





Imperial Youth Department

Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles Mystic Shrine of North and South America and its Jurisdictions, Inc. (A.E.A.O.N.M.S.)

Organized June 10, 1893; incorporated November 10, 1901, Washington, D.C.

2239 Democrat Road, Memphis, Tennessee 38132

29th Day of Jomadi I, Hegira 1445 which corresponds to December 13, 2023 15th Day of Wrick, Osiris 5107 which corresponds to December 13, 2023

TO: Illustrious Potentates, Illustrious Commandresses, Desert Deputies, Temple and Court Youth Directors, Nobles and Daughters

RE: June 2024 Imperial Youth Conference

Happy Holidays to each of you and your families! Many of the youth clubs have voiced their opinion regarding their children's inability to attend session because it is held during school in the month of August. Well, we heard your concern, and it gives me great pleasure to announce that our 2024 Imperial Youth Conference will be June 20-23, 2024, in the "Who-Dat" City of New Orleans, Louisiana. While in New Orleans, our youth will have the opportunity to explore its history, experience educational and fun activities, while at the same time explore the rich food culture, music, and cultural arts of New Orleans. Our youth summit, STEM Training, talent show, and unit competitions will continue to take place. The following details are designed to help you navigate through the conference process. Feel free to reach out if additional information is needed. **This means that the Youth Conference will not be meeting in August 2024 with the Imperial Council Session.**

Registration & Fees

Youth Club

Registration Fee: \$15.00 for youth members, associate youth, and non-member chaperones. Make Checks/Money Orders payable to: A.E.A.O.N.M.S. and annotate "Youth Registration" in the memo section. Submit your payment along with the registration forms by April 5, 2024, to HPIC Lorraine James at PO Box 6424, Tallahassee, FL 32314. See page 2 for required forms. Registration badges will be available on-site.

Nobles and Daughters

Nobles and Daughters who work with the youth are to register using the Imperial Session Convention Registration Form and pay the required fees. Note: Your registration will be recorded in the portal for the 2024 Imperial Session. Yes, you are allowed to attend in August if you so desire and without paying another registration fee.

Lodging & Youth Headquarters

The Youth Headquarters is the Hilton Garden Inn Hotel. **To make reservations**, contact the hotel at **504.525.0044** and provide the room block code "**Imperial Youth Department.**" Room rate is \$129.00+ tax.

Hilton Garden Inn Convention Center

1001 S Peters Street New Orleans, LA 70130

Click here to make reservations: https://shorturl.at/pNV07
Deadline for Room Reservations: May 15, 2024

IYD Youth Forms

All IYD forms are fillable PDF forms and can be downloaded at: https://www.aeaonmsyouth.org/imperial-session

Forms Due: February 2, 2024, or Before!

- Letter of Intent Form
- Travel Distribution Form







Forms Due: April 5, 2024, or Before!

- Registration Form and Fees
- Participation Form
- Medical Form
- Chaperone Form
- Youth Photo Release Form
- Talent Show Registration Form (Submit only if your youth plan to participate)

Make check/money order payable to A.E.A.O.N.M.S. and mail along with the forms to:

HPIC Lorraine James PO Box 6424 Tallahassee, FL 32314

As a failsafe, you can email the forms before the deadline dates to: youthdirector@aeaonms.org

Transportation To/From the Airport and Train Station

Please schedule transportation to and from the airport/train station with Chief Deputy Aritha Mclain at 254.251.0772. Transportation to and from activities during the Imperial Youth Conference will be provided by the Department.

Calendar of Events & Competitions

For a schedule of events and a list of competition requirements, visit our website, by clicking here: https://shorturl.at/avyEK. Music and Talent Show performances are a maximum of 3-minutes. Talent Show performances, Spelling Bee and the Art Contest require pre-registration. Register via the Talent Registration Form by April 5, 2024. Remember all youth who are performing must submit the required paperwork.

Attire and Helpful Tips

Church Service attire consists of white skirts/dresses, blouses, and stockings for girls. Black slacks with a belt and a white collared shirt for boys. During the conference, youth should be presentable at all times. No socks and flip flops during field trips. We also want our youth to "represent"; therefore, Temple/Court shirts are allowed. During field trips it is requested that IYD t-shirts be worn. This helps us to identify our youth and makes good for professional representation for the organization.

Special note: Have the youth be prepared to donate \$1 in the offering tray at Church Service. This teaches them how to give back.

More importantly, we are looking forward to having a wonderful time with the youth as we take on the new challenge of hosting our very own *Imperial Youth Conference* in June 2024. This is an inaugural event that will be part of our Organization's history and your youth group will be here to help establish its foundation. So, let us start preparing for this auspicious affair and work to make it a memorable event. Feel free to contact me at 850.212.0054 if you have questions or need additional information.

Together, Let Us Save This Great Organization by Saving One Child at a Time, Pay it Forward!

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Sincerely,

Lorraine James

HPIC Lorraine James (134) Imperial Director of Youth

cc: Imperial Divan and Imperial Court