

## Carnival of Illusion shares holiday magic with special needs kids

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National award-winning entertainers, Roland Sarlot and Susan Eyed, of Tucson's popular Vaudeville-inspired magic show, Carnival of Illusion are bringing their talents to the south side this week to entertain 200+ children at Lynn Urquides Elementary School.

The performers will appear at the Shyann Kindness project annual Christmas party on December 17 at the T.U.S.D school on west Ajo Way.

The Shyann Kindness Project was founded in honor of 7-year-old Shyann Rosati who died in 2005. The project was designed to educate, support and encourage children in stressful economic, medical and social situations. Another benefit of the program is the guidance and support provided to caregivers of children with special needs.

The Annual holiday party, hosted for the children and their families, comes complete with music, pictures with Santa, face-painting, balloon art, gifts and magic. This is the third year that Carnival of Illusion has performed at the event.

"We feel that it is important to give back to the community and we are constantly inspired by the Rosati family who has turned tragedy into a labour of love," said Susan Eyed.

The magicians will donate a portion of their earnings to the Shyann Kindness project.

"Roland and I are honored to bring magic to the lives of these children and their families during the holidays," Eyed added.

The private event allows special needs families to experience "Parlour Magic", a throwback to the time when the rich and famous entertained in the parlours of their homes. The Carnival of Illusion shows sell out regularly at the Doubletree Tucson Hotel; this special event treats families to a show that is billed as one part mystery, one part magic and one part oooh la la.

