

## Miss Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Competition 2024

## Applicant Packet Presented by Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Committee

Orientation & Entry Deadline on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 – 6:30 PM

## Miss Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Contest

#### Schedule

**Orientation:** Tuesday, May 28 at 6:30 PM, Amador County Fair Office

#### **Pre-Contest Fun Events:**

\*Pre-event schedule subject to change at the discretion of the Pageant Director

**Italian Picnic Parade:** Sunday, June 2nd – 9 AM in Sutter Creek (no horses)

Future Hay Farmers of Amador County Dinner: Saturday, June 8th – 5 PM at Amador Fairgrounds
\*Mandatory

**4th of July Parade:** Thursday, July 4th – 9 AM in Plymouth (horseback)

**Amador Fair Kick-Off BBQ:** Saturday, July 13th – 5:30 PM at Amador Fairgrounds \*Mandatory

#### Competition & Crowning

Saturday, July 7th – Horsemanship, Interview, and Written Test Amador Fairgrounds

**Horsemanship** – 8:30 AM in Benny Brown Arena Be warmed up and ready to ride at 8:30. Open to the public.

**Interview & Written Test** – Immediately following horsemanship in the Fair Office Board Room.

Not open to the public.

Thursday, July 25th – Speeches, Modeling and Impromptu Questions Amador Fairgrounds (time TBA)

On Stage - For the first time, this part of our contest will be held during the fair! The public is highly encouraged to attend. More details will be coming soon.

**Coronation:** Thursday, July 25th at Amador Fairgrounds (time TBA) Held just prior to Mutton Busting Prelims in the Benny Brown Arena. Open to the public.

**Amador County Fair and CCPRA Rodeo** (new queen only): Thursday-Sunday, July 25-28, 2024 – Amador County Fairgrounds \*The newly crowned queen will be required to attend the rodeo on Saturday, July 28 and encouraged to attend the fair as available.

#### **Eligibility**

- Contestant must be between the ages of 16 and 25 as of Orientation, May 28, 2024.
- •Must be an Amador County resident, and/or from a contiguous county: Sacramento, San Joaquin, Calaveras, or El Dorado.
- Contestant must own or lease a suitable horse for the rodeo and other related horse events, but it need not be the horse used in the competition. No stallions allowed. A horse can be determined unsuitable at the discretion of Pageant Director, judges, and county fair representatives ONLY.

#### **Rules and Regulations**

- 1. Contestant must submit the following documents in order to compete in the competition. All documents must be signed by parent/guardian (if under 18) and contestant and be properly completed in order to be eligible for consideration.
  - a. Application form

- b. Agreement to Abide to Rules and Regulations and Waiver of Liability
- c. Expectation Agreement
- 2. A \$50 entry fee will be required by the contestants by May 28<sup>th</sup> and must be turned in during orientation to the Pageant Director. Checks should be made out to Amador County Fair.
- 3. An 8x10 photo required. One print and electronic file (headshot including hat and western attire, in color). Email electronical file to Pageant Director, kalika.julia@gmail.com.
- 4. Contestants are required to be on time and adhere to the schedule of the competition.
- 5. Upon arriving at the competition, contestants will be responsible to and under the jurisdiction of the Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Committee.
- 6. Parents, friends, and relatives are welcome to attend all activities designated and must agree to abide by all rules and regulations.
- 7. Final decisions will be that of the judges, including any matter while the contestant is competing.
- 8. Contestants must conduct themselves in a proper, lady-like manner, portray high moral standards, and demonstrate good sportsmanship or they may be disqualified.
- 9. All social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok, etc.) MUST be made available to the ACFRQ Committee and will be monitored.
- 10. All contestants are required to dress in full western attire for all events unless otherwise specified.
- 11. All contestants are not permitted, at any time during the competition or as the reigning queen, to smoke, drink alcoholic beverages, or use any foul language.
- 12. Any problems that arise should be directed to the Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Committee.
- 13. The perpetual crown and chaps are the permanent property of the Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Committee. You will be liable for any and all damages.
- 14. After the coronation, the contestants and newly crowned queen are expected to remain at the event location and demonstrate good behavior and sportsmanship. It is appropriate for the queen and contestants to show their appreciation for the opportunity to compete by thanking judges, sponsors, Queen Committee members, and other present Association officials for their efforts to support and organize the competition.

