA members who took part in the 2010 Membership Drive. Many non-members purchased memberships as gifts as well. Thank you to those individuals, too! Over 100 new members joined the IJA thanks to present IJA members from February 14 through June 19, 2010.

Congratulations to our June winners:

1. Set of 6 "classic" issues of JUGGLE...Taylor Glenn
2. IJA DVD... Taylor Glenn (*everyone received one chance to win for each person they inspired to join the IJA*)
3. Past World Juggling Day T-Shirt. Ron Fugle

All those who recruited new IJA members from February 14 through World Juggling Day were put into the hat for the GRAND PRIZE DRAWING of one 2010 IJA FESTIVAL PACKAGE. The drawing took place in a live internet broadcast through [www.ustream.tv](http://www.ustream.tv) at 8pm Eastern Time on World Juggling Day. The winner of the Grand Prize Drawing is John Dillon!

Just because the official membership drive is over doesn't mean we stop bringing jugglers into the IJA family. If only half of our IJA members would give a gift membership OR get a new juggler to join OR get a former IJA member to re-join, the IJA would have 2,000 members or more.

Thanks again to all who talked up the IJA and got people to join and congratulations to all Membership Drive winners over the past four months!

**2010 Youth Showcase:**

Anyone interested in performing in the Youth Showcase in Sparks please contact Pam Hamilton at:

[youthshowcase@juggle.org](mailto:youthshowcase@juggle.org)

Please specify "2010 IJA Youth Showcase" as the subject.

This is a non-competitive opportunity for our young jugglers (18 and younger) to show their skills on stage.

**Joggling 2010**, by Len Ferman

It's time to start getting excited about joggling! Joggling is the greatest full mind body workout there is. This year we have a fantastic joggling location that is walking distance from the convention. We also have fantastic community support with many volunteers from Sparks already lined up to run the joggling meet. Now we need to ensure we have jugglers come out to make this a true world championship.

We now have a web page for the 2010 World Joggling Championships at IJA:

<http://www.juggle.org/festival/joggling/>

I'm taking on the director role for this year's event from legendary joggling director Bill Giduz. Bill has done a great job for over 3 decades.

I'd like to "pre-register" as many competitors as possible this year to help the event run smoothly.

To pre-register, simply e-mail me the following information:

Name:

Gender:

Age:

Events you will likely joggle in (see web page for list of events):

Payment for the joggling (\$10) will still be taken the day of the event as in prior years. We will also require a liability waiver to sign the day of the event.

And finally, please forward this e-mail to all potential jugglers you know of.

I look forward to seeing you in Sparks on July 27th!

Len Ferman  
2010 IJA Joggling Director  
904.553.0075

**Watch for your Summer JUGGLE magazine**

The address label on the summer issue of JUGGLE has your **seven digit access code** on the mailing label. You will need this code to vote by mail. There is a printed ballot in the magazine and instructions on where to mail it.

**Save the mailing label on the Summer issue of JUGGLE**

**If you did not receive JUGGLE magazine, you can still vote using the ballot to the right.**

1. Contact memberships@juggle.org to get your seven digit access code.
2. Fill out the ballot, fold it twice, place it by itself in an envelope and seal the envelope. Do not sign the ballot. If you write in a nominee you must also check the box next to that name.
3. On the front of the sealed envelope containing your ballot: (a) write "Ballot Enclosed"; (b) sign your name; (c) print your name; (d) print your address; (e) print your new seven digit access code.
4. If more than one person in your family is voting, each one should repeat steps 1 and 2 above using a different envelope.
5. Place the envelope(s) in another envelope and mail to:

**International Jugglers' Association Election**  
**PO Box 2383**  
**Sparks, NV 89432**

**6. Mail-in ballots must be received by 1 hour before the annual membership meeting starts at the festival.**

**2010 IJA Mail-in Ballot**

**Vote for a maximum of Four Candidates**

- Phil DePalo**
- Erin Stephens**
- Kevin Axtell**
- Richard Kennison**
- Matt Hall**

**Please mark an X beside any write-in vote**

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**Earn Graduate Credit at the IJA Festival**

The IJA and Morningside College in Sioux City, Iowa, have teamed up to offer graduate credit at this Summer's IJA annual festival in Sparks, Nevada. Morningside College is accredited by the Iowa Department of Education and the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

This program is open to anyone who already has an undergraduate degree in any field and is interested in obtaining graduate credit for academic and/or professional purposes. Four special one-hour workshops for participants of this program will be offered during the festival. The focus of these workshops will be how to implement juggling programs into school settings, as well as how to elevate current programs to the next levels. The tentative schedule for these special workshops are Tuesday through Friday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM.

