

Award of Arms

Token:	No standard token, but the Crown may choose one for the reign.
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Herald: It is the right and privilege of the Crown to honour those who are worthy of recognition. Their Majesties call forth *[Name]*.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of any token.)*

Herald: *[Name]*, it has come to our notice that through diverse great efforts you have considerably enriched our Kingdom, and it is thus our pleasure to reward you with an Award of Arms.

We grant you the rights and titles of a noble of the realm, and charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

By our word and hand, this *[day]* of *[month]*, Anno Societatis *[year]*. *[Name]*, *[Title]*. *[Name]*, *[Title]*.

For *[Name]*, the newest armiger of the Kingdom of Lochac, three cheers! (*Hip hip, etc.*)

Golden Poyntel

Token: A gold medallion bearing an image of a scribe at work.
Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: The Kingdom of Lochac honours those who perform great deeds, and yet these would be forgotten if there were none to record them. The members of the College of Scribes create these records and enrich them with their artistry, like shining gold.

Those who teach and practice the scribal arts in service of the Kingdom are worthy of recognition, and so their Majesties are minded to admit [Name] to the Order of the Golden Poyntel.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of the Golden Poyntel.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Golden Poyntel, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Golden Sword

Token: A sword pendant.

Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: From the first days of the Society, our traditions of armoured foot combat have shaped our history, our Kingdoms, and our ideas of chivalry and honour.

Those who enrich the Kingdom and give strength to the Crown through the practice and teaching of armoured combat on tourney or war field are worthy of recognition, and so their Majesties are minded to admit [Name] to the Order of the Golden Sword.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of the Golden Sword.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Golden Sword, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Golden Tear

Token: A pendant in the form of a golden drop with a blue border.
Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: A great castle creates awe in the beholder with the strength of its defences and the beauty of its workmanship. But without strong foundations, the castle is only an illusion. So it is with the Kingdom, for without the strong foundations of often unseen dedication and labour, our Kingdom would surely fall.

We honour those on whom are laid the foundations of Lochac with the Order of the Golden Tear.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of the Golden Tear.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Golden Tear, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Hand and Needle

Token: A hand pendant and needle pendant on the same cord.
Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: Though gold and silver shine brightly, it has long been known that textiles may yet outshine them with their richness and beauty. Thus it is that those who reign are adorned in fine clothing as well as bright crowns; that those who serve them bear banners to show their majesty; that awards are given with pouches and cloaks as well as tokens and medallions.

Those who selflessly offer up their art and labour for the benefit of the Crown and Kingdom are worthy of recognition. Thus we honour them for their service in the needle arts with the Order of the Hand and Needle.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of the Hand and Needle.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Hand and Needle, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Hector

Token: A horse pendant.
Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: We read in the classics that Hector of Troy was famed for his skill with horses in times of war and of peace, and was known as the model of chivalry.

Those who show skill and prowess in the equestrian arts emulate his great deeds, and are worthy of recognition, and thus their Majesties are minded to recognise [Name], and to admit them into the Order of Hector.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of Hector.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of Hector, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Lochac Order of Grace

Token:	A red pouch, bearing a golden deer between three white stars.
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Herald: Many are the virtues of the people of Lochac, and many are the ways in which we recognise them. Some awards the Crown gives often, and some rarely, but there is one award that is given only once in each reign: the Lochac Order of Grace.

Since the days of the Principality, those who have reigned as Consort have claimed the right to name new members of this Order, for the Consorts of our Sovereigns are often said to rule by the inspiration their own grace and courtesy did give to their champions.

The members of the Lochac Order of Grace are the greatest exemplars of courtesy in these lands, shining so brightly that all are inspired to follow their example, whatever their degree or station. The day has come for this Order to grow, and today, [*Consort Title*] [*Name*], with [*Sovereign Title*] [*Name*], would add [*Name*] to their number.

