

Queen & Princess



**2022
Contestant
Package**



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ABOUT MEDICINE HAT EXHIBITION & STAMPEDE QUEEN CONTEST:

The Queen Contest is an event that provides a platform for the fair and equitable selection of an ambassador for The Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede and The City of Medicine Hat. The pageant is run two weeks prior to the annual stampede. The pageant contestants play an important role in the promotion of the upcoming annual stampede and the sport of professional rodeo.

The Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede volunteer committee on a year-round basis coordinated a queen contest and program. This committee oversees the running of the Queen Contest and all aspects of the Contest and program. The committee is responsible each year for receiving the Queen Contestant application forms and determining the eligibility of each contestant.

***The contest is capped to the first 8 eligible entries**

ELIGIBILITY

As a contestant, you agree to meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a female, aged 18 to 24 years (as of July 1st of the current year when running for Queen Contest).
2. Must be single, never married, not pregnant, nor had a child, nor living common-law.
3. Must agree not to marry during your one-year reign (July to the crowning of new Queen/Princess in July of the current year).
4. Must be a Canadian Citizen and eligible to acquire a Canadian passport.
5. Must be a resident of the Medicine Hat area (175 km from City Center) for one year prior to running in the contest. Exception being, raised in the area but away for the past year due to educational reasons, health or job related.
6. Must agree to live within a 175 km of Medicine Hat (city center) during the year of your reign.
7. You must have a current/valid driver's license, or a legal form of picture identification.
8. Must not have a criminal record and must consent to a security check.

Awards

To excel, to be the best one can be, regardless of the goal is an achievement in itself. In addition to being crowned Queen or Princess, there are certain outstanding achievements that the Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede Queen Contest recognizes.

STAMPEDE QUEEN

The Contestant who has accumulated the highest number of points in all the judged events and activities in association with the contest becomes the new Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede Queen. At the crowning reception, the winner – the new Stampede Queen is awarded her crown, saddle, buckle, gifts and is eligible for a \$2000.00 Medicine Hat College scholarship.

STAMPEDE PRINCESS

The Stampede Princess is awarded to the contestant who achieved the second highest accumulation of points from all judged events and activities. She too, is presented with her crown, saddle, buckle, gifts and is eligible for a \$2000.00 Medicine Hat College scholarship.

HORSEMANSHIP COMPETITION

The Horsemanship Award is awarded to the contestant who has accumulated the most points from the Horsemanship section of the competition.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

The winner of the Public Speaking Award will have accumulated the most points from the prepared speech and impromptu questions at the Public Speaking Reception and impromptu questions during the contest.

PERSONALITY

The Personality Award will be given to the contestant with the highest amount of Personality Points.

GARY HOUSTON MEMORIAL PHOTOGENIC AWARD

The Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede Royalty Alumni will award a camera package to the contestant identified as the most photogenic throughout the contest.

Scoring Guide

If there are 5 contestants – points will be given from 5 to 1 (5 being the most desirable at the task to 1 being the least desirable at the task)

In the event of a tie, points will be split between the contestants. (Example: Contestant 1 and 2 both get 100% on their rodeo exam and these are the top marks. Each contestant would receive 4.5 points for their score instead of each getting 5 points.)

At the end of the competition ALL MARKS will be totalled for each contestant. The total personality score will make up **50%** of the contestant's final score. The horsemanship mark will represent **30%** of the final mark and the speech night score will also represent **20%** of the final score. The contestant with the highest total score will be crowned Medicine Hat Exhibition and Stampede Rodeo Queen and the runner-up in the scoring will be crowned Medicine Hat Exhibition and Stampede Princess.

For the Public Speaking Award, the contestant with the highest TOTAL Speech Night Score Only (Prepared Speech and Impromptu Questions) will receive the award.

For the Horsemanship Award(s), the contestant with the highest TOTAL Horsemanship Score Only will receive the award.

In the event of a tie on points – the winner will be determined by the contestant who had the most 5-point finishes. If a tie still exists, then the one with the most 4 point or higher finishes.

Scoring Areas

Personality Points

At the end of each day, the contestants will be rated on their overall attitude, effort, camaraderie and willingness for that day.

Horsemanship Points

Rodeo Exam
Appearance & Knowledge
Presentation Ride
Western Equitation
Trail
Barrels or Pole Bending
Sorting Stock
Serpentine
Impromptu Questions

Speech Night

Prepared Speech
Common Question
Impromptu Question (s)

Personality Scoring Guidelines

The following items will be taken into consideration when judging a contestant's personality:

Attitude

- Respectful
- Positive
- Cooperative
- Polite
- Caring
- Honest and sincere
- Friendly
- Diplomatic

Communication Skills

- Diction
- Clarity
- Politeness

Appearance

- Physical Presentation – total package
- Neatness – clean, tidy, crisp
- Smile – frequency, radiance
- Positive Self Image – confident, makes no excuses

Leadership

- Volunteers
- Takes charge when needed
- Confident in abilities
- On time and punctual.

Rodeo

Exam

All marks are added to the overall competition to choose the new Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede Queen and Princess.

Rodeo exam at horsemanship competition is to be a new exam every year from an outside knowledgeable source that is not connected with the Queen Committee. Exam to be received day of writing the exam in a sealed envelope.

The test will take into account general knowledge of the rodeo world, with questions from the C.P.R.A. rules, Canadian Rodeo News, and the Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede events schedule, history and personnel.

The test will also take into account general knowledge of tack, horse care, anatomy and general horse questions.

No materials are permitted in the test room; all paper and pens are provided.

No discussion is permitted during the exam.

Cheating will result in a mark of zero.

Questions regarding the test should be brought to the attention of the written test supervisor.

The members of the Queen Committee mark and review the exams with the contestants.

The Rodeo Exam will be part of the Horsemanship Competition mark. It will be considered as an event and will make up 1/9th of the overall mark.

Horsemanship Competition

EACH CONTESTANT IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE HER OWN HORSE AND TACK.

There are three (3) components to the Horsemanship Competition:

Horsemanship Competition

Presentation Ride

Question and Answer Period

Each contestant will make a presentation ride, take part in a one-day competition, as well as write a rodeo exam. The winner of the horsemanship award is the contestant who receives the highest points in combination of all three horsemanship components. These points are added to the total points to determine the new Stampede Queen/Princess. Family, friends, rodeo committees and general public are invited to attend the horsemanship competition.

Dress Code: (Subject to change)

Blue Jeans.

White shirt tucked in, long sleeves, collar

Vests and chaps are not permitted

Spurs are optional

Judging will take in account

Mounting/Dismounting

Alignment of shoulders, knees, and feet for proper balance

Ability to cue horse

General appearance of horse and rider

PRESENTATION RIDE

You are not judged on speed, but on maintaining a fluid ride, proper posture, and personal presentation. Maintaining a fluid lope is a necessity during the presentation ride; it is essential that the contestants understand that they must abide by the following guidelines:

Orders of presentation rides are pre-drawn, and revisions will not be considered.

LIVESTOCK HANDLING (SORTING STOCK)

SORT – Several calves, steers or cows will be numbered and positioned at one end of the arena. The contestant will be given a number and they must sort the corresponding cow out of the herd. The cow must be brought up the arena a certain distance and then returned to the herd. Control is of the essence here.

Contestants will be judged in the following areas:

- Appearance & Knowledge
- Presentation Ride
- Western Equitation
- Trail
- Barrels or Pole Bending
- Sorting Stock
- Serpentine
- Impromptu Questions

Western Equitation

Pattern

Start on right side of arena and lope to far end of arena.

Sliding stop and rollback to the right. Continue to the other end of arena

Sliding stop and rollback to the left. Continue to centre of arena.

Lope small, slow circle to left. Change leads.

Lope right circle with medium speed. Change leads

Lope large fast circle to left. Change leads.

Lope large fast circle to right. Change leads.

Continue down arena.

Sliding stop and back 10 to 15 feet.

Do 360-degree spin right or left.

Do 360-degree spin opposite direction taken in.
Hesitate to show completion of pattern.

Serpentine

Pattern

Lope horse through entire pattern carrying a flag.

Flags and flag boots will be provided.

