

# Miss Rodeo Trinity Valley Exposition

Queen Contest

# 2023 Overview, Schedule, Rules, & Entry Form

Miss Rodeo Trinity Valley Exposition Title Holder will represent the Trinity Valley Exposition by promoting the western heritage and the sport of rodeo while modeling good will and integrity. Winners will be presented with a trophy saddle, buckle, crown, and sash during the 2023 TVE Rodeo and will be expected to attend various community events throughout the year.

### Schedule:

Entry Deadline: Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### Get Acquainted Meeting:

Date: Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Time: 6:00pm Location: Community Room @ Trinity Valley Expo Center Information: Review contestant guidelines/expectations

Contestant information and fees may be prepaid here. We will have a notary on sight.

#### Mandatory Orientation/Head Shots:

Date: Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Time: 6:00PM

Location: Community Room @ Trinity Valley Expo Center

Information: Review of contest guidelines/expectations, head shots, and an overview of the schedule. Contestant Entry Fee's and Information will be collected. CONTESTANTS MUST BE IN DRESS CODE.

#### CONTEST INFORMATION:

Both of these events are open to the public-Friends and Family are welcome to attend.

#### Speech/Modeling/Personal Interview

Date: Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Time: 2:00PM Location: Community Room @ Trinity Valley Expo Center

#### Horsemanship

Date: Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Time: 6:00pm (*This time is subject to change depending on Contestant Count.*) Location: Main Arena @ Trinity Valley Expo Center

#### CORONATION INFORMATION:

Date: Saturday, October 21st, 2023

Time: During the Performance. Time will be announced by coordinator at a later date. Location: Trinity Valley Expo Center

### **EVENT COORDINATOR:** RAELEE MELANCON (903)-249-8750 **EXPECTATIONS:**

- 1. Miss Rodeo TVE 2023 shall possess good morals and character, set high standards and judgements, serve as a positive role model for all youth and our community.
- 2. Contestants and Title winner must keep in contact with the event coordinator for appearance information, schedules, and/or advice.
- 3. Contestants and Title winner must wear "western/rodeo attire" throughout the competition, during the rodeo performances and any other appearances that are scheduled throughout the week. Attire for Parade, Coronation and Rodeo Performances should consist of: Western jeans (NO HOLES), Hat (Preferably Felt), Belt, Buckle, Long Sleeve Fitted Blouse and Western Boots. Attire for Speech/Modeling events should consist of: Western Jeans (NO HOLES), Hat (Preferably Felt), Belt, Buckle, and Western Boots (a dressier look).

Attire for Horsemanship event should consist of: White Long Sleeve Fitted Blouse, Blue or Black Western Jeans (NO HOLES), hat (preferably felt), Belt, Buckle, Western Boots. Attire for Personal Interview should consist of: Western Jeans (NO HOLES), Hat (Preferably Felt), Belt, Buckle, and Western Boots (a dressier look).

\*\*CONTESTANT BANNER MANDATORY AT ALL APPEARANCES UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. \*\*

- 4. Contestants and title winners are expected to be on time for all appearances.
- 5. Failure to attend and compete at all judged and required events/appearances will result in disqualification and loss of competition fee. **Promptness is essential.**
- 6. The Title Holder of Miss Rodeo TVE 2023 has the option to represent TVE at the Miss Rodeo Texas 2023 pageant in 2024. If Miss Rodeo TVE 2023 chooses not to compete, then the 1<sup>st</sup> runner up for 2023 may compete in her place. COMPETITION FEE WILL NOT BE PROVIDED. ALL COST WILL BE SOLELY HER RESPONSIBILITY.
- The title winner will be expected to sign a contract outlining their responsibilities and expectations for their year as a representative of TVE. If all rules, regulations, expectations, and responsibilities cannot be obtained their title will immediately be forfeited and given to 1<sup>st</sup> runner up.
- 8. Miss Rodeo TVE 2023 will be required to attend all selected TVE related events and appearances scheduled throughout the year by the pageant chairman and the TVE directors. She must be available for all events TVE Week October 2023 and October 2024 (until title is passed to new royalty).
- 9. Further title holder responsibilities will be given at a meeting with the pageant chairman following the 2023 TVE Fair and Rodeo.
- 10. Failure to comply with all titleholder duties and continued compliance of the rules, guidelines, and expectations during her reign will result in forfeiture of her title.
- 11. Contestants should wear well-fitted Western style clothing that is clean, pressed and in good condition. Judging will be based on ability to portray a genuine Western image through attire and personality throughout the competition. Attire for Parade, Horsemanship, Coronation and Rodeo performances should consist of: Western jeans (no holes), hat, belt, buckle, long sleeve fitted blouse and Western boots. Horsemanship attire must be a white blouse and plain black jeans (may accessorize, but not embellish). Attire for Speech/Modeling events should consist of Western jeans, long sleeve top, hat, belt, buckle, and Western boots. (NO DRESSES)

