



Kappa Pi Induction Ritual

SUPPLIES

- Register book
- Chapter candles (gold, tan, or purple)
- Kappa Pi lapel pins
- Kappa Pi certificates
- Pen
- Lighter
- Table
- Table cloth
- New Member candles with holders

INTRODUCTION

In a darkened or dimly lit room if possible.

President:

It is a pleasure to be the initiating officer of this group of candidates as members of the Iota Chapter of the Kappa Pi International Art Honors Society. Each of you have been invited to become a member of Kappa Pi because of your special qualifications in art. You are to be congratulated for your achievements which have resulted in this recognition. You have been invited to join an international organization with over 300 chapters installed on college campuses and universities across the United States and around the world.

Faculty Sponsor:

Members of the Kappa Pi International Honors Art Society are committed to truth, sincerity, excellence and achievement within a life enriched by art. In addition to this commitment of ethics and passion, we your professors at Culver-Stockton College stand before you today to share with you the Light. It is out of this passion for artistic expression that we share the light within this group. We honor you as the next generation carrying the light of artistic expression and scholarship to the world. (Light the main candle and illuminate the room)



Vice President:

You initiates in your quest for excellence in art have learned many lessons. We trust these lessons will remain with you throughout your lives as a foundation for your work. Your training will have given you insights which we hope you will share with others. Perspective in one's life has a role even more significant than that which applies to the studio. Your selection for membership in Kappa Pi is both an honor and a privilege. We are pleased that you, by your presence here, have accepted the honor of membership as well as the responsibilities of membership in this honors society which exemplifies excellence and leadership.

Faculty Sponsor:

Officers and initiates light your candles from ours. This symbolizes our trust in you, by passing on the light of art to each one of you. (*Faculty sponsors light their candles and then walk to each member lighting their candle.*) Now the President will administer the pledge of Kappa Pi.

President:

I hereby pledge to do my best to develop my potential as an artist or as an interpreter of art to others. I pledge myself to help all student artists as much as I can, and to assist in training and directing public opinion into a deeper understanding and appreciation of the arts. I further pledge my best efforts to enhance my future environment for the aesthetic enrichment of my fellow human beings.

If you pledge – answer: **I DO.**

I now declare you full fledged members of the Iota Chapter of Kappa Pi with all the honors and responsibilities that are attached. Congratulations on this achievement.

Faculty Sponsor:

Initiates, as we call your name, please extinguish your candle and come forward to sign the register, receive your certificate and Kappa Pi lapel pin. *Have ALL in attendance sign the book after the new initiates.*

