

# USA MEMORY CHAMPIONSHIP™

## *USAMC Host Your Own Mini Championship*

### Agenda

Warmup - Jim Karol meets the crowd coming as they are coming in to the event and for fifty people memorizes their names, faces and a few key facts for each person.

#### **I Tony Dottino – USA Memory Championship 15 Minutes**

Now approaching its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the USA Memory Championship was founded in 1997 to provide a platform that demonstrates the power of memory. This event will train people of all ages and all professions to greatly improve their memory. The event's finale will be a memory competition featuring volunteers from the audience.

Introduction of Jim Karol

#### **II Jim Karol Demonstration 15 Minutes**

Jim Karol plays with the audience, showing off memory skills by remembering names, faces and facts. Jim talks about how he learned to use his brain to become an elite mnemonist.

#### **III Audience Participation - Part 1 30 Minutes**

Five different volunteers come to the stage for another memory challenge. Tony teaches the audience basic techniques for memorizing names and faces. After the training, the five volunteers compete in a friendly memory competition.

#### **IV Audience Participation - Part 2 30 Minutes**

Tony teaches the audience a simple and powerful memory lesson – the loci method of memorization (Roman Room). Tony and Jim call five volunteers to the stage to train them to memorize a random list of objects.

#### **V Playing Cards 15 Minutes**

Tony and Jim reenact the all-time favorite event at the USA Memory Championship – memorizing a deck of cards. Jim gets up to five minutes to memorize a shuffled deck of cards.

Audience volunteers can come on stage and watch the action. Can Jim successfully recall all 52 cards in order?

#### **VI Q&A for Tony and Jim 15 Minutes**