### **RULES:**

1. All rules and guidelines below are for all contestants unless otherwise indicated.

- 2. Must be born a female and compete as a female.
- 3. Age 15 to 19 as of September 1, 2023.
- 4. Must be a Resident of the State of Texas and reside in Liberty or Chambers Counties.
- 5. Must provide a copy of birth certificate and proof of residency with entry form at orientation. (Proof of residency: High school grade report card is sufficient with school name and address. Beyond high school a utility bill, tax statement, or copy of driver's license is sufficient.)
- 6. May not be married, nor ever married, nor had a marriage nullified or be living with a significant other.
- 7. May not be pregnant nor ever been pregnant or becomes pregnant during reign.
- 8. If the new 2023 Miss Rodeo TVE becomes pregnant or marries during her reign, she will forfeit her title as Miss Rodeo TVE and return **all** prizes won to the Trinity Valley Exposition. As to who will then be awarded the title, prizes, and duties of Miss Rodeo TVE, will be left to the discretion of the TVE Board of Directors.
- 9. NO FORMER Miss Rodeo TVE titleholders are eligible.
- 10. Contestants of high school age must be enrolled in a Texas approved school. Must be in good standing and maintaining passing grades. A copy of the current year's last grade report card must be provided with entry form. If not available yet a current progress report or last semester report card is requested.
- Contestants beyond high school must have an accredited high school diploma or GED; be enrolled in a 2- or 4-year college, university, or trade school. Copy of current semester class load or degree must be provided with entry form.
- 12. No drinking of alcoholic beverages, smoking, or public display of affection such as kissing/sexual conduct will be allowed before, during, or after the pageant. THIS INCLUDES ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS. This behavior will result in immediate disqualification/forfeiture of title and to be banned from future queen competitions at TVE.
- 13. Contestants cannot have been charged or convicted of a misdemeanor or felony of any kind.
- 14. Any contestant, parent, or guest demonstrating poor sportsmanship, argumentative, drinking alcohol, etc. will be asked to leave the event and could result in disqualification of the contestant. (This includes inside and outside) If it is a contestant, she will immediately be disqualified. If the contestant or parent shows poor sportsmanship or becomes argumentative (this includes all social media outlets) following the competition of the contest, ALL awards given will be forfeited. The discretion of this called is left up to the coordinator.
- 15. Each contestant and title winner must be able to furnish her own horse for appearances that request one.
- 16. Contestant may not hold a current title as of September 1, 2023. Winner will not be allowed any other title during her reign other than Miss Rodeo Texas and Miss Rodeo TVE.
- 17. At any time, any of the rules listed above are broken; it is at the coordinator's discretion to disqualify a contestant on the grounds of breaking the rules as provided for them in the contestant packet. Miss Rodeo TVE must be following the guidelines before and during the reign of her title.
- 18. Amendments or clarifications to any rule can be made as deemed necessary at the discretion of the TVE Board of Directors

## **RODEO QUEEN CONTEST DETAILS/ JUDGING CRITERIA:**

Points Breakdown: 1000 Total Points Available

Horsemanship: 300 Points Photogenic: 25 Points Horsemanship Interview: 100 Points Speech: 125 Points Impromptu Question's: 75 Points Drawn Pattern: 150 Points Raffle Ticket Sales: 100 Points Personal Interview: 75 Points Modeling: 50 Points

