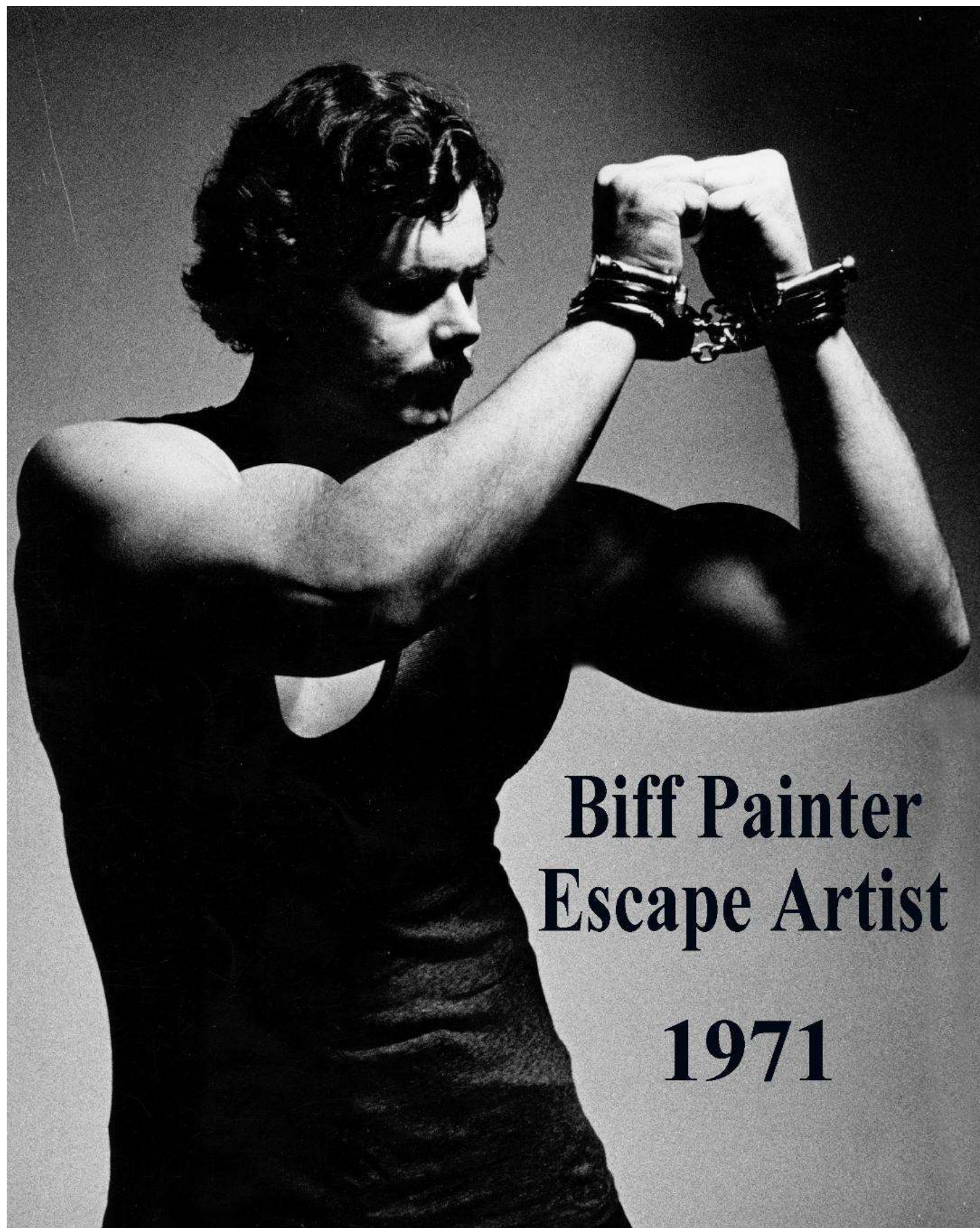
