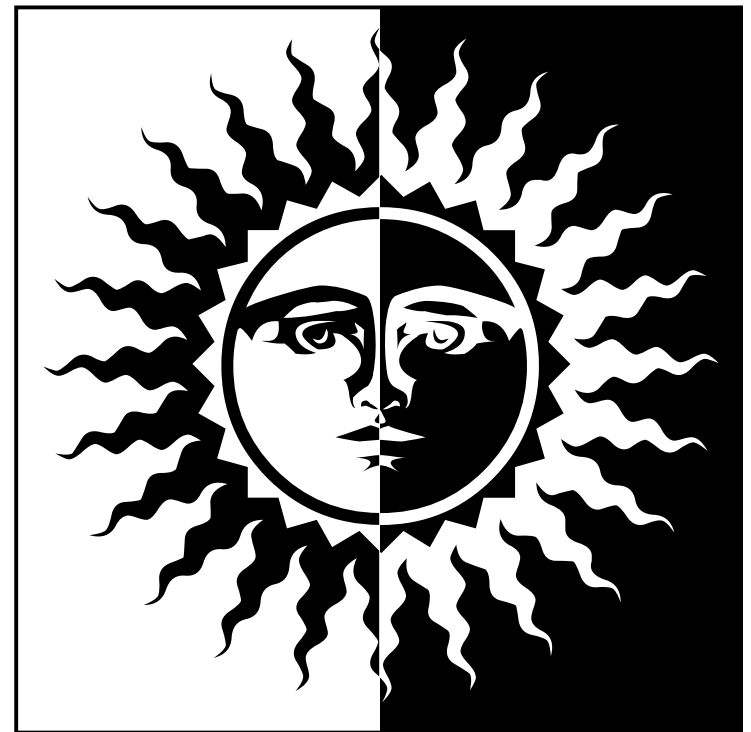


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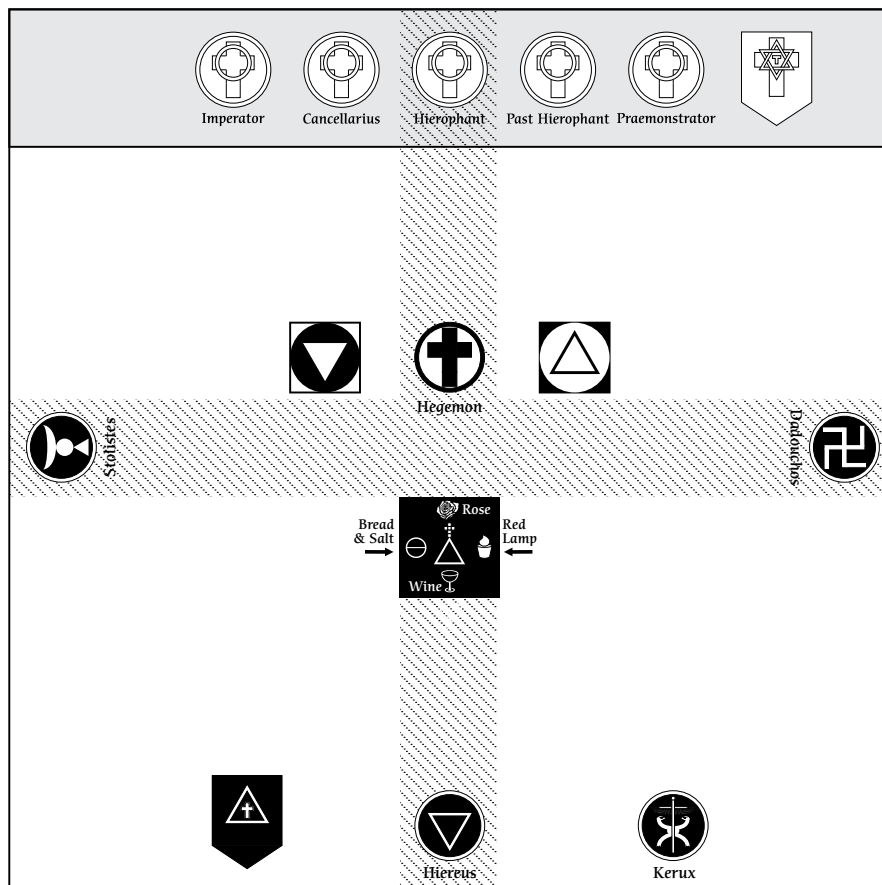
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## The 0=0 Hall of the Neophytes center projection



This shading indicates the energy form of the hall, an equal-armed cross.



### OFFICERS ON THE DAIS:

Officer	Attire and Equipment
Imperator	Red Robe and Tabard, Lamens, Sword
Cancellarius	Yellow Robe and Tabard, Lamens, Scepter
Hierophant	Red Robe and Tabard, Lamens, Scepter
Past Hierophant	Green Robe and Tabard, Lamens, Scepter
Praemonstrator	Blue Robe and Tabard, Lamens, Scepter

### OFFICERS IN THE HALL:

Officer	Attire and Equipment
Hiereus	Black Robe and Tabard, Lamens, Sword
Hegemon	White Robe and Tabard, Lamens, Scepter
Kerux	Black Robe, Yellow Collar, Lamens, Lamp and Wand
Stolistes	Black Robe, Blue Collar, Lamens, Cup of Lustral Water
Dadouchos	Black Robe, Red Collar, Lamens, Thurible
Sentinel	Lamens, Sword
Squire (to assist with robes)	Black Clothing with Red Shoes