- 1. Horsemanship (300 points): Each contestant will be judged on horsemanship skills by performing a basic reining pattern, making a presentation run around the arena, and by carrying a flag one lap around the arena.
- 2. Horsemanship Interview (100 Points): Judges will interview each contestant directly after the horsemanship competition. Questions may include topics such as Western heritage, rodeo knowledge and any equine related topics.
- 3. **Drawn Pattern (150 Points):** Each contestant will be judged on a pattern that the coordinator will give you an hour prior to the start of Horsemanship.
- 4. **Speech (125 points):** The speech topic is "------." "Queen" contestants are required to give a 2-3-minute speech. Judging will be based on content, delivery, and ability to stay on topic throughout.
- 5. Modeling (50 Points): Each Contestant will be required to submit a song of choice in order to show her personality and choice of fashion. The deadline for your song choice will be September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Attire should consist of Western jeans, long sleeve top, hat, belt, buckle, and Western boots. (NO DRESSES) There will be no outfit changes between Model and Speech but we will allow the use of a "prop." (An example of this would be a blazer which could be removed and laid on the back of her chair. LIMIT DISTRACTIONS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE)
- Photogenic (25 points): Each contestant will be required to take a color headshot (September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023) to be placed on the organization Facebook page. The contestant with the most interaction on their photo on the original TVE post, excluding comments, will win "photogenic."
- 7. **Ticket sales (100 points):** Each contestant will be given 100 raffle tickets to sell for the Miss Rodeo TVE. Contestants will receive 1 point per ticket sold, up to 100 total points.
- 8. **Personal Interview (75 points):** Judges will interview each contestant individually. Questions may include topics such as current events, educational goals, etc.
- 9. Impromptu Questions (75 Points): Each contestant will be given a list of example questions at mandatory table set and practice (October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023). These questions will be done interview style in front of the audience on the day of the contest. The judges will be watching for the contestant to be poised and confident while providing correct answers to any knowledge-based question.



# Miss Rodeo Trinity Valley Exposition 2023 Entry Form

Name:	_Age:	Grade:	
Address:			
City: State:	Zip:_		
Phone #: Email Address:			
Birth date://			
Parents' Names:			
Parents' Phone #:			
School attending:			
School/Extracurricular activities:			
Equine related activities:			_
Clubs, Offices held, Honors, Previous titles:			
Future goals:			

If you won the title, what would you do to promote the Trinity Valley Exposition?

Social Media:			
Facebook:			 
Instagram:			
Snapchat:	 		
Twitter:			
Tiktok:			

#### Include with your entry form:

- 1. Signed release agreement and entry fee (\$50) due at orientation. (Must be cash, money order, or cashier's check made payable to Trinity Valley Exposition.)
- 2. Copy of birth certificate, proof of residency, and school credentials (report card or college information described in Rule 10 and 11.)
- 3. All items must be emailed to the TVE office at <u>info@tvefair.com</u> or turned to the coordinator directly.

# Release Agreement

By my signature on this application, I hereby certify that I have read the regulations governing the Miss Rodeo Trinity Valley Exposition, and that I acknowledge these regulations.

That I hereby grant permission to the Trinity Valley Exposition to verify any information contained on my application.

That I hereby release the Trinity Valley Exposition from responsibility of injury or loss to persons or property, involving me or persons, relative to my contest appearance, sponsors, commercial and private or the contest and all officers, directors and member individuals and groups of the contest.

That I understand the Texas Equine Law as it relates to activities at Trinity Valley Exposition or any other equine sports facility, which states: This Texas section provides that any person, including an equine activity sponsor, equine professional, livestock show participant or livestock show sponsor, is not liable for property damage or damages arising from the personal injury or death of a participant in an equine activity or livestock show if the property damage, injury, or death results from the dangers or conditions that are an inherent risk of an equine activity or the showing of an animal on a competitive basis in a livestock show.

That I hereby release title, claim and rights to photographs and/or public relations materials involving me to the contest for use in contest promotion.

That I hereby certify that I have never been married, had a marriage annulled or have a child out of wedlock. I have never been, nor am pregnant now.

Failure on my part to disclose this information to local officials will automatically disqualify me from participation in any contest. Prizes of any kind, which I may receive, will be returned to the contest. The Trinity Valley Exposition will be released from all liability resulting from my actions.

That in the event I receive the Miss Rodeo Trinity Valley Exposition, I will complete the tenure of my title in accordance with the aforesaid regulation and in the claims relating to the title upon the naming of my successor.

That I hereby affix my signature attesting my agreement to the above without reserve.

Contestant signature	Date	Parent or Legal
Guardian	Date	_
This document was acknowledge	d before me by the said	, on this the
day of, 202	23.	

Notary Public in and for the State of \_\_\_\_\_