

The Most Illustrious Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Florida

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To All Illustrious Masters,

1. The Keith W. Dean Ritual Competition Award for the 2018-2019 York Rite year will again be the Royal Master Degree. Individual Councils or District-wide teams are eligible to compete. A District-wide team may not include Companions who are also competing with a constituent Council.
2. If you desire to compete, please send written notice to me by mail or e-mail at the above noted addresses not later than December 01, 2018. The Chairman of the Committee on Work will assign two Companions as evaluators and direct them to contact the competing Council/District to arrange a date for the competition. The competition must be held on a date early enough to allow all scoresheets to be submitted to me not less than 30 days prior to our 2019 Grand Assembly (May 06th).
3. The competition is intended to be a stand-alone event and should not be made part of a Festival. Neither should it be held concurrent with a Stated Council Assembly. You have the option to use an actual candidate or have a regular member serve as your candidate.
4. The grading of the ritual will begin with the full opening ceremony as shown in our approved handbook. Since this degree is designed and scripted to lead immediately into the Select Master Degree, I am directing the evaluators to end the competition at the point where the Conductor of the Council and candidate leave to be prepared for the Select Master degree. Therefore, there is no graded closing. You will be expected to close the degree in an acceptable manner, but it will not affect the scoring.
5. A list of the Companions participating and their respective positions will be submitted to the evaluators prior to beginning the competition.
6. I have attached the scoresheet for your information as you decide on competing.

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Attachment: Royal Master Degree Scoresheet