

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge



FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS JURISDICTION OF MASSACHUSETTS

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Office of the Grand Master

TO ALL OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE, F. & A.M. JURISDICTION OF MASSACHUSETTS,

Pursuant to Article X of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge Constitution and By-Laws:

The Two Hundred and Thirty First Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Jurisdiction of Massachusetts, will be held at the Masonic Temple - 24 Washington Street, Dorchester, Massachusetts on December 8th, 9th, 10th and 27th, 2023.

Opening Session – December 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Lodge of Sorrow - December 8, 2023 at 8:00 p.m.

Annual Returns are due and payable **no later than November 15, 2023**. The return worksheets are to be computer generated in a format readable by Microsoft Excel and emailed to the Grand Secretary at grandsecretary@princehall.org. The calculation sheet is to be printed and signed by the Worshipful Master, Secretary and District Deputy Grand Master and delivered to the Grand Secretary's Office. **No lodge will be seated if these documents are not received exactly as required.**

All Grand Lodge Officers' reports, as required by law, to be submitted at the Grand Lodge Session, must be in the hands of the Grand Secretary by **November 15, 2023**. These reports are to be computer generated in a format readable by Microsoft Word, using the current Grand Lodge Header and Footer, and they must be signed. A copy of the electronic file is to be emailed to the Grand Secretary at grandsecretary@princehall.org with the report title as the subject. The Grand Secretary has sent Committee Chairmen and elected Grand Lodge Officers detailed requirements for the reports so that they can be compiled easily for printing and distribution. **No late reports will be printed.**

The advance registration fee of \$100.00, before **December 5, 2023**, is established for all attending the Grand Lodge Session and \$150.00 thereafter. The registration fee for the representatives of the Subordinate Lodges is a legitimate charge for the Lodges.

Should one need housing, we have contracted with the **Home 2 Suites by Hilton, Boston South Bay, 15 Jan Karski Way, Dorchester MA 02125**.. Room rates are \$139.00 plus taxes per room

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per night. Overnight parking is \$10.00 per night. All interested must make their own reservations by calling the hotel at **617-297-5393** and mention **Prince Hall Grand Lodge** to get the special rate before **November 8, 2023**.

This proclamation is to be read in all Lodge meetings during the months of November and December 2023. A copy of this proclamation is to be included with the Lodges November Communication.

The following tentative agenda for the Annual Session is released for the information of all attending the Session:

AGENDA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023

- 9:00 a.m. Assembling of the Grand Lodge and Opening by the Deputy Grand Master
- 9:20 a.m. Reading of the Proclamation
- 9:30 a.m. Reception of the Grand Master
- 10:00 a.m. Roll Call
- 10:30 a.m. Reading of the Minutes
- 10:35 a.m. Report of the Committee on Annual Returns 10:40 a.m.
Appointment of Committees
- 10:45 a.m. Reports of Grand Lodge Officers
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Session Resumes
- 3:30 p.m. Remarks by Grand Master
- 4:00 p.m. Call from Labor to Refreshment
- 8:00 p.m. Lodge of Sorrow

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023

- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Session Resumes
- 10:00 a.m. Reception of Visiting Grand Lodge Delegations/Remarks
- 11:00 a.m. Reception of Affiliated Masonic Houses & Visitors
- 11:30 p.m. Grand Master's Address Houses & Visitors
- 1:00 p.m. Lunch

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2:30 p.m. Session Resumes
3:00 p.m. Nomination of Elected Grand Lodge Officers
4:00 p.m. Remarks by Most Worshipful Grand Master
4:30 p.m. Call from Labor to Refreshment

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023

7:30 a.m. Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Session Resumes
10:30 a.m. Auditor's Report
2:30 p.m. Election of Grand Lodge Officers
Installation of Grand Lodge Officers ;MWGM, RWDGM, RWSGW, RWJGW, RWGTreas, RWGSec.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2023


7:00 p.m. Resumption and Installation of Appointed Officers

Registration and strict Masonic Dress required for all sessions

Take due notice thereof and govern yourselves accordingly.

Issued under my hand and seal this 1ST day of October, A.D. 2023, A.L.6023


Bro. Yves R. Maignan
M.W Grand Master

Attest: 
Bro. Sammy Belton
R.W. Grand Secretary