### OFFICERS FOR HIEROPHANT'S INSTALLATION:

Three Adepts	White robes, 5=6 Tabards, Rose Cross Lamens, Scepters, and Gold Shoes
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### REQUIRED:

For the Altar	Cross and Triangle, Red or Yellow Rose, Red Lamp, Cup of Wine or Carafe with Communion Cups and Tray, Paten of Bread and Salt
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*Before beginning, determine the new password.*

## Opening the 0=0 Hall

*When members are assembled and clothed, Hierophant gives one knock and the Officers rise. Whenever officers address the Throne of the East, or enter or leave the Lodge, they give the Sign of the Enterer (SoE) towards the Throne while speaking, followed by the Sign of Silence (SoS). In moving about the hall, the Sign of the Enterer is given while passing the Throne, as below, and the Sign of Silence upon returning to seat. Members wear black with red footwear. They do not rise except for Adorations to the East or when asked for the Signs, but when they have occasion to move in the Lodge, they do so in the direction of the SUN.*

Members make the Neophyte Signs on passing the Throne of the East whether the Hierophant is there or not. The Grade Sign is made in the direction of movement except when entering or leaving the Hall, when it is made towards the East.

(!) —This sign represents one knock made by rapping the base or shaft of wand or the pommel of sword on a table.

Take refuge by three Ahs.

**Hiero:** (Knock)

Kerux on hearing the Hierophant's knock, goes to the North East, to Hierophant's right, faces West, raising the Lamp and Wand and says:

**Kerux:** HEKAS, HEKAS, ESTE BEBELOI!

Kerux returns to place. Hierophant rises with one knock.

**Hiero:** Fraters and Sorors of \_\_\_(Lodge name)\_\_\_  
of the Open Source Order of the Golden Dawn,  
Please assist me to open the Hall of the Neophytes.  
Sr./Fr. Kerux, please see that the Hall is properly guarded.

Kerux goes to the door and gives one knock. Sentinel replies with one knock.

**Kerux:** (SoE) Sr./Fr. Hierophant, the Hall is properly guarded. (SoS)

Kerux remains by door.

**Hiero:** Sr./Fr. Hiereus, please guard the hither side of the portal and assure yourself that all present have witnessed the Golden Dawn.

Hiereus goes to the door, stands before it with Sword erect, Kerux being on the right with Lamp and Wand, and says:

**Hiereus:** Fraters and Sorors of the Order of the Golden Dawn,  
Please rise and give the signs of a Neophyte.

All make Signs (SoE - SoS) towards Altar while Hiereus observes. This done, Hiereus gives Signs towards Hierophant, and says:

**Hiereus:** (SoE) Sr./Fr. Hierophant, all present have been so honored. (SoS)

## The Officers

Hiereus and Kerux return to their places. Hierophant gives the Sign of the Enterer towards the West, but NOT the Sign of Silence.

**Hiero:** Let the number of Officers in this degree and the nature of their Offices be proclaimed once again, that the Powers whose images they are may be re-awakened in the spheres of those present and in sphere of this Order—for by Names and by Images are all Powers awakened and re-awakened.

S/he makes the Sign of Silence and sits.

**Hiero:** Sr./Fr. Hiereus, how many Principal Officers are there in this Hall?

**Hiereus:** There are three Principal Officers; the Hierophant, the Hiereus, and the Hegemon.

**Hiero:** Is there any peculiarity in these Names?

**Hiereus:** They all commence with the letter 'H'.

**Hiero:** Of what is this Letter a symbol?

**Hiereus:** Of Life; because the Letter H is our mode of representing the ancient Greek aspirate or breathing, and Breath is the evidence of Life.

**Hiero:** How many other Officers are there?

**Hiereus:** There are three besides the Sentinel; the Kerux, the Stolistes, and the Dadouchos. The Sentinel is without the Portal of the Hall and has a Sword in his/her hand to keep out intruders. It is his/her duty to prepare the Aspirant.

**Hiero:** BAR THE DOOR! ANPU EN AMENTA,  
WATCHER AT THE THRESHOLD.

Sr./Fr. Dadouchos, your station and duties?

**Dad:** (SoE) My station is in the South to symbolize Heat and Dryness, and my duty is to see that the Lamps and Fires of the Lodge are ready at the opening, to watch over the Censer and the Incense, and to consecrate the Hall and the Fraters and Sorors and the Aspirant with Fire. (SoS)

- Hiero:** KINDLE THE FIRES, THAUM-AESCH-NIAETH,  
GUARDIAN OF THE HIDDEN FLAME  
Sr./Fr. Stolistes, your station and duties?
- Stol:** (SoE) My station is in the North to symbolize Cold and Moisture. My duty is to see that the Robes and Insignia of the Officers are ready at the opening, to watch over the Cup of Lustral Water, and to purify the Hall and the Fraters and Sorors and the Candidate with Water. (SoS)
- Hiero:** POUR FORTH THE WATERS, AUR-A-MO-OOTH,  
GUARDIAN OF THE CAULDRON, UN-DRY  
Sr./Fr. Kerux, your station and duties?
- Kerux:** (SoE) My place is within the portal. My duties are to see that the furniture of the Hall is properly arranged at the Opening, to guard the inner side of the portal, to admit the Fraters and Sorors, and to watch over the reception of the Aspirant; to lead all Mystic Circumambulations carrying the Lamp of my Office; and to make all reports and announcements. My Lamp is the symbol of Hidden Knowledge, and my Wand is the symbol of its directing power. (SoS)
- Hiero:** COME FORTH, APUAT, OPENER OF THE WAYS  
Sr./Fr. Hegemon, your station and duties?
- Heg:** (SoE) My station is between the Two Pillars of Hermes and Solomon and my face is towards the cubical Altar of the Universe. My duty is to watch over the Gateway of the Hidden Knowledge for I am the reconciler between Light and Darkness. I watch over the preparation of the Aspirant and assist in his reception, and I lead him in the Path that conducts from Darkness to Light. The White Color of my Robe is the color of Purity, my ensign of office is a Feather-crowned scepter to symbolize balance which guides and regulates life, and my Office symbolizes those higher aspirations of the soul which should guide its action. (SoS)
- Hiero:** HOLD THE CENTER, MAAT, LADY OF THE BALANCE  
Sr./Fr. Hiereus, your station and duties?

