



# Jerusalem Grand Chapter



## Order of the Eastern Star State of Florida & Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliated

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## PROCLAMATION 2022 ANNUAL GRAND CHAPTER MID-YEAR WORKSHOP

*"Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, 'Let us rise up and build.' So, they strengthened their hands for this good work."*

**Nehemiah 2:18**

### THIS PROCLAMATION IS TO BE READ IN ITS ENTIRETY

O' Jerusalem!

It is my prayer that this communication finds you all in good health and spirit!

By the power and authority vested in us, we, Sis. Dr. Grand Worthy Matron Tracy A. Thomas and Bro. Grand Worthy Patron Raymond Cromartie, Jr., of the Jerusalem Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, PHA, Florida and its Jurisdiction, do hereby summons **all** members of this esteemed body to assemble for our Annual Grand Chapter Mid-Year Workshop on October 21-22, 2022. The theme: ***"Rise to the Occasion – Doing the Good Work"*** (Nehemiah 2: 18)

**LODGING ACCOMODATIONS:** The Workshop will be held at the Rosen Centre Hotel, located at 9840 International Drive, in Orlando, Florida 32819. Room rate is \$135.00 (single or double). Reservations must be secured by a major credit card and the deadline is **September 20, 2022**. Each reservation should be made by calling: (800) 204-7234, indicating the Jerusalem Grand Chapter OES Room Block.

[Rosen Centre Hotel - Reservations - Room Availability \(synxis.com\)](https://www.syxnis.com)

**REGISTRATION:** Advance registration for all members is **\$80.00**. The 7 (8) principal officers **MUST** register (Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Patron (if you have one), Conductress, Associate Conductress, Treasurer, and Secretary whether in attendance or not. (Please note, *all offices must be registered. Even if a Lifetime member holds that office.*) There will be **NO ONSITE** registration!!! Workshop registration deadline is September 23, 2022. Please use the attached form and send your registration, along with full payment to:

**Office of the Grand Secretary  
Sis. Temekee Armstrong  
Attention: Degree Registration  
P.O. Box 43480  
Jacksonville, FL 32203**

Personal checks from members will not be accepted. Payment must be by a chapter's check, cashier's check, or money order. There will be a \$50.00 fee if the check is returned by your bank for any reason.

*\*Life Members and Senior Star Sisters (75+) are exempt from registration fees, but their names must be included on the chapter's registration form if they will be attending the Workshop. Please make sure that the names of all Life Members and Senior Star Sisters are previously recorded in the Office of the Grand Secretary before September 23, 2022!!! Upon arrival to the workshop, please report to the Grand Secretary's Table (in registration).*

**CONFERRING OF DEGREES:** The Queen of the South and the Amaranth Degrees will be conferred on Friday evening, both starting promptly at 6:00 PM. All candidates must be in place by 5:30 PM, and properly regaled. The fee for each degree is \$10.00. Please complete the application and return the application form, along with a chapter's check, cashier's check or money order, for the total fees, by September 23, 2022, to:

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Attention: Degree Registration  
P.O. Box 43480  
Jacksonville, FL 32203**

**\*Make chapter's checks, cashier's checks and money orders payable to Jerusalem Grand Chapter.**

**CALLING ALL DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY MATRONS, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY PATRONS, & ASSISTANT DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY MATRONS:** Your presence is required for a mandatory workshop training on Friday Evening, starting promptly at 6:00 PM. The attire is business casual!

**WORKSHOP SESSIONS:** Training sessions for the Workshop will be held on Saturday morning, starting promptly at 7:30 AM, and will continue until 12:30 PM. The schedule includes devotional, general opening, and 4 interactive breakout sessions led by the Grand Line Officers. The attire is business casual, which includes dresses, skirt suits, chapter polos, and pants, however no shorts. Lunch will be onsite. The afternoon session, I've got just one question I want you to help answer:

**“How much can we grow???”**

Yes, in addition to having a great time of fun and fellowship, we will welcome all our new and returning members with fanfare!!! AND.... some SiStar may be going home with the Growth Challenge winning!!! (If you need additional details, please contact your DDGWM or Zone Coordinator!)

**AND BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!!**

**“ALL~WHITE with a SPLASH OF COLOR POOLSIDE AWARDS RECEPTION”**

Jerusalem Grand Chapter is a proud and strong supporter of not only the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge of Florida, but also of every female auxiliary. With “WHITE” being our common base color, we are asking you to “accent” with your favorite “HOUSE” color! Will you pick

**BLUE**  
**OES**

**RED**  
**HOJ**

**PURPLE**  
**LOCOP**

**BLACK** or  
**TC**

**GOLD?**  
**GC**

And this year we are bringing back the tradition of our Awards Reception!!! This is a *friendly* competition and a time to show off and honor our members that are going above and beyond!!! The judging time range is **September 1, 2021 – September 1, 2022**. The categories are as follows:

#### **RISING STAR AWARD**

Female member, with less than 3 years of membership, that is able to show, via written documentation, evidence of knowledge and enthusiasm to learn/grow within our beloved Order. Documentation must indicate adherence to Constitution, By-Laws, and protocol, as well as timely attendance and participation in her chapter programs and other required masonic festivities. Nominee may be tested.

#### **SHINING STAR AWARD**

Female member, with 3 years or more in our beloved Order, that is able to exhibit the cardinal traits of our SiStarhood: Obedience, Love, Fidelity, Faith and Truth. Nomination must prove (via written documentation) evidence of the member supporting her chapter, JGC and other required masonic festivities. Documentation should support knowledge base, leadership efforts and community service. Nominee may be tested.

#### **WORTHY MATRON OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The WM that has exhibited leadership and dedication to the growing and perseverance of her chapter via training and community services ventures. Documentation should support that she is always properly prepared to conduct the business of the chapter, supports the JGC, as well as the MWUGL of Florida. Candidate has secured the financial stability of her chapter, has a planned calendar, establishes projects and committees, and offers sisterly advice to her membership when needed. Nominee may be tested.

#### **DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY MATRON OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Given to the Deputy that has shown commitment to all of the chapters she assists by being a counselor, advisor, and trainer. She shows the ability to resolve issues within a chapter that results with positive outcomes. She is well versed in the ritualistic work of our beloved Order, and is knowledgeable of the JGC Constitution, By -Laws and protocol. Nominee may be tested.

#### **SOLOMON AWARD**

Awarded to a male member that supports the efforts of his chapter in the performance of ritualistic work & training, development of programs, and community service. He **MUST BE** an active member of a PHA lodge within the MWUGL of Florida. He should be well versed in the JGC Constitution, By-Laws, and protocol, and be able to advise the membership appropriately.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD FOR CHAPTER OF THE YEAR**

The chapter has demonstrated and documented dedication and commitment to giving back to their community or a recognized charity or cause, either through talent, time, and/or treasure. Chapter should display a variety of involvement, including participation with Starlight Youth Council and attendance to required masonic festivities. Documentation must be submitted via scrapbook.

The judging rubrics for all awards are given following this document. The first 5 awards listed above require written documentation as proof. All written documentation for the nominee must

be submitted at one time, and all together, along with the Award Nomination Form (following page). The Community Service Award requires scrapbook submission as evidence of proof.

Finally, last year I shared that our theme came from Nehemiah 2:17, and I asked you to “*Let’s WORK!!!*” This year, the theme comes from Nehemiah 2:18, “And I told them of the hand of my God which had been good upon me, and also of the king’s words that he had spoken to me. So they said, “Let US rise up and build.” Then they set their hands to this good work.” My beloved SiStars and Brothers, now is the time for US to “rise to the occasion...and do THIS good work!”

Why? Because it is what we are *destined* to do.

Why? Because it is what we’ve been *called* to do.

Why? Because it is what we *promised* and *vowed* to do!

And so, as I shared during my visitation cycle, I can’t do this work alone. I need your help. I won’t beg you for it, but I am humbly asking you to join me, and rise up to be the Eastern Stars we’ve been called to be!

I want to see each of you in Orlando...and I’m asking each of you to bring a book for a child (appropriate for kindergarten – 12<sup>th</sup> grade). And I’m thanking you in advance for helping to bless our children in Belize and the Virgin Islands by donating to this book drive!

O’ Jerusalem, I hope you can feel my excitement leaping off the pages of this proclamation because I know that nobody, nowhere, does it like FLORIDA!!! Rise up and let’s do this good work!!! See you in Orlando!!!

Worthy In White (Rev. 3:4-5),



Dr. Tracy A. Thomas  
The 3<sup>rd</sup> & The 5<sup>th</sup>



CC: Honorable Jeffery G. Jones, Most Worshipful Grand Master  
RW Gus Harris, Deputy Grand Master  
RW Kendall Moore, Senior Grand Warden  
RW Marlon S. Honeywell, Junior Grand Warden  
RW Melvin Wright, Grand Treasurer  
RW Tommie Wright, Grand Secretary  
Min. Alma R. Cornish, Past Grand Worthy Matron  
Sis. Patricia A. Stafford, Past Grand Worthy Matron  
Sis. Thelma Maxie, Past Grand Worthy Matron  
Bro. Leanders Harvey, Past Grand Worthy Patron  
Rev. Dr. E.J. Parker, III, Past Grand Worthy Patron  
Rev. Ron Williams, Past Grand Worthy Patron  
Sis. Estella Edwards, Most Ancient Grand Matron  
Sis. Rose Anne Brown, Royal Grand Perfect Matron  
Sis. Daniella Dixon, Grand Princess Captain  
Sis. Asia McMillian, State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler



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## 2021-2022 Award Nomination Form (Please Print or Type all information)

Award Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominor: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Name and No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Worthy Matron: \_\_\_\_\_

Worthy Patron: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Complete Nomination Package (this cover letter and supporting documentation) to:

**Office of Grand Worthy Matron  
Dr. Tracy A. Thomas  
P.O. Box 6089  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314  
By September 16, 2022**

*\*Scrapbooks are to be submitted onsite at the Grand Secretary's Table (registration area), Saturday, October 22nd, by 12:00 Noon!!!*



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## 2021-2022 Rising Star Award Judging Rubric

Category				Score
<b>Letters of Recommendations supporting OES qualities of obedience, love, fidelity, faith and truth</b>	1 letter noting 3 qualities 5 points	1 letter noting all qualities 10 points	2 letters noting all qualities 15 points	___/15
<b>OES Knowledge</b>	Score up to 50% 5 points	Score 51-79% 10 points	Score 80% and higher 15 points	___/15
<b>Constitution and By Laws Knowledge</b>	Score up to 50% 5 points	Score 51-79% 10 points	Score 80% and higher 15 points	___/15
<b>Protocol Knowledge</b>	Score up to 50% 5 points	Score 51-79% 10 points	Score 80% and higher 15 points	___/15
<b>Chapter Participation (verified by letter from Worthy Matron/Secretary)</b>	Attendance to 50% business meetings and Masonic Programs 10 points	Attendance to 75% business meetings and Masonic Programs 15 points	Attendance to ALL business meetings and Masonic Programs 20 points	___/20
<b>Community Service</b>	Participation in 1 project 10 points	Participation in 2 projects 15 points	Participation in 3 or more projects 20 points	___/20
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARDED</b>				<b>/100</b>



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## 2021-2022 Shining Star Award Judging Rubric

CATEGORY				SCORE
<b>Letters of Recommendations supporting OES qualities of obedience, love, fidelity, faith and truth</b>	1 letter noting 3 qualities 3 points	1 letter noting all qualities 5 points	2 letters noting all qualities 7 points	___/7
<b>OES Knowledge</b>	Score up to 50% 3 points	Score 51-79% 5 points	Score 80% and higher 7 points	___/7
<b>Constitution and By Laws Knowledge</b>	Score up to 50% 3 points	Score 51-79% 5 points	Score 80% and higher 7 points	___/7
<b>Protocol Knowledge</b>	Score up to 50% 3 points	Score 51-79% 5 points	Score 80% and higher 7 points	___/7
<b>Chapter Participation (verified by letter from Worthy Matron/Secretary)</b>	Attendance to 75% business and study meetings 8 points	Attendance to 85% business and study meetings 15 points	Attendance to ALL business and study meetings 22 points	___/22
<b>Required Masonic Holiday Support</b>	Attendance to 2 Masonic Programs 10 points	Attendance to 3 Masonic Programs 15 points	Attendance to all 4 Masonic Programs 20 points	___/20
<b>Community Service</b>	Participation in 3 projects 10 points	Participation in 5 projects 20 points	Participation in 7 or more projects 30 points	___/30
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARDED</b>				/100



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## 2021-2022 Worthy Matron of the Year Award Judging Rubric

Category	Point Values Up To	Points Earned
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b> OES, Constitution, By-laws and Protocol	15 points	
<b>LEADERSHIP</b> Attended 2021 or 2022 JGC Grand Session and made report to subordinate chapter who you represented (attach)	10 points	
Attended 2021 JGC Mid-Year Workshop (verified by GS)	5 points	
Attended 4 Business Meetings and 4 Study Sessions in 2022	15 points	
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICE</b> Performed Community Service relating to the Elderly and the Homeless (under Chapter)	15 points	
Other service	5 points	
<b>MEMBERSHIP 2020-2022</b> Retained	5 points	
Reclaimed	5 points	
New Members	5 points	
<b>SPECIAL INITIATIVES</b> Participation in MWUGL of Florida Fund Raising Efforts	10 points	
Financial Support to a Starlights Youth Council	10 points	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>	





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## 2021-2022 District Deputy Grand Worthy Matron of the Year Award Judging Rubric

