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## Chair's message, *by Nathan Wakefield*

It's been about a month, and I am still reeling from the great experience of the 2015 IJA Festival. This was another great year, filled with amazing performances, incredible shows, and unforgettable experiences, all set in the breathtakingly beautiful area of Quebec City.

Special thanks go to Veronique Provencher and her festival team for putting together such an amazing event this year. Pictured at the fest below left are, left to right, Noel Yee (Board member), Veronique Provencher (fest director), Nathan Wakefield (Board Chair) and Andreanne Lafleur Caouette (fest show director).



Next year, the IJA will be going to El Paso, Texas. We are pleased to announce that longtime IJA supporter and volunteer Jim Maxwell (pictured above right) will be the 2016 Festival Director. He is already hard at work to make next year the best it can be and is very much hitting the ground running.

Regarding next year, we made a major announcement at the Cascade of Stars show this year that IJA anonymous donor iiWii is funding a daily free brunch for all attendees at the El Paso festival! But that's just the tip of the iceberg; iiWii is also donating \$25,000 to increase the prize money for the 2016 IJA Stage Championships! To make matters even more interesting, while we were preparing for that announcement at the festival, we received word that another anonymous donor known as Unna Med (who generously funded the Awesomeness Fund this year), also wanted to add money to the Championships pot to even it out for Teams, resulting in a total of over \$35,000 in Stage Championships prize money for next year's fest!

Never in IJA competition history has there been anywhere near this much prize money, and we are extremely grateful to our donors iiWii and Unna Med for making this happen. We are thrilled not just to be able to reward those who win for all their hard work and dedication, but also in anticipation that next year's Championships will bring out competitors that you normally would not see, creating absolutely the best juggling competition lineup possible. In any event, you do not want to miss the 2016 IJA Championships in El Paso!

## 2016 IJA Festival in El Paso, Texas, July 25-31

The 69th Annual IJA Festival will be held in El Paso, Texas, July 25-31, 2016. For the first time in history, the IJA will be bringing its week of world championships, learning, fun, laughs, excitement and world-class juggling to the Lone Star State of Texas! Yes, that lone star below shows where El Paso is, at the western tip of Texas.



El Paso will be a great host city for this amazing week. Jugglers coming to El Paso for the festival will enjoy a fun, hassle-free week, with all of the festival venues just steps away from each other in a clean, safe downtown core.

*Here's what's coming up for the 2016 festival in El Paso:*

- Affordable special IJA Festival rates at three clean, safe, modern, first-class comfortable hotel choices, all of them super-close to the festival venues: Camino Real El Paso, Doubletree Hotel El Paso Downtown, Holiday Inn Express El Paso Central.
- The huge, modern El Paso Convention Center juggling space with spacious separate workshop rooms and a giant sun-shaded plaza for outdoor events, all just steps from the Camino Real, our headquarters hotel.
- The truly spectacular Plaza Theater, as the setting for the IJA Stage Championships, the Cascade of Stars and the Welcome Show, just across the street from the Convention Center and the Camino Real hotel.
- A great, spacious all-ages venue for Club Renegade, located less than 200 feet from the door of the Camino Real.
- Juggling Championships at the NCAA Division I high-quality Kidd Field track at nearby UTEP.
- Airline connections to over 600 cities worldwide on every major US airline through El Paso International Airport, including 25+ daily flights on Southwest Airlines, the world's largest discount carrier.

*Plus this special enhancement to the 2016 festival:*

- **Free brunch for all registered jugglers**, all week long! Thanks to the generous support of IJA donor iiWii, all registered festival attendees will be able to enjoy a free brunch every day, Tuesday through Saturday, during the festival!



2016 IJA Festival video trailer: [https://www.youtube.com/embed/SR1FP\\_6z8as](https://www.youtube.com/embed/SR1FP_6z8as)

## 2016 Championships:

### Big prize money, April 1 entry deadline

There's going to be a lot more prize money given out to the Championships medalists at the 2016 IJA fest in El Paso, thanks to generous support from anonymous donors iiWii and Unna Med. Over **\$35,000** will be on the line! That includes **\$10,000** for the IJA Individuals gold medalist and **\$10,000** for the winning IJA Team!

