

## FIRE IN THE MIND

### **OVERVIEW**

In a battle of telekinetic powers, it takes more than well-developed psychic ability to prevail; it takes a burning passion to make things right.

Leonard "Len" Wise, PhD is a tall, thirty-something recently degreed doctor of parapsychology looking for his next step in life. He feels lost and aimless in a world he once shared with his deceased fiancée, Cathy. His telepathic abilities, a fused knee, and stifling guilt are Len's legacy from the car accident that took Cathy's life. He had been driving.

In the six years since, Len has immersed himself in his studies in parapsychology to master his strange abilities. He also spent those years drowning himself in alcohol. Now, one year sober and one month after securing his PhD, Len has been asked to return to his alma mater, Garden State University to give a lecture.

Attending his speech is Detective Bill McGee of the Mountainview police department. He wants Len's help investigating a case of apparent human combustion—or was it murder?

This puts Len in pursuit of a mysterious adversary who possess the power of pyrokinesis, the ability to manipulate fire. The pursuit of the arsonist/murderer becomes very personal for Len when a woman he is dating is killed and his best friend's wife is abducted.

Can Len rescue his friends and stop the egomaniac who can create fire in the mind?

# **AUTHOR'S BIOGRAPHY**

Arjay Lewis (also known by his performing name R.J. Lewis) is an award-winning Magician, Entertainer and Author. He has experienced every level of show business from street-performing to Broadway.

Arjay's published stories have appeared in *H.P. LOVECRAFT MAGAZINE*OF HORROR, WEIRD TALES and SHERLOCK HOLMES MAGAZINE. His writing has also appeared in the Anthology THE ULTIMATE HALLOWEEN. His Novel THE MUSE, was a finalist in the 2016 Paranormal Novel Competition for Chanticleer Book Reviews.

He has collaborated on several films including: *DOWN IN FLAMES, THE TRUE STORY OF TONY 'VOLCANO' VALENCI-* which has won seven Film

Festival awards. His screenplay for *DUMMY* (co-written with Pamela Wess) is the winning screenplay for the 2017 Garden State Film Festival. It also won 4th place in the 2016 Writer's Digest Screenplay Competition and was a Finalist in the 2016 Filmfest Screenplay Competition.

Arjay is married to his wife, Debra, and has one daughter Rayna. He is currently performing on the Ruby Princess for Princess Cruises as the 'Magic Maker' in the hit show, *MAGIC TO DO*.

FIRE IN THE MIND is his first published novel.

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#### SEGMENT IDEAS

#### Are psychics real?

Magician and acknowledged skeptic Arjay Lewis, who writes of a fictitious psychic detective, demonstrates the way phony psychics fool you. He also discusses concepts of higher consciousness and how people have attempted to achieve it over the millennium.

#### From the streets to the seas

Entertainer and author, Arjay Lewis speaks of his career as a street-performer in Manhattan in the 1970's that lead to him being on Broadway in the 1980's and to his performing today on the Ruby Princess as the Magic Maker in Stephen Schwartz's new musical *MAGIC TO DO*. He also explains how his life on the high seas has given him extra time to devote to his writing.

### The call of the odd

From *THE DARK TOWER* by Stephen King to the *ODD THOMAS* books by Dean Koontz, novels featuring the paranormal are very popular. Author Arjay Lewis has written over 10 novels featuring the paranormal and discusses why the strange is still so popular among the reading public.

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Hair: Gray	Eyes: Blue	
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ROADWAY		
BARNUM	Barker/H. Morrissey	St James Theater
PRODUCTION		
BUSKER ALLEY	Fire-Eater	Tour
OFF-BROADWAY		
MONDAY NIGHT MAGIC PRINCESS CRUISES	Rotating Performer	Bleecker Thtre
MAGIC TO DO	Magic Maker	Ruby Princess
OFF-OFF BROADWAY		
HOBOKEN CHICKEN EMERGENCY	Professor	Jan Hus Playhouse
DARLING NICKYDEAREST ALEX	Rasputin	Amsterdam Thtre
REGIONAL & STOCK		
STAGE STRUCK	Simon	Society Hill; Phila
MURDER UNDER THE BIG TOP	Marco	Claridge Casino
SOAP SUDS OF DEATH	Stud Silver	Trump's Castle
THE FANTASTICKS	El Gallo	Masque/Mime
DINNER THEATER		
A CHRISTMAS CAROL	Charles Dickens	Braddock's Tavern
DEATH BY ENCHANTMENT	Onnis McDuff	Cousins
GREEN BEER OF DEATH	Sheldon Pending	Cousins
EVENING WITH THE STEINS	Frank N. Stein	Sweetwater Casino
FILM		
BEAR WITH US	Arthur	Bear With Us Film LLC
DOWN IN FLAMES	Tony	Independent
AFFLICTION	David	Independent
BEYOND BELIEF	Todd	Independent
ΓELEVISION		<u> </u>
THE APPRENTICE- Season 3	Featured Spot	NBC-TV
LAW & ORDER	Juggler	NBC-TV
MERLIN "Promotion"	Wizard	Hallmark
LATE NIGHT W/ DAVID LETTERMAN	Guest	NBC-TV
KENNEDY CENTER HONOR AWARDS	Singer	CBS-TV
NOVA (Spaces Episode)	Featured Spot	PBS
COMMERCIALS		
On Camera Principal for National Network	x Spots	(On Request)
INDUSTRIALS		
Live & On-Camera for Various Companies	s including:	
Mobil Oil, Acme Markets, Guardian Insura		
		Cinefest Film Festival
BEST ACTOR in a SHORT FILM 2013 BEST ACTOR in a SHORT COMEDY		LA Comedy F Cinefest Film

MAGICIAN- Award Winning Sleight-of-Hand JUGGLER- Balls, Rings, Clubs, Knives **FIRE EATER**- Torches and Blow-Outs ACCENTS: Many, Including Authentic British

