

WHY SHOULD YOU AS A MASTER MASON CONSIDER JOINING THE YORK RITE ORGANIZATIONS?

Congratulations on being raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.

You, a Free and Accepted Mason, are outwardly at the highest Masonic level a man can be. Inwardly, you can still seek "...further light in Masonry." You already know about the "Three Great Lights of Masonry" from instruction given you in the three Degrees. Masonry offers further light to those who seek it. Read on...



The York Rite of Masonry offers Masons that "...further light." York Rite offers you, a Master Mason, the chance to live history beyond "that which was lost." Do you remember how you received the "Substitute?" York Rite fills in the blanks.

Do you know who completed King Solomon's Temple? What role did Nebuzaradan have in the destruction of King Solomon's Temple, and how long did it take to rebuild it? Why did King Solomon's Temple have to be rebuilt? You will live history in the Royal Arch Masons as these questions are answered, one by one.

For a fee of only \$50.00, you will begin to learn more about Masonry in the Royal Arch Chapter. "Masonry is a progressive science, taught by Degrees only."

You may apply for the Mark Master Degree only - without a degree fee.



Cryptic Council Masons meet in a Secret Vault. The Bible refers to "...secret markings on the Ark." What was in the Ark of the Covenant, and how large was it? Where was its place in the Temple of King Solomon, and why? In the Cryptic Council, find out. You will receive these Degrees in a close, personal manner. You will see, hear and participate during your quest for Further Light in Masonry.

The modern day Wailing Wall in Jerusalem is the West Wall of King Solomon's Temple. Where did the rubble which was once King Solomon's Temple go? Answers may be found in the Degrees conferred by the Cryptic Council.

Having received the Degrees conferred in the Royal Arch Chapter, you are eligible to receive the Degrees of Cryptic Masonry for a fee of just \$50.00.



The Commandery, Knights Templar, is the more serious side of Masonry, and alludes to the Christians of the Dark or Middle Ages who wished to see the Holy Land returned to Christian hands. Jacques DeMolay was the last Grand Master of the Knights Templar, and his execution by Phillip the Fair of France was the final chapter in the long history of the medieval Order.

Sir Knights of modern times respect religious freedoms, and zealously endeavor to bring Light to those who seek it.

Masons who have completed the Degrees of both the Royal Arch and Cryptic Masons are eligible to petition to become Sir Knights in the Commandery for a fee of \$105.00 (*which includes Life Membership in the Knight Templar Eye Foundation*).

After receiving the Royal Arch Degree, the Select Master Degree, and the Order of the Temple, you will receive an invoice for the prorated portion of the annual dues of the respective organization.

For more information, please leave a message (916) 877-5335 or email membership@auburnyorkrite.org

Structure of the York Rite of Freemasonry



Capitular Degrees

Gold Country Chapter No. 11

Meets on the 2nd Monday in Jan, Apr, Sep, & Nov.

Cryptic Degrees

Sierra Nevada Council No. 13

Meets on the 2nd Monday in Feb & May, 4th Mon in Sep, and the 3rd Mon in Nov.

Chivalric Orders

Auburn Commandery No. 4

Meets on the 2nd Monday in Mar, Jun, Oct, & Dec.

Other Mondays are set aside for Practices, Social Activities, and Masonic Education

The York Rite Bodies in Auburn

meets at the John H. Robinson Memorial Masonic Center
956½ Lincoln Way, Auburn

COMBINED PETITION FOR THE YORK RITE DEGREE AND ORDERS IN CALIFORNIA

To the Officers and Members of

- Gold Country Chapter, No. 11, Royal Arch Masons, at Auburn** **\$50.00**
- Mark Master Degree only** **No Degree Fee**
- Sierra Nevada Council No. 13, Royal & Select Masters, at Auburn** **\$50.00**
- Auburn Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar, at Auburn** **\$105.00**

The Undersigned respectfully represents that:

1. My Full Name is: _____
2. My Place of Birth is: _____ My Date of Birth is: _____ Age: _____
3. My Occupation is: _____
4. My Address is: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____
 My e-mail Address is: _____ My Wife's Name is: _____
5. I am a Member in Good Standing, as of the date of this petition, in _____ Lodge No. _____
 (F&AM / AF&AM), State of _____, having received the Degree of Master Mason in
 _____ Lodge No. _____ on _____ (date), in the State of _____
6. My Residence in California dates from _____ (date). *(Six months' residence required for Chapter Membership, one year for Commandery)*
7. I have have never presented a petition to, or been rejected by, any Chapter of Royal Arch Masons (other than for the Mark Master Degree Only), Council of Royal and Select Masters, or Commandery of Knights Templar. If so, state when and by which Chapter, Council, or Commandery. _____
8. I am now a member, or have petitioned: _____ Chapter No. _____, located at _____
 or _____ Council No. _____, located at _____
9. I am a firm believer in the Christian Religion *(Required for Petitioners for the Orders of Knighthood ONLY)*
10. I now, of my own free will, respectfully request that the Degree and/or Orders of the York Rite of Freemasonry be conferred upon me and that I may become a member of the respective Chapter, Council, and/or Commandery named above. Should my petition be granted, I promise cheerful compliance with all the Ancient Customs and Usages, Statutes, Laws, Edicts, and Regulations of the Body(ies) petitioned:
 The Degree of Mark Master only I submit no fees with this petition. However, if I am elected, and if I subsequently wish to receive the degrees of Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and Royal Arch Mason, I will submit the fee for degrees of \$50.00 before receiving any of these additional degrees.
 The Degrees of Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and Royal Arch Mason in your Chapter
 The Degrees of Royal Master, Select Master, and Super Excellent Master in your Council.
 The Orders of Red Cross, Malta, and Order of the Temple in your Commandery.
Upon conferral of the above degrees and Orders, I understand I will receive an invoice for the prorated dues for the rest of the year.

I have read this petition, completing all required information and statements and now sign my name in full thereto:

Signed: _____ Dated at _____, on _____
(First, Middle, Last) (Location) (Date)

We vouch for the good character and Masonic Standing of the Petitioner and recommend his admission:

Petitioner is Recommended by:	Petitioner Refers to:
1. Signature _____ Print Name _____	Name: _____ Address: _____ Telephone: _____
2. Signature _____ Print Name _____	Name: _____ Address: _____ Telephone: _____

Petition Received: _____ Amount accompanying petition: \$ _____