

RAFAEL BENATAR

Rafael Benatar was born in Venezuela and lives in Spain. He is one of the most active members of the Escuela Mágica de Madrid and one of the foremost writers and lecturers in the Spanish-speaking scene. He is also a columnist for Genii Magazine and one of the few magicians that performs regularly in all the showrooms of the Magic Castle.

He has translated many classics of magic into Spanish, including the works of Corinda, Kaplan and Giobbi. He has also translated the works of Ascanio and Juan Tamariz into English and is presently a columnist for Genii magazine.

Rafael Benatar is a recipient of the Linking Ring Parade of the Year Award from the IBM, the Ascanio Award as close-up magician of the year, the Sharing Secrets award from Magicana, and two nominations from the Academy of Magical Arts as Lecturer of the Year.

He performs at theaters, corporate and private events, and has lectured, in five languages, in more than 300 cities of the world.



ABOUT THE LECTURE

Rafael Benatar's lecture will include commercial and practical items from his working repertoire, including close-up and stand-up material and his latest update on his well-known cups and balls routine, with new insight on this classic.

His explanations will be full of practical advice that can help raise the level of all the magic you do, such as scripting, management, and handling of volunteers.

***Ascanio:** Rafael is, without any doubt, a master of that weapon, so difficult to handle, but so greatly efficient, which is timing.*

***Martin Nash:** Rafael is not only an excellent performer and entertainer but, even more important, has a thorough understanding of his craft.*

***Billy McComb:** He does it all better than all the rest.*

***Charles Reynolds (Genii Magazine):** Benatar's profound study of the psychology of magic and his undeniable technical expertise are not the sole secrets of his success. He possesses that essential factor that separates the outstanding magician from all the others: charm. He will amaze and astonish you but you are so charmed by his personality that you could not possibly resent it.*

***Michael Skinner:** Rafael has a real flair for presentation and his sleights are as smooth as silk. He is well read in card magic, has a fine appearance and a charming personality.*

***Juan Tamariz:** Great hands, great intelligence, great feeling.*

***Herb Zarrow:** Personable, intelligent and creative. I most certainly recommend seeing his lectures and reading his published material.*