*Start working on your routine now!* The **deadline** for entering the Championships, including submitting a video of your full act, is **April 1, 2016**. That's a bit earlier than in the past, so don't let it sneak up on you.

**2016**

## **HUGE PRIZE MONEY INCREASE in El Paso for Championships!**

### **Individuals:**

**1st: \$10,000**

**2nd: \$4,000**

**3rd: \$2,000**

### **Teams:**

**1st: \$10,000**

**2nd: \$4,000**

**3rd: \$2,000**

### **Juniors:**

**1st: \$2,000**

**2nd: \$800**

**3rd: \$400**



**Courtesy of our generous anonymous donors  
iiWii and Unna Med**

**Free fest brunch Tuesday - Saturday thanks to iiWii**



# ***Congratulations to our 2015 Championships medalists!***

## **Teams**

**Gold**  
**kentokaito**



**Silver**  
**Jugheads**



**Bronze**  
**The Blingling Bros**

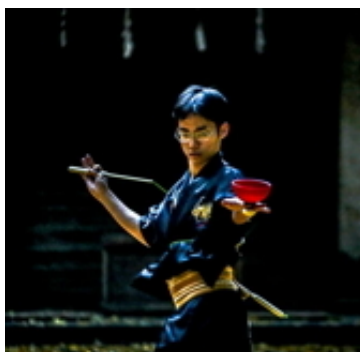


## **Individuals**

**Gold**  
**Yusaku Mochizuki**



**Silver**  
**Yosuke Ubukata**

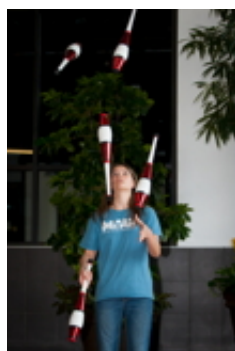


**Bronze**  
**Kento Tanioka**

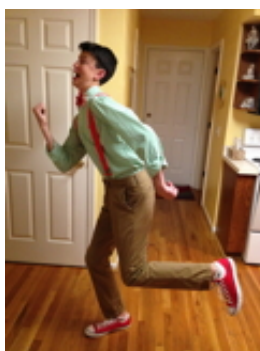


## **Juniors**

**Gold**  
**Delaney Bayles**



**Silver**  
**Max Poff**



**Bronze**  
**Daniel Van Hoomissen**



# 2013 Fest DVD 2-Pack now available from the new IJA Store

At last the 2013 IJA Festival DVD 2-Pack is available for purchase, from the new IJA Store. The price is \$30 for members (\$40 for non-members). To get the member price, sign in at:

[ym.juggle.org](http://ym.juggle.org)

(If you haven't signed in before, [reset your password](#).) Once you are signed in, go to:

[ym.juggle.org/store/ListProducts.aspx?catid=449785](http://ym.juggle.org/store/ListProducts.aspx?catid=449785)

We have DVDs for sale from the IJA fests in: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012 and 2013. Each year includes two DVDs and roughly two hours of video.



## Use Amazon Smile to bring donations to the IJA at no extra cost

If you buy things from Amazon, you can help the IJA by signing up on Amazon to have a small amount from each purchase donated to the IJA -- at no extra cost to you.

The Amazon Smile program allows you to specify any non-profit registered with Amazon -- such as the IJA -- to receive 0.5% of each Amazon Smile purchase you make. You pay the same amount, whether or not you use Amazon Smile, so you might as well smile on the IJA.

To select the IJA as your Amazon Smile non-profit, go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and log in to your Amazon account. You'll be asked what charity you want to support, and you can choose the International Jugglers' Association Inc.

