# WEBSITES AND BLOGS USEFUL TO THE MASONIC TRAVELER

We live in a ubiquitous world of information. For the first time in history, teachings of a moral and philosophical nature are just as available to the seeker of light as weather and news reports, music, books, stock quotes and airline schedules. Essentially all centers of knowledge are now making their teachings and philosophies easily accessible throughout the connected world in digitized form. Access to Masonic information and education is now as swift as a mouse.

The only challenge is in searching where to find information from the millions of websites available to us along the digitized highway of connected computers.

Here are a few websites and blogs that are sure to give you ideas and inspiration.

### Sites:

<u>http://masonicdictionary.com/</u> An online Masonic dictionary managed by Steven Dafoe. A good place to get a daily dose of Masonic education.

http://freemasonry.bcy.ca/info.html/ The website of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and contains some very good research papers.

<u>http://www.freemasons-freemasonry.com/</u> An online magazine covering all aspects of Freemasonry globally; written by Freemasons for Freemasons, with many accessible articles.

<u>http://www.mainemasoniccollege.com/</u> Considered by many to be the best college course on craft Masonry available to Masons in the United States. Excellent authors, a broad range of subjects.

http://www.bradford.ac.uk/webofhiram/ An inspiring site started by Dr. Robert Lomas, renowned Masonic author, with great articles on the Royal Arch and Templary traditions. <u>http://www.paragrandlodge.org/programs/academy/index.html</u> The site of the Pennsylvania Academy of Masonic Knowledge.

http://www.msana.com/ The site of the Masonic Service Association of North America. Every Mason should at least know about this service organization of the Grand Lodges of North America and the programs it offers to every lodge.

<u>http://www.bessel.org/</u> One of the best sources of statistics, data, and comparative notes on American Freemasonry available anywhere.

<u>http://www.calodges.org/scrl/</u> Simply one of the best Masonic research societies in the United States.

<u>http://www.web.mit.edu/dryfoo/Masonry/</u> A good general Masonic site that has links to a variety of subjects every Mason should know.

<u>http://www.freemasonrytoday.com/</u> Contemporary Masonic magazine published independently by English Freemasons; with a worldwide distribution.

<u>http://www.vitruvian.org/papers/</u> Papers by contemporary Freemasons published for the benefit of members of a traditional observance lodge.

http://web.mit.edu/dryfoo/Masonry/ A broad range of articles and news focused on contemporary Masonic attitudes, balanced with the wisdom of some of Masonry's best known writers of the past.

http://www.masonicforum.ro/en/navig.html An excellent forum of Masonic interviews and essays published by the Grand Lodge of Romania

<u>http://www.masonictravels.com/</u> A good source for essays on Masonic topics and a great list of e-books on Masonry.

http://hawthornefortitude200.com/theworkingtools.htm Online Masonic magazine with a broad range of articles and occasional web podcasts.

<u>http://www.kingsolomonslodge.org/</u> A Masonic blog aggregator and a good site for accessing Masonic information.

<u>http://www.phylaxis.org/</u> International research society for Prince Hall Masons.

http://www.2belask1.com/linklib/pubs.html A good list of articles, research groups, and Masonic libraries.

<u>http://www.canonbury.ac.uk/</u> An educational institution for the independent study of Freemasonry, and the mystical and esoteric traditions linked to it worldwide.

<u>http://www.rosecircle.org/</u> A recently created website intended for those who practice esoteric disciplines to come together and share perspectives.

http://www.masonicshortalks.com A compilation of 100 short talks on the Craft published by the Grand Lodge of England.

<u>http://www.shef.ac.uk/</u> Established at the University of Sheffield, the Centre undertakes and promotes scholarly and objective research into the historical, social, and cultural impact of Freemasonry, particularly in Britain.

<u>http://www.kena.org/hirams/file.htm</u> This is perhaps the world's largest collection of Masonic information available online, with more than 9,000 files.

<u>http://cornerstonesociety.com/</u> A forum where the meaning and relevancy of Freemasonry can be discussed in an open and positive environment; where the meaning of ritual is explored; where Masons can learn together to practice in their lives what they learn in lodge.

<u>http://www.masonicrestoration.com/home.html</u> The website for those Masons who want to organize and start a Traditional Observance Lodge.

<u>http://www.masons4masons.org/</u> A national network of Brothers who list their businesses and occupational services; known as the Masonic Blue Pages.

<u>http://www.lodgebuilder.org/</u> A site dedicated to the quality, viability, and solvency of Masonic lodges. A good site for giving ideas to lodge officers focused on the business side of Masonry.