- 15. Any misconduct or violations of these Rules and Regulations by a contestant, her family, friends, coaches, etc. may be grounds for contestants to be disqualified from the competition.
- 16. Prior to the competition, a contestant must inform the Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Committee of any queen titles she is currently holding at the any time of the duration of the competition. It is up to the discretion of the Committee if the contestant may be allowed to participate in the contest.

NOTE: These rules and regulations are designed for your safety and to keep the competition running properly and in a professional manner. If any grievances arise, either during or after the queen contest, the matter should be brought to the attention of the Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Committee.

## Agreement to Abide by Rules and Regulations and Waiver of Liability

In consideration of my application having been accepted for participation in the 2024 Miss Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Competition, I hereby certify that I have read and agree to abide by all Rules and Regulations and understand that any violation of these Rules and Regulations may disqualify me from participation in this contest.

I further agree to hold harmless the Amador County Fair, their officials, agents, and volunteers for any claims resulting in loss accident, or injury received by me in connection with participation by me in any event or performance of this contest.

If contestant has existing royalty title: In consideration of my application, I will have my existing coordinator sign the application below that I am eligible to apply for this title and understand, if crowned the 2024 Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen, there are no dates of events or duties in conflict of serving as Miss Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen. Please note — approval of the Queen Committee is required if the contestant holds an existing title. You may not run for Miss Amador Scholarship Competition at the same time.

In consideration, I hereby release the right, title, and claim of any photographs that may be taken by the management for their use in promotion and publicity.

| Contestant Street Address, County City, State, Zip |      |  |
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| Contestant's Home Number                           |      |  |
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| Contestant Signature                               | Date |  |

| Parent/Guardian Street Address, County City, Sta     | te, Zip |
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| Parent/Guardian Signature                            | Date    |
| Current Title Held (if applicable)                   |         |
| Coordinator's Phone Number (if applicable)           |         |
| Current Title Coordinator's Signature (if applicable | )       |

### **Expectation Agreement**

| This expectation agreement is between the Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Committee, here in after referred to as the ACFRQ and  |
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| <ol> <li>I will send thank you notes to all sponsors, judges, and appropriate officials within 14 days of the date I am crowned.</li> <li>I will promote the ACFR and the sport of rodeo in a positive manner at all times.</li> <li>I will demonstrate honesty, good sportsmanship, good behavior, and etiquette. This includes, but not limited to, use of social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, etc.</li> <li>If under 18, I will be chaperoned at my events by either a parent, ACFR adult member (adult of 21 years or older), or an approved chaperone.</li> <li>I will, at all times, treat animals humanely; if at any time I mistreat my horse, it may result in the loss of my title.</li> <li>I will have a horse and appropriate tack suitable for use in the Amador County Fair Rodeo Grand Entry and other special events.</li> <li>I will wear my sash, crown, buckle, chaps (if applicable), and proper western attire whenever I make public appearances as QUEEN.</li> <li>I will represent ACFR at a minimum of 5 rodeos (CCPRA preferred) and 5 local functions as required.</li> <li>I am not expected to make appearances during school hours (if applicable) unless approved by my parents.</li> <li>I will keep in close contact with my coordinator(s) and will notify them if I am unable to meet any obligations as QUEEN or if any problems arise.</li> <li>All appearances must be approved by the ACFR Queen Coordinator. Any unapproved appearance may result in the loss of my title.</li> <li>If I am unable to fulfill my duties as QUEEN or if I do not adhere to this Expectations Agreement, I agree to forfeit my title as QUEEN and return all ACFRQ property and all prizes I received.</li> </ol> |
| Contestant's Signature Date   |

Date

Parent's Signature

#### **Judging Categories**

Categories to be judged and points to be used are as follows:

1. **Horsemanship** — 250 points total

Required dress for horsemanship: Long-sleeved shirt and wrangler jeans, felt cowboy hat, boots (Fat Baby style or crepe sole boots are not permitted due to safety precautions), belt, and buckle. Gloves and chaps are not permitted.

