**The Spiral Oak Grove Application**

**Requirements for Membership**

**Over a THREE MONTH period you must:**

1. **Attend at least ONE live class a month (we only do two, so the more the better) This shows that you are eager to learn on your magickal path.**
2. **Attend at least TWO public meetups (Tea and Tarot is once a month, the last Saturday of the month and occasionally we have other events that aren’t Sabbat related) This helps you get to know others in the Grove and the community as well as helping them get acquainted with you and know you better.**
3. **Attend at least TWO Sabbats (In any three month period, there are usually at least two). This shows us how serious you are about celebrating the Wheel of the Year with those that you wish to circle with. The Sabbats are not just about ritual magick with others, but about celebrating life and survival with your family and tribe.**
4. **Donate your time to help with public events that you attend. Whether it be Tea and Tarot or public Sabbats, we always need volunteers to help us set up, take down, clean up, and assist others. The more we work together, the smoother things go.**

Your full name:

Your email address:

Your phone number:

Your date of birth (must be over 18 unless otherwise authorized):

1. How long have you been interested in Witchcraft and/or Paganism

What led you to a Pagan path?

Why do you (want) to practice Witchcraft and/or Paganism, and what do they mean to you?

2. Do you have a preferred Craft tradition or set path?

3. How do you define your religion/spirituality?

4. How much do you know of basic Witchcraft and Paganism?

5. Have you ever been initiated into Wicca/Paganism? YESNO

By a teacher?

By a coven?

Self-dedicated?

6. Have you been initiated into a specific tradition? YESNO

If so, to what level?

7. Have you been part of other covens? YESNOstudy groups? YesNOIf yes, why did you decide to leave?

How do you feel about these past groups in retrospect?

8. What do you consider your strong points, both personally and as a Witch in the Craft?

What magickal skills to you excel at?

9. What do you consider your weak points, both personally and as a Witch?

What skills do you wish to perfect or learn?

10. What conflicts, work schedules, or other personal commitments do you have on the regular that could conflict with Grove events and ritual?

11. How does your family feel about your involvement in Witchcraft? (Optional)

12. What other religions have you followed in the past if any?

13. Are you involved in any ethnic cultural activities related to your chosen tradition?

Do you do folk dancing, speak another language, have knowledge of folk crafts, etc?

14. Are you "out of the broom closet?" (Pagan slang for those who do not hide their religion from the general public.)

15. Have you ever taught the Craft to another person? YESNO

If so, assess the experience:

Is that person still involved in Paganism? YESNO

16. Why are you interested in The Spiral Oak Grove?

17. In a best-case scenario, how do you envision a grove/coven?

18. What can you contribute to this group (Skills, knowledge, etc.)?

19. What do you expect the group to give to you?

20. Do you smoke, drink, or use illegal drugs? YesNO

Explanation:

21. Are you allergic to incense, herbs, wine, or anything else? YESNO

If yes, please list them:

22. Do you have any illnesses or physical conditions that could be aggravated by Grove practices such as fasting, vigorous dancing, drinking wine, lighting candles, etc.?

YES NO

Explanation:

23. How do you feel about performing ritual skyclad? (we don’t perform ritual this way, but are curious about other’s preferences)

Check any of the following that interest you.

Astrology Yoga Physical Conditioning 

Native American Crystal BallsI Ching 

Dream Interpretation Herbal MagicNumerology 

Sex MagickAlchemy Psychology

Esoteric Christianity Ghosts & Spirits Massage

Psychic Development Palmistry Voodoo 

Holistic Healing Occult Philosophy Paganism

Personal Religion Nature Religion Parapsychology 

Sexual Energy TrainingTANTRA Polarity Therapy 

Spiritual Guides Witchcraft Astral Projection 

Herbs and Healing Martial ArtsWicca

Borderline SciencesAnthropology Meditation 

Health Foods Graphology Divination 

World Religions Tarot Dowsing 

Practice of MagicLey Lines Kabbalah 

Spiritualism/Channeling Prophecy UFOs

Western Mystery Tradition Visualization Mind Training

Celtic MythologyWestern MysticismGeneral Mythology

By completing this application, you are making your intentions known that you want to be part of the Inner Circle of the Spiral Oak Grove.

The Inner Circle differs from the Outer Circle (those that are just part of the online group or casually attend public functions) in that we work like a coven in a sense: performing ritual together, raising energy together, continuing to learn about the craft and Paganism on a more intimate, hands on setting.

Those that are part of the Inner Circle are also obligated to assist with public events by helping set up, take down, clean, and organize them. Inner Circle is also expected to know how The Spiral Oak works, what it is about, and who we are. This helps inform others who are potentially interested in being part of the Grove as well as you becoming intimate with your Grove.

By signing below, you are committing to the Spiral Oak Inner Circle. Just like the requirements to become part of Inner Circle, you are obligated to maintain these requirements to stay part of Inner Circle. We need dedication, seriousness, and good communication within our Inner Circle and that means attending public events, participating in classes, helping out with Sabbat functions, and coming to private ritual on a consistent basis as well as following the Bylaws that we have outlined on our website and within the Spiral Oak group.

Once part of the Inner Circle, you need to:

* Attend Private ritual or other Inner Circle events (Sabbats included) as consistently as possible. If you miss two or more consecutive private events without prior warning or good reason, you will be put on a probationary period. We need consistent attendance for Private Ritual so as not to cause disorder within the dynamic of our magick as a whole and a group.
* Be present during Live classes on our Facebook page at least once a month (or return to watch them if you can’t be there live)
* Continue to attend public functions (Attending Tea and Tarot at least every other month and attend Sabbats consistently within reason.
* Continue to donate your time and assistance with public and private functions as well as volunteering one’s time within the Grove.

 If you do not keep up with the requirements or comply with Bylaws and continue to do so or be inconsistent within a THREE month period, you will be asked to step back from the Inner Circle and complete requirements again if you wish to re-join. In some cases, if you break certain rules or too many on a consistent basis, you will be asked to leave the Grove all together.

I,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, enter the Grove with an open heart, an open mind, and love for my fellow man. I promise to be dedicated, to help when I can, and communicate freely with my fellow Grove members and Council. I am serious about further learning my craft, practicing my magick, and creating a sense of tribal community within the Grove.