



Ogbakor Ikwerre USA/Canada, Inc. (OIUSA)

CONVENTION 2022

Celebrating Her  
**25<sup>TH</sup>**  
Anniversary

• 5/27/2022 - 5/29/2022 •

*Miami, Florida*

## Ogbakor Ikwerre USA, Inc.

2022 Annual National Convention

Miami, Florida

May 27 - 30, 2022

**Omicron notwithstanding, our near-term outlook for the Memorial Day weekend's 2022 OIUSA/Canada Convention, to be held in Miami, Florida, remains promising. We appeal to everyone planning to attend the Convention and Celebration of OIUSA/Canada's 25th Anniversary to vaccinate fully against COVID-19.**



Dear Members and Friends OIUSA/Canada,

On behalf of the Executive Committee of OIUSA/Canada, we wish you and your families a Happy New Year and the best of 2022.

I am delighted to announce that the 2022 Ogbakor Ikwerre USA (OIUSA)/Canada, Inc. Annual Convention will be held at the **Hilton Garden Inn, Miami Airport West, from May 27-30, 2022**. In keeping with our tradition, the National Convention Planning Committee (NCPC) has done a masterful job in finalizing accommodation and lodging arrangements for the convention, giving every one of us sufficient time and information to facilitate travel plans. The Hotel management honored the previously negotiated contract without any added COVID-19 costs for our members, supporters, and friends at three great hotels at the exact location to enable you to choose based on your needs.

NCPC is planning this convention like none other. OIUSA/Canada will celebrate her **25th (SILVER) Anniversary** at this 2022 Annual Convention. Its theme is ***“Leadership, Unity, and Security: the challenges to Ikwerre’s economic development and youth empowerment in the 21st Century.”***

The overall format will be Town Hall-like, where selected panelists will present a panoramic overview of a specific component of the theme. After that, our invitees and members will commence wide open, robust discussions on the theme, with a moderator facilitating the discussions. A communiqué team headed by the Secretary-General will take notes and summarize the critical and most salient points of discussions. These will be compiled, archived, and made available to attendees after the convention.

The NCPC has invited an array of dignitaries from Nigeria and U.S.A., including His Excellency, the Governor of Rivers State, Chief (Barr) Nyesom Ezenwo Wike, CON and the Minister for Transport, Rt. Hon. (Chief) Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, ), Former Governor of Rivers State, Rt. Hon. Chief (Sir) Celestine Ngozichim Omehia, Esq (KSM, KSS, Prof. Emenike Wami, President General of Ogbakor Ikwerre Worldwide, traditional rulers, business leaders, and many more.

**Host City:** Miami, Florida, USA

**Host Chapter:** Miami OIUSA Chapter Miami.

**Date:** Friday, May 27 - 30, 2022 (Memorial Day Weekend)

**Event Venue:** **Hilton Garden Inn, Miami Airport West**  
3550 NW 74th Ave, Miami, FL 33122-1208  
(305) 629-7701

**Homewood Suites by Hilton, Miami Airport West**  
3590 NW 74th Ave, Miami, FL 33122-1208  
(305) 629-7831

**Four Points by Sheraton, Miami Airport West**  
3570 NW 74th Ave, Miami, FL 33122-1208  
(305) 351-5730



## **Airport Information**

**Miami International Airport (MIA)** is the most proximate airport to the event Hotels.

❖ *All of our three event hotels offer airport shuttles for guests. Please call upon arrival.*

It is crucial that you carefully review the following information: hotel [accommodation] discounted rates, air and ground transportation, convention pre-registration, etc., and complete your reservation immediately. The following is information for the convention to assist you and your family complete your travel arrangements seamlessly.

***IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THESE THREE HOTELS ARE IN THE SAME PLACE AND A WORKING DISTANCE FROM EACH OTHER. THE YOUTHS AND CHILDREN CONFERENCE AND EVENTS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE FOUR-POINT BY SHERATON, WHILE THE CONVENTION CONFERENCES WILL BE AT THE HILTON GARDEN INN. FEEL FREE TO MAKE YOUR ROOM RESERVATIONS AT ANY ONE OF THE THREE FACILITIES. HOWEVER, IF YOU WISH TO RESERVE FOR A SUITE, PLEASE RESERVE AT THE HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON.***

## **Hotel Reservation**

Reservation can be made through any of the methods below.



