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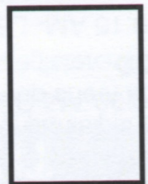
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Vent Haven ConVENTion 2018

341 Papaya Circle
Barefoot Bay, FL 32976
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July 18 - 21
2018
in Erlanger, KY



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"Jacko" the Monkey is the official mascot of the Vent Haven ConVENTion. See the "real" puppet Jacko at the Vent Haven Museum.

Plan to Attend the World's Best Vent Happening!

"THE POWER OF FUNNY!"

DO YOU HAVE "THE POWER OF FUNNY" WORKING FOR YOU?

It's a GREAT thing to use your ventriloquial talents to entertain, to bring joy to an audience, and Vent Haven ConVENTion 2018 wants to be your partner in this endeavor. That's why we have put together the BEST lectures, workshops, and shows to train you to use the "funny".

"The Power of Funny" means you can learn from JEFF DUNHAM in his brand new lecture on this topic; watch JIM BARBER as he teaches you how to channel your funny ideas into "The Business of Vent"; and one of our favorite funny men, BOB RUMBA, will show you in a hands-on lecture how to get the most from your funny, yet meaningful, photos.

You can also learn "the funny" by watching the acts of top pros. On our Saturday night "All-Star" show we have award-winning JAY JOHNSON doing the MC chores; and the talented KEITH HADDRILL, PHIL HUGHES, and returning to our stage from Australia, DARREN CARR.

Our dealers' rooms will have 30-plus vendors showing off their wares, and you can purchase anything from soft puppets and hard figures to script books and memorabilia from vent days long ago. Is this ConVENTion going to be fun, educational, and a vent community family reunion? You bet! Come join the fun!

Mark Wade

Mark Wade, Executive Director



JUNIOR/SENIOR OPEN MIC INFO

- Each category will have 8 participants, with two alternates in each division. To apply for one of the eight spots the attendee must email the Executive Director at kidshowvent@gmail.com on **March 7, 2018 by 10 AM Eastern Standard Time in the United States**. The first 8 messages the Executive Director receives at 10 AM requesting entrance in the respective Open Mic session will be accepted, with two alternates also being accepted. The order of the lists will be determined by the way they are received in the Executive Director's email inbox.
- The time limit will be 5 minutes for a routine.
- After the performer completes his or her routine they will be lead to the front of the stage by the MC to receive their comments.
- We will have three critique officials who will sit up front and review each performance and all three officials will give the performer comments for improvement and encouragement. A spot up front will be provided for the performer's designated videographer or camera person to record ONLY that person's performance and comments. Immediately after this performer has received his or her comments, the video person must vacate the designated seat for the next performer's video person.
- A ballot for a "People's Choice Award" will be given to each person ATTENDING the open mic session to vote for their top TWO favorites in each division. These ballots will be given out at the door and will be turned in to the Hospitality people who will be collecting the ballots. You cannot leave and then return to the session with your ballot. The ballots will be tallied by the critique officials.
- The first place winners in each division will be given \$50.00 vouchers to be spent in the dealers' rooms, while the second place will receive \$25.00 vouchers for use in the dealers' rooms. All participants will be given a "Certificate of Participation".
- ANY campaigning beforehand will result in the participant in question being disqualified from winning.
- Good Luck to all and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Executive Director Mark Wade at kidshowvent@gmail.com

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Vent Haven ConVENTion 2018 - Schedule of Events

Vent Haven Museum Open to those who drive 10 AM - 1 PM on Wednesday Only

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

- 3:00 PM- Registration Opens
- 4:00 PM- First Timers Orientation
- 4:45 PM- Sign Up for General Open Mic w/ Bob Rumba
- 5:00-7:00 PM- DINNER
- 7:00 PM- Official Opening with John S. "Brook" Brooking, President of VH Museum, and Mark Wade, Executive Director of Vent Haven ConVENTion
- 7:15 PM- "BIG WEDNESDAY NIGHT SHOW" MC- Marty Hahne with Neale Bacon, Diana Rockwell, and Al Moessinger
- 9:00 PM- Vent 101 or "Introduction to Vent" w/ Liz Von Seggen
- 9:00 PM-Midnight - Dealers' Rooms Open

THURSDAY, JULY 19

- 9:00 AM-Greeting from Mark Wade, Executive Director of Vent Haven ConVENTion
- 9:15 AM- LECTURE: "The Business of Vent" with Jim Barber
- 10:30 AM- LECTURE: "Setting Up Publicity Shots Live" with Bob Rumba
- 11:45-1:00 PM- LUNCH - Dealers' Rooms Open
- 1:15-2:30 PM- JUNIOR OPEN MIC- MC- Dale Brown
- 3:00-4:15 PM- SENIOR OPEN MIC- MC- Jerry Layne
- 4:30 PM- LECTURE: "The Power of Funny" with Jeff Dunham
- 5:45-7:00 PM- DINNER - Dealers' Rooms Open
- 7:00 PM- "SUPER THURSDAY NIGHT SHOW" with MC- David Crone with Dan Sachoff, Trish Dunn, and Nick Pawlow
- 9:00 PM- LECTURE: "10.5 Ways to Make the Media Work for You!" with Al Getler
- 10:30 PM-Midnight - GENERAL OPEN MIC with MC Bob Rumba
- 10:30 PM-Midnight - Dealers' Rooms Open

FRIDAY, JULY 20

- 9:00-10:30 AM- Junior Vent University with Gary Owen and Lynn Trefzger-Joy
- 9:00-10:15 AM- Blockbuster Workshops -
 - "Creating Character Voices" - Shane West
 - "Voicing the Gospel" - Liz Von Seggen
 - "Fully-Loaded" - Hard Figure Care & Repair - Austin Phillips and Tyler Ellis

FRIDAY, JULY 20 cont.