**Hiereus:** (*holds Sword and Banner*) (SoE)  
My station is on the Throne of the West and is a symbol of the increase of Darkness and the decrease of Light and I am the Master of Darkness. I keep the Gateway of the West and watch over the reception of the Aspirant and over the Supporting Officers in the doing of their work. My black Robe is an image of the Darkness that was upon the Face of the Waters. I carry the Sword of Judgment and the Banner of the Evening Twilight, which is the Banner of the West, and I am called Fortitude. (SoS)

**Hiero:** WARD THE HALL, SET, MASTER OF DARKNESS

*Hierophant stands, holding Scepter and Banner of the East.*

**Hiero:** My station is on the Throne of the East in the place where the Sun rises, and I am the Captain of the Hall, guiding it according to the Laws of the Cosmos, as that which Image I am, is the Guide of all who work for the Hidden Knowledge. My robe is the red of Created Fire and Uncreated Fire. My scepter is the Hierophant's Cross, and I hold the Banner of the Morning Light which is the Banner of the East. I am called Light, Power, Mercy, and Wisdom, and I am the Expounder of the Mysteries.

*Hierophant sits down.*

**All:** TAKE THY SEAT IN THE EAST, RA-HOOR-KHUIT,  
IN THY SECRET NAME AND SPLENDOUR  
ART THOU LORD INITIATING.

## Purification & Consecration

**Hiero:** Sr./Fr. Stolistes and Sr./Fr. Dadouchos, will you purify and consecrate the Hall with Water and with Fire.

*Dadouchos and Stolistes rise and salute (SoE).*

**S & D:** I will (*in unison*)

*Dadouchos goes to West. Stolistes goes to the East, faces Hierophant, and making a cross in the Air with his/her Cup, sprinkles a few drops of Water three times towards the East. S/he passes to the South, West and North, repeating the purification in each quarter and returns to the East to complete the circle. S/he then holds the Cup on high and says;*

**Stol:** I purify with Water.

*Dadouchos follows Stolistes when s/he goes to the East, and when Stolistes has gone to the South, Dadouchos faces East, raises his/her Censer and swings it towards the East. S/he then goes to the south, West and North repeating the censuring at each quarter and returns to the East where s/he completes the circle and raising the censer says:*

**Dad:** I consecrate with Fire

*Stolistes and Dadouchos return to their places. (SoS)*

## Circumambulation

**Hiero:** Let the Mystic Circumambulation take place in the Pathway of LIGHT

*Hierophant stands holding the Scepter in his/her right hand, the Banner of the East in his/her left. Kerux goes to the North-East with Lamp and Wand. Then follow Hegemon, Hiereus with Banner and Sword, Members, Stolistes with Cup, Dadouchos with Censer and last, Sentinel with Sword. They all line up in this order behind the Kerux who leads the procession past Hierophant, making the Signs of Horus as s/he passes. Each Officer in turn does the same. Hiereus falls out as soon as s/he reaches his/her Throne. Hegemon returns to his/her place after passing Hierophant twice (one full orbit) and then the rest take their places as they come to them.*

**Hiero:** The Mystic Circumambulation symbolic of the Rise of LIGHT is accomplished. Let us adore the Universe and Space.

*Members rise. All face East and make the Sign of the Enterer following the lead of the Hierophant. The Sign of Silence is made at the end of the Prayer.*

**ALL:** Holy art Thou, who art Universe! (SoE)  
Holy art Thou, who art in Nature Formed! (SoE)  
Holy art Thou, the Vast and the Mighty! (SoE)  
Source of Darkness, Source of Light! (SoS)

*Hierophant, Hiereus and Hegemon raise Wands and Sword in salute, and sink them in unison. All face as usual, but remain standing.*

## Charge to the Hall

**Hiero:** Sr./Fr. Kerux, in the Name of the Lord of Initiation, I ask you to declare that we have opened the Hall of the Neophytes.

*Kerux goes North-East, faces West, and raising his/her Wand says:*

**Kerux:** (SoE) In the Name of the Lord of Initiation, Lord of Silence and of Strength, I declare that the Sun has arisen and the Shadows flee away.

*Kerux returns to his/her place. (SoS)*

*All remain standing.*

*Kerux knocks. / Hiereus knocks. / Hegemon knocks.*

**Hiero:** (!) KHABS

**Hiereus:** (!) AM.

**Heg:** (!) PEKHT.

**Hiereus:** (!) KONX.

**Heg:** (!) OM.

**Hiero:** (!) PAX.

**Heg:** (!) LIGHT.

**Hiero:** (!) IN.

**Hiereus :** (!) EXTENSION.

*All make Signs (SoE) towards Altar and are seated.*

## Equinox Ceremony

**Hiero:** (knocks) Fraters and Sorors of all grades of the Open Source Order of the Golden Dawn in the Het Nuit Lodge, let us celebrate the Festival of the Vernal/Autumnal Equinox.