Then use **smile.amazon.com** to search for and order stuff instead of [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), and the IJA will automatically receive a bit of your purchase price, without affecting your cost.

(Hint: If you start an Amazon search without using the Smile URL, just edit the resulting URL in your browser's address field at any time before you check out by changing 'www.amazon.com' to 'smile.amazon.com'. That will ensure the IJA gets a portion of the total you pay, again without any extra cost to you.)

# Call for Marketing Bids, *by Erin Stephens*

The International Jugglers' Association (IJA) is inviting Marketing Companies to submit a bid by September 15th, to assist in the organization's branding and website transition. This bid will cover the expenses involved in hiring your company to conduct the following services:

- General Marketing Consultation
- Brand Evaluation and Development
- Template Based Website Design through "Your Membership" - No Coding
- Content Transition from Old Website
- Copywriting of Web Pages

Get to know our organization by looking at our online resources:

## Websites Involved in Transition

Old - [www.juggle.org](http://www.juggle.org)

New - [ym.juggle.org](http://ym.juggle.org)

eZine - [www.ejuggle.org](http://www.ejuggle.org)

## Social Media

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/InternationalJugglersAssociation](http://www.facebook.com/InternationalJugglersAssociation)

Youtube: [www.youtube.com/ijavideos](http://www.youtube.com/ijavideos)

Instagram: [www.instagram.com/ija\\_jugglers](http://www.instagram.com/ija_jugglers)

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/IntJugglersAssn>

Get to know "Your Membership":

Website: [www.yourmembership.com](http://www.yourmembership.com)

YM Website Examples: [http://www.google.com/?](http://www.google.com/?gws_rd=ssl#safe=off&q=Membership+Management+Software+Powered+by+YourMembership.com)

[gws\\_rd=ssl#safe=off&q=Membership+Management+Software+Powered+by+YourMembership.com](http://www.google.com/?gws_rd=ssl#safe=off&q=Membership+Management+Software+Powered+by+YourMembership.com)

Please submit all bids proposals and portfolios to [stephens@juggle.org](mailto:stephens@juggle.org), no later than 11:59pm PT on September 15, 2015. We look forward to hearing from you.

## Board election results

In not much of a surprise, the three people nominated to run for the Board were all elected at the festival, namely **Shivella Schwab**, **Noel Yee** and **Marvin Ong**. The four continuing Board members are **Nathan Wakefield** (Chair), **Warren Hammond**, **Louie Skaradek** and **Bob Neuman**. We want to thank them all for being willing to serve the IJA. **You** might want to consider helping out by running for the Board next year! It's just a thought....



# Call for volunteer IJA officers

Until about September 15, the IJA Board of Directors will be accepting "Letters of Interest" (via email) from people desiring to fill one of the IJA volunteer officer positions. The positions have a variety of focuses and require a minimum of a one year commitment. Officers help to direct the activity of the organization and bring fresh and dynamic ideas to the Board regarding their particular area of focus.

Below is a list of IJA officers and a link to the web page of job descriptions. Look them over. And if you have an idea for a useful new position to add, let us know your thoughts.

**IJA Officers** -- See job descriptions at: <http://www.juggle.org/business/jobdescriptions>

Affiliates Director  
Archives Director  
Canadian Rep  
Chief Teller  
Communications Director  
eJuggle Editor  
eNewsletter Editor  
European Rep  
Festival Director  
Fundraising Director  
Future Festivals Site Coordinator  
Graphic Design Coordinator  
International Liaison  
Marketing Director  
Membership Director  
Mentor Program Liaison  
Merchandise Distributor  
Mexican Rep  
Roster Wrangler  
Store Manager  
Treasurer  
Video Coordinator  
Volunteer Coordinator  
Webmaster

If you would like to submit a letter of interest for any of the positions, please include the following:

- Your name.
- Position(s) you are interested in.
- Qualifications you have for the position(s).
- Ideas or strategies you plan to enact while serving as an officer.