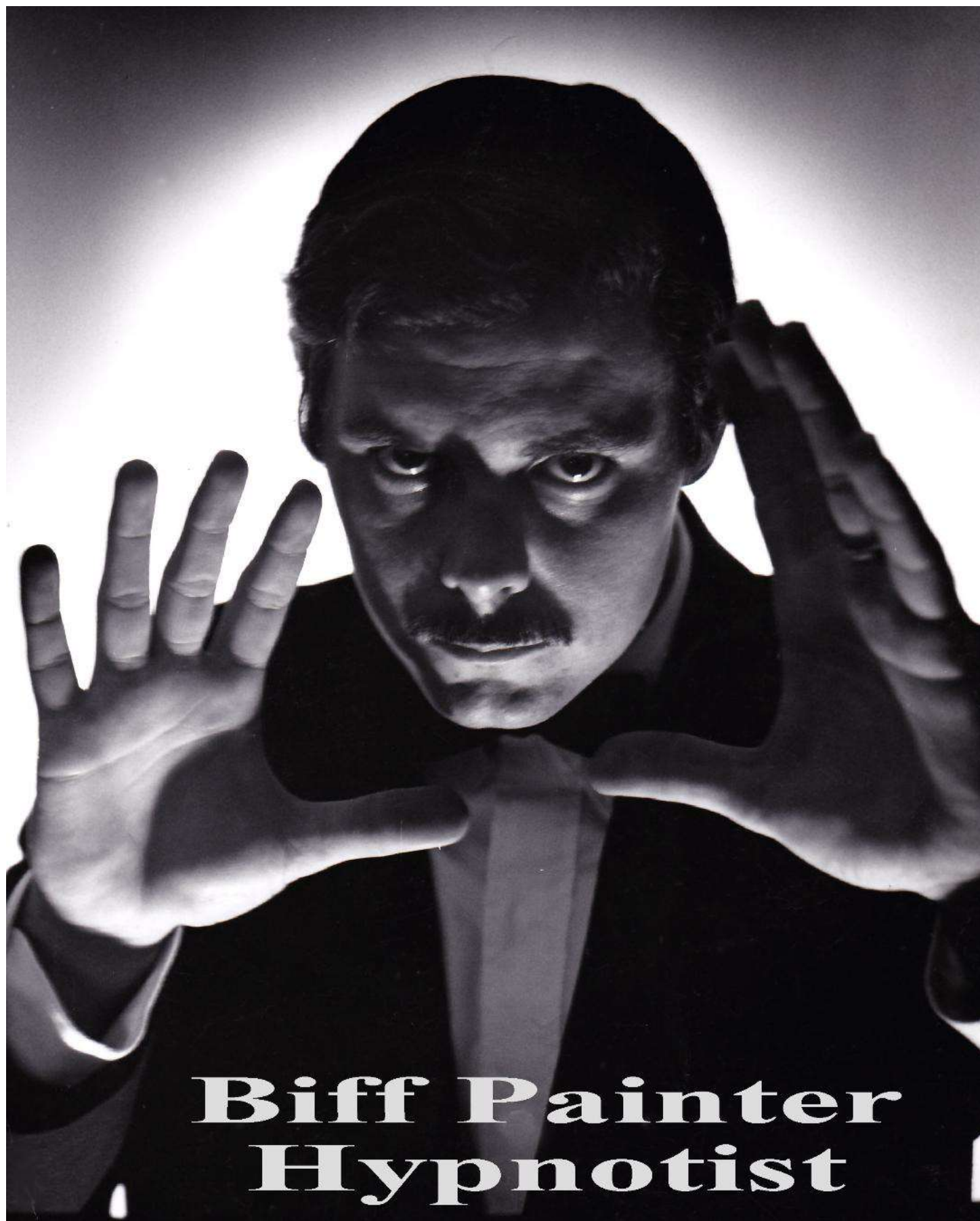




