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MISS KING CITY STAMPEDE

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MISS KING CITY STAMPEDE COMPETITION

Salinas Valley Fairgrounds

625 Division Street

King City, CA 93930

February 24, 2022

On behalf of the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation, we wish to extend an invitation to you to vie for the title of Miss King City Stampede. The competition will be held Thursday, February 24th, 2022 at the Salinas Valley Fairgrounds in King City. The 2022 King City Stampede will run from February 25th – 26th, 2022.

Entrants will be judged on horsemanship 25%, poise & personality 25%, speech & modeling 25%, rodeo & equine knowledge 25%. Our 2022 Miss King City Stampede will receive, Miss King City Stampede Crown, Miss King City Stampede Buckle, and Miss King City Stampede Sash. Awards shall be given to the winner of each category of competition.

In addition to her many duties as Miss King City Stampede, the winner of this competition will have the opportunity to represent the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation at the 2022 Miss California Rodeo - Salinas competition; held in Salinas. In addition, she may be invited to represent the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation at rodeos in the state of California.

ELIGIBILITY

Competition is open to young ladies who reside in the counties of Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz, Southern Santa Clara, Northern San Luis Obispo, Parkfield, and Coalinga. Contestants may not be less than 18 years of age as of January 1, 2022, and no more than 26 years of age as of December 31, 2022.

She may enter the contest more than once; however, may only win one time. Entrants may not have been married at any time. There is no entry fee for the privilege of competing. Entrants will be required to sign a liability waiver and acceptance of responsibility.

All photographs taken in conjunction with this event become the property of the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation and can be used for Heritage Foundation and Salinas Valley Fair publicity.

DEADLINE

All entries must be received by the Salinas Valley Fair office located at 625 Division Street, King City CA 93930 no later than Friday, February 11th, 2022. A mandatory contestant/parent/guardian meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 15th, 2022, at the Salinas Valley Fairgrounds. Each contestant will be contacted by Miss King City Stampede Chair, Darla Mantel, with details upon receipt of the application.

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Applications **DUE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, 2022**

Name: _____ Age: (as of 01/01/2022) _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Applicants Cell #: _____ Email: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

High School currently attending

Name

Address

Year in School:

Name of College

City

Zip

Phone #

Names, Addresses and phone numbers of newspapers located in your home town.

1. _____ 2. _____

Phone # _____ Phone # _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please attach a page listing all of your special interests and activities you are involved in that are not related to horses, such as 4-H, FFA, any sport, any and all clubs you are a member of, in addition to any Rodeo, Horseshow or Other Livestock Activities. Keep in mind that the information you write will be used in all publicity for this event as well as at the competition. Please make every effort to be as precise and detailed as possible. Make sure to list all awards and honors you have received.

Fathers Name: _____

Mothers Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

We are looking forward to a great competition this year. Come out and have some fun and meet new people. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Miss King City Stampede Chair, Darla Mantel at 831-595-1250. The Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation reserves the right to cancel the contest at any time.

MISS KING CITY STAMPEDE COMPETITION

Official Rules & Regulations

Established August 31, 2021

MISS KING CITY STAMPEDE

The Miss King City Stampede (Miss KCS) competition is held annually to select a young lady who has the desire and enthusiasm to serve as a goodwill ambassador for the King City Stampede, the sport of professional rodeo and the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation (SVFHF.)

The SVFHF and the Miss KCS Committee has pledged to make the competition memorable for each contestant. The Miss KCS Committee is confident that the Miss KCS Queen and Princess chosen will represent her rodeo and this Salinas Valley in a grand manner, while promoting the sport of professional rodeo.

WHO IS MISS KING CITY STAMPEDE?

Miss KCS symbolizes the youth of our rodeo, our town, and those who promote the sport of rodeo, and in doing so, promote the great western way of life. She is an ideal western type of American girl who has an appealing appearance, a congenial personality, and knowledge of the equine industry, the community, and the sport of professional rodeo. She is a young lady who enjoys travel and has a sincere interest in garnering educational experiences that will assist in laying a solid foundation for her future.