Indicates a marker such as a horse and rider.

Public Speaking

Competition

There are two (2) components to the Public Speaking Competition:

Prepared Speech

Questioning (common questions and impromptu as well)

The contestant with the highest total points from the prepared speech plus the common and impromptu questions will be awarded the Public Speaking Award. These points are added to the total points to determine the New Stampede Queen and Princess.

Prepared Speech

Each contestant is to prepare 3 ½ - 5-minute speech to be presented at the Public Speaking Reception.

Tips:

Know your subject and stay on topic.

Write your own speech.

Tone of voice.

Display minimal gestures.

Dress appropriately. (semi-formal attire)
Cue cards may be used, but not long paper.
No props.
Smile! - Smile! - Smile!
Practice! - Practice! - Practice!

Judges will give points on content of the subject of the speech. They also judge on appearance, personality, and the ability to remain composed and personable in front of an audience.

Plagiarism will not be tolerated.

Question Period

In the following areas:

- One common Question
- One to two individual Questions

NUMBER OF QUESTIONS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Impromptu questions are very important, not only to the Stampede Queen & Princess but to all people in many different situations. People spend a great deal of time taking and giving short impromptu speeches for audiences of all types. The purpose of this section is to evaluate how the contestant thinks on her feet, represents herself and represents the sport of rodeo.

Tips

- Listen to the question
- Repeat question
- Be clear and concise, do not carry on
- If you don't know, say so; say only what you know
- Don't present strong opinions
- Look at the judges and audience
- Smile!!
- Be Positive!!

Etiquette

Although the following tips are common etiquette in day-to-day living, they are worth mentioning and with the profile this program receives, it should be followed by all involved with the Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede Queen Pageant.

Table Manners – Tips:

- Elbows do not belong on the table.
- Napkins belong on your lap.
- Ask for items to be passed to you, refrain from reaching.
- Wait until others are ready to eat, do not “dig in”.
- You are a guest, please be polite to your hosts and servers.
- Refrain from complaining.

General Manners – Tips:

- Plan ahead so as to not be late.
- Hold doors open for others.
- Remember “please” and “thank you”.
- Maintain good grammar and clean language.
- Refrain from participating in gossip and perpetuating rumours.
- Be friendly with people but be cautious.

Modelling

Points for modelling are added to the overall competition to choose the new Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede Queen and Princess.

Modelling refers to how a contestant models her clothes and herself. Modelling can be as simple as how a contestant stands, and her posture (chin up, shoulders back). Remember, a

contestant's general appearance must be lady-like and appropriate throughout the pageant as the judges and general public are watching.

Contestants will participate in at least one fashion show.

Contestants are judged on how they wear their own clothes, their appearance, as well as the ability to wear other fashions.

Agendas

(Subject to change)

The Medicine Hat Exhibition & Stampede Queen Pageant Committee prepares an agenda that includes opportunities for the contestants to be judged. Fun activities are also an important part of their time during the pageant. Each year, new and different activities are added to the agenda.

The agenda is always subject to change, so be prepared for life's rules "change", "adjust" and "go with the flow." This will happen wherever you go, whatever you do in life.

Can you adapt?

Speech Night

Agenda

1. Arrive at Banquet Centre .
2. Greet guests.
3. Contestants freshen up.
4. Take seat at head table.
5. MC does introductions of special guests (Stampede Officials, Judges, etc.)
6. Contestants do introduction.
first introduce yourself and include in your introduction – your

family, any special guests present, horse you rode in the horsemanship and where you are from.

6. Grace is said, and dinner is served.
7. Contestants Freshen Up
8. If time, contestants mingle with crowd before speeches.
9. Return to head table and speeches begin.
10. Prepared Speeches
Contestants will be escorted to and from the stage podium.
Deliver speech
11. After all Prepared Speeches, contestants are escorted out to a private meeting room.
12. Impromptu Questions
 - a) Common Questions
Girls brought in one at a time
Contestant first answers a common question which will be asked to all the girls
Remembering to BE SPECIFIC with answers).
Contestants remain on the stage.
 - b) Impromptu Questions
Each contestant will answer one question and then return to their seat on the stage.
Additional questions may be asked.
13. MC returns to the stage to bring closure to the evening.