Biff Painter
Escape Artist

1971



Biff Painter
Hypnotist

THE WORLD'S GREATEST
ESCAPE ARTIST



BIFF PAINTER

Biff Painter: Actor, Magician, Escape Artist, Mentalist, Hypnotist

Member Society of American Magicians and Texas Association of Magicians

Opening Act For Louis Prima & Ramsey Lewis



On Stage
Losers Club Dallas 1972
With Louis Prima



BIFF PAINTER
Magician

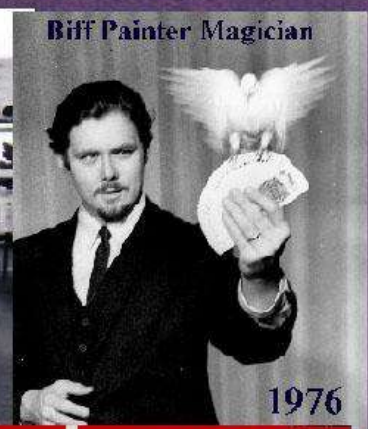


Biff Painter
Mentalist

Films
Midnight Cowboy
Benji
For Love of Benji
Takedown
Learning Curve
Detention

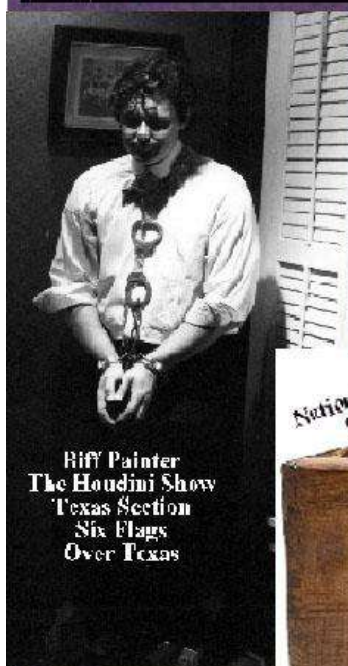


World's Fastest Escape Artist

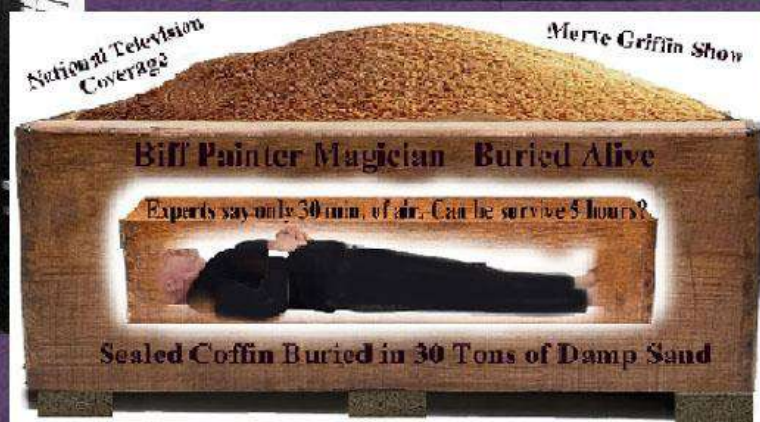


Biff Painter Magician

1976



Biff Painter
The Houdini Show
Texas Section
Six Flags
Over Texas



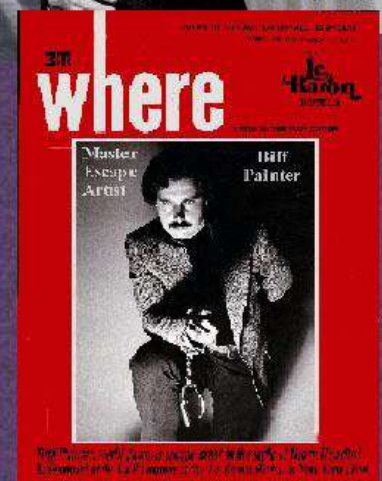
National Television
Coverage

Merv Griffin Show

Biff Painter Magician Buried Alive

Experts say only 30 min. of air. Can he survive 5 hours?