WHAT TYPE OF YOUNG LADY DOES THE MISS KING CITY STAMPEDE PAGEANT ATTRACT?

The young lady who wishes to be a representative of her state, the Salinas Valley, and the sport of professional rodeo.

The young lady who loves horses, rodeo, and everything they represent. The young lady who portrays unmatched sportsmanship, high moral values, and an ethical character.

The young lady who understands and loves the sport of professional rodeo and who has enough knowledge of the sport to promote it to someone who may know nothing of the sport.

The ambitious young lady who is interested in furthering her chosen career through higher education and special training.

The young lady who is able to speak intelligently and display dignity in all types of situations.

ELIGIBILITY

1. AGE:
 - a. Princess contestants may not be less than 9 years of age or more than 12 years of age as of June 1st prior to competition.
 - b. Queen contestants may not be less than 18 years of age as of June 1st prior to the competition, and no more than 26 years of age as of December 31st of the year which she competes.
 - c. Birth certificates may be required.
2. Contestants must be a resident of California.
3. Contestants must be single and have never been married.
4. Contestants must not be pregnant and may not have children.

5. Queen Contestants are encouraged to be enrolled as a full-time student in high school, college, or a vocational training institution at a level comparing to either a junior or senior in high school or freshman or sophomore in college, or who certify an intent to enroll in such an educational institution no later than May 1st, the year of competition, if selected as Rodeo Queen.
6. No person who will be under the age of 18 years on January 1st, the year of competition, may be a contestant unless her parents and/or legal guardian have their written consent to such participation, agreeing to comply with all rules and regulations as they then exist or may thereafter be amended.
7. No person, who shall have previously acted as the Rodeo Queen of a rodeo sponsored by the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation shall be eligible to again be a contestant. However, a former Princess may compete for the Junior Queen or Queen title, and a former Junior Queen may compete for the Queen title.
8. All contestants shall agree in writing to observe and comply with all rules and regulations, as they exist now and as subsequently amended.
9. If selected to represent the King City Stampede, and the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation as a member of the rodeo royalty, the contestants must agree to execute a contract and deliver said contract to the Pageant Committee.
10. No person shall be deemed a contestant until an application to act as a contestant has been approved in writing by the Miss KCS Directors, either directly or indirectly through the Miss King City Stampede Committee. The Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation (SVFHF) Board of Directors expressly reserves the sole right to accept or reject any application as they may, in their sole discretion, deem appropriate.

PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

1. Contestants shall attend all public and private functions connected with the KCS and the Miss King City Stampede Pageant as are designated by the Miss King City Stampede Pageant Committee and shall participate in promotional and other functions to the extent and in the manner requested by the SVFHF.
2. At all such functions, performances, and events, each contestant shall be dressed in western attire, all of which shall be furnished at the sole cost and expense of the contestant.
3. At any event requiring the contestants to be mounted, each contestant shall provide the horse to be used by her, together with all necessary saddles, bridles, and/or other equipment, and at her sole cost and expense, and provide transport of her horse to and from the site of the function.
4. Each contestant shall provide her own transportation to each such function, performance, and/or event unless otherwise instructed by the Miss KCS Pageant Director.
5. The Miss KCS Pageant Committee and the SVFHF shall have the sole right to publish or cause the publication in any media and use in any reasonable manner, the name, basic biographical background and photograph of each contestant for the purpose of the promotion of the Miss KCS Pageant.
6. Contestants shall not, without the permission of the Miss KCS Pageant Committee publish or allow the name, photograph, or biographical data of any contestant in any public media in any matter whatsoever as to suggest any connection with or participation in the Miss SVWCPR Contest.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All the rules and regulations listed within this document are subject to change with 30 days written notice to all contestants at the discretion of the SVHF Board of Directors.
2. Contestants must conduct themselves in a proper lady-like manner and portray high moral standards. Contestants will not be permitted to drink alcoholic beverages, smoke, or use foul language at any time during pageant functions. Girls competing for the title may not at any time publicly show relationship with significant other or be housed during the competition with significant other. Violation of those rules could result up to immediate disqualification at the discretion of the Miss KCS Pageant Committee and SVFHF Board of Directors.
3. Each contestant will be responsible for submitting a photograph **with their application**. The photos will be a head and shoulders pose in western attire. Western attire will include long sleeve western blouse, suit, or dress, cowboy hat and accessories. The photos will be used for publicity purposes during the pageant and King City Stampede.

