



The International Jugglers' Association announces its 59th Annual **Juggling Festival** **July 17-23, 2006**



Oregon Convention Center, Portland, OR

Register online at www.juggle.org/festival

Seven days of open juggling, workshops, shows, competitions, parties, vendors, laughter, music and more...surrounded by some of the most beautiful country on the West Coast. Catch you there!

2006 GUEST ARTISTS



JÉRÔME THOMAS

We are pleased to announce that our 2006 Master Class Instructor will be Jérôme Thomas. Todd Strong writes: "Jérôme is the most intense juggler I have ever seen. Watching Jérôme Thomas perform is like watching a volcano erupt. Jérôme combines elements of dance, juggling, mime, acting, and artistic intensity to hold audiences spellbound around the world. A student of mine once told me he caught a show by Jérôme in front of the Pompidou Center in Paris. Jérôme set one juggling ball down in the middle of the impromptu stage and held an audience mesmerized for twenty minutes as a warm-up to his hour-long show, without touching the ball. The combination of Jérôme's relationship to the ball, the space and the audience was too compelling for people to leave. Have you ever tried to pluck a leaf that was fluttering to the ground out of the air? How about several of them in a row? At the end of one of Jérôme's shows I saw him line up in a makeshift parade, following and juggling to the rhythms of the musicians in his group. The horn player immediately in front of Jérôme began tossing pieces of sheet music into

the air behind him. I sat stunned as I watched Jérôme catch every single sheet of erratically flying paper before they hit the ground. The memory of Jérôme's phenomenal display of superhuman reflexes stays with me to this day. If you would like to expand your awareness of juggling and performing, you owe it to yourself to attend Jérôme Thomas' workshop."

Based in Paris, Jérôme has a long history of work in circus and cabaret, followed by a concentrated study of the intersection between improvisational artistic juggling and jazz music. In 1993, he founded ARMO (Association for Research in the Manipulation of Objects)/Jérôme Thomas Company, producing many critically acclaimed shows and popular workshops. He has taught at the Moscow Circus School.

Jérôme will lead a limited number of class participants in an intense workshop focusing on creativity and development, culminating in a performance to be featured at the festival's Cascade of Stars show. This three-day special workshop will be 9 am to noon Wed., July 19 through Fri., July 21, in our on-site theater. This workshop will cost an additional \$125. You must pre-register to participate in this workshop. Participation is limited to a maximum of 25 attendees. Jérôme will also treat the IJA to a sample of his solo skills during the Cascade of Stars on Friday. For more information on Jérôme, visit his website at www.jerome-thomas.com.

MUD BAY JUGGLERS

We are happy to welcome the Mud Bay Jugglers as our special guest performers. From www.mudbayjugglers.net: "Born of earth and water twenty some years ago, the Mud Bay Jugglers evolved into an organized body of arms, legs and hands; a multi-headed being that was guided by the natural belief in egalitarian leadership. This shows up on stage as their cooperative style of direction plays out in their amazing, non-verbal, choreographed performances. Their blend of juggling, physical comedy, dance, and music is as unique as their working style."



Based in Olympia, WA, the Mud Bay Jugglers (Doug Martin, Alan Fitzthum and Harry Levine) recently celebrated their 25th anniversary and were featured in the Jan./Feb. issue of JUGGLE magazine. Doug's son, Amiel, is a third of the Juggling Jollies, who will also be on hand (River and Jules round out the trio). The Mud Bay Jugglers will be available during the festival for several free workshops on music, choreography and their innovative technique, not to mention autographs, long philosophical conversations, and, of course, juggling jam sessions. The Mud Bay Jugglers and The Juggling Jollies will be featured in the Friday Cascade of Stars show.