Sealed Coffin Buried in 30 Tons of Damp Sand

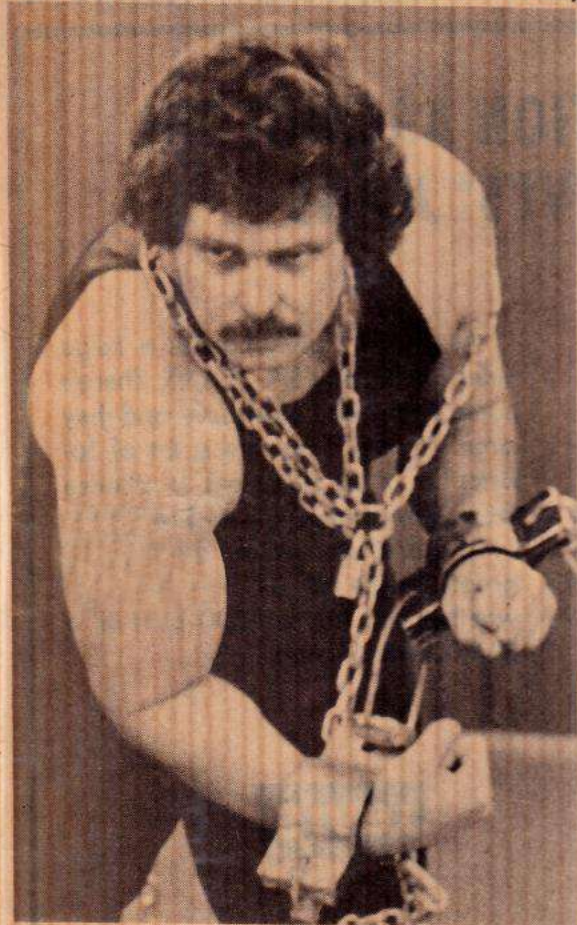


Master
Escape
Artist

Biff
Painter

As Seen On: NBC - CBS - Donahue - Merv Griffin

BIFF PAINTER



GETTING LOOSE — Two-hundred-pound escape artist Biff Painter of Arlington, demonstrates the 50-pound, eight-padlocked apparatus from which he plans to escape while submerged in 20-foot deep pool at Seven Seas sealife park, Arlington. Painter will perform Saturday and Sunday, June 28-29.

Escapist Defies Death On Floor of Park Pool

Beneath the surface at Seven Seas will be something new June 28-29, when escape artist Biff Painter does his escape act at the bottom of a 20-foot deep pool of water.

Before jumping into the depths, Painter will be strapped, tied, chained and secured with eight padlocks in a 50-pound harness once used as an escape-proof restraint for prisoners on ancient pirate ships.

The 200-pound daredevil,

operator of the Kung Fu Tai Training Center in Arlington, says he must free himself in less than a minute. Assuming that he succeeds each time, he has staged six such underwater escapes for visitors to the park, at noon, 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday.

A rescue team will stand by in case of emergency.

Painter's ordeal will be launched aboard the park's Bona Venture ship replica

where he directs and daily sword and knife with other "pirates" from Kung Fu school.

The barrel-chested 30-year-old claims the hour and a half of his birth to be able with that of the late and legendary Harry Houdini. He also reports he has named the world's greatest escape artist by 1,000-member American Escape Society.

Under Water Escape

Biff Painter

The Deathmaster

Seven Seas Amusement Park

E n t e r t a



PUSHY MAYOR? — Escape artist Biff Painter solicits the help of Arlington Mayor Tom Vandergriff for a push off the 30 foot high diving board at the University of Texas at Arlington Olympic pool. Wearing a Vietnamese torture harness, handcuffs and chains. Painter was pushed into the pool by the mayor and then escaped from his bonds in 28 seconds beneath 18 feet of water. Painter's stunt was to publicize Magic Week which begins tomorrow.

—Citizen-Journal Stafffoto by Tommy Hawkes

Conjurers Convene For 'Magic Week'; Show Here Friday

What you see may not be what you believe this weekend as some 400 members of the Texas Association of Magicians come to town for their annual convention (or is it a conjuring session?).

Mayor Tom Vandergriff has proclaimed Aug. 31-Sept. 3 Magic Weekend in the city as the association members check into the Inn of the Six Flags.

Tomorrow, the magicians will present a two-hour show in Texas Hall on the University of Texas at Arlington campus for the public.

Tickets to the 8 p.m. show are on sale locally at the Budget Tapes and Records, 1313 S. Cooper.

Adult tickets are three dollars and children's tickets are \$1.75.

During the convention, the conjurers will spend their time showing the latest sleight-of-hand tricks and illusions to each other.

Among the magicians performing Friday will be Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gustafson who have written a novel "Magic by Candlelight."