*All rise.*

**Hiero:** (knocks) Frater Kerux, will you proclaim the Equinox and announce that the Password is abrogated.

**Kerux:** (assents)

*Kerux passes to North East, raises Wand and Lamp, and says:*

**Kerux:** In the Name of the Lord of Initiation, Lord of Silence and of Strength, I proclaim that the Vernal/Autumnal Equinox is here and the Password \_\_\_\_\_ is abrogated. Abrogate are all rituals, all ordeals, all words and signs. Ra-Hoor-Khuit hath taken his seat in the East at the Equinox of the Gods; Hoor in his secret name and splendour is the Lord Initiating.

*Kerux returns. Members stand facing the Altar and make signs towards it.*

**Hiero:** Let us celebrate according to ancient custom the return of the Equinox.

**Hiero:** LIGHT

**Hiereus:** DARK

**Hiero:** EAST

**Hiereus:** WEST

**Hiero:** AIR

**Hiereus:** WATER

**Heg:** (*knocks*) I am the Reconciler between them.

*All make signs towards the altar.*

**Dad:** HEAT

**Stol:** COLD

**Dad:** SOUTH

**Stol:** NORTH

**Dad:** FIRE

**Stol:** EARTH

**Heg:** (*knocks*) I am the Reconciler between them.

*All make signs towards the altar.*

**Hiero:** ONE CREATOR

**Dad:** ONE PRESERVER

**Hiereus:** ONE DESTROYER

**Stol:** ONE REDEEMER

**Heg:** (*knocks*) One Reconciler between them.

*All make signs towards the altar.*

*Hiero goes to West of Altar and lays down Wand, saying:*

**Hiero:** With the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I lay down my Wand.

*Hiero takes Rose from Altar and returns to station.*

*Hiereus goes to Altar and lays down his Sword, saying:*

**Hiereus:** With the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I lay down my Sword.

*Hiereus takes Cup of wine and returns to station. Hegemon comes to West of Altar, lays down Wand, and says:*

**Heg:** With the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I lay down my Wand.

*Hegemon stops East of the Altar and remains standing. Kerux comes to Altar, hands his Lamp to Hegemon, lays down Wand and says:*

**Kerux:** With the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I lay down my Lamp and Wand.

*Kerux and Hegemon return. Stolistes comes to Altar, lays down Cup and says:*

**Stol:** With the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I lay down my Cup.

*Stolistes takes Bread and Salt and returns. Dadouchos comes to Altar, lays down Censer and says:*

**Dad:** With the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I lay down my Censer.

*Dadouchos takes Lamp from Altar and returns. Sentinel comes to Altar, lays down Sword and says:*

**Sent:** With the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I lay down my Sword.

*Sentinel returns.*

*Kerux goes to Northeast to begin the Circumambulation. As s/he reaches each Quarter and the Prayer is said, all make signs towards the Quarter.*

*Kerux moves to East and stops before Hierophant.*

**Hiero:** Let us adore the Universe.

*(Turns to East and holds up Rose. All face East.)*

Holy art Thou, who art Air,

who hast created the Firmament!

*Hiero makes a Cross and Circle with the Rose and salutes. All join in.*

*Kerux passes to South and faces Dadouchos.*

**Dad:** Let us adore the Universe.  
(Turns to South and holds up Lamp. All face South.)  
Holy art Thou, who art Fire,  
wherein Thou hast shown forth the Throne of Thy Glory.

*Dad makes Cross and Circle with Lamp and salutes. All join in.*

*Kerux passes to West and faces Hiereus.*

**Hiereus:** Let us adore the Universe.  
(Turns to West and holds up Cup. All face West.)  
Holy art Thou, who art Water,  
whereon Thy spirit moved at the Beginning.

*Hiereus makes a Cross and Circle with Cup, and salutes. All join in.*

*Kerux passes to North and faces Stolistes.*

**Stol:** Let us adore the Universe.  
(Turns to North and holds up Bread and Salt. All face North.)  
Holy art Thou, who art Earth,  
which Thou hast made for Thy Foundation!

*Stol makes Cross and Circle with B & S and salutes. All join in.*

*Kerux returns to place. All face Altar. Hegemon stands East of Altar, and holding Kerux's Lamp on high, says:*

**Heg:** Let us adore the Universe.  
Holy art Thou, who art in all things—in whom are  
all things. If I climb up to Heaven, Thou art there,  
and if I go down to Hell, Thou art there also!

If I take the Wings of the Morning and flee  
unto the uttermost parts of the Sea,  
even there shalt Thou lead me  
and Thy right hand shall hold me.

If I say, Peradventure the Darkness shall cover me,  
even the Night shall be turned Light unto Thee!  
Thine is the Air with its Movement!  
Thine is the Fire with its Flashing Flame!  
Thine is the Water with its Ebb and Flow!  
Thine is the Earth with its enduring Stability!