Please click on the image or call **+1(305) 629-7701**



Please click on the image or call **+1(305) 629-7831**



Please click on the image or call **+1(305) 351-5730**



## **Hotel Room Rate**

The hotel offers the following special discounted rates to members and guests who make their **reservations on or before April 22, 2022**. To take advantage of these special offers, you are encouraged to make your reservation immediately. Any booking made after this deadline will be at the hotel's normal commercial rate based on room availability.

### Hilton Garden Inn

Rooms	Single	Double	Triples	Quads
Traditional Kings and Double Standard	\$124	\$129	\$134	\$139

### Homewood Suites

Rooms	Single	Double	Triples	Quads
Traditional Kings and Double Standard	\$134	\$144	\$154	\$164

### Four Points by Sheraton

Rooms	Single	Double	Triples	Quads
Traditional Kings and Double Standard	\$124	\$129	\$134	\$139

## **NOTE**

### **Individuals to pay own:**

Members and guests are required to pay their accounts upon departure. When you make your reservations, Hotel will require a deposit equal to the room rate and tax for the first night for each reservation. An individual's deposit is refundable to that individual if the Hotel receives notice of an individual's cancellation at least **72 hours** before scheduled arrival. ***Upon check-in, the Hotel will require each guest to present a valid credit card to pre-authorize the amount to cover the room and tax charges for the length of the guest's stay, plus the anticipated use of the Hotel's ancillary services.***

## **Arrival & Departure Dates**

The National Convention Planning Committee (NCPC) has arranged with the hotel management to allow convention attendees ***arriving or departing two days before and or after the convention*** to benefit from the hotel's discounted rate. This arrangement will allow members to enjoy the beauty of Miami and its surrounding tourist attractions.



## Convention Pre-registration

Members, prospective members, and guests are encouraged to conveniently pre-register for the Convention online or by mail. Doing so will help you avoid queuing up in a possibly long line at the registration desk during the Convention. We expect the 2022 convention and 25th Anniversary celebration to draw record attendance and follow the CDC COVID-19 protocol enforced at the Convention dates. For all early registration, your receipts will be mailed to you by the OIUSA Financial Team on or before April 30, 2022. To make sure that you receive your registration receipts. We advised you to provide the following along with your check or money order: **name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address to help us register you and make your admission to the Convention and event halls seamless.** For existing members who were absent at the last in-person Convention (2019), you may mail in your membership dues to bring your membership up-to-date, help OIUSA meet her financial obligations, and help reduce the burden of paying past dues all at a time. Please take advantage of the early registration by making checks or money orders payable to **Ogbakor Ikwerre USA, Inc., Attn.: Ven. Collins Asonye, 4643 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304, or call him @ (419) 438-1197 for updated information on your membership status.**

*\*If you have any additional questions about membership, please don't hesitate to contact any member of the Executive Committee, including but not limited to the President, Secretary, the Public Relations Officer, and the Financial Secretary.\**

You can also pay online with your credit card or PayPal by logging on to <http://www.oiusa.org/Home/MemberPayments>

## Membership and Convention Annual Dues

The table below is a breakdown of the approved membership and convention dues.

### **CATEGORY**

<b>NEW MEMBERS</b>	<b>SINGLE</b>	<b>COUPLE</b>	<b>GUEST (EACH)</b>
<b>Registration</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$75</b>	
<b>Convention Fees</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>\$120/N55K (EACH)**</b>
<b>Annual Dues</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$110</b>	
<b>TOTAL FOR NEW MEMBERS</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	<b>\$385.00</b>	
<b>RETURNING MEMBERS</b>			
<b>Convention Fee</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$200</b>	
<b>Annual Dues</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$110</b>	
<b>TOTAL FOR RETURNING MEMBERS</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$310.00</b>	
<b>*OIUSA NGBARU Annual Fee*</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	
<b>YOUNG ADULTS (23-25 Yrs)</b>			
<b>Convention Fee</b>	<b>\$25</b>		

