

Sorcerer's Circle

International Brotherhood of Magicians
Ring #129, Heart of America Ring

Objective:

To recognize and honor those members who exemplify the term "Active Member of Ring #129". Members who through word and deed support Ring #129 and its activities and promote Magic wherever they go.

Criteria for achieving Sorcerer's Circle Award:

Sorcerer's Circle status is achieved through the accumulation of points, which are issued in several different areas of club participation:

- Attendance – Club Meetings, Lectures, Board Meetings, Auction, Banquets
- Performance – Monthly Close-up or Stage contests or Open Performance
- Performance – Club Show, Mini Lecture, Teach a Trick
- Bringing a Guest or finding a New Member
- Conventions – Local, International, other
- Charity Shows
- Publicity – must mention Ring 129 and/or IBM
- Serving as a Ring officer or committee member

The number of points needed in any given year to achieve the Sorcerer's Circle award will vary based on the number of Ring #129 activities planned for that calendar year.

In order to make application for membership in Sorcerer's Circle the candidate must be over 18 years of age, a member in good standing of both Ring #129 and the International Brotherhood of Magicians for three consecutive years.

Note – Membership, benefits and rights to participate in Sorcerer's Circle events shall be suspended in the event the member is not current with Local and International dues.

Reinstatement of former members will be considered by the Sorcerer's Circle Committee upon receipt of a written request from said member indicating compliance with the dues requirement.

Honorary Membership:

Honorary admission to the Sorcerer's Circle must be recommended by the Sorcerers Circle committee and approved by a simple majority of Ring #129 Board of Directors and the number of such awards shall be limited to two in a calendar year.

Award Ceremony

The Sorcerer's Circle Medallions and Stars will be awarded at the Stage Magician of the Year Banquet.

Benefits of Sorcerer's Circle Membership:

- Priority seating at the Ring's meetings, lectures and special events
- Reduced rate on published ticket price for lectures and other special events
- Special sessions for Sorcerer's Circle members only
 - Dining with Guest Lecturers
 - Special receptions and outings
- Recognition among your peers that you are actively helping Ring #129 be the finest Ring in all of IBM

Sorcerer's Circle Committee:

This committee will consist of five Ring #129 members in good standing who have achieved Sorcerer's Circle status. Committee members must have been members of the Local Ring for at least ten years or have served as President of the Local Ring. Sorcerer's Circle committee members will be elected by the Ring's Executive Board and will serve a term of three years. The three-year terms will be staggered in order to achieve continuity on the committee. At the end of their term the committee member shall be replaced by another qualified member of the Ring or petitions the board of Ring 129 to be re-nominated for another three years. There shall be a maximum term limit of 6 years for any committee member, but after being off the committee for one year a member may seek re-nomination.

Any committee member not participating with the committee on a regular basis or missing a series of meetings without notifying the committee of their planned absence can be asked to withdraw from the committee to make room for another member. The request for withdrawal will come from the President of Ring 129 after approval by the SC committee and a simple majority of the Board of Directors.

The Sorcerer's Circle committee shall have a chairperson who has been elected by the committee members and the selection of said chairperson shall occur yearly. The function of the chairperson is to call meetings, serve as moderator for discussions and serve as liaison with the Board of Directors for Ring #129.

Duties of the Sorcerer's Circle committee members:

This committee shall be responsible for guiding the further development of Sorcerer's Circle events and activities:

- Establishing and publishing points needed to qualify for each calendar year
- Manage the roster of established SC members
- Qualify new applicants for membership
- Develop activities that strengthen the fellowship among SC members
- Explore new activities in which SC members can further help the club
 - Example - Develop a Mentoring program that places a SC member with new Ring #129 members to help them assimilate into the Ring through introduction to other members and/or as a sounding board for their questions.
- Insure that the forms and criteria for membership are brought to the attention of the general membership on a regular basis (Quarterly?) as a form of encouragement for them to strive to attain SC status.