*Heg makes a horizontal Cross and Circle over the Altar with the Lamp.*

*All salute towards the Altar. Hegemon keeps the Lamp. All are seated.*

## Assuming the Lodge

*Imperator rises and approaches the throne of the East, the Hierophant rises.*

**Imper:** I relieve you, Sir/Madam. (offering Second Order grip)

**Hiero:** I stand relieved. (exchanging grip)

*Hierophant, taking the Rose, quits his/her Throne, which is taken by Imperator. Hierophant then goes West of the Altar and lays down the Rose. S/he returns to the East and lays his/her Lamens and Cloak at the foot of the Throne, and takes his/her place as a Member of the Lodge. In like manner each disrobes then puts down Sacra: Hiereus puts down the Cup; Hegemon, the Lamp of Kerux at junction of Cross and Triangle. Kerux lays down Lamens only; Stolistes, the Paten; Dadouchos, the Red Lamp; and Sentinal, Lamens only. All are seated with Members of their own rank.*

**Imper:** (!) (rising) By the Power and Authority vested in me, I confer the new Password. It is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Imperator sits)

*Praemonstrator rises to read out the names of the new Officers.*

**Praem:** The Officers appointed to do the Work of the Lodge for the ensuing six months are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Praemonstrator sits)

**Cancl:** (rising) I call upon the College of the Rose Cross, to perform their duty, installing the Wardens, then consecrating and ordaining a new Hierophant to captain this Lodge, (Lodge name), of the Open Source Order of the Golden Dawn for the ensuing six months. In preparation for the arrival of the College, we will now take a brief recess. (!) (during the break two additional chairs are added to the Dais. Upon being called back to order, Imperator takes center seat, and Dais Officers seat themselves leaving empty seats on either side of the Imperator.)

**Cancl:** *(Three knocks)* All Rise. I call upon the College of the Rose Cross, to perform their duty, installing the Wardens, then consecrating and ordaining a new Hierophant to captain this Lodge,           (Lodge name)          , of the Open Source Order of the Golden Dawn for the ensuing six months.

*The three Chief Adepts approach the east, shoulder to shoulder, stopping centered before the Dais. The First Adept approaches the Throne of the East offering the Second Order Grip to the Imperator, saying:*

**First:** I relieve you, Sir/Madam. *(offering Second Order grip)*

**Imper:** I stand relieved. *(exchanges grip and returns to regular seat)*

*All are seated, Second Adept to the South, Third Adept to the North of First Adept.*

**First:** The Dais is invited to retire.

*Retiring Dais Officers in turn go to West of Altar, lay down tool by the old password, disrobe, and takes their seats among the Members.*

**First:** *(!)* *(rises)* Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the law

**Second:** *(!)* *(rises)* Love is the law, love under will

**Third:** *(!)* *(rises)* Every man and every woman is a star

**First:** Avete, Fratres et Sorors.

**Second:** Roseae Rubeae.

**Third:** Et Aureae Crucis.

**First:** Very Honoured Fratres and Sorors, seeing that the things which are above do continually lift up unto their high estate the things which are below, and do thence return them after a certain great transfiguration, that the work of Wisdom may continue and that the Grace and Sanctification of the Holy and Glorious Lodge in Heaven may be communicated to the Lodge which is on Earth, wherefore the worlds rejoice together and are fulfilled in all completion, I ask you to join with me in my intention, and to ratify in your hearts, the solemn and sacramental words by which I assume this external and visible Lodge of the Golden Dawn into the House not made by hands, builded of lively stones the Company of the Adepts.

**First:** And it is so assumed accordingly. *(knocks)*

**First:** Had!

**Second:** Ray!

**Third:** Nu!

**All 3:** Abrahadabra *(!)*

*The Chiefs are seated.*

**First:** All Members of the College now present may assume their Rose-Crosses.

Beloved Colleagues of the Rose Cross, Fratres and Sorors of the Order of the Golden Dawn, we know that the Mystic Lodge, erected of old by Wisdom as a Witness of the Mysteries which are above the Sphere of Knowledge, abides in the Supernal Triad:

In the Understanding which transcends Reason, in the Wisdom which comes before Understanding, and in the Crown which is the Light of the Supernals.

As a Witness in the Lodge of the Heart, so in the Outer House of our Initiation, we have ever present certain Wardens from within, deputed by the Second Order to guard and lead the Lesser Mysteries of the Golden Dawn and those who advance therein, that they may be fitted in due course to participate in the Light which is beyond it.

It is in virtue of this connecting link, this bond of consanguinity, that I have assumed the things which are without in the Lodge of the Golden Dawn into the things which are within the company of the Second Order at this meeting held at the Equinox for the solemn purpose of proclaiming a new Hierophant charged with the Rites of the Lodge during the ensuing six months.

**First:** There is an end of the speech;

**Second:** Let the Silence of darkness be broken;

**Third:** Let it return into the silence of light.



## Installing the Officers

**First:** (rises) First we shall install the Wardens of this Lodge.  
Let the Praemonstrator come to the East.

*First Adept installs Dais: Praemonstrator, Imperator, Cancellarius, Past Hierophant.*

*Praemonstrator is clothed with Robe by Squire and puts on Lamén.  
First Adept holds Lamén while saying:*

**First:** Fr./Sr. Praemonstrator, yours is the form of Isis, the daughter of Nuit and Geb, sister/wife of Osiris, sister of Set and Mother of Horus, who as Ra-Hoor-Khuit now sits upon the throne of the Aeon. You wear the blue mantle of the Secret Knowledge, and your ceremonial office is see to it that in the Lodge nothing is relaxed or profaned as the Reflector of the Wisdom beyond.

*Praemonstrator goes to West of Altar, takes up Sword and says:*

**Prae:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Wand.

*Praemonstrator takes his Throne.*

**First:** Let the Imperator come to the East.

*Imperator is clothed with Robe by Squire and puts on Lamén. Hiero holds Lamén while saying:*

**First:** Fr./Sr. Imperator, yours is the form of Nephthys, the wife of Set, the mother of Anubis and the sister of Osiris and Isis. You wear the red mantle of Fire and Severity, as the symbol of true authority. Your ceremonial responsibility is for the stability of the Lodge, and represents That which compels all present here to comply with their True Will.