4. A contestant or any individual with the intent to influence or harass may not approach a judge or the auditor before or after any event. Action of this type will be reported to the Miss King City Stampede Pageant Director and disqualification of that contestant could result.
5. Each contestant will provide horses and tack necessary for the horsemanship competition.
6. Contestants MAY NOT WEAR CHAPS during the horsemanship competition; however, ball spurs will be optional, but any misuse will result in point deduction and possible removal of the horsemanship competition, at the judges' discretion.
7. Contestants will be expected to present a speech according to the theme of the pageant, provided by the committee, which will be at least 2 minutes and no more than 3 ½ minutes in length. Speeches are to be memorized and no props will be allowed. Contestants will also be interviewed by the judges during the pageant.
8. Contestants must provide their own transportation to and from all rodeo functions.
9. Contestants must be punctual. Contestants arriving late to any event will lose five points per event to which they are tardy. Keep in mind the idea that, *"If you are early, you are on time. If you are on time, you are late."*
10. All contestants must sign a Release of Liability, and the official Pageant Application. If the contestant is under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must also sign a consent form along with the liability form.
11. Contestants must provide their own wardrobe and agree to follow the wardrobe guidelines outlined within this document.

WARDROBE GUIDELINES

1. Speech and Modeling: Pants are not suitable for the speech & modeling portion of the competition. A western dress, or a skirt and long sleeve western shirt with collar may be worn for speech and modeling. Skirts and dresses shall not be any shorter than the contestants' fingertips while standing at a relaxed pose with her arms by her side.
2. Interview: Collared interview style blazers/jackets are suggested. However, not required. Boots, belt, pants and western hat are required.
3. Horsemanship: Each contestant should have at least one complete outfit and accessories for horsemanship. This should consist of **"Wrangler"** brand SOLID BLACK jeans, a PLAIN WHITE COLLARED western blouse with long sleeves and shirt tails tucked in. As well as a belt, boots, and a cowboy hat. Cowboy hats should not fall off during horsemanship.
4. Rodeo Performance/Crowning: Each contestant will have one complete outfit for Friday's Rodeo, coronation ceremony, and rodeo performance, which will consist of **"Wrangler"** brand jeans, a complimenting blouse, belt, cowboy hat, and boots. Rodeo queen style vests are optional. The blouse/vest should be made of a bright material as to make the coronation ceremony colorful. Suggestions for blouse include using sequined material, embellished velvet, and/or fringe.

**** No chaps are to be worn for the horsemanship competition or other pageant functions. ****

SELECTION PROCESS

At any time and place to be determined in the sole discretion of the Miss KCS Pageant Committee, one (1) Rodeo Queen, and (1) Rodeo Princess shall be selected from those contestants who have complied with all reasonable directions of the Miss KCS Chair. There will be two runner-up winners for each title (when applicable). If the title winner is unable to fulfill her duties at any time during her reign, the 1st runner up will take over the title to fulfill the expectations of Miss KCS. Contestants must have participated faithfully throughout the competition in a manner consistent with acting as the Miss KCS Queen. No other contestant shall be deemed eligible for such positions under these rules.