Submit your letter no later than September 15, by emailing it to: [ija.board@juggle.org](mailto:ija.board@juggle.org).

If you are currently one of these IJA officers, please let the Board know by email to the above address whether you're interested in continuing in your role. Thanks.

The IJA Board will select the officer they think best fits each position. Whether or not you are selected as an official IJA Officer, the Board is excited to find a good fit for you as a volunteer within the organization.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Board Chair Nathan Wakefield at: [wakefield@juggle.org](mailto:wakefield@juggle.org).



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## **Latest articles in eJuggle**

[Dream Tricks Challenge: Part 1 - The Results](#) by David Cain

[IJA - Tricks Of the Month 2015 - America Latina - Lxs Pibxs: Invierno en Baires](#) by Jorge Vilchis

[The Mowatts - Groundbreaking Club Jugglers](#) by David Cain

["Drop Everything" podcast with host Dan Holzman: interview with Matt Hall](#) by Daniel Holzman

[How Time Flies - When 5 Clubs & 7 Balls Went From Rare To Commonplace](#) by Scott A Cain

[2014 IJA Regional Competition - Mexico](#) by Erin Stephens

[Magnus Nicholls - Juggling Legend Or Juggling Myth?](#) by David Cain

[IJA Tricks of the Month -- Canada -- August 2015 -- The New Conformity](#) by IJA Tricks of the Month

[Juggler's Scoop - August 10th, 2015](#) by Nathan Wakefield

# Upcoming Juggling Festivals

For a list of even more festivals, check the worldwide juggling event listings on our website at: [www.juggle.org/events](http://www.juggle.org/events).

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.

## **Broxford - The Number 1 Juggling Convention**

September 12 - 20, 2015  
Garsington, Oxfordshire, UK  
[www.broxford.co.uk](http://www.broxford.co.uk)

## **1st Croatian Juggling Convention**

September 17 - 20, 2015  
Zagreb, Croatia  
[www.zongliranje.com.hr/index\\_en.html](http://www.zongliranje.com.hr/index_en.html)

## **Lopez JuggleFest 2015**

September 18 - 20, 2015  
Lopez Island, WA  
[www.facebook.com/events/800269000080011/](https://www.facebook.com/events/800269000080011/)

## **Cleveland Circus Juggling Festival**

September 25 - 27, 2015  
Cleveland, OH  
[sites.google.com/a/case.edu/juggling/cleveland-cirus](http://sites.google.com/a/case.edu/juggling/cleveland-cirus)

## **Portland Juggling Festival**

September 25 - 27, 2015  
Portland, OR  
[www.portlandjugglers.com](http://www.portlandjugglers.com)

## **Kansas City Juggling Festival**

October 2 - 4, 2015  
Kansas City, MO  
[kansascityjugglingclub.com/fest/2015/index.html](http://kansascityjugglingclub.com/fest/2015/index.html)

## **Philly Fest 2015**

October 3 - 4, 2015  
Philadelphia, PA  
[www.phillyjugglers.com](http://www.phillyjugglers.com)

## **St. Louis JuggleFest 2015**

October 9 - 11, 2015  
St. Louis, MO  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/661138894020652/>

## **Japan Juggling Festival 2015**

October 10 - 12, 2015  
Fukushima, Japan  
[www.juggling.jp/jjf/jjf2015/en/index.html](http://www.juggling.jp/jjf/jjf2015/en/index.html)

**5-3-1 Festival of New Juggling in Helsinki**

October 16 - 18, 2015

Helsinki, Finland

[www.531festival.com](http://www.531festival.com)

**Not Quite Pittsburgh Juggling Festival VIII**

Nov 6 - 8, 2015

Sewickley, PA

[www.allinjest.com/jugglingfestclub.html](http://www.allinjest.com/jugglingfestclub.html)

**Grassroots Juggling Festival**

Nov 6 - 8, 2015

Ottumwa, IA

[www.facebook.com/events/487400444731285](https://www.facebook.com/events/487400444731285)