You can choose to sign up for one, two, or three units of graduate credit from Morningside College. Each unit of credit corresponds to twelve hours engaged in different

activities at the festival. The breakdown of how you spend your hours will be determined by you in consultation with Todd Strong, the IJA coordinator for this program, during the festival. Sample schedules of how you might spend your time at the festival for different amounts of credit are available at: <http://juggle.org/festival/credit.php>.

People signing up for one unit of credit will attend at least one of the special morning sessions. Two units of credit will require attendance at two of these sessions. Three units of credit requires attendance at all four of these sessions.

In addition to the normal fees for the festival events, each unit of graduate credit costs \$100, payable to "LDA-IA".

Todd Strong, the IJA coordinator for this program, currently teaches child development. Todd is a former juggling professor at the National Circus School of France, as well as at circus schools in England and Germany. He has written several books on juggling and object-manipulation skills. You can reach Todd at: [ija\\_graduate\\_credit\\_2010@juggle.org](mailto:ija_graduate_credit_2010@juggle.org)

**Spark**, reviewed by Don Lewis

Did you download Michael Karas' latest film entitled Spark? If you haven't yet, then you're missing a very interesting piece of entertainment. This isn't just a string of YouTube videos. It is a thoughtfully filmed and edited glimpse into Michael's creative juggling world.

You'll see assorted apparatus that has been built just for juggling. How many balls can you juggle, without actually touching them?

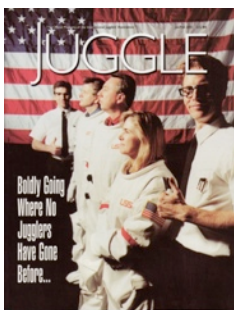
I particularly liked the underwater juggling segment, that nevertheless left the juggler conveniently and comfortably dry.

Naturally, there is plenty of juggling where new patterns are displayed, and old patterns looked at in unusual ways.

All of this fascinating juggling is filmed against a constantly changing landscape, some of which you may recognize. The background music fits the mood of the film perfectly.

I'm deliberately not describing the film in detail because I think you should support this interesting work by getting a copy yourself. I enjoyed it thoroughly.

<http://www.michaelkaras.net>



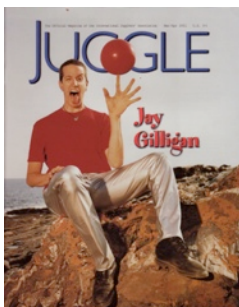
### Classic issues of JUGGLE magazine now available in the IJA store:

**January/February 2001** Issue of JUGGLE Magazine (Volume 3, Number 1)

Cover: Photo of The Passing Zone (Jon Wee & Owen Morse) by Jay Blakesberg  
Contents: Topper Martyn, People-Juggling, Tales of a Woman Busker in Europe, Shoptalk, Teach-In, Eccentricks

Member price: \$6/Non-member price: \$8

[IJA Store](#)



**March/April 2001** Issue of JUGGLE Magazine (Volume 3, Number 2)

Cover: Photo of Jay Gilligan by Douglas Bialor  
Contents: Talking Comedy with Scott Meltzer, Barnum Meets the Big Apple, Jay Gilligan, Martyn & Florence: At the Tennis Court, Teach-In, and Eccentricks

Member price: \$6/Non-member price: \$8

[IJA Store](#)

The 2010 Berkeley Juggling and Unicycling Festival will be held on the weekend of Friday, 9th of July, to Sunday, 11th of July.

Check out our webpage for further updates, venue information, workshop schedule, housing requests, etc.

BJUF: <http://berkeleyjuggling.org/festival/>

This year we also will have two more events at the same time:

uGames, 7/10-7/18: <http://ugames.caluni.org/>

From their webpage:

"U Games is the largest gathering of the year of unicycle enthusiasts in North America and has activities for unicyclists of all ages and skill levels. There are non-competitive activities such as fun rides, workshops, games and social events for all unicyclists. Non-unicyclists are welcome and encouraged to attend--we'll get you started!"

and

The San Francisco Bay Area Circus Arts Festival, 7/6-7/11:

<http://www.circusartsfestival.com/2010/welcome.html>

"Join us for five action packed days of inspiring workshops, performances, skill shares, and open studio time at top venues around the Bay."

