

Entertainment and Performance Information for Gene Turner



Gene Turner has thrilled, shocked and thoroughly entertained audiences with his unique blend of magic, humor and outrageous pickpocket exploits as a full-time professional since 1985. Gene's ability to connect with an audience makes him a wonderful entertainer and speaker. Whether he's performing his nationally acclaimed stand-up comedy pickpocket act or presenting his customized "Magic with a Message" as a keynote speaker, Gene will steal the show (as well a few watches) to the delight of all.

Full Entertainment Package -- Gene will entertain your guests with up-close magic during your social time (up to 60 minutes) and will perform up to a 60 minute stand-up act. In addition, Gene can also present a comedic and/or serious pickpocket demonstration with tips for pickpocket prevention, travel safety and identity theft protection after his performance.

- 1. **Up-close Performance** -- Up-close magic is sometimes described as "Strolling", "Walk Around" or "Table-to-Table" magic. It is often utilized during a social time or reception. Guests are encouraged to watch closely as Gene performs card tricks, makes coins or other small objects disappear and reappear, and entertains your guests with impressive sleight-of-hand tricks. The comedy and fun will keep your guests laughing.
- 2. **Stand-up Performance** -- Gene will present a 20 to 60 minute mix of comedy, magic and pickpocket entertainment. Filled with clean humor, audience participation and amazing tricks, Gene's show is fun for audiences of all ages. (Gene can also include tips on pickpocket prevention, travel safety and reducing your risk of identity theft.)
- 3. **Pickpocket Demonstration and Challenge** -- Using audience volunteers, Gene will remove personal items illustrating how quickly a professional pickpocket can distract and collect valuables. While the volunteers are unaware of the items disappearing, the audience is not. This results in some hilarious moments as the flabbergasted "victims" realize that even forewarned they couldn't catch "America's Friendliest Pickpocket" in action! At the end of the demonstration, Gene delivers tips to inform the audience about how they can protect themselves from pickpockets and identity thieves.

Gene's magical comedy routines are proven successes. He customizes each performance, adapting to the situation and audience. Gene can provide the full entertainment package or customize a package to fit your needs. Whether you need family-friendly entertainment or a motivational message given in a memorable fashion, Gene will deliver an outstanding performance.