### **OTHER PAYMENT METHODS:**

1. Zelle – [OIUSATRESURY@OIUSA.ORG](mailto:OIUSATRESURY@OIUSA.ORG)
2. Bank of America (BOA) - Acct. # 21013855
3. First City Monument Bank (FCMB) – Acct. # (1027184019-NGN), (1027184026 -USD)\*\*



## **Youth and Children's Programs**

The youths and children are the future of OIUSA. OIUSA requests parents to bring their children and encourage their grown youths to attend the convention. The OIUSA Youth Leadership Committee is working on program and activities for all the youths and children. For additional information, please contact the **Youth Administrator, Mrs. Peace Ogunleye @ +1 (213) 265-6355**

## **Graduating Students**

Parents who have 2019-2022 high school and college graduates, and graduating students, including adults should submit their names to the OIUSA Administrator for Education, or Chairman of the NCPC to ensure that they receive their deserved recognitions and awards. Please include the schools that they are graduating from and going to, their majors and future prospect. The OIUSA Administrator for Education is **Mr. King Okpobiri**, and he can be reached at **+1 (972) 898-0331**, and email all the needed information to him at [kokpobiri@yahoo.com](mailto:kokpobiri@yahoo.com)

## **OIUSA Uniforms**

During the 2022 Convention in Dallas, Texas, OIUSA created the position of OIUSA WOMEN LEADER, whose committee is to handle everything related to OIUSA's female members, including uniforms, etc. The OIUSA Women Leader is **Mrs. Patience (Dada) Osiah, she can be reached at +1 (313) 330-3446**

Rumu Ndam, I look forward to meeting all of you and your family in sunny Miami, Florida, as we prepare to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of OIUSA/Canada at this convention.

If you have any questions or suggestions on improving these events and OIUSA/Canada in general, please don't hesitate to contact me at **+1 347-907-1130** or **Mr. Maxwell Oparaodu**, Chairman, NCPC, at **+1 972-693-8178**.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to OIUSA/Canada's mission and vision.

OIUSA wishes you and your family a safe trip to and from the Big Apple USA.

Nkalam Anu Meka!

Eric Welle  
President,  
OIUSA/Canada  
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**#OIUSAMiami2022!**  
**#IwhuruohnaFirst!**  
**#IwhuruohnaBuOtu!**



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**Congratulatory Messages and Ads Support: (No Payment No Ad)**

**\*\*\*200-PLUS PAGE 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY BOOKLET\*\*\***

## Convention Advertisements

The NCPC is soliciting advertisements, congratulatory goodwill messages, and greetings from our members, friends and supporters to help defray the cost of printing the convention brochure. Please use the Order Form below for advertisement solicitation and follow instructions as indicated. Collectively, let us support members of the NCPC in their efforts to solicit funds for the convention.

### ADVERTISING IN CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOKLET

<b>Contact information</b>		
Name of Company/org/Family		
Name of Contact Person		
Full Address		
City, State, Zip Code		
Telephone Number + Area code		
<b>AD SIZE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PRICE</b>
8.5x11	Back Cover Determined by postmarked date	<b>\$1000.00</b>
8.5x11	Inside Back Cover Determined by postmarked date	<b>\$500.00</b>
8.5x11	Inside Middle Page Determined by postmarked date	<b>\$300.00</b>
8.5x11	Full Pages	<b>\$100.00/N55K</b>
8.5x5.5	Half Page	<b>\$80.00/N44K</b>

- ❖ All requests from individuals or organizations in USA, Canada and Europe must include full payment in US dollar. Please make your check or money order payable to **Ogbakor Ikwerre USA, Inc:**
- ❖ **Mail to; Ogbakor Ikwerre USA, Inc;**
- ❖ **ATTN: Ven. Collins Asonye,**  
**4643 Seminary Road, #203**  
**Alexandria, VA 22304**
- Payment by Zelle to; [OiusaTreasury@oiusa.org](mailto:OiusaTreasury@oiusa.org) • Payment through Bank: BOA (#21013855), FCMB (#1027184019)
- ❖ The deadline for all advertisements and payments is **April 30, 2022**. *No advertisements will be published in the program brochure without full payment. Email your Ad to [03prince@concast.net](mailto:03prince@concast.net)*

For questions and additional information please contact the 2022 National Convention Planning Committee Chairman - **Mr. Maxwell Oparaodu** at @ 972-693-8178.