*Imperator goes to West of Altar, takes up Sword and says:*

**Imp:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Sword.

*Imperator takes his Throne.*

**First:** Let the Cancellarius come to the East.

*Cancellarius is clothed with Robe by Squire and puts on Lamén.  
Hiero holds Lamén while saying:*

**First:** Fr./Sr. Cancellarius, yours is the form of Thoth, who has no parentage for He created Himself through the power of language. He is the creator of magick, the inventor of writing, teacher of humanity, the messenger of the gods, the divine record-keeper and mediator, and the Patron of our Order. Your ceremonial office is as the scribe and recorder of the Lodge, and you represent the authority of the Inner Order within the Outer.

**Hiero:** Let the Past Hierophant come to the East.

*The Past Hierophant is clothed with Robe by Squire and puts on Lamén. Hiero holds Lamén while saying:*

**First:** Fr./Sr. Past Hierophant, yours is the form of Osiris, Green Man and God of the Dead, he who is sacrificed and resurrected, he who eternally dies and is reborn. Your office represents history, memory, and the wisdom of experience.

*Past Hierophant takes his throne.*

## Installing the Hierophant

**First:** (rises) Colleagues of the Rose Cross and Members of the First Order herein assembled, by the power in me vested, I proceed to the installation and investiture of the Hierophant of the Lodge name of the Open Source Order of the Golden Dawn in the Portal of the Vault of the Adepti.

**Second:** (rises) A ka dua tuf ur biu

**Third:** (rises) bi a'a chefu dudu nur af an nuteru.

*The three Adepti give ABRA signs, and seat themselves*

**First:** Let Fr./Sr. Heru \_\_\_\_\_ come to the East. (done)  
Fr./Sr., at the will of the Adepti of the College of the Rose Cross, you have been appointed to the Office of Hierophant of this Lodge for the ensuing six months. Are you willing to assume its duties and responsibilities?

**Hiero:** I am.

**First:** Then I will thank you to advance to the East, giving the Grand Sign of the College of the Rose Cross (*ABRA, Done.*)

**Second:** Abrahadabra

**Third:** The Reward of Ra-Hoor-Khut

**First:** Fr./Sr. Heru \_\_\_\_\_, standing in the Eastern place of the Lodge, I will thank you to give me the secret word of the College of the Rose Cross (*Done*)

**Second:** By his Wisdom made He the Worlds:

**Third:** The Word that is God is none other than He.

**First:** Wherefore, let us remember that when the Body is assumed by the Word, the Mage becomes a living Spirit. For which reason we persevere in the Pathway of the Cross as we look for the Assumption of the Rose. The Very Honoured Second Adept will now deliver the Charge before Installation.

**Second:** (*rises*) The high Office to which you have been appointed by the decree of the College of the Rose Cross involves duties of a solemn kind and their proper fulfilment is a sacred responsibility which rests for a period upon you. While the regulation of the First Order is more particularly committed to the Imperator, while the instruction of its members is entrusted to the Praemonstrator above all, and the general business of the Lodge devolves especially upon the Cancellarius, amidst the distinction of these services there is still a common ground of interaction which must be maintained by a perfect adjustment to ensure the right conduct and harmony of the whole.

In like manner, the Chief Officers of the Lodge are distinct and yet allied; the perfection and beauty of its Ritual depends indeed upon the Hierophant as the Expounder of the Mysteries, but not on him/her alone. For all must work together to encompass the good of all. I invite you, therefore, not only to take counsel with the Chiefs of the Second Order on all important occasions and to maintain a regular communication with the Wardens of the Lodge, but to consult and assist

the Supporting Officers so that these Rites which are about to be placed in your hands, may, after your term of Office, be restored to the Order not merely intact in their working but showing an increased beauty and a greater Light of Symbolism. Thus and thus only will you give, when the time comes, a good account of your stewardship.

Let the memory of these objects abide with you, even as it abides in the Officers, Wardens and Chiefs, and do you assist them in their labour so to direct the Lodge that Peace may be maintained with Power. (*S/he sits down. Chief rises.*)

In the presence of this solemn Convocation of Adepts of the Second Order, seated in this assumed Lodge, I again ask you whether you are prepared in your mind to accept the responsible Office to which you have been appointed?

**Hiero:** I am.

**First:** (*!!!*) All Rise.

Then you will kneel down, repeat the Sacramental Name by which you are known in the Order and say after me: I, Fr./Sr. Heru \_\_\_\_\_, in the Name of the Lord of Initiation, and of that Omnipresent and Ineffable Unity which I seek in common with my Colleagues, do solemnly promise, that I will, to the utmost of my power, fulfil the high Office which has been imposed upon me, and by me accepted freely, for the good of the whole Order; that I will maintain the rites of the Order and observe the duties of my position with conscientiousness and loving care, not alone towards the Lodge itself, but every individual Member; that I will co-operate with the Wardens of the Lodge; that I will execute the decisions of the College of the Rose Cross, acting with justice and without fear or favour in accordance with the dictates of my conscience. This I affirm by the Symbol worn upon my breast. (*touching it*)

(!) Please be seated.

**First:** Arise, Very Honoured Frater/Soror and receive at my hand the highest Office I can bestow upon you in this Lodge. By the Power in me vested, I now appoint you Hierophant of the Golden Dawn Lodge,     (Lodge name)    , to work and confer the Grades of the Outer Order, under the dispensation of the College during the ensuing six months. May the Light which is behind the Veil shine through you from your Throne in the East on the Fraters and Sorors of the Order, and lead them to the Accomplishment of their Wills

**Second:** The Great Work, the Summum Bonum,

**Third:** True Wisdom, and Perfect Happiness.

*First invests Hierophant with Robes assisted by a server.*

**First:** I clothe you with the Robe of a Hierophant. Bear it unspotted, my brother/sister, during the period of your office. Keep clean your heart beneath it, so shall it sanctify your flesh and prepare you for that great Day when you, who are now clothed by the Power of the Order, shall be unclothed from the body of your death.

