Miss Minnesota Rodeo Association (MRA) Queen Contestant Application

Return form by September 1st 2023 to

Minnesota Rodeo Association

501 3rd Ave NW

Little Falls, MN 56345

Dear Potential Miss Minnesota Rodeo Association Contestant:

On behalf of the Minnesota Rodeo Association, we would like to welcome you to taking the first step towards becoming Miss Minnesota Rodeo Association 2024. This year’s pageant will be held in conjunction with the 2023 MRA Finals Rodeo at the Sanford Center in Bemdji, MN. The dates for this contest will be September 29th to October 1st. We encourage you to be as thorough as possible with your answers on this application.

All applications are subject to approval by the MRA and the application deadline to be received is September 1, 2023. The MRA reserves the right to refuse any contestant application. If a contestant is refused entry in the contest, there will be no appeal process.

There is a $50 non-member entry fee, which also includes one free 2023 MRA Associate Membership. Any queen contestants who are 2023 MRA Members will receive a free entry with their membership. The 2024 Miss MRA Queen will receive a complimentary 2024 MRA Associate Membership with the title. The MRA Queen can upgrade this membership to a contestant membership if she wishes to do so for an extra fee.

Name: Age:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: Email:

**EDUCATION**: (High School, College, Special Training or Professional Programs)

**SCHOLASTIC HONORS AND OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS**: (Present and High School)

**HOBBIES AND FAVORITES SPORTS/ACTIVITIES**:

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**: (List your participation in charitable, non-profit, church, and community activities or organizations)

**WHY IS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IMPORTANT TO YOU?** (50 words or less)

**SCHOLASTIC AMBITIONS AND LIFE AMBITIONS**:

**WHY I WANT TO BECOME MISS RODEO MINNESOTA**: (150 words or less)

Please attach a resume, brief bio and 5x7 headshot photo. (Resume can include any prior involvement in the MRA and other horse related activities)

**Minnesota Rodeo Association Queen Contestant Expectations**

 I understand that as Minnesota Rodeo Association (MRA) Queen, I will be the Official representative and responsible to present the sport of rodeo in it’s true light to the general public.

 I will strive to represent unexcelled sportsmanship, while exhibiting high moral and ethical character during the reign as MRA Queen.

 I will educate myself concerning the proper treatment of animals used in rodeos and agree to treat all animals in a humane way.

 It will be my responsibility, as MRA Queen to be the official rodeo representative and to act, speak and dress according to the esteem my title deserves, any time that I am in the public eye.

 Riding and horsemanship skills are key to the promotion of the sport of rodeo. Therefore, I will strive to continually improve my riding and horsemanship skills so that I can better promote the sport of rodeo.

As the MRA Queen, I will:
 Wear my MRA Queen banner, western hat, western boots, as well as suitable western attire, any time I am acting in the capacity as MRA Queen.

 Avail myself of all opportunities to appear as MRA Queen to the public and to be prepared for photographs and interview opportunities to promote the sport of rodeo.

 Observe a high standard of moral and ethical behavior on social media and set a good example to the public, future competitors and the MRA as a whole.

 Not engage in the unlawful possession, use or distribution of illicit drugs or alcohol during any scheduled time or appearance, nor will I engage in any questionable behavior involving such substances during my occupancy as MRA Queen

 Agree to provide my own transportation to all events.  I will also provide my own horse or work with appropriate contacts to ensure a horse will be available at all events as necessary.

MRA Queen Pageant Schedule

Friday, September 29th:

* 1:00pm – 3:00pm - Queen contestants will help out with promotions at the school and/or special needs rodeo.
* 7:00pm – End of Rodeo: Queen contestants will be available to assist with tasks that are needed during performance.

Saturday, September 30th:

* 10:00am: Interviews – if contestant is competing in slack, we will accommodate for that.
* Immediately following slack - Horsemanship
* 7:00pm – End of Rodeo: Queen contestants will be available to assist with tasks that are needed during performance.

Sunday, October 1st:

* 12:45pm: 2024 Miss MRA Coronation
* New 2024 queen and contestants will manage 50/50 tickets during the performance.