

The Chainletter

An e-newsletter by and for the escape community



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Escapes Cancer!

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Why hold a Championship? by Stuart Burrell



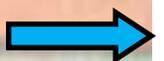
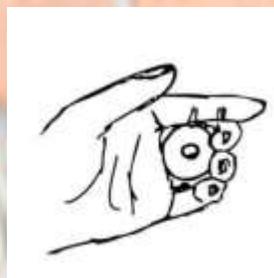
I am reminded about the example of how people measure things. We know that a Dolphin is intelligent but if we measure or test it on its ability to climb a tree we would come to the conclusion that it is not very smart....I often think there is an Eddie Izzard routine in there somewhere.

We are dolphin in an art form of gifted apes.

When you audition for a magic club, be it a local society or a national club, or you enter competitions for national conventions the rules are the same, the slights of hand, the palming, with the actual acting being somewhere 5th or 6th on the list.



So, for an escape artist to register well, we need to be bad enough for a judge to spot the key or fake it so they think they have.



I have three routines where I contrive to make it look like I have palmed a lock or swapped a cuff.



The tragedy is that we should not have to do that but it is like going to a gym.

You are all in the same gym but one is there for body building, one for

stamina and the other is power lifting / cross fit. Same equipment, same exercises but they have nothing else in common.

Which is why I suggested that championship...



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ESCAPE ARTIST TO DROWN IN ALLEGHENY RIVER



AWARD-WINNING ESCAPE
ARTIST MICHAEL GRIFFIN
RETURNS TO PITTSBURGH:
WEIGHTED DOWN WITH
SHACKLES AND CHAIN WILL

SHAKE HIS FIST AT GRIM REAPER, FROM THE
BOTTOM OF THE MIGHTY ALLEGHENY
THROWN FROM THE OAKMONT YACHT CLUB.

PITTSBURGH, PA. (MICHAEL GRIFFIN) AUG 20,
2019 — 2 Time World Magic Award Winning
Escape Artist Michael Griffin is returning to the
Oaks Theater, as a special event Griffin will get
wrapped up in handcuffs, 30
pounds of chain attached to a
cinder block and make a daring
dive to death at the bottom of
the river Friday, Aug 23 1:00
pm at the Oakmont Yacht Club,
permission was granted by Gino Gattone the
Commodore of the oldest inland yacht club in
the United States, the club celebrates 116
years in existence and according to sources
not even Houdini dared the Allegheny.



This is the same stunt that killed an Indian
magician two months ago who ironically was
imitating Griffin's own Death Dive.

.If Griffin survives ticket holders can be a part
of his audience interactive show with a lot of
new surprises claiming its Bigger, Better,
*Funner, Aug 24 at 7:30 pm in the Oaks
Theater located at 310 Allegheny River Blvd,
Oakmont, PA.

WHO: Michael Griffin Escape Artist

WHAT: Death Dive

WHEN: Friday, Aug 23, 2019, at 1:00 pm

WHERE: The Oakmont Yacht Club, 11
Washington Ave, Oakmont, PA. 15139

About Michael Griffin

Performing astonishing escapes and setting
records around the World for over two
decades, 2-time World Magic Award Winning
Master of Escape, Michael Griffin is
considered the Greatest Living Escape Artist.
He is the ONLY escape artist to ever survive a
hanging on the back of a horse with thirteen-
knot Hangman's Noose in 52 seconds!

What's the secret? It's Griffin's strong mind,
conviction, heart, and belief. "I do not use
drugs or alcohol. I never have and I never will.
I simply do not believe in their illusion, nor the
illusion of negative thinking which is the
toughest straitjacket we will ever face; but, if
you put your mind to it, and you believe in
yourself, you will always escape". Information
about Michael Griffin can be found at
www.escapeguy.com.



"Wild about Harry"

John Cox' Houdini web site

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