Hope to see you at the festival.

The Berkeley Juggling & Unicycling Co-op

### **Montreal Spring Festival Cancelled**

The volunteer team has not been able to find a suitable replacement venue. On a brighter note, we do have some good leads for next year.

### **Juggling Festivals**

**Berkeley Juggling & Unicycle Festival, July 9 - 11, 2010**  
Berkeley, CA  
[berkeleyjuggling.org/festival/](http://berkeleyjuggling.org/festival/)

**FCM 2010 Conference**  
July 12 - 16, 2010  
Marion, IN  
[www.fcm.org](http://www.fcm.org)

**WJF 6**  
July 21 - 25, 2010  
Las Vegas, NV  
[www.theWJF.com](http://www.theWJF.com)

**IJA 2010 Festival**  
July 26 - August 1, 2010  
Sparks, NV  
[www.juggle.org/festival](http://www.juggle.org/festival)

**Hurricane Hugo Juggling Festival**  
September 3 - 5, 2010  
Davidson, NC  
[tinyurl.com/yhttqg5](http://tinyurl.com/yhttqg5)

**18th Portland Juggling Festival**  
September 24 - 26, 2010  
Portland, OR  
<http://www.portlandjugglers.org/>

**Philly Fest**  
October 2 - 3, 2010  
Philadelphia, PA  
[www.phillyjugglers.com](http://www.phillyjugglers.com)



September 3-5, 2010  
Davidson College, Davidson N.C.

## **Hurricane Hugo Juggling Festival**

And the Saturday night Vaudeville Extravaganza,  
Hosted by The Great Fettucini!  
Call 704-609-1077 or [giduz@bellsouth.net](mailto:giduz@bellsouth.net)

<http://web.mac.com/fettucini/brothers/iWeb/Hugo/HOME.html>

Having a Juggling Festival? List it here!

If you're organizing a juggling festival (or if you simply know of a juggling fest) and you want to advertise it in the IJA eNewsletter, just drop a note to eNewsletter editor Don Lewis [enews@juggle.org](mailto:enews@juggle.org). Such listings are free.

The eNewsletter generally comes out near the end of each month. Your festival can be listed for a few months, and you don't have to be an IJA affiliate to have a fest listed. Hey, jugglers want to know about juggling fests. Help them out and get more jugglers to your fest at the same time.

### **More Festivals!**

Check the world wide juggling event listings on the IJA Website at  
<http://www.juggle.org/events>.

The information on that page is updated daily thanks to an XML feed from the International Juggling DataBase. You can submit your own event to the list where it will be reviewed by an editor before being added.  
<http://www.jugglingdb.com/events/submit.php>



Best Catches is a feature of StreetJuggling.com. Chief editor **Nathan Wakefield** has graciously agreed to share this feature with IJA eNewsletter readers

Best Catches is a sifter for the unplugged, the lazy, and the busy. It's a monthly roundup of the freshest juggling videos, forum topics, and blog posts – in short, it does a lot of work so you don't have to.

See the list of suggested videos, etc., below.

- :: Michael Karas released his new juggling film 'Spark' on World Juggling Day. Check out the [trailer](#), and [download](#) the film.
- :: Cruise ship juggler Nick Pike recently made [an appearance](#) on the current season of America's Got Talent.
- :: Wes Peden gets crazy with a slow motion [three club sequence](#).
- :: Moisés Padilla shows off some cool scenic juggling and bicycling in his '[Juggling and Biking Times](#)' video.
- :: Bacon Juggling recently conducted [an interview](#) with Israeli professional juggler Ori Roth.
- :: Luke Burrage [demonstrates](#) a nifty little club balancing trick that he's been working on.
- :: Circus juggling sensation Gena Shvartsman Cristiani made an appearance in a [recent video](#) shot at the Dube showroom.
- :: Lauge Benjaminsen [shows off](#) some 1 High x Low tricks complete with his signature warp-speed spins.
- :: The WJF has officially announced the challenger for [The Battle for the WJF Presidency](#) at WJF 6. Noah Malone will take on Jason Garfield in a one on one competition testing a variety of different skills.
- :: Thomas Dietz returns with a juggling themed retrospective of his [28 years of existence](#).
- :: RenegadesignLab introduces a new prototype prop that they are currently testing, [Eightrings](#).
- :: What sort of games would you like to see at the 2010 IJA Festival? [Give your input](#).