ORDER OF SPEAKERS WILL BE PRE-DRAWN

ORDER OF SPEAKERS (BASED ON 5 CONTESTANTS)					
Prepared Speech	1	2	3	4	5
1 st Common	2	3	4	5	1
1 st Impromptu	3	4	5	1	2
2 nd Impromptu	4	5	1	2	3

Horsemanship Night Agenda

1. Unsaddle and saddle horse at the warm-up arena.
2. Presentation ride – all contestants ride around the arena and

then exit.

3. All contestants enter the arena on horse and face the grandstand.
4. Self Introduction
introduce yourself, family, and horse that you are riding.
5. All exit.
6. Western Equitation.
7. Trail.
8. Barrels.
9. Pushing stock.
10. Serpentine with Flags.
11. All contestants enter the arena on horse and face the grandstand.
12. Impromptu Questions.
13. Final presentation loop and exit arena.

ORDER OF RIDERS WILL BE PRE-DRAWN

ORDER OF RIDERS (BASED ON 5 CONTESTANTS)					
Unsaddle & Saddle	1	2	3	4	5
Western Equitation	2	3	4	5	1
Trail	3	4	5	1	2
Barrels or Pole Bending	4	5	1	2	3
Sorting Stock	5	1	2	3	4
Serpentine with Flags	1	2	3	4	5
Impromptu Question #1	2	3	4	5	1
Impromptu Questions #2	3	4	5	1	2

Schedule of Events for the Contest

(subject to change)

May 15, 2022

1:00pm – 5:00pm

QUEEN BOOT CAMP

June 12, 2022

11:00 am

Meet the Contestants Day—Contestants bring their horse to review and practice the mounted horsemanship events as laid out in the package.

Photos and Biographies will be completed the first week of June

Thursday—June 23, 2022

6:30 - 8:00 pm

Shareholders meeting

Introduction of Contestants at the

Contest Week

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

7:00 am - 6:00 pm

Meet & Greet/Personal Interview

Thursday, July 14, 2022

7:00 am - 9:00 pm

Horsemanship Day

Friday, July 15, 2022

7:00 am - 10:00 pm

Speech Night

Saturday, July 16, 2022

7:00 am - 4:30 pm

Fashion Show

Friday, July 29, 2022,

THE DIRT”

Queen & Princess Crowning “DOWN IN

Some events between July 25 - 30 to be announced

Stampede Queen Contest Entry Form

NAME:

ADDRESS:

CITY:

POSTAL CODE:

PHONE:

HOME _____ WORK _____ CELL _____

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DATE OF BIRTH:

I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE MEDICINE HAT EXHIBITION AND STAMPEDE QUEEN CONTEST. IN THE EVENT THAT I BECOME THE QUEEN OR PRINCESS I WILL MAKE EVERY REASONABLE EFFORT TO ATTEND FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS AS REQUESTED BY THE QUEEN CONTEST COMMITTEE.

I AM AWARE THAT THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF INJURY TO THE CONTESTANT WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE CONTEST AND DURING ANY DUTIES AND ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONTEST, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO PARADES, PUBLIC APPEARANCES, RODEOS & TRAVELLING TO VARIOUS EVENTS. I RELIEVE THE FOLLOWING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, MEDICINE HAT EXHIBITION & STAMPEDE, MEDICINE HAT EXHIBITION & STAMPEDE QUEEN COMMITTEE, THE JUDGES AND CONTEST SPONSORS OF ALL RESPONSIBILITY DURING ANY DUTIES AND ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONTEST, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO PARADES, PUBLIC APPEARANCES, RODEOS AND TRAVELLING TO VARIOUS EVENTS.

CONTESTANT SIGNATURE:

DATE:

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME:

ADDRESS:

CITY:

POSTAL CODE:

PHONE::

HOME _____ WORK _____ CELL _____

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EMAIL:

PLEASE INCLUDE WITH YOUR ENTRY
A BRIEF RESUME OF YOURSELF AND INTERESTS AND
SIGNED CONSENT FOR RECORD CHECK