The selection of the Royal Court consisting of the Queen, and Princess and their court shall be by majority vote of a panel of not less than (3) judges appointed at the sole discretion of the Miss KCS Pageant Committee and the SVFHF Board of Directors. The procedure to be followed by the panel of judges in selecting the Rodeo Queen, and Princess shall be as follows:

COMPETITION:

1. Categories

a. Queen, Princess

- i. Those contestants who are eligible for consideration as Rodeo Queen, or Princess, under these rules shall be ranked in descending numerical sequence by a percentage which reflects the relative number of points earned in the following categories:
 - Horsemanship shall account for 25% of the pageant.
 - Poise & Personality (comprise of personal interview & event impromptu scores) shall account for 25% of the pageant.
 - Speech & Modeling shall account for 25% of the pageant.
 - Rodeo & Equine Knowledge shall account for 25% of the pageant.
 - Additionally, contestants can earn “bonus” points based on their level of ticket and/or sponsor sales.

2. Scoring/Point System

- a. The Miss KCS Pageant Committee will select from among the judges one person to serve as Head Judge (Judge #1) and that judge will gather the completed score sheets from all of the Judges, put them in a sealed envelope and personally see that the Auditor receives them at the completion of each event.
- b. In establishing the number of points to be awarded by the judges for horsemanship, poise & personality, speech & modeling, the highest number shall be awarded to the contestant or contestants deemed by the judge to display superior skills in each category.
 - i. Each judge shall, in his/her sole discretion, award to each contestant a number of points between 0 and 100 to recognize the degree of skill in Horsemanship displayed by the contestant at a time and place in such manner as shall be determined by the Miss KCS Pageant Committee.
 - ii. Each judge shall, in his/her sole discretion, award each contestant a number of points between 0 and 100 to recognize the Poise & Personality (comprised of Personal Interview and/or Event Impromptu scores) displayed by the contestant at the times and places established by the Miss KCS Pageant Committee for the judging.
 - iii. Each judge shall, in his/her sole discretion, award to each contestant a number of points between 0 and 100 to recognize the Speech & Modeling skills displayed by the contestant at the time and place established by the Miss KCS Pageant Committee for the judging.
 - iv. Rodeo & Equine Knowledge score will be based on the contestant's score on written tests given during the pageant.
- c. The contestant receiving the highest number of combined total points in all categories, plus any additional bonus points earned from ticket or sponsor sales, pursuant to the foregoing, shall be named Rodeo Queen, and Princess. Receiving the second and third highest number of points shall be the First Runner-up and Second Runner-up, and so on.
- d. Resulting ties in individual categories will be broken by the Head Judge's (Judge #1) score in that individual category; Judge #1 scores will break the tie. Any tie for the overall contest (i.e., Queen, and Princess) will also be broken by the Head Judge's overall contest scores.
- e. Each contestant may review her personal scores following the Pageant.
- f. No contestant or person on the contestant's behalf shall be in direct contact with any of the Judges or Auditor(s).
- g. **Judges' decisions are final!**

TICKET& SPONSOR SALES:

1. Queen Contestants (ages 18-24)

- a. Each Queen contestant will be encouraged to promote the King City Stampede by promoting sponsorships for the KCS Program.

2. Princess (ages 9-12) Contestants

- a. Each Princess contestant will be encouraged to promote the King City Stampede Rodeo by promoting sponsorships for the KCSR Program.

If there is a shortage between finances at the end of check in, the contestant will be responsible for paying the difference noted.

PAGEANT COMPETITION CATEGORIES

HORSEMANSHIP (25%)

1. General Horsemanship Information:

- a. The contestants will provide their own horses for the horsemanship portion of the competition.
- b. Tack used on a horse may not be changed between go-rounds. Contestants WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO WEAR CHAPS in the horsemanship competition, but ball spurs will be optional. Overuse of spurs will result in loss of points and possible removal from the horsemanship competition.
- c. Horsemanship patterns will be provided to the contestants at the Contestant Kick-Off Meeting.
- d. Contestants should remember that this portion of the competition will be judged on how the contestant cues her horse, not the caliber of the horse or equipment.
- e. Contestants should strive for a smooth pattern.
- f. At a predetermined time during the horsemanship competition, the judges will briefly interview the contestant on the subject of general horse knowledge and/or the horsemanship pattern. Junior Queens and Queens will need to demonstrate proper dismount and mounting of their horse for the horsemanship interview.
- g. Additional requirements are outlined below for each group.