No two girls may ride the same horse during this portion of the competition.

Contestants will be judged on:

- Control of her mount and the way she handles each situation
- Appearance (cleanliness and appropriateness) of her horse and equipment
- Overall understanding and horsemanship skill
- a. Horsemanship Pattern and Interview (100 points)
  - i. The contestant will be required to mount, dismount, drop bridle, and answer equine science questions.
- b. Rail Class (50 points)
  - i. All contestants will ride together and be judged on equitation and overall control of her mount.
- c. Flag Run (25 points)
  - i. Contestant will perform a lap carrying a flag provided by the Queen Committee to replicate carrying sponsor flags at a rodeo.
- d. Queen Wave (25 points)
  - i. Contestant will perform a well-controlled "hot lap" to replicate queen introductions at a rodeo.
- e. Draw Horse Pattern (50 points)
  - i. The contestants will trade horses for a simple Draw Horse pattern. If any contestant horse is deemed unsafe by the Queen Committee, another will be provided.
  - ii. Spurs will not be permitted for Draw Horse.

#### 2. **Speech** — 100 points

a. The contestant will prepare a 3-5-minute speech on a topic selected by the Queen Committee.

- 3. **Interview** 100 points
  - a. Written questions will be reviewed by the Queen Committee
  - b. Contestants will be judged on
    - i. Rodeo and Equine Knowledge
    - ii. Amador County Fair and Current Event Knowledge
    - iii. Conversational Ability
    - iv. Projection
    - v. Posture
    - vi. Eye Contact
    - vii. Professionalism
    - viii. Overall Appearance
- 4. **Personality** (judged throughout) 125 points total
  - a. Overall attitude and personality
  - b. Professionalism
- 5. **Appearance** (judged throughout) 75 points total
  - a. Fit
  - b. Appropriate color
  - c. Knowledge of current western styles
  - d. Flatters one's body type
- 6. Written Test 50 points
  - a. Contestants will be judged on knowledge of
    - i. Horses
    - ii. Tack
    - iii. Rodeo
    - iv. Amador County Fair
- 7. **Modeling** 50 points
  - a. Confidence
  - b. Use of stage
  - c. Projection of one's personality
- 8. **Impromptu** 50 points
  - a. Contestants will be asked 3-5 short questions onstage
- 9. **Ticket Sales** tiebreaker only
  - a. 50/50 raffle tickets will be sold by contestants
- 10. **Miss Congeniality** 0 points
  - a. Voted on by contestants
- 11. **Photogenic Award** 0 points
  - a. Voted on by the contest photographer
- 12. **Live Like Lilly Spirit Award** 0 points
  - a. Voted on by the Butler Family and representatives

Judges will sign score sheets and seal them in an envelope, and be returned to the Queen Coordinator immediately following each category. An independent auditor shall total the scores and they will be given back to the Queen Committee upon crowning. Scores shall be provided to each contestant following the Queen announcement. The judged categories for the Amador County Fair Queen Competition is open to the public, with the exception of test and personal interview.

| Application on | following pages |
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# Miss Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen Contestant Application Form

Please type or print clearly. If the application form is illegible, it may not be accepted. If additional space is needed, please type information on plain white paper (8  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11) and attach to the back of this application form. Please print out a copy of your application for your records. Please include a printed headshot of yourself with your application and email an electronic copy to the Pageant Director, <u>kalika.julia@gmail.com</u>.

| Applicant's Name:                           |                                     |  |
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| Address:                                    |                                     |  |
| Phone:                                      | Age:                                |  |
| Birth Date:                                 |                                     |  |
| School:                                     |                                     |  |
| Parents' Names:                             |                                     |  |
| What is your horseback riding background?   |                                     |  |
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| List your special activities, interests, ar | nd hobbies (not related to horses): |  |
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| List any awards or recognition that you have received (i.e. rodeo, horse-related, |
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| school, work, church, community service):   |
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| What are your personal goals for the future?                                      |
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| Why do you want to be the 2024 Miss Amador County Fair Rodeo Queen?               |
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