The Oriental Institute’s Young Professional Leaders (YPL) group is a vibrant community of young people who support the mission and programs of the Oriental Institute. This exclusive membership group is designed to give emerging civic leaders a meaningful way to engage with the Oriental Institute, one of Chicago’s leading cultural institutions. Through fundraising, advocacy, and volunteering, the YPL actively strengthens the Oriental Institute’s efforts to study and preserve the archaeological heritage of the Middle East. The YPL is intended for anyone between the ages of 22-45 who wants to learn more about the ancient Middle East while participating in exclusive educational, social, and volunteer activities with some of the world’s foremost academics.

WHAT WE DO
• Members use their creativity, innovation, and professional skills to advance the mission of the Oriental Institute
• Support the Institute’s programs through event-based fundraising
• Members use part of the money they raise to award grants to Oriental Institute projects and researchers

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
• Attend exclusive educational and social programs
• Learn about the nonprofit sector, development programs, fundraising practices, and special events planning
• Develop and strengthen your professional and leadership skills
• Network with other like-minded young professionals
• Plus, get all standard benefits of Oriental Institute membership

YPL REQUIREMENTS
• Membership contribution of $250
• Be between the ages of 22 and 45
• Attend a minimum of 4 YPL meetings or events per year
• Actively encourage people to visit, support, and connect with the Oriental Institute

WANT MORE INFORMATION?
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