



**International Order of the
Rainbow for Girls in Michigan**

GRAND ASSEMBLY 2021

May 5, 2021

Dear Rainbow Girls and Adults, Alumni and friends,

We hope this message finds you, your family, and friends all healthy and safe. We never thought that a year later we would be planning our second virtual Grand Assembly. This year it will be a hybrid model with our Grand Officers and Grand Representatives in attendance. The planning committee follows and discusses the Michigan Covid numbers on a weekly and sometimes daily basis. We hope that as more people are vaccinated that we will be able to invite others to attend.

Friday, June 25th will be a Zoom Fun Event for the girls along with an etiquette talk and a voting delegate discussion. All voting delegates are expected to attend.

Saturday, June 26th will include both live streaming and virtual components. There will be three sessions. The morning session will include Ritual Opening and Closing, Roll Call, Elections, Grand Representative Parade and Majority Ceremony. Following the "Wherever You Are is my Home" Awards Luncheon, the afternoon session will include Awards and Scholarships, Service to Rainbow, Grand Worthy Advisor Report, Appointments and Book of Time. After a short break, we will continue with Installation and concluding our day with our "Mid-Summer Soirée" Formal Banquet.

Initiation will not be done this year, however, before the morning Zoom meeting starts, the Grand Officers will be opening our Morning Session ritualistically. Following the morning concluding Proclamation, the Zoom meeting will end, and we will close Ritualistically. All other Sessions will be open and available on Zoom.

As of this writing, we are limited to 25 people in the room. As of May 4th we can now have 100 people outside without masks. This allows for the Rainbow Girls and very limited adults to be in the room. As the vaccination numbers rise, we can add more people.

There are still many details to be worked out and the planning committee this week is working these days to get the details organized. As we get decisions made and paperwork organized, we will get that information to you. I will be asking some of you to participate in the day and I will do that by direct email (no paperwork this year!). Please respond to me as quickly as possible so if I need to reorganize, I can do that.

I know this still leaves many questions unanswered but please understand this is a whole new experience. We will need help from many of the adults and I hope that, if asked, you can say yes. Please try to hold on to your questions as we continue to work this out but if you need an answer, please call. Some of this is still subject to change. Please be patient.

Looking forward to being together while maintaining distancing.

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Supreme Inspector

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