

# Northwest Youth Rodeo Association



## 2022 Court Application

●●● Application Deadline: July 20, 2021 ●●●

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Dear Potential 2022 Northwest Youth Rodeo Court Contestant,

On behalf of Northwest Youth Rodeo Association (“NWYRA”), I would like to thank you for your interest in the 2022 NWYRA Court. Our pageant will be at the final NWYRA rodeo of the season in Philomath scheduled for the weekend of August 20-22. We will be honored to have our 2020-2021 NWYRA Court, Queen Sadie Bateman and Princess Reagan Bill representing our association and helping with this pageant.

Court applicants will go through a three-step process in her efforts to compete for a spot on the NWYRA Court.

1. Court Application Process;
2. Pageant Tryouts;
3. Coronation for Title Winner(s).

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After I have received your Court Application and the items stated on the Checklist you will be sent approximately 1 (one) week after the application deadline, the Official Court Packet that includes; NWYRA Court Rule Book, sample contracts and a tentative pageant schedule.

Thank you again for your interest in the 2022 Northwest Youth Rodeo Court, I look forward to working with you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

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## COURT INFORMATION

### **COURT MISSION STATEMENT:**

- Promote a positive image for the sport of rodeo;
- Uphold, promote and maintain the Western Heritage lifestyle;
- To provide an environment where contestants will be enriched by the court experience of representing NWYRA as they model goodwill and integrity for the rodeo youth of the state of Oregon; and
- To lay a solid foundation of rodeo royalty knowledge and skills to continue onto future rodeo royalty titles.

### **PURPOSE:**

The Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Court program is designed to provide an opportunity for the young women from NWYRA to serve as ambassadors for the Northwest Youth Rodeo Association, the NWYRA Court Program, the sport of Rodeo, Oregon's agricultural and ranching communities, and the NWYRA Sponsors. We want selected, the most qualified young ladies who are excellent horsewoman, who will portray exceptional moral standards setting an example above reproach.

### **WHO IS NWYRA ROYALTY:**

NWYRA Court will symbolize the youth of NWYRA and the youth of the great State of Oregon. She will be a young lady who displays excellent horsemanship skills with an outgoing personality, she enjoys meeting people and speaking publicly about the NWYRA and the sport of Rodeo in a variety of public situations. She must be able to ride and present her horse at her best for all parades, rodeo runs, flag runs, and other scheduled appearances as she travels the Pacific Northwest during her year of reign.

### **COURT CHARACTERISTICS:**

- Excellent Horsewoman
- Promotes the Western Lifestyle
- Knowledgeable of Rodeo
- Leader
- Conduct a personal interview
- Speak to the public
- Intelligent
- Organized
- Respectful
- Helpful
- Friendly attitude
- Outgoing personality
- High moral and ethical standards
- Demonstrate poise, grace and be courteous
- Represent herself and the NWYRA in a dignified and honorable manner
- Interested in advancing onto future rodeo royalty titles



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## PAGEANT TRYOUT CATEGORIES, JUDGING GUIDELINES, WARDROBE/ATTIRE

### **PAGEANT TRYOUT CATEGORIES:**

#### **1. Personal Interview**

You will be asked a variety of personality, rodeo knowledge, NWYRA knowledge and current event questions. Your parents or support team are welcome to arrive with you, however they will be asked to remain outside or in another building during the personal interview.

#### **2. Speech/Public Speaking**

You will need to memorized two (2) to three (3) minute speech about anything rodeo related and why you want to be a part of the NWYRA Court. No note cards or papers to read off of will be allowed during this tryout category. Be creative. You should handle this competition situation with poise and maturity, preparedness, self-control and confidence while speaking in public or interacting with others. In addition, exhibiting grace and class while being flexible in and out of the public eye.

#### **3. Modeling with Impromptu Questions**

You will be asked about; one current event, rodeo knowledge, and personality questions. You will be judged on your answers, appearance, and knowledge. You should handle this competition situation with poise and maturity, preparedness, self-control and confidence while speaking in public or interacting with others. In addition, exhibiting grace and class while being flexible in and out of the public eye.