Crown: (*Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.*)

Herald: Be it known that on this [*day*] of [*month*] Anno Societatis [*year*], their Majesties, [*Consort title*] [*Name*] and [*Sovereign title*] [*Name*], do welcome [*Name*] to the Lochac Order of Grace, and in token of this high honour, bestow upon them this pouch bearing the badge of the order, being Gules, a hind courant Or between three mullets of six points argent.

For [*Name*], newest member of the Lochac Order of Grace, three cheers! (*Hip hip, etc.*)

Nock

Token: A goldennock pendant.

Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: At the Battle of Agincourt, the French army was by far the greater, but it was the skill and speed of the English archers which won the day. This is only one of countless battles known to history when archery ensured a victory, yet we know few names of the archers who performed these high deeds.

That the names of the archers of Lochac should not be forgotten, those of great skill in missile combat are recognised with the Order of the Nock.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of the Nock.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Nock, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Prometheus

Token: A pendant in the form of a flaming branch of fennel.
Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: We read in the classics that Prometheus taught humankind the secrets of fire, bringing light, warmth, and learning to all.

To this day, those who pass on this hard-won light of learning by teaching others are worthy of recognition and remembrance, and so their Majesties are minded to admit [Name] to the Order of Prometheus.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of Prometheus.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of Prometheus, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Rapier

Token: A rapier pendant.

Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: When the smith makes a sword, all can see the heat of the forge and the force of their hammer. Yet these are as nothing if not directed by knowledge and skill. As it is with the smith, so it is for the wielder, who must bring to the rapier field not only strength, but knowledge.

Those who devote themselves to learning the art of rapier are worthy of recognition, and so their Majesties are minded to admit [Name] to the Order of the Rapier.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of the Rapier.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Rapier, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Sanguine Torse

(formerly Miles Regni)

Token: A shield pendant.
Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: Though Lochac is a peaceful Kingdom, it happens that at times the drums of war are sounded, and the Crown must call for the armies of Lochac to gather.

There are many who strengthen these armies with their labours, both martial and supportive. We honour those who give their best in the defence of Lochac with the Order of the Sanguine Torse, and name them our Milites Regni, Soldiers of the Kingdom. Let any Miles Regni here present stand if able, and make themselves known.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] a Miles Regni, the newest member of the Order of the Sanguine Torse.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Sanguine Torse, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Star and Lily

Token: A blue medallion showing four lilies in cross.
Preparation: Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: In the 20th year of the Society, Hugh and Merewyn, 2nd Viceroy and Vicerine of Lochac, saw that the artisans of the Crown Principality were worthy of recognition, and thus they created the Order of the Roman Lilies.

To this day, we honour those artisans who inspire others with their skill, and who plant the seeds of knowledge for those who come after, with the Order of the Star and Lily.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Order of the Star and Lily.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Order of the Star and Lily,
three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*

Vox Coronae

Token:	A Lewis chess king pendant.
Preparation:	Decide whether an Award of Arms is being incorporated.

Herald: In the 54th year of the Society, Niall and Sabine, 35th Crown of Lochac, heard the strong and melodious voices of their Court Heralds and admired the skill and dedication with which they offered their service to the Crown, and felt they were worthy of recognition.

For without Our heralds' strength of voice, the Crown would not be heard. Without their service, the Crown would not be understood. And without their skill and experience, the Crown would not be brief! Thus the Crown created the Ordo Vox Coronae.

Crown: *(Personal words as they see fit, and bestowal of token.)*

Herald: Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], have this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year], made [Name] the newest member of the Ordo Vox Coronae.

(If an Award of Arms is being given with this award:)

We also grant you an Award of Arms, and with it the rights and titles of a noble of the realm. We charge you with the responsibilities of this rank, and we further grant you the right to bear as personal arms such device as you may have properly registered with our heralds, in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

For [Name], newest member of the Ordo Vox Coronae, three cheers! *(Hip hip, etc.)*