

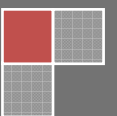
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# La Masonería en el mundo – Tailandia

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[The following information has been abstracted from <http://www.thaifreemason.com/>, with the consent of webmaster Jim Smith, an American Mason who has lived in China and Thailand. The website is chock full of information, beautifully presented; it contains links to the websites of lodges in Thailand, and email addresses of the secretaries, from whom meeting times and locations may be obtained. Long-time readers of Harashim will recall four previous contributions by Bro Smith, including the story of his encounter with government officials when he imported an American dress apron into China, and his first experience of a Scottish third degree in Hong Kong. Some will also recall his elegant Tracing Board newsletter for Thai lodges.]

# DIRECTORY OF LODGES IN THAILAND

## BANGKOK

### United Grand Lodge of England

*Chula Lodge, No 9745* — (English speaking) Founded in 2001 and meeting in Bangkok.

### Grand Lodge of Ireland

*Lodge Morakot, No. 945* — (English speaking) Founded in 1995, it was the first Irish lodge in Thailand.

### Grand Lodge of Scotland

*Lodge St. John, No. 1072* — (English speaking) Lodge St. John is the first and oldest lodge of Freemasons in Thailand. Founded in 1911 after a tumultuous start and through two world wars and several other domestic difficulties, this lodge has survived and is prospering today. Meetings are held at the newly consecrated Lodge St. John Masonic Hall.

*Lodge Lane Xang, No. 1632* — (English speaking) Lodge Lane Xang was originally consecrated in Vientiane, Laos, in 1967 and worked there until the Laotian government was overthrown by communists. The lodge finally went into darkness in 1976 and was reopened by concerned brethren in Bangkok in 2000.

*Lodge Ratanakosin, No. 1833* — (Thai & English speaking) The world's first Thai language lodge was consecrated in 2006 and meets in Bangkok.

### Grand Lodge of the Netherlands

*Loge Erasmus, No. 297* — (English speaking) Founded in 2006, Loge Erasmus is a Dutch lodge working continental Masonry in English.

### MW Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Delaware

*Siam Military Lodge #30* — (English speaking) The kingdom's only Prince Hall lodge.

### French National Grand Lodge (GLNF)

*Lodge Tantan Fleur du Soleil, No. 1030* — (French speaking) Founded in 1996, Lodge Tantan was the first French speaking lodge in Bangkok.



Webmaster Jim Smith

Tantan work an elegant and interesting continental Masonry with skill and drama.

*Lodge Hoa Sen Lumière d'Asia, No. 1503* — (French speaking) Founded in 2005, this lodge is intended to work in Vietnam once conditions there improve to the point where Masonry is possible.

*Lodge Foederis Arca in the Orient of Shanghai, no. 1524* — (French speaking) was founded in 1873 in Shanghai and consecrated on December 2nd, 2005 by the Grand Master of the GLNF and his Grand Warden, a rare and exceptional privilege for an equally very exceptional Lodge. Most of our members live in China and the China Coast and meet in Bangkok.

*Lodge Star in the East, No. 1600* — (English speaking) Founded in 2007, this is the world's first and only GLNF lodge working the AASR Craft degrees in English.

**Royal Arch Chapter, Lodge & Council Bangkok Royal Arch Chapter, No. 357 SC** — Founded in 1912, Bangkok Royal Arch Chapter has worked continuously except during World War II from 1942 to 1945.

**Bangkok Lodge & Council, No 357 SC**

## Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite

*The Valley of Taipei*, Orient of Taiwan of the AASR (SJ) holds an annual conferral in Thailand to meet the needs of the brethren in Southeast Asia. These meetings allow local brethren to meet others from Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore and around the region while learning about this interesting series of degrees.

## ELSEWHERE IN THAILAND

### Chiang Mai

*Lodge Les 7 Niveaux de la Sagesse, No. 891, GLNF* — (French speaking) Founded in 2007 to serve the needs of French Freemasons in the north of the kingdom.

### Hat Yai

*Lodge Songkhla, No 936, IC* — (English speaking) Founded in 2005 to extend Irish Freemasonry to the far south.

### Pattaya

*Lodge Pattaya West Winds, No. 1803 SC* — Founded in 1992 by several brethren living in Pattaya trying to bring a more positive image to that beautiful city.

### Phuket

*Light of Siam Lodge, No 9791 EC* — Founded in 2004 in Phuket, Light of Siam is the second English Constitution lodge in the kingdom.

*Premier Siam Lodge of Mark Master Masons, No. 1893 EC*, The Premier Siam Lodge of Mark Master Masons is an 'unattached' Lodge. This means that the Lodge is under the direct control of Grand Lodge and the Lodge Secretary reports only to Grand Lodge via the Grand Secretary. It is the only English Mark Lodge in the kingdom.