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>POINTS (UP TO)</b>	<b>POINTS EARNED</b>
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b> Order of the Eastern Star	15 points	
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b> Jerusalem Grand Chapter Constitution and By-Laws	20 points	
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b> Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida Protocol	10 points	
<b>GRAND CHAPTER PARTICIPATION</b> (Grand Session, Mid-Year Workshop, Administrative Council)	15 points	
<b>ZONE PARTICIPATION</b> Has attended 75% of conference calls held by Zone Coordinator	10 points	
<b>CHAPTER PARTICIPATION</b> Has attended at least 4 meetings or events of assigned chapters (verified from Worthy Matrons)	10 points	
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICE</b> Performed Community Service relating to the Elderly and the Homeless (under Chapter)	10 points	
Financial Support to a Starlights Youth Council	10 points	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>	



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## 2021-2022 Solomon Award Judging Rubric

CATEGORY	POINTS (UP TO)	POINTS EARNED
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b> Order of the Eastern Star	15 points	
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b> Jerusalem Grand Chapter Constitution and By-Laws	20 points	
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b> Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida Protocol	10 points	
<b>GRAND CHAPTER PARTICIPATION</b> (Grand Session, Mid-Year Workshop, Administrative Council)	15 points	
<b>LODGE PARTICIPATION</b> Actively involved in home lodge (verified by Worshipful Master)	10 points	
<b>CHAPTER PARTICIPATION</b> Has attended at least 4 meetings (giving instruction to officers) or events given by chapter (verified from Worthy Matron)	15 points	
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICE</b> Performed Community Service relating to the Elderly and the Homeless (under Chapter)	10 points	
Financial Support to a Starlights Youth Council and/or KOP	5 points	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>	



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## 2020-2022 Scrapbook Judging Rubric

\_\_\_\_\_ **Cover (15 points)**

with consideration to originality, design, neatness, durability, and visual presentation.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Appearance (overall presentation) (15 points)**

with consideration to creativity, theme, neatness in assembly, organization of content material.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Quality (20 points)**

with consideration to overall durability of materials and selection of materials used.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Continuity (20 points)**

with consideration to content organization, lay out of information, consistency of documentation, and promotion of consistent theme.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Content (30 points)**

with consideration to charity efforts, community service involvement, fellowship within and from without the membership, attendance and support of JGC and MWUGL of Florida, involvement with Starlights Youth Council, development and implementation of chapter signature programs.

**Total points \_\_\_\_\_/100 points**

**Comments:**



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2022 Annual Grand Mid-Year Workshop Registration Form

Name and Number of Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Please print or type all required information!)*

Member's Name	Officers Titles	8 (7) Principal Officers at \$80.00 each	Past Worthy Matrons/Patrons at \$80.00 each	DDGWM/ADDGWM/ DDGWP at \$80.00 each	Life Member and/or Senior Star Sister Exempt
1	Worthy Matron				
2	Worthy Patron				
3	Associate Matron				
4	Associate Patron				
5	Conductress				
6	Associate Conductress				
7	Treasurer				
8	Secretary				
9	Member				
10	Member				
11	Member				
12	Member				
13	Member				
14	Member				
15	Member				
<b>TOTALS</b>		\$	\$	\$	<b>EXEMPT</b>

Make Chapter Check or Money Order Payable to **JERUSALEM GRAND CHAPTER**

*\*Personal checks will not be accepted.*

There will be a \$50.00 fee assessed for all returned checks  
Return Mid-Year Workshop Registration Form(s) and Payment to:

**Office of the Grand Secretary**  
**Sis. Temekee Armstrong**  
**P.O. Box 43480**  
**Jacksonville, FL 32203**



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2022 Queen of the South and/or Amaranth Degree Application  
*(Please print or type all required information)*

Chapter Name and No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Worthy Matron: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Name	Sister or Brother	Queen of the South \$10.00	Amaranth \$10.00	Total
<b>Totals</b>		\$	\$	\$

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## 2022 Grand Mid-Year Workshop Checklist

Activity	Due Date	Where To Send	
Senior Star Sisters  (Name and date of birth)	September 23, 2022	JerusalemGS2021@gmail.com	
Mid-Year Workshop Registration	September 23, 2022  *All registrations received after this date, will be subject to an individual fine of \$25.00!!!	Office of the Grand Secretary  Temekee Armstrong  P.O. Box 43480  Jacksonville, FL 32203	
Queen of the South & Amaranth Degrees Application	September 23, 2022	Office of the Grand Secretary  Temekee Armstrong  P.O. Box 43480  Jacksonville, FL 32203	
Hotel Registration	September 20, 2022	Rosen Centre  1-800-204-7234  Room Block:  Jerusalem Grand Chapter	

