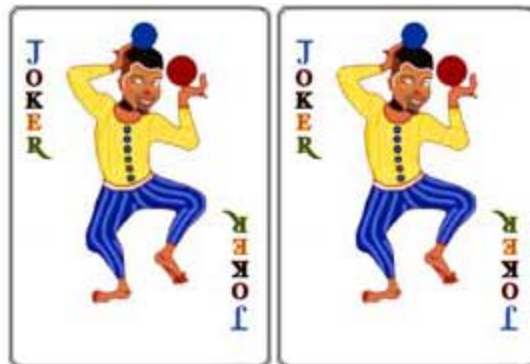


# *Birth Cards: Jokers*

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There is not much to know about the Joker. We have given basically no information for those born on December 31<sup>st</sup>. That date is the birthday card of the Joker. We know little about the card. There are no Life Path Cards or Yearly Spreads to give us any clue. The Joker is capable of being any card that he or she wants to be. Jokers were Court Jesters in past times. They took the throne on Fool's Day every year and impersonated the King. The Joker's day is December 31<sup>st</sup> when we celebrate the New Year. That was a time for putting away the serious part of life. The Joker made fun of everyone in order to lighten him or her up a little. He was excellent at impersonation.

This ability to take on a role is critical to the Joker's personality. Because we do not know which card they are, we cannot make any definite statements pertaining to them. Perhaps a Joker can be thought of as a 'Jack of all Jacks.' That means they are creative as well as perhaps immature but independent. The Joker is part of the theater. Of course dishonesty is also possible. They probably want to be free and independent.

Spirituality is part of Jokers in the Tarot deck. There is the Fool Card with the number 0. Beyond this the Joker is a mystery. The Joker is the master of disguise in the deck. It is the entertainer who reminds us that life is just a stage. It is the zero, without which there would be no meaningful number system at all. But, most of all, the Joker is a mystery.