2. Queen, and Princess:

a. General Requirements

- i. The Queen, and Princess contestants will complete three go-rounds of riding competition. These will include:

1. Complete a required pattern.
2. Rail work.
3. Flag Presentation/Queen Run.

b. Horsemanship skills will be judged as follows:

- i. Control of horse and how each situation is handled.
- ii. Proper arena etiquette.
- iii. Balance & Posture: ability to sit properly in the saddle and the position of hands, feet, and seat when riding at a reasonable rate of speed for the activity. iv. Ability to mount and dismount a horse.
- iv. Ability to carry a flag on horseback around the arena and stand with flag quietly during the National Anthem.
- v. Correct leads and lead changes.
- vi. Back up your horse in a straight line
- vii. Speed consistency in the patterns
- viii. Smooth stops

c. Showmanship skills will be judged as follows:

- v. How well the contestant projects her personality to the audience on horseback.
- vi. Presentation run and queen wave.
- iii. How well the contestant projects her personality to the audience on horseback
- iv. Required attire for horsemanship as described in the wardrobe guidelines along with equine and tack cleanliness.
- v. Contestants will be judged by the criteria set forth by the Miss SVWCPR Pageant, not by any other association's rules or judging criteria.

Poise & Personality (25%) Including Personal Interview & Event Impromptu scores

1. Personal Interview:
 - a. Ability to communicate with an individual or small group using appropriate and correct language comfortably and effectively as well as good grammar.
 - b. Ability to answer impromptu questions with composure and confidence.
2. Impromptu:
 - a. Ability to answer (in an age-appropriate manner) spontaneous questions asked by the judges at any time during the competition.
3. Personality:
 - a. Intelligence and good common sense as well as etiquette on how to handle controversial topics.
 - b. Conversational ability with an emphasis on grammar and enunciation in a variety of situations.
 - c. Good sense of humor.
 - d. Self-confidence, high moral standards, sincerity, and integrity.
 - e. Genuine interest in other people and consideration of others.
 - f. Positive outlook on life.
 - g. Maturity.
 - h. Educational background and career goals.
 - i. Punctuality.
 - j. Good sportsmanship at all times.
4. Appearance:
 - a. Grooming: this should include neatness, cleanliness, fingernails, hair, hat, boots, and other western apparel.
 - b. Posture: how the contestant carries herself is very important, the judges will be looking for contestants to carry themselves straight and tall and exude self-confidence and poise.
 - c. Poise and ladylike behavior in every situation. Judges will be looking for contestants to handle each situation they are involved in with grace and style.
 - d. Judges will also be looking for contestants to have knowledge of proper etiquette.
 - e. Western fashion sense: contestants should pick outfits that reflect fashionable and tasteful western clothing. Judges will pay particular attention to the contestants' ability to use colors to enhance her natural coloring and enhance appearance.
 - f. Proper fit of clothing: above all contestants should pay attention to the fit of her outfit. Outfits should be figure flattering and altered to fit her personality. In addition, contestants should be properly fitted for a hat so that it will flatter the face.
 - g. Contestants should be familiar with the major western wear manufacturers.

SPEECH, MODELING & IMPROMPTU QUESTIONS (25%)

1. Personal Interview:
 - a. Ability to communicate with an individual or small group using appropriate and correct language comfortably and effectively as well as good grammar.
 - b. Ability to answer impromptu questions with composure and confidence.
2. Speech & Modeling:
 - a. Ability to communicate with an audience using appropriate and correct language as well as good grammar.
 - b. Ability to prepare and deliver a speech without the use of props.
 - c. Self-projection on stage, including delivery, voice, manner and use of a microphone.
 - d. Ability to present a speech from memory.
 - e. **Speech topic:**
 - i. Queens and Princess:
 1. A biographical speech in alignment with the topic given by the Pageant Committee, which will be at least 2 minutes and no more the 3 ½ minutes in length, incorporating the theme of the pageant for the current year.
3. Impromptu:
 - a. Ability to answer (in an age-appropriate manner) spontaneous questions asked by the judges at any time during the Miss King City Stampede competition.