ABOUT PORTLAND

FESTIVAL HEADQUARTERS

Located on the banks of the Willamette River in downtown Portland, the Oregon Convention Center is an award-winning architectural wonder. Home to a \$2 million public art collection, the center features massive windows and skylights





that bathe the soaring lobbies with natural light. OCC is located within Portland's city center, right around the corner from restaurants, tax-free shopping, cultural attractions and entertainment (including city parks and Lloyd Center, a 3-story mall featuring an ice skating rink). OCC is only eight miles from the airport and has a number of quality hotels in walking distance, plus the MAX light rail line right out the front door. The area's scenery, some of the most spectacular on the planet, is artfully complemented by the décor and atmosphere of the center's interiors. The largest meeting center in the Pacific Northwest, OCC offers Starbucks, cafes, Kinko's, wireless Internet, and many open areas to enjoy. The festival's main gym, theater and workshop spaces will all be on-site inside the OCC (30' ceiling in gym/theater spaces, 18' in workshop spaces). For ideas on what to see and do in the Portland area, visit the Portland Oregon Visitors Association, www.pova.org.

GETTING THERE

Alaska/Horizon Airlines has offered a special 10% discount for IJA festival participants flying into Portland International Airport (PDX). Just call the Group Desk at (800) 445-4435 (Pacific Time: M-F 6am-6pm, Sat. 7am-5pm, closed Sunday), and use the following Conference Code: CMR8608. Check www.juggle.org/festival for other travel discounts. Once you arrive at PDX, Portland's MAX light rail system can take you right to the festival hotels (or at most, a few blocks away) for \$1.95. MAX can also take you within the "Fareless Square" to most of Downtown Portland, plus the Portland Zoo, Saturday Market, and much more (which means you don't HAVE to rent a car). Check out all the possibilities at www.trimet.org, including the local bus and streetcar info.

ACCOMMODATIONS

(Be sure to mention the IJA to secure these rates. All rooms subject to a 12.5% local occupancy tax.)

Inn at the Convention Center

420 NE Holladay St., Portland, OR 97232
 (~1 block from the OCC, on the MAX line)
 (503) 233-6331
www.innatcc.com
 \$79 per room (double queen or single king), up to 4 people
 Free wireless internet, free parking
 Smoking rooms, cribs available on request
 Microwave or refrigerator rental, \$10 per night
 10% coupons for food at Red Lion (next door)

Red Lion Hotel

1021 NE Grand Ave., Portland, OR 97232
 (2 blocks from the OCC, 1 block from MAX)
 (800) 343-1822
www.redlion.com
 \$88/1 or 2 people, \$98/3 or 4 people
 Free wireless internet
 Non-smoking rooms available on request
 Cafe on site, 6 am-2 pm and 5 pm-11 pm
 Windows Bar, 5 pm - 11 pm (site of the Midnight Shows)

La Quinta Inn

431 NE Multnomah, Portland, OR 97232
 (~2 blocks from the Convention Center, ~2 blocks from MAX line)
 (503) 233-7933, (800) 531-5900
www.lq.com
 \$89 for king or double queen room, up to 4 people per room
 Free breakfast buffet with waffle bar
 24-hour indoor pool and exercise room

COMPETITIONS

STAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Do you have what it takes to create a professional, polished performance that features both excellent showmanship and technical juggling prowess? The Championships Shows are a highlight of the festival: Juniors

(under age 18) are on Wednesday, July 19; Individuals and Teams on Thursday, July 20. See www.juggle.org/championships for rules, fees and entry information, including video prequalification instructions (NEW THIS YEAR!). Cash prizes, medals and trophies will go home with the 2006 Champions!

NOTE: You MAY NOT use the same routine in Stage Championships and the Props Competitions.

NUMBERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The IJA Numbers Championships were established to provide a forum for competitors to challenge each other, past champions, and the laws of physics. The purpose of these events is to accurately record who can successfully juggle the greatest numbers of balls, clubs, rings, and bounced balls. Look for the Numbers Championships in the



main gym on Friday afternoon. **NEW THIS YEAR:** For the first time, the IJA Numbers Championships this year will offer a \$100 prize to the winner of each event, with special prizes for those who break standing IJA records. 2006 cash prizes generously donated by Sandy Brown, with matching funds from the IJA. See www.juggle.org/championships for rules, fees and entry information.

JOGGLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Jogging is simply juggling while jogging, or in this case, sprinting! This year's event is tentatively scheduled at 8 am to noon Tuesday, July 18. Location TBA. Entry fee required. For more information, email jogging@juggle.org.

PROP COMPETITION

The Individual Prop Competition will be held on Tuesday, July 18, from 3-5 pm on the stage. This year, look for the best in 3-ball, 3-club, 1-diabolo, 1-devil stick and 3-cigar boxes. Routines will be no longer than 2 minutes and choreographed to music. NOTE: You MAY NOT use the same routine in Props Competition and the Stage Championships. For instance, if you are juggling 3 balls in Props, you can perform 2, 4, 5, etc. balls in Stage Championships... but NOT 3. Questions? Email organizer Dan Holzman at propcomp@juggle.org. Cash prizes will be offered; \$10 entry fee per event. Also, watch for an exhibition contest of Battle Passing, a seriously competitive club passing game.

EXTREME JUGGLING

NEW THIS YEAR! What is eXtreme juggling? It's not stage, circus, or birthday party

juggling. You don't even have to have your tricks mastered. All that matters is the biggest, baddest, most extreme juggling tricks you've ever seen. If you can rock a trick every time, it's probably TOO EASY! Watch the best jugglers in the world pull off huge tricks, gnarly moves, or just crash and burn. This is all about radical, cutting edge tricks; pushing the limits of creativity and possibility... and all you gotta do is pull it off ONCE (within the time limit, of course). Look for this competition at 4pm on Friday, July 21. More info, visit www.xjuggling.com or contact organizer Jack Kalvan, extreme@juggle.org.

JAZZ & JUGGLE

Organized by Michael Rosman and sponsored by the Laughter Arts Foundation, the Jazz & Juggle competition will be staged Thur., July 20. This year's artist will be Louis Armstrong (or any musician



born or raised in Portland, OR). Find a piece of music that features Armstrong (or a Portland musician, either as composer or performer), and choreograph a routine to the music. Any prop may be used. Solo and team entries welcome. Judging based on musical interpretation. Entry fee will be \$5. Cash awards will be \$100 for first place, \$75 for second, and \$50 for third. For information, contact jazzandjuggle@juggle.org.

GAMES OF THE IJA

The Games are always a festival favorite. Kick back in the gym and watch, or better yet, join in the fun. Questions or ideas? Contact the Games Director at games@juggle.org.

SHOWS

WELCOME PARTY & ROSE CITY REVUE

Eat and meet the Portland Jugglers! This area is home to a wonderful group of creative, talented folks who have promoted the circus arts in many ways over the years. They might be best known as the hosts of the renowned annual Portland Juggling Festival, often the largest regional juggling event in both Americas. Join us the evening of Mon., July 17, for a light supper buffet and a sampling of Northwest vaudeville hosted by JuggleMania's Rhys Thomas. Note: unlike previous years, this event will be NO EXTRA CHARGE for Event Package holders!

PLANTING THE JUGGLING SEED

On the morning of Tuesday, July 18, the on-site theater will fill with hundreds of local schoolchildren. This will be a wonderful opportunity to introduce the magic of the manipulative arts, on the stage of "Planting the Juggling Seed." After the show, the kids will get a juggling lesson and an opportunity to speak with professional jugglers. Interested in performing? Contact organizers Kim Laird and Rob Barowski at jugglingseed@juggle.org.

TRICKS OF LIGHT

NEW THIS YEAR! On Tuesday evening, the theater will be darkened and wild colors will fill the stage. Come be inspired by the newest glow prop artistry, and hang out after the show for music, showing off, and the chance to try out some of these high-tech toys yourself. Sponsored by Neon Husky; no extra fee. Interested in performing? Contact tricksoflight@juggle.org.