#### **4. Horsemanship**

The purpose of this category is to select the young lady who rates the highest in horsemanship, who demonstrating control of her horse and the way the she handles each situation that may occur. Riders will be judged on balance (the ability to sit square in the saddle), the position of hands, feet, seat, mounting and dismounting. You will perform a riding pattern and an arena flag run. Once your application is accepted, you will be given one of two potential patterns that will be selected by the judges. Your parents, or support team are allowed to help you prepare for horsemanship. Once you are on your horse, they must go into grandstands to watch the competition and are not allowed to talk to you until the horsemanship portion is complete.

### **JUDGING GUIDELINES:**

You must be prepared to show your best on tryout day. Judges will not take into consideration past experiences or knowledge of any contestants. You will be judged solely on your performance that day. Judges objective will be to find 2-3 young women who can ride well, speak to the public, and represent herself and the NWYRA in a dignified and honorable manner.

Judges will be looking for the following attributes in a court contestant:

#### **Personal Interview:**

- Pleasant, friendly, relaxed, poised, sincere, and confident
- Ability to converse



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## **Appearance:**

- Poise and posture
- Clean, well-fitting Western attire
- Clean, well-shaped Cowboy hat

## **Speech/Public Speaking:**

- Self-projection and self confidence
- Speech topic, content, and effectiveness
- Delivery of speech (no ums, memorized with no hesitations, etc.)

## **Horsemanship – Horse:**

- Clean, proper fitting tack
- Horse responsive to the contestant
- Must be able to carry a flag
- Clean, neatly clipped horse

## **Horsemanship – Pattern:**

- Must ride with one hand
- Seat, posture, control, hands
- Ride with some speed, but in control
- Completeness and correctness of pattern

## **WARDROBE/ATTIRE:**

### **Personal Interview – Speech/Public Speaking:**

Western attire (dress or pants) appropriate for an interview or appearing at a luncheon or group presentation. Options might be vests or jackets, skirts, slacks (neatly pressed garments are always more professional)

### **Modeling/Impromptu Questions:**

Western attire, dressy and fashionable, appropriate for an evening function.

### **Horsemanship:**

Western jeans, western long-sleeved shirt, hat and boots (jeans and shirt need to be starched).



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## NWYRA COURT APPLICATION

### Contestant Information:

First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been married?     Yes  No

Name of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Age of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have your own truck and trailer? \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent's Information:

Mother's First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Personal Statistics:

Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Blouse Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Jean Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Waist & Inseam: \_\_\_\_\_ Belt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Jacket Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Boot Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Hat Size: \_\_\_\_\_



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## NWYRA COURT APPLICATION

### **Education:**

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest year of school completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Graduated: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

### **Scholastic Honors & Other Accomplishments** (Attach additional sheets if necessary):

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Are you employed?  Yes  No

If yes, will this impact your ability to serve on court? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Horsemanship Skills:**

List your experience, or training that may be helpful in fulfilling this position, especially participation in parades, rodeos, horse shows, etc. (Use an extra sheet if needed.)

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### **Emergency Contact:**

Who should we notify in case of an accident or serious illness?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_



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## NWYRA COURT APPLICATION

### **Please Include with your Application:**

- A statement of why you want to be a part of the NWYRA Court (50 words or less)

### **HOLD HARMLESS**

I hereby agree that I, my family members, any heirs, administrators, personal representative and assigns, shall not bring any claims, demands, cause of action, legal action and legal liability against, and will hold harmless and discharge the NWYRA, its associates, agents, officers, directors, representatives, members, assigns, premises owners, contracted persons, affiliated organizations and insurers in relation to participation in the NWYRA Court Tryout Pageant. I enter this pageant at my own risk and am subject to pageant rules, both written and verbal.

I do further agree, that I shall not bring any claims, demands, cause of action legal action and legal liability against NWYRA and its associates as stated above in this clause for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage sustained by me and/or my minor child or legal ward in relation to participation in the NWYