

#3 - Reply to Jonathan Kamm

"Hey Jonathan,

Saying your method is better than someone else's (read: "It's a fact mine is way better") or telling your supporters that they need to get their eyes examined because of factors that have absolutely nothing to do with the actual method certainly don't quite add to anyone's professionalism. Instead, when saying that the professional world for the most part is like a big family it means such statements are absolutely not-done.

I have said this before but when Richard made the forum thread there were people who disagreed with it till the moment you joined the discussion yourself and added value to anything he wrote. You are a great magician and we've never doubted that but when such things happen it should be an obvious tell of something being wrong. That is at least how we see it but to each their own I suppose.

We judge everyone equally and don't make any difference between professionals and amateurs which is exactly what makes our community what it is. It is also what people don't like at other communities where so called professionals think they are better and have more rights than anyone else. Yes, the professional world for the most part is like a big family but is it actually supposed to be that way? Why would it be just the professional world and why wouldn't it be everyone who practices the art instead? A true democracy rather than one in which only the elites have a voice. This also creates a much more honest and transparent community. And of course none of the elite members will like that because they lose power that way. It happened with governments and Wikileaks and it happened with you and our forums.

Also I'd like to add that the term 'professional' doesn't mean a whole lot. By going with your description or the dictionary's descriptions I'm as much a professional as you are and still you would continuously repeat that I'm an amateur. Wouldn't you agree that it's much more professional and adult to actually treat everyone equally rather than to put yourself in a higher rank than others?

For the most I think what we said in the thread is as honest and professional as it could get.

Regards,

Mark"

#4 - Reply to Jonathan Kamm:

"Hey Jonathan,

What's up with all the false statements? I'll reply once again in this email but it will probably be the very last time because apparently there is just no way to have a proper discussion with you as you keep going off-topic and keep falling back on trying to kick my butt with statements that simply aren't correct. Just like always.

First, why would I have to get over myself while I'm obviously not the one being self-obsessed here. I suggest you to get over me instead and preferably over yourself too but that's all up to you and I doubt you'll ever make that choice. It'd really make you a better person though. But yes, get over me. It seems like it's killing you and we all want you to be healthy.

Second, you should get the demographics right. Of all my YouTube viewers less than 40% is a child. On the forums and in the thread dedicated to you it's 50% and no more. A handful means 5 or less and we actually got 223 members (and upcoming events will have that amount raise by a whole lot) so that statement obviously is incorrect too although I'll forgive you for the figure of speech in this particular case.

I suppose you mean the "rest of the world" as in you and your 'handful' of professional magician friends. In amounts that would definitely be a good comparison. I don't know if you noticed but I have a whole lot more people of all ages agreeing with me than you do. You even lost some voices due to your own acts in our forums which proves we are on the right side. You can ignore that, sure, but if you would like to throw with so called facts be sure they are actual facts. Another actual fact is that we have a bigger reach so our opinions sure hold more weight than yours.

I can prove myself right whatever I want but you just ignore it. How come that over 95% of the people who ever doubted or hated on me don't doubt or hate on me anymore? Because I have proven myself. You know me from MVD and you were my very first hater ever. Just to remind you of that. You can say you want me to prove myself but you don't want me to prove you wrong either or else you would've remembered the actual live performances I had on MVD. It all started when in all the positive comments from both elites and regulars you were the only one to say that what I did wasn't all that special or well done. And that when I was only a beginner asking for feedback.

If only you would've doubted me instead of flat out saying I'm a fake, a fraud, a liar or whatever. Just like any other professional magician who behaves like one too. Every single one of them can tell that I'm a decent (in their words: great) magician. Some of them do however doubt some of my effects but that I'm a good magician stays a fact for them. But I believe I know very well why you keep holding on to your statements. You actually got a name you want to keep high and having yourself proved wrong in anyway wouldn't help at all. This also got you banned from the forums remember? You keep thinking about yourself and everyone else could die.

And I wrote a whole lot on the magic community and I read a whole lot on it too in other forums. I know what I said about it and I know that it's all a fact. By disagreeing, being one of those 'elite members' shows I was correct on that fact too. Thank you for proving me right once again.

How is it even possible to make videos of effects one can't perform when you see that person perform them in those videos. Those videos are all and only of effects that have been tested live before. I don't think there is a single effect I haven't lectured about too. I can get you quite a bunch of people for every single effect you doubt to be real, who can tell you how they work exactly if not showing you those effects themselves.

If it looks like a professional magician, walks like professional magician and quacks like a professional magician.. it's a professional magician. Unfortunately, everyone would agree with me saying you haven't been quacking like one.

Sorry I had to lower my level to actually get back to you this time, but I'm pretty sure that it still has more class than anything you wrote. I suggest you to re-read the email I ended it with back in December because I didn't write much else and it seemed like you understood what I was saying back then. Now you have shown that you didn't and so I don't think it would make sense to reply to you once more. But please don't worry, the forum thread will keep on living. You'll get your attention.

Take care.

Mark"

#5 - Reply to Jonathan Kamm:

“Hey Jonathan,

This will be the very last thing I'll mail to you. The 17th of February I performed live at Axe Heaven on Earth for over 1500 people living in the Netherlands, Belgium and France. That is, 3 'angels' (models dressed up like ones) watching closely, about 20 crew members, and 1500+ people who watched it live over the internet from every angle as they were able to choose between multiple cameras to stream from. That is an audience and challenge you could only dream of so don't start telling me I need to take a step like that. The step I took is one you have yet to take.

I'm a bit disappointed in you that you once again didn't give a proper reply and that you know I perform live or else you wouldn't have commented to any live performance video back in the day. Such a pity for such an experienced magician.

So best of luck to you, Jonathan.

Regards,

Mark”

#6 - Reply to Jonathan Kamm:

“Hey Jonathan,

Axe Heaven on Earth was only the most popular marketing event of the past year over here. Sure I would lie telling everyone I was on there and that I performed live on there too. As if no one actually recognized me or saw me on there performing for the three angels who were continuously watched by a huge crowd. This event was non-stop promoted on social media (Twitter, YouTube, Facebook and Hyves, the biggest Dutch social network) where people spread the messages like crazy.

Sure it was filmed and yes, I do have footage of the performance. I will add some pictures to this mail for you. The video I will leave for those who can search properly for themselves or who know how to ask nicely and don't tend to talk nonsense. I hope you realize you'll have to get over it.

Over and out.

Mark

[enclosed: screen captures from the live event]”