



Ordo Templi Orientis

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APPLICATION FOR OASIS CHARTER

Note: a fee of \$30 must accompany this form (or be remitted to the Treasurer of the Electoral College) before it may be processed. Make checks payable to "Ordo Templi Orientis USA," and note that it is for an Oasis Charter in the memo field. Application fees are non-refundable regardless of the outcome of the application.

METROPOLITAN AREA OF EXISTING CAMP: _____

NAME OF EXISTING CAMP: _____

Name of Master: _____ Degree: _____

OASIS REQUIREMENTS:

- An Oasis must have a site (or sites) suitable both for an initiation temple and for performance of the Gnostic Mass.
- An Oasis must have all temple furniture and equipment required for the initiations of the Degrees Minerval through Third
- Though strongly recommended, it is not a requirement that the Master of the Camp that is applying for Oasis status be a chartered initiator. Therefore, there must be one or more chartered initiators who are members of the Oasis, or who are willing to travel to the Oasis on a regular basis, who can administer initiations
- There must be sufficient initiates in good standing of the Man of Earth degrees who are willing and able to serve as officers in initiations
- An Oasis is responsible for following all policies for the safe and accurate conduct of our initiations, for accurate and prompt submission of applications and reports to the Initiation Secretary and the Grand Treasurer General, and for the maintenance of accurate and complete records for all initiations

For Electoral College Use:

Date received: _____ Date considered: _____

Action taken: _____

Rather than including details of officers or equipment on a form, which may fall into profane hands, the questions regarding the following details are framed in broad terms. Please contact your Mentor, or the Electoral College, if you have any questions regarding this part of the application.

FACILITIES: *please indicate which facility (or facilities) described on your current Annual Report will be used for your initiation space.*

FURNISHINGS: *please submit photographs of your temple. The College would like to see one or more photos of the temple set up for Minerval Degree, and an additional photo (or photos) of the temple arranged for the First, Second, or Third Degrees. We would prefer to see photos of all three arrangements. In addition, we would also like to see pictures of the temple set up for Gnostic Mass, the central ritual of our Order. Please send as many pictures as needed to show details of the key pieces of the furniture for these rituals. Digital or scanned pictures are preferred, and may be emailed to the College under separate cover for consideration along with this application.*

EQUIPMENT: *on a separate sheet, please list all the non-consumable equipment (not including candles, incense, etc.) the Body has for Initiations and the Gnostic Mass. Please give descriptions of this equipment as needed (especially with such items as those used in the Third Degree), describing its degree of safety, adjustability to the needs of different candidates, etc. Pictures of major items will be very helpful.*

INITIATORS: *Is the Master of the Camp a chartered initiator?* Yes _____ No _____

Are there any other members of the Camp who are chartered initiators? Yes _____ No _____
Names (if yes):

Are there initiators at other Bodies who have indicated a commitment to travel regularly to the proposed Oasis to administer the rituals? Yes _____ No _____
Names and Body affiliations (if yes):

Note: *the Electoral College requests a letter of confirmation from any initiators (other than the Master) named on this application. They should agree that they are available to perform initiations at the proposed Oasis, and specify the extent of that commitment. They are also earnestly invited to speak of any experience they have already had at the Camp as an initiator, if any. These letters may be included with the application, or sent to the Electoral College under separate cover, either in hardcopy or as email. Frank, complete letters from these initiators are an important part of the information we need to evaluate this application.*

OFFICERS (All initiatory officers must be at least of I°, and be at least of the degree being worked): *Indicate the number of local members available and willing to serve as officers for*

Minerval and I° _____

II° _____

III° _____

POLICY: *on a separate sheet, please summarize, to the best of your understanding, the paperwork that must be filed, and the officer(s) to whom it is sent, in the process of initiating someone into any OTO degree. Please indicate what is sent, when it is sent, who needs to sign it, and any other details that seem important to you in this process. Please describe every step of the process from the point where a candidate wishes to apply for the next degree, up to the point where the final report on his initiation is sent to the appropriate Grand Lodge officer.*

ACTIVITIES AND PLANNING: *The primary purpose of an Oasis is now defined as providing the initiations of the Minerval through Third Degrees of the Man of Earth Triad, and make other upgrades to their functions and focus in order to advance to the functions of a Lodge. In addition, it is recommended that Oases perform the Gnostic Mass on a regular basis, and that they offer such other rituals, classes, or workshops as their resources permit. Please complete the Annual Report Form to indicate to the College how the new Oasis will be progressing toward these goals (or to indicate any important changes since the last annual report filed by the Camp). This form may be jointly filled out by the proposed Master and any other charter members of the Oasis. Clarity of expression and planning is very important. Neatness counts. The annual report form can be found at <http://www.oto-usa.org/ec/forms/index.html>. If this change of body status is submitted within 60 days after the regular annual report submission, then the requirements for completing that document have already been met.*

I attest that the information I have provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby agree to abide by all policies of O.T.O. U.S.A. and the U.S. Electoral College of O.T.O. pertaining to Oases. If I am granted this Charter, I agree to submit a written report annually to the U.S. Electoral College of O.T.O. Furthermore, I understand that a Oasis Charter, if granted, can be revoked at any time by the U.S. Electoral College of O.T.O., with or without cause.

Signature of Master: _____ Date: _____