PRINCE HALL ORDER EASTERN STAR. INC., STATE OF NEW YORK - CHARTERED OCTOBER 1895 -

YVONNE LADSON GRAND WORTHY MATRON

PAUL W. JAMES GRAND WORTHY PATRON

#### MOST WORSHIPFUL GREGORY ROBESON SMITH, JR. GRAND MASTER

Scripture: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." ~ Jeremiah 29:11, NIV Song: Ain't No Stopping Us Now

Theme: Encourage, Equip and Empower One Another

Motto: Be Kind, You Never Know the Battles Others Are Going Through; There is Always Something to Be Thankful For

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# 2024 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

February 8, 2024

## To: Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers, and Members of Subordinate Chapters

Greetings,

The 127th Annual Grand Session of Eureka Grand Chapter, Prince Hall Order Eastern Star, Inc. will convene on Monday, June 3, 2024, through Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at the Marriott Melville Long Island, 1350 Walt Whitman Road, Melville, NY 11747. The Official Opening will commence on Monday, June 3, 2024, at 8:00a.m. in the Grand Ball Room.

### **Events:**

Sunday, June 2, 2024	Check-in	3:00 p.m.	
Sunday, June 2, 2024	Chapter of Sorrow	7:00 p.m.	Grand Ball Room
Sunday, June 2, 2024	Reception	9:00 p.m.	Atrium
Monday, June 3, 2024	Room Dedication	6:30 a.m.	Grand Ball Room
Monday, June 3, 2024	Official Opening	8:00 a.m.	Grand Ball Room
Monday, June 3, 2024	Monday Night Mingle	7:00 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl. Salons 9&10

## **Grand Session Registration:**

Early Registration: \$175.00 (February 12 - May 17, 2024) Late Registration: \$200.00 (May 18 - May 31, 2024) On-Site Registration: \$225.00 (June 1 - 3, 2024)

Grand Session Registrations will be made ONLINE ONLY, payable by credit/debit card. Every member attending must Register. Please go to https://grandsession.oesegcny.org and follow the instructions. Online Registration will be available starting February 12, 2024.

**Note: EVERYONE** must agree to and accept the **COVID Waiver** when registering.

Only Chapters may choose the option to "Pay by Check" when registering their members. However, even though you are paying with a Chapter Check, EVERY MEMBER MUST STILL **BE REGISTERED ONLINE.** Personal Checks will NOT be accepted, and No Checks will be accepted after May 17, 2024. Make checks payable to: Eureka Grand Chapter and Mail to: Eureka Grand Chapter - 454 W. 155th Street - New York, NY 10032.

In addition, there is a **Registration Exception for:** Elected Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Worthy Matrons, Past Grand Worthy Patrons, and Grand Emeritus. All the aforementioned will be registered by the Grand Chapter and their names will be added to the count of their respective Chapter.

Registration includes lunch for Monday only.

Please go to https://grandsession.oesegcnv.org to Register.

# **Hotel Reservations:**

Hotel Room Reservations can be made as of **February 12, 2024.** Make hotel reservations by calling the Marriott Melville Long Island Hotel at **800-627-7468** or by using the following link: <a href="https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1695062225670&key=GRP">https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1695062225670&key=GRP</a>.

When calling, to book a King Room use code: **EGCEGCA**. To book a Double Room use code: **EGCEGCB**. The Room Rate is \$169.00 +tax (King or Double), which totals \$192.88 p/night. *TAKE DUE NOTICE:* At the time of booking, your Credit Card will be charged \*One Night Deposit (room rate +tax). Check-in is 3:00 p.m. Check-out is 11:00 a.m. The last day to receive this rate is Friday, May 1, 2024. Please adhere to the reservation deadline. Complimentary Parking on premises is available to everyone.

**NOTE:** If you use a debit card as method of payment, an authorization will be placed on your bank account for the total amount of room plus \$50 for incidentals per day. The authorization will show as pending for 5-7 business days, though, the final balance charged may be less.

Also, the hotel has a 48-hour Cancellation Policy. If the reservation is not cancelled 48 hours in advance of the arrival date, a cancellation/no show fee of one night's room and tax will be charged. In addition, if the guest has a confirmed reservation and leaves earlier than the confirmed check out date, an early departure fee of one night's room and tax will be charged.

# **Souvenir Journal:**

We hope you will consider purchasing a Journal Ad to commemorate our 127<sup>th</sup> Grand Session. Please purchase and submit your Ad online at <a href="https://grandsession.oesegcny.org">https://grandsession.oesegcny.org</a>. A Full-Page Ad is \$80.00 and a Half-Page Ad is \$50.00. The **Deadline for Journal Ad submissions is May 1, 2024.** Questions regarding the Journal should be directed to Journal Chairperson, P.M. Tameka Monroe (59) at (917) 705-7511 or journalad@oesegcny.org.

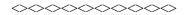
## **Vendors**:

For Vendor Space, please contact Vendor Chairperson, P.M. Belinda Williams (74), at (646) 508-1423. **Deadline for Vendor Registration is May 18, 2024.** 

# **Registration Kit Donations:**

The generosity and support of the membership donating items for the Registration Kits has been and continues to be extremely important and greatly appreciated. We are again asking for your generosity and support. **The Registration Committee asks that donations be made in increments of 450**, so that all kits have the same items. This is the time to collaborate – Be it Chapters, Members, Individuals, etc., increments of 450 is needed. Contact Registration Chairperson, HPGWP Henry Rowlett (46) at (914) 923-4489 or (914) 941-4022, to inform him of your donation, so that we don't have too many of one item. Please bring donations to the Grand East by Wednesday, May 22, 2024. Thank you for your consideration.

# PLEASE DO NOT BRING KIT DONATIONS TO THE HOTEL



Worthy Matrons, please include this information in your Chapter Communication and distribute it to your Chapter members. This information is also on Eureka Grand Chapter's website.

The Committee is enthusiastic about trying to deliver the best services to ensure this 127th Annual Grand Session is one of your most memorable.

Yours in the Rite,

Patricia Bumbrey-Moore

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