<u>http://www.freemasoncollection.com/</u> A site for those interested in Masonic art and art reproductions.

<u>http://www.masonicworld.com/education/</u> A vast source of Masonic information and graphics.

<u>http://www.freemasoninformation.com/</u> Another good general site covering many worthwhile Masonic topics.

<u>http://www.masonic-lodge-of-education.com</u> An online template for creating a Masonic education program in your lodge.

<u>www.thesanctumsanctorum.com</u> Designed by regular Masons for Masons, this website covers topic of interest to craft Masonry as well as the other Masonic and Appendant bodies.

https://www.4shared.com/dir/21405406/2601a395/sharing.html Over 500 ebooks on Freemasonry, anti-Masonry, the occult, French Masonry, etc.; all downloadable at no charge.

## **Blogs**:

http://masoniceducationcabal.blogspot.com/

http://freemasonsfordummies.blogspot.com/

http://masonictraveler.blogspot.com/

http://weepingvirgin.blogspot.com/

http://audevidetace.blogspot.com/

http://themiddlechamber.blogspot.com/

http://masoniceducationcabal.blogspot.com/

http://beaconofmasoniclight.blogspot.com/

http://arsmasonica.blogspot.com

http://www.masonictao.blogspot.com

http://hiramtyre.squarespace.com

http://masonicrenaissance.blogspot.com

http://inquisitivemaster.blogspot.com

http://themasonicblog.blogspot.com/

http://secularfreemason.blogspot.com

http://themagpiemason.blogspot.com

http://www.masonictao.com/

http://alferian.wordpress.com/

http://justamason.blogspot.com/

http://robertgdavis.blogspot.com/

## **Podcasts:**

Masonic Central The Working Tools Masonic Magazine Masonic Central/Bog Talk Radio Feed Legends of the Craft The Digital Freemason X-Oriente It's a Purl, Man The Cornerstone Out There

## **Other Useful Sites:**

<u>http://www.sacred-texts.com/</u> An excellent archives of internet resources focusing on sacred literature.

<u>http://books.google.com/</u> A great digital resource for some of the most valuable library collections in the United States.

<u>http://www.levity.com/alchemy/home.html</u> This is likely the most complete web source for alchemical studies, offering thousands of articles and alchemical images.

<u>http://meta-religion.com/</u> A site that promotes a multidisciplinary view of religious and esoteric phenomena.

<u>http://pantheon.org/</u> This non-commercial site is an encyclopedia of mythology, folklore, legends and more. It contains more than 6,100 entries on gods and goddesses, heroes and legendary creatures and beings.

<u>http://www.esoteric.msu.edu/</u> An academic journal devoted to transdisciplinary study of western esotericism.

<u>http://www.academicinfo.net/phil.html/</u> A virtual library of philosophy.

<u>http://hermetics.org/home/html/</u> Articles and essays, art, and an online library of books relating to the hermetic traditions.

http://kheper.net/index.html/ Links to "Kosher" Kabbalah, Hermetic Qabalah, and related matters.

<u>http://meditationcenter.com</u> A user-friendly online meditation center created to provide clear, straight forward meditation instruction to people anywhere on the planet.

<u>http://alchemylab.com</u> A free quarterly email magazine devoted to the ancient art of transformation.

http://alchemywebsite.com/ This is Adam McLean's personal site. He has authored over 50 books on alchemical and hermetic ideas. Over 150 megabytes of online information.

<u>http://iep.utm.edu</u> Articles and original contributions of specialized philosophers across the globe.

<u>http://www.bulfinch.org</u> A dictionary of phrase and fable, giving the derivation, source, or origin of common allusions and words that have a tale to tell. Over 18,000 entries.

<u>http://www.elore.com</u> This site is full of information on mythology of all kinds, with richly colored graphics and poetic text. A variety of cultures and their heritages are explored.

<u>http://www.blackmask.com</u> An extensive collection of free online books, including many classics and key texts in philosophy, religion, and esotericism.

http://vos.ucsb.edu/browse.asp?id=2730 An exhaustive list of links to religion resources.

http://crcsite.org/ A library of Rosicrucian and Kabbalistic studies.

http://laetusinpraesens.org/ The personal website of Anthony Judge, creator of the Union of Imaginative Associations and author of the Encyclopedia of World Problems and Human Potential. This site is for the serious researcher of knowledge-based cultural initiatives.

http://altreligion.about.com/od/sacredgeometry/Sacred\_Geometry.htm An excellent source of religious symbolism and interpretations of geometry as a sacred science.

http://www.wikidedia.org/wiki.rosicrucian An online encyclopedia of Rosicrucian history, legends, adherents, authors, and links.