I invest you also with the Lamens of your Office; may the virtue which it typifies without, be present efficaciously within you, and after the term of your present dignity, may such virtue still maintain you in your search after the White Stone on which a New Name is written which no one knoweth save the one who receiveth it.

You will now pass to the symbolic Altar of the Universe and assume the Sceptre of the Hierophant.

## Installing the Officers

*Hiero, goes to West of Altar, raises Sceptre in both hands and says:*

**Hiero:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_, I claim my Sceptre. *(S/he returns to East. First takes him/her with the grip of the Second Order and enthrones him/her.)*

**First:** By the Power in me vested, I install you Hierophant of the Golden Dawn Lodge     (Lodge name)    . May the steps of this Throne lead you to your proper place among the Seats of the Mighty which are above.

*(addressing the Adepti)* Behold ye Adepti, s/he who now enthroned before us, clothed with the attribute of lawful Revealer of the Mysteries for those whom we are leading towards the Light. You are the Adepts of those Mysteries and you can assist him/her to proclaim them, that those who are still without may be lead by loving hands to that which is within.

*(addressing the members)* Fraters and Sorors of the Order of the Golden Dawn     (Lodge name)    , behold your Hierophant, our Fr./Sr. Heru \_\_\_\_\_ who has been regularly installed and enthroned, and by the power in me vested, I proclaim him/her the Revealer of Mysteries among you for the ensuing six months, being part of that temporal period through which we are conducted into Light(Vernal)/Night(Autumnal).

**First:** Fraters and Sorors, please join with me in a common act of prayer.

*(!!!) All rise and face East. Adepts move to the floor.*

We give Thee thanks, Supreme and Gracious Divinity, for the manifestation of Thy Light which is vouchsafed to us, for that measure of knowledge which Thou hast revealed to us concerning Thy Mysteries, for those guiding Hands which raise the corner of the Veil and for the firm hope of a further Light beyond.

Keep, we ask, this wo/man our brother/sister, in the Justice of Thy Ways, in the Spirit of Thy Great Council, that s/he may well and worthily direct those who have been called to lead them by the path which is best suited to their nature unto the ultimate end of all things, the supreme realization,

**Second:** The Life which abideth in Light,

**Third:** Yea, the Life which abideth in Light. *(Dais and Adepts face West.)*

**First:** Fraters and Sorors, there is Success. The work of the Light for which we have assumed this Lodge has been accomplished faithfully, and the Lodge has received its Hierophant.

**First:** By the power in me vested, I now remit it into its due place in the Outer World taking with it the Graces and benedictions which at this time we have been permitted to bestow thereon. And it is so remitted accordingly:

**First:** Had!

**Second:** Ray!

**Third:** Nu!

**First,  
Second,  
& Third:** Abrahadabra!

*All Adepts give ABRA Signs, and hide Rose Crosses.*

**First:** Please be seated. Very Honoured Fr./Sr., in the presence of the members of your Lodge, I call upon you to make your Confession.

*First Adept takes seat.*

*Hierophant rises and reads Liber 90. Upon conclusion the Presiding Adepts rise, salute (O=O), and exit.*

*Hierophant sits down. The installation of the Floor Officers now proceeds. Cloaks and Lamens are arranged at the foot of the Dais, ready for the Squire to hand them to Officer.*

**Hiero:** By virtue of the Power to me committed, I will proceed to invest the Officers of this Lodge.

**Hiero:** (*rises*) Let the Hiererus come to the East.

*Hiererus is clothed with Robe by Squire and puts on Lamens. Hiero holds Lamens while saying:*

**Hiero:** By the Power to me committed, I ordain you Hiererus of this Lodge for the ensuing six months. I pray that from your Throne in the West, symbolizing the fading Light, you also, may help lead the Fraters and Sorors to the full Light. May you and they ever remember, the Divine Darkness is the same as the Divine Light.

*Hiererus goes to West of Altar, takes up Sword and says:*

**Hiererus:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Sword.

*Hiererus takes his Throne.*

**Hiero:** Let the Hegemon come to the East.

*Hegemon is clothed with Robe by Squire and puts on Lamens. Hiero holds Lamens while saying:*

**Hiero:** By the power to me committed, I ordain you Hegemon of this Lodge for the ensuing six months, and I pray that from between the Pillars, you may lead the Sorors and Fraters into the equilibrium of perfect reconciliation.

*Heg goes East of Altar, takes up wand and says:*

**Heg:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Wand.

*Hegemon takes his throne.*

**Hiero:** Let the Kerux come to the East. (*Kerux puts on Lamens.*) By the power to me committed, I ordain you Kerux of this Lodge for the ensuing six months, to guard the inner side of the Portal, and to lead all Mystic Processions. I pray that you may ever go before us with the Torch of the Higher Luminaries, uttering the Watchwords of the Day. Thanks be, my brother/sister, for the Admirable Light.

*Kerux goes to East of Altar, takes up Lamp and Wand and says:*

**Kerux:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Lamp and Wand.

*Kerux takes his station.*

**Hiero:** Let the Stolistes come to the East. (*Done, as before.*) By the Power to me committed, I ordain you Stolistes of this Lodge for the ensuing six months, to watch over the Cup of Clear Water, and to purify the Lodge, the colleagues and the Candidate. For pure will, unassuaged of purpose, delivered from lust of result, is in every way perfect. Thanks be, my sister/brother, for the Living Water which purifies the whole of Creation.

**Stol:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Cup.

*Stolistes takes his station.*

**Hiero:** Let the Dadouchos come to the East.  
By the power to me committed, I ordain you Dadouchos of this Lodge for the ensuing six months, to watch over the Fires of the Lodge and to perform the Consecrations by Fire. Remember the sweet odor of the Sanctuary, and the Perfume of the Beauty of the House.  
Thanks be, my brother/sister, for the True Incense which hallows our lives.

**Dad:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Censer.  
*Dadouchos takes his station.*

**Hiero:** Let the Sentinel come to the East.

**Hiero:** By the power to me committed, I ordain you Sentinel of this Lodge for the ensuing six months. Be thou the faithful Watcher without, lest anything contrary enter our Sacred Hall.

**Sent:** By the Password \_\_\_\_\_ I claim my Sword.

*Hiero sits. Hiero says something profound, yet encourages gleeful banter.*

## Closing

**Hiero:** (!)

*Kerux on hearing the Hierophant's knock, goes to the North East, to Hierophant's right, faces West, raising the Lamp and Wand and says:*

**Kerux:** HEKAS, HEKAS, ESTE BEBELOI!

*Kerux returns to place. Hierophant rises with one knock.*

**Hiero:** Fraters and Sorors of Het Nuit of the Open Source Order of the Golden Dawn, Please assist me to close the Hall of the Neophytes.

Sr./Fr. Kerux, see that the Hall is properly guarded.

*Kerux goes to the door and gives one knock.*

*Sentinel replies with one knock.*

**Kerux:** (SoE) Sr./Fr. Hierophant, the Hall is properly guarded.  
(SoS)

*S/he salutes the Hierophant's Throne, Remains by door.*

**Hiero:** Sr./Fr. Hiereus, assure yourself that all present have witnessed the Golden Dawn.

*Hiereus goes to the door, stands before it with Sword erect, Kerux being on his/her right with Lamp and Wand, and says:*

**Hiereus:** Fraters and Sorors of the Order of the Golden Dawn, please rise and give the signs of a Neophyte.

*All make Signs towards Altar while Hiereus observes. This done, Hiereus gives Signs towards Hierophant, and says:*

**Hiereus** (SoE) Sr./Fr. Hierophant, all present have been so honored. (SoS)

*S/he sits down.*

## Purification & Consecration

**Hiero:** Sr./Fr. Stolistes and Sr./Fr. Dadouchos, will you purify and consecrate the Hall with Water and with Fire.

**S&D:** (SoE) I will. (in unison)

*As with opening,*

**Stol:** I purify with Water.

*As with opening,*

**Dad:** I consecrate with Fire

*Stolistes and Dadouchos return to their places.*

## Circumambulation

**Hiero:** Let the Mystic Reverse Circumambulation take place in the Pathway of LIGHT.

*This is done.*

**Hiero:** The Mystic Reverse Circumambulation symbolic of the Fading of LIGHT is accomplished.  
Let us adore the Universe and Space.

*Members rise. All face East and make the Sign of the Enterer following the lead of Hierophant. The Sign of Silence is made at the end of the Prayer.*

**ALL:** Holy art Thou, who art Universe! (SoE)  
Holy art Thou, who art in Nature Formed! (SoE)  
Holy art Thou, the Vast and the Mighty! (SoE)  
Source of Darkness, Source of Light! (SoE)

## Mystic Repast

**Hiero:** Nothing now remains but to partake together in silence of the Mystic Repast, composed of the symbols of the Four Elements, and to remember the call to do our Will.

*All are seated.*

*Hierophant puts down scepter and returns the Banner of the East to its place Hiero. goes to the West of the Altar and facing East gives the Saluting Sign, but withholds the Sign of Silence, and taking up the Rose says:*

**Hiero:** I invite you to inhale with me the perfume of this Rose, as a symbol of Air.

To feel with me the warmth of this sacred Fire,

To eat with me this Bread and Salt as types of Earth,

And finally to drink with me this wine, the consecrated emblem of Elemental Water. (Cross)

*Placing the Cup on the altar between the Cross and Triangle, Hiero then comes east of the Altar and faces West, all others partake as per custom, giving the Sign of Enterer approaching altar, and answered by Sign of Silence. Officers receive sacrament in the reverse order of the proclamation of their offices in the opening, save with dais officers first, in descending order on the Tree.*

**Kerux:** (*inverting cup and placing it on altar*) It is finished! (*then replaces cup aright, re-joining cross and triangle, cup to west.*)

## The Closing Charge

**Hiero:** (!) TETELESTAI.

**Hiereus:** (!)

**Heg:** (!)

*All rise.*

**Hiero:** May what we have partaken bring us to the Quintessence, the accomplishment of our true wills, the Great Work, the Summum Bonum, True Wisdom, and Perfect Happiness.

**Hiero:** (!) KHABS.

**Hiereus:** (!) AM.

**Heg:** (!) PEKHT.

**Hiereus:** (!) KONX.

**Heg:** (!) OM.

**Hiero:** (!) PAX.

**Heg:** (!) LIGHT.

**Hiero:** (!) IN.

**Hiereus:** (!) EXTENSION.

*All make Signs towards Altar (SoE—SoS).*

## Dedication of Merit

**ALL:** May the benefit of this act, and all acts, be dedicated Unto the complete liberation and the supreme enlightenment of all beings everywhere pervading space and time. So mote it be.

May the benefits of practice, ours and others, come to fruition, Ultimately and immediately, and we remain the in state of presence—Ah!