Gustafson is president of the Society of American Magicians. The couple has also appeared on the Ed Sullivan and Mike Douglas Shows.

Kicking off the convention Monday, Biff Painter, who is billed as "the world's greatest escape artist," did an underwater escape stunt at the UTA pool.

Mayor Vandergriff help put Painter into a Vietnamese torture harness, chains and handcuffs and then pushed him off the 30 foot high diving board into 18 feet of water. Painter escaped in 28 seconds from his bounds.

RESUME

NAME: Biff Painter
HEIGHT: 6'0"
WEIGHT: 195 lbs.
HAIR: Dk. Brown

EYES: Blue
AGE: Born Mar. 22, 1946
TYPE: Character Actor
TYPE: Stunt Work

Agent

Theatre Experience

FOUR YEARS AND THREE SUMMERS WITH THE UNIVERSITY THEATRE AT TEXAS TECH.

"UNDER MILKWOOD"
"THREE PENNY OPERA"
"CONFIDENTIAL CLERK"
"GALLOW'S HUMOR"
"BLITHE SPIRIT"
"AMPHITRION 38"
"TAMING OF THE SHREW"

"GOODBYE TO A CLOWN"
"NIGHT OF THE IGUANA"
"HAMLET"
"RICHARD III"
"THURBER CARNIVAL"
"DARK OF THE MOON"

DIRECTOR AND STUNT COORDINATOR FOR WESTERN GUNFIGHT SHOWS AT SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS, TWO YEARS.

Television

DIRECTED AND PRODUCED FOUR SHOWS FOR NET TV.
HOSTED TALK SHOW FOR NET TV ON KTXL LUBBOCK.
SHOT, DIRECTED AND CUT FILM FOR NET AND THE UNIVERSITY THEATRE SERIES "HOW TO DRAMA"
THIRTY FIVE CHARACTER COMMERCIALS FOR THE WEST TEXAS TELEVISION NETWORK.
TWO WESTERN COMMERCIALS FOR FORD (STUNT WORK & ACTING)

Night Clubs

ESCAPE ARTIST... BIFF WAS BORN ON HOUDINI'S BIRTHDAY AT THE SAME HOUR THAT HOUDINI DIED AND HAS BEEN GIVEN THE TITLE OF "THE NEW HOUDINI." HE HAS PERFORMED ALL OF THE MASTER ESCAPE ARTISTS EFFECTS, MANY IN HALF THE TIME IT TOOK HOUDINI.

HYPNOTIST... BIFF WORKED AS A CLINICAL HYPNOTHERAPIST FOR THREE YEARS IN LUBBOCK WHILE ATTENDING TEXAS TECH. UNIVERSITY MAJORING IN DRAMATICS & PSYCHOLOGY.

Special Talents

SELF DEFENSE INSTRUCTOR YAWARI
AIKIDO
KARATE
KNIVES
SWORDS
MEDIEVAL AND ORIENTAL WEAPONS

Honors & Awards

1. SPECIAL MERIT AWARD—TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF MAGICIANS
2. SPECIAL MAKE-UP AWARD, DAVE MORGAN AWARD
UTT, THEATRE
3. HOLDS WORLD RECORD FOR SRAIGHT JACKET ESCAPE.
4. PROCLAIMED THE WORLDS FASTEST ESCAPE ARTIST BY THE NATIONAL MAGICIANS ASSOCIATION.
5. BEST ACTOR A.A.V. DISTRICT PLAY CONTEST.
6. SWIMMING CHAMPION FOUR CONSECUTIVE YEARS P.C.C. TEXAS.

MEMBER — A.F.T.R.A.
S.A.G.
T.A.O.M.