RODEO & EQUINE KNOWLEDGE (25%)

The purpose of this category is to discover each contestant's ability to understand and comprehend the sport of rodeo and its events, basic equine care and science, as well as her ability to represent the sport of professional rodeo, and its heritage.

1. Each contestant will be asked several questions covering the material from each of the following categories:
 - a. SVFHF and KCS History.
 - b. Explanation of standard rodeo events.
 - c. PRCA Championship standings.
 - d. Current issues within the Pro Rodeo Circuit.
 - e. Knowledge of tack & equipment.
 - f. Equine science & health.

MISS KING CITY STAMPEDE AWARDS

Contestants who successfully complete the pageant requirements are eligible to receive awards in the following categories:

- **Miss Photogenic** (one award winner to be chosen by judges)
- **Miss Congeniality** (one award winner to be chosen by committee and contestants)
- **Miss Speech and Modeling** (one award winner for each division)
- **Miss Horsemanship** (one award winner for each division)
- **Miss Rodeo Knowledge** (one award winner for each division) change to a written test
- **Miss Poise and Personality** (one award winner for each division from the personal interview)

Each contestant crowned as Miss KCS Queen and Princess will receive:

- Miss King City Stampede Crown
- Miss King City Stampede Buckle
- Miss King City Stampede Sash

GENERAL INFORMATION

TO PARENTS, FRIENDS, & RELATIVES OF CONTESTANTS:

The Miss KCS Queen Pageant Committee welcomes and encourages the presence of parents, friends, and relatives throughout the competition. However, the Miss KCS Pageant Committee also requests complete cooperation from parents, friends, and relatives during pageant activities. At no time during the pageant shall parents, friends, or relatives disturb the contestants. Parents, friends, and relatives are responsible for obtaining tickets for all events.

PROBLEMS AND COMPLAINTS:

Any problems and complaints should be reported immediately to the Miss KCS Pageant Chair. *Only contestants* may report a problem or complaint and the Miss KCS Pageant Chair will address the problem immediately with the SVFHF Board of Directors.

JUDGES, SCORING, AND POINTS:

Judges will make all ratings of the contestants individually without any discussion between judges on performance of the candidates until after the results are posted. Barriers may be put up for the privacy of the judges. All judge's decisions are final. Any problem or complaint regarding the results of the pageant must be brought to the Miss KCS Pageant Chair no later than 8pm on the day of the Coronation. The Miss KCS Pageant Chair shall then immediately assess the situation and consult with the SVFHF Board of Directors as soon as possible. It shall then be reviewed and discussed. The SVFHF Board of Directors will determine if the complaint presents the need for intervention. If so, the judge's decisions can and will only be reversed by the unanimous vote of the entire SVFHF Board of Directors present.

STUDY INFORMATION:

Contestants are encouraged to study current PRCA standings and local common knowledge surrounding the KCS and the SVFHF. Contestants should keep up with current events by watching the news and reading the newspaper. Contestants should be well versed in general equine science.

SPORTSMANSHIP:

The Miss KCS Queen Pageant Committee expects each contestant, parents, friends, and relatives to display the highest degree of sportsmanship during the pageant, following the coronation, and for the winners, throughout their reign as the Miss KCS royalty. Each contestant should be mindful that they are representing the Miss KCS Pageant, the Salinas Valley Fair Heritage Foundation, and the Sport of Professional Rodeo. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated and could result in disqualification and affect further eligibility to compete in the Miss KCS Pageant.

PHOTOGRAPHS:

Photographs taken of contestants during the pageant, by pageant personnel will become property of the Miss KCS Queen Pageant and may be used for publicity.

NO VERBAL AGREEMENT CAN SUPERSEDE THIS WRITTEN AGREEMENT. ONLY A WRITTEN AGREEMENT CAN SUPERSEDE THIS WRITTEN AGREEMENT.