YOUTH SHOWCASE

This non-competitive event on Wednesday, July 19, will feature young performers up to age 18. Beginners and experienced jugglers are welcome... this is a great chance to try the stage for the first time. For more information on performing, email producer David Groth at youthshowcase@juggle.org.

CASCADE OF STARS

Friday, July 21, will be the day for our special guests to present their best work for us. Open to the public, this show will feature the Mud Bay Jugglers and Jérôme Thomas, plus a presentation by the students who have been taking the Master Class all week.

MIDNIGHT SHOWS

The popular Midnight Shows will be held at the Windows Lounge and Skyroom on the top floor of the Red Lion hotel (just a few short blocks from the OCC). Refreshing adult beverages and pub food will be available. Performer signups will be at the festival. Showtime is left as an exercise for the reader.



FAREWELL PARTY

This is an IJA-exclusive event on the evening of Saturday, July 22., that will feature dessert and drinks, the famous IJA Band (want to play along? email bruceplott@mindspring.com) performances, awards ... plus a few surprises to make the evening a truly memorable end to the 59th annual festival. Note: NO EXTRA CHARGE for Event Package holders!

AND MORE

WORKSHOPS

The festival will be packed with dozens of one-hour workshops each day from Tuesday morning to Saturday afternoon. Featuring a wide range of props, skill levels, and styles, all workshops are free and open to all festival participants (*note: except for the Master Class with Jérôme Thomas*). Have a workshop you'd like to see offered, or even better, want to teach one yourself? Email workshops@juggle.org.

IJA AUCTION

No item is too old — or too odd — for this year's annual auction! Donate an item by contacting auction@juggle.org, or just show up and bid on international juggling articles, props, memorabilia and photos. Proceeds will benefit the IJA Archives Fund.

VENDORS

The main gym will again be home to a wide variety of vendors, including props, clothing, jewelry, toys, books, videos and more. If you are interested in vending at the 2006 festival, please contact vendors@juggle.org for an application.



VOLUNTEERS

The IJA is an all-volunteer organization. This means we need YOU to help make the fest a smooth-running experience for all of us. If you can share even a few short hours helping at the registration desk, security, backstage or elsewhere, email festvolunteers@juggle.org.

DVDs

We got such a wonderful response to the deal for DVDs last year, we're going to do it again. Here's how it works: each person who signs up for an Event Package can also receive the Championships and Festival Highlights DVDs (produced by Alan Plotkin) for the cost of shipping and handling... only \$10. DVDs will be shipped in the fall of 2006.

REGISTRATION

• **Online:** Register and pay via the Internet using the IJA's secure registration form at www.juggle.org/festival.

• **Mail:** If you use the mail-in option, your registration form **MUST** be received by July 1, 2006. Send registration form, with either credit card information or a check payable to IJA, to:

IJA Registrar Jerry Martin
7336 Lyndale Avenue S
Richfield, MN 55423-3054
USA

• **Fax:** Fax the registration form with credit card information by July 1 to (612) 861-6726.

Questions about registration? Call Registrar Jerry Martin at (612) 309-1435, or email registrar@juggle.org.

DEADLINES

Full payment must accompany your registration.

• **Early Bird:** Register by April 15, 2006, and pay only \$149 for an Adult Event Package or \$99 for a Youth-Senior Event Package.

• **Advanced:** Register by June 1, 2006, and pay \$165/Adult, \$110/Youth-Senior.

• **Last Minute:** Register after June 1 (including at the festival), and pay \$180/Adult, \$125/Youth-Senior.

You will receive confirmation of your registration by email. On-site registration, daily admission, and individual event ticket purchases will take place at the festival gym.

QUESTIONS?

If you can't find an answer online at www.juggle.org/festival, then email the festival co-directors, Katje Sabin and Bill Gilliland, at festival2006@juggle.org, or call (816) 456-9014.