ACTOR



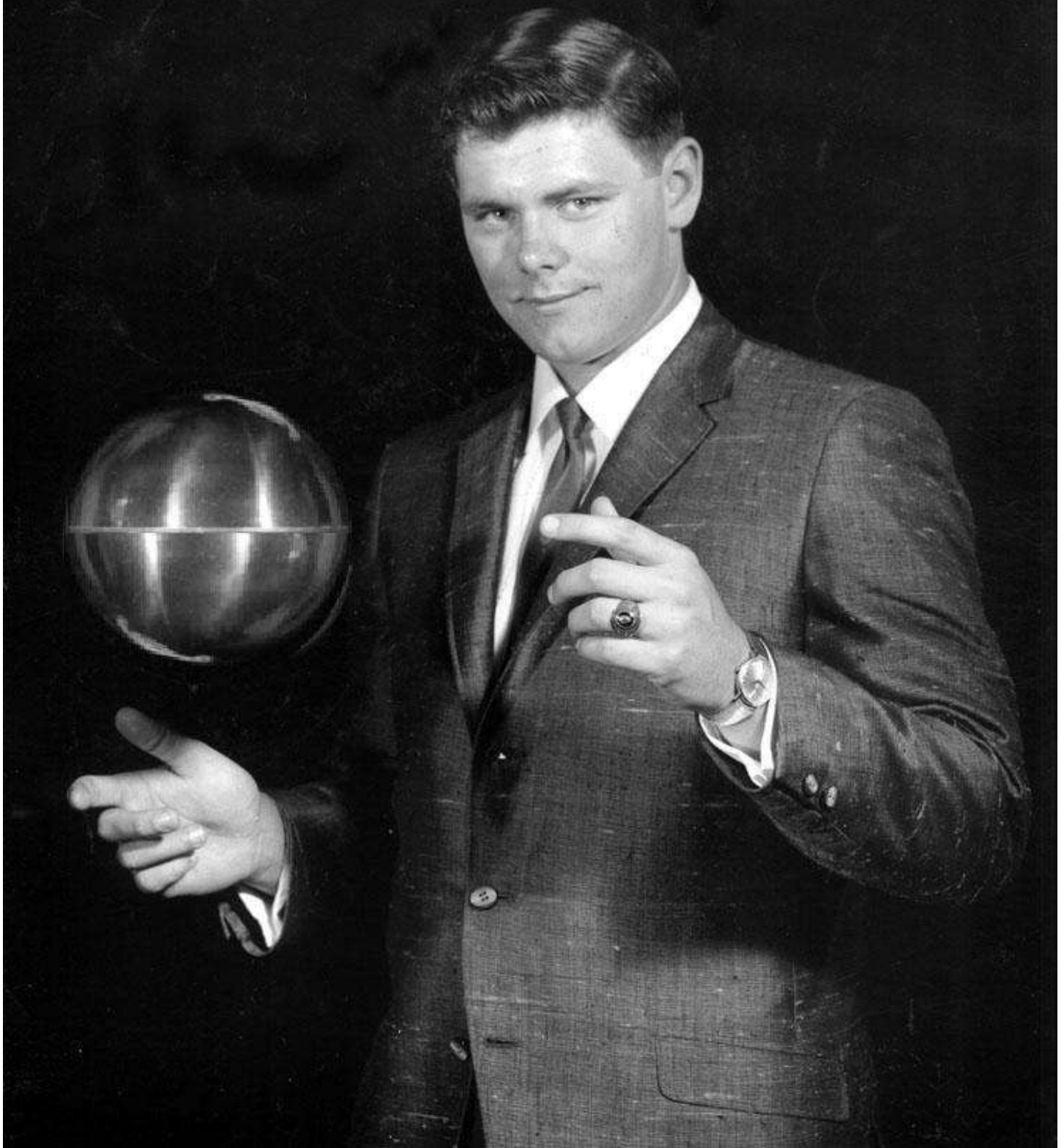
FOR
BOOKINGS:

Introducing

Biff Painter



Biff Painter Magician The Amazing Floating Sphere



Houdini's Metamorphosis



Performed by Biff Painter
Handcuffed
Bound in Mail Bag
Locked in Chained Trunk
Changes Places With Assistant
In 10 seconds.



BIFF PAINTER

Certificate of Appreciation



May it be known that

Billy Pearson

IN RECOGNIZATION OF OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT AND UNSELFISH DEVOTION TOWARD THE
ADVANCEMENT OF THE IDEALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF MAGICIANS

Is hereby presented this Certificate on Sept. 2 1963

As an Expression of Appreciation

Henry R. Schmidt

SECRETARY

Robert W. J. Miller

PRESIDENT