- 10:30-11:45 AM- Repeat of Blockbuster Workshops
- 12:15 - GROUP PHOTO (outside - weather permitting)
- 12:30-1:45 PM- LUNCH - Dealers' Rooms Open
- 1:45-3:00 PM- 2nd Group of Blockbuster Workshops
 - "Extending the Life of Your Soft Puppet" - Mary Ann and Melissa Taylor
 - "Comedy Club Experiences" - Jake LaMarca and Jeffery Goltz
 - "Working the Library Market" - Tom Crowl and Mark Wade
- 3:15-4:30 PM- Repeat of 2nd Group of Blockbuster Workshops
- 4:45-5:45 PM- Vent Haven Museum - UPDATE
- 5:45-7:30 PM- DINNER - Dealers' Rooms Open
- 7:30 PM- "INTERNATIONAL SHOW" MC - Stevo Schuling (Germany) with Warley Santana (Brazil), Sari Aalto (Finland) and Colin Dymond (United Kingdom)
- 9:00 PM- Vent Haven Raffle
- 10:15 PM-Midnight - GENERAL OPEN MIC - MC Bob Rumba
- 10:15 PM-Midnight - Dealers' Rooms Open

SATURDAY, JULY 21

- 9:00 AM-NOON- Tours to The Vent Haven Museum
- 12:00-1:30 PM- LUNCH - Dealers' Rooms Open
- 1:30-2:45 PM- International Panel Discussion- with Moderator Stevo Schuling / Warley Santana (Brazil); Sari Aalto (Finland); Colin Dymond (United Kingdom)
- 3:00 - 4:45 PM - Round Table Discussion - "How DO You Find the Funny?" - Moderator Ken Groves with Dan Horn, Pete Michaels, Mark Wade, and Tom Crowl
- 4:45 - 7:00 PM- DINNER - Dealers' Rooms Open
- 7:00 PM- ALL STAR SHOW - MC Jay Johnson with Keith Haddrill; Phil Hughes; Darren Carr
- 8:30 PM-Midnight - Dealers' Rooms Open

Please Note: Events can sometimes change at the last minute and that causes the schedule to be altered slightly. In the unlikely event that something does change, we will make every effort to be sure you, in the Vent Community, are informed. Thanks!

ConVENTion Location

The Vent Haven ConVENTion site is at the Cincinnati Airport Holiday Inn, 1717 Airport Exchange Blvd, Erlanger, KY 41018

TO REGISTER FOR YOUR ROOM: To be eligible to get a room at our special rate of \$112 plus tax per night at the Cincinnati Airport Holiday Inn, you must first be fully registered for the ConVENTion. You can either mail in the registration, along with the fees, or go to venthavenconvention.com and use PayPal to register. After we receive payment we will send you a confirmation email that will give you a passkey code. The room reservations are being handled by the Northern Kentucky Visitor and Convention Bureau, and makes sure you will be in the main hotel instead of an overflow hotel.

Dealers' Rooms

Vent Haven ConVENTion 2018 is pleased to announce that we will again have TWO full Dealers' Rooms available with over 25 Vent Dealers on hand. The two rooms are located on each end of the International Ball Room: Rooms V and VI and Rooms I and II.

Driving / Flight Information

The ConVENTion site (Cincinnati Airport Holiday Inn) is located in Northern Kentucky, just eight miles south of Cincinnati, Ohio. If you're driving up from the south, take I-75 North and then take I-275 West for one mile. Then Exit 2 to the hotel. From the north, take I-75 South until you get to I-275 West, go west one mile and take Exit 2. The nearest airport is the Greater Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky International Airport. (Shuttle Phone 859-371-2233) The hotel is three miles away and offers a free shuttle service to and from the airport.

Additional Open Mic Info

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE CHANGES in registration for the Junior & Senior Open Mic. PLEASE REVIEW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY!!

NO LONGER WILL WE BE TAKING RESERVATIONS BY MAIL...To be eligible to be in the Junior/Senior Open Mic:

- You must be a fully-paid attendee
- The registration will be done by EMAIL

On **Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 10:00 AM EST (U.S.A.)** you can email me your request to be in the Junior or Senior Open Mic Sessions. I will make up the list by the first 8 people in each category that I receive on March 7 (plus 2 alternates will be added to each list).

DO NOT EMAIL ME IN ADVANCE as I will open my email on that morning at 10:00 AM. This is the most fair way to do this as we have overseas attendees who want to participate but could not get in due to slow delivery time of their regular mail. You can sign up for our **General Open Mic** when you arrive. To give more people a chance to perform, we have two different open mic times with 10 participants in each session...20 in all. There will be a sign-up sheet at our reservation area, so look for it when you register. **GOOD LUCK TO ALL!**

Mark Wade's Email Address is:
kidshowvent@gmail.com

Cancellation Policy

All registrations and Dealers' Tables must be paid in full prior to ConVENTion 2018.

No refunds can be made after June 1, 2018

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Pre-Registration Form

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Registration Rate: **\$145.00 (U.S.)**
for the principal family member and
\$100.00 for each immediate family member.

You can pay via PayPal by visiting
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*Registration after May 15, 2018
is \$160.00 / \$120.00 respectively*

No Refunds after June 1, 2018 - Sorry!

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State / Prov. _____

Zip / Postal Code _____ Country _____

Email address _____

- Enclosed is the pre-registration fee of \$ _____
Make checks payable to Vent Haven ConVENTion 2018
- Day Rate: \$60.00 (U.S.) per person, per day
(if less than entire convention)
- Enclosed is \$100.00 (U.S.) to reserve one DEALERS' TABLE
(plus _____ additional table(s) at \$85.00 each) 2 Tables Only
- I am attending for the first time

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