2006 IJA Festival Schedule of Events

Monday, July 17	Tuesday, July 18	Wednesday, July 19	Thursday, July 20	Friday, July 21	Saturday, July 22	Sunday, July 23
10am-5pm Registration	8am-5pm Registration Open Juggling	8am-5pm Registration Open Juggling	8am-5pm Registration Open Juggling	8am-5pm Registration Open Juggling	8am-5pm Registration Open Juggling	
FREE JUGGLING!	8am-Noon Juggling	9am-Noon Jérôme Thomas Workshop	9am-Noon Jérôme Thomas Workshop	9am-Noon Jérôme Thomas Workshop		FREE JUGGLING!
	9am Planting the Juggling Seed School Show	10-11am Affiliates Meeting		11am Auction		
	11am-4pm Stage Championships Preliminaries	Noon-2pm Annual IJA Business Meeting	Noon-2pm Jazz & Juggle Competition			
4-5pm Stage Championships Registration	3-5pm Individual Prop Competition	Noon-3:30pm Jrs. Rehearsal	2-6 pm Individuals/Teams Rehearsal	1pm Numbers Championships	12:30-4pm The Games of the IJA	
6pm Welcome Party & Rose City Revue		3:30-6pm Youth Showcase Rehearsal		4pm eXtreme Juggling	Big Toss-Up photo follows the Games	3pm Gym Closes: Bye! See you next year!
	8pm Tricks of Light	7pm Youth Showcase 9 pm Jrs. Championships	7pm Individuals/Teams Championships	8pm Cascade of Stars: Mud Bay Jugglers & Jérôme Thomas	8pm Farewell Party and Show	

All schedules and guests are subject to change without notice

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2006 IJA FESTIVAL PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

(Remember, you can register quickly, paperlessly and painlessly via the web at www.juggle.org/festival/.)

You must be an IJA member to register for the festival. If you're not a member or your membership expires before July 23, 2006, fill out the Membership section. (Check your magazine's mailing label for your membership expiration date.)

To register for everything except the special workshop, please choose an Event Package. If you choose an Event Package, you can pay \$10 extra to have the festival DVDs delivered to you when they are completed. Or you can choose items individually in the A La Carte section. If you're interested in the special Jérôme Thomas workshop, you must register for that separately. Within two weeks after you register, you'll get a confirmation email from the IJA. Your festival registration materials will await you at the IJA registration table at the fest in Portland. Questions? Visit www.juggle.org/festival/, or contact Registrar Jerry Martin, registrar@juggle.org, (612) 309-1435.

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Address _____		Email _____
City/State _____	Zip _____	Country _____

Member Status (please circle one): New Renew Individual Family Life Member

Family member 1	Year of birth
Family member 2	Year of birth
Family member 3	Year of birth
Family member 4	Year of birth

(Add any more family members on a separate sheet of paper.)

MEMBERSHIP

Each participant must be a current member to attend the IJA festival. You may join for multiple years.

Individual membership: 18 or older, includes 6 issues of JUGGLE magazine.

Youth membership: Anyone 17 or under, includes 6 issues of JUGGLE magazine. Youth members may not add Family Members.

Additional family members: Individual Members may add additional family members living at the same address for \$5 each.

All additional family members, except one, must be 22 or younger. Children 12 and under are free. Family members will not receive a separate copy of IJA publications.

	Years	Quantity	Total \$
Dues: Individual \$30 / Youth \$23 (all countries)			
Additional Family Members, \$5 each			
Life Membership \$1500			
Total Membership (US\$)			A

EVENT PACKAGE

Note: Event packages include everything listed in A La Carte EXCEPT the Jérôme Thomas workshop. A Youth is between the ages of 11 and 17. Kids 10 and under: free Gym Pass and half-price Show Tickets. Shirt sizes available are Adult S, M, L, XL, XXL (Add "Ladies" if you want a Ladies style... note that these run slightly small). If you want the Festival Highlights and Championships DVDs for \$10, indicate quantity below.

	Shirt Size	Quantity	Price	Total \$
Adult Event Package, if registered by 4/15/06			\$149	
Adult Event Package, after 4/15/06 and by 6/1/06			\$165	
Adult Event Package, after 6/1/06			\$180	
Total Adult Event Packages				B
Youth/Senior Event Package, if registered by 4/15/06			\$99	
Youth/Senior Event Package, after 4/15/06 and by 6/1/06			\$110	
Youth/Senior Event Package, after 6/1/06			\$125	
Total Youth/Senior (ages 11-17, 65+) Event Packages				C
Festival DVD 2-Pack (Limit 1 per Event Package)			\$10	D
Subtotal A + B + C + D				\$

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A LA CARTE

Adult Gym Admission

	Quantity	Total \$
Circle days: TUE WED THU FRI SAT Circle price: 5 days: \$110 4 days: \$90 3 days: \$70 2 days: \$50 1 day: \$30		

Youth (11-17)/Senior (65+) Gym Admission

Circle days: TUE WED THU FRI SAT Circle price: 5 days: \$60 4 days: \$50 3 days: \$40 2 days: \$30 1 day: \$20		
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Tickets (Kids are 10 and under)

		No. Adults	Adult Price	No. Kids	Kid Price	Total \$
Welcome Party/Show	Mon.		\$15		\$10	
Youth Showcase and Juniors Championships	Wed.		\$10		\$7	
Individuals/Teams Championships	Thu.		\$15		\$7	
Cascade of Stars Show	Fri.		\$15		\$10	
Farewell Party/Show	Sat.		\$15		\$5	

Miscellaneous

	Price	Quantity	Total \$
IJA Festival T-Shirt (Circle size: S M L XL XXL) Ladies? Y / N	\$15 each		
Jérôme Thomas Workshop	\$125		

Grand Total (US\$)	\$
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WAIVER/CONSENT

WAIVER/CONSENT TO PHOTOGRAPH AND VIDEO RECORDING: All registrants must sign the following WAIVER/ CONSENT to help the IJA continue to produce its annual festival and related videos and photographs. Thank you!

IN CONSIDERATION OF MY BEING ACCEPTED as a registrant with the right to participate in the 2006 annual festival of the International Jugglers' Association (IJA) in Portland, Oregon, USA, I, the undersigned registrant, hereby:

WAIVE any and all rights I may have against the IJA and any of its officers, directors, employees, agents or representatives, acting within the scope of their duties as such, to recover any claims, losses, damages or expenses of any kind asserted against, or suffered or incurred by me in any way arising out of or caused by an activity associated with the IJA Festival.

CONSENT to the making of filmed or digital photographs and videotape or digital image recordings of my person and my performances at the IJA Festival, as expressly authorized by IJA, and LICENSE IJA and its agents to register copyright in any such photographs and recordings in its own name and reproduce and distribute copies thereof. This consent and license shall not be construed as conveying any rights in the design or choreography of any performance of mine except for the photographs and recordings hereby authorized.

IJA Member Signature _____ Date _____

Family Member 1 _____ Date _____

Family Member 2 _____ Date _____

Family Member 3 _____ Date _____

Family Member 4 _____ Date _____

PAYMENT

Please include a check for the Grand Total amount made out to the IJA, or fill in the credit card information below.

Circle one: VISA MasterCard Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

3-digit Security Code (from back of card) _____ Name on Card _____

Signature _____

Mail to: **IJA Registrar Jerry Martin, 7336 Lyndale Avenue South, Richfield, MN 55423-3054**

or fax to: **(612) 861-6726**, and wait for your email confirmation (within 2 weeks of receipt).

Thank you for registering for the 59th Annual International Jugglers' Association Festival.

See you in Portland!

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