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Seattle performer earns bronze medal at International Jugglers' Association Championships

Fort Wayne, Indiana. — Seattle performer **Cory Black** earned **third place** at the **2026 International Jugglers' Association Championships**, one of the world's premier stage juggling competitions and the championship competition of North America's largest annual juggling festival.

Black's award-winning act combines elite freestyle football with traditional toss juggling, a rare combination developed over more than 16 years of freestyle football practice and 11 years of juggling training.

The International Jugglers' Association Championships is an annual event that travels to a different North American city every year. The event attracts many of the world's top jugglers, who compete before a live audience each year. **Black's** performance placed him among the competition's top performers, earning him a bronze medal. This year, competitors traveled to Fort Wayne, Indiana from across the United States, Japan, Taiwan, and even further afield.

"I've spent years developing this act, so earning a medal at the IJA Championships was a really meaningful milestone for me. It's incredibly rewarding to have this act recognized by the juggling community." — **Cory Black**

Based in Seattle, Black performs nationwide at corporate events, festivals, theaters, sporting events, and touring circus productions. He is available for interviews about competitive juggling, freestyle football, circus performance, and his journey to the IJA podium.

ABOUT CORY BLACK

Cory Black is a Seattle-based performer specializing in freestyle football and juggling. He recently earned bronze at the 2026 International Jugglers' Association Championships and has performed more than 300 live shows across the United States, including multiple touring seasons with Flynn Creek Circus and performances for organizations including Google, Nordstrom, Pfizer, Seattle Sounders FC, and FIFA World Cup 26 fan events. His work has also been featured by *The Seattle Times* and KING 5's *Evening Magazine*.

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Watch the full competition performance:

youtube.com/watch?v=F8anPXG1S4M

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Caption: Cory Black celebrates after earning the bronze medal at the 2026 International Jugglers' Association Championships. Photo by Cindy Marvell, used with permission.

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Caption: Cory Black performs his freestyle football and juggling act at the 2026 Moisture Festival in Seattle. Photo by Michelle Bates Photography, courtesy of Moisture Festival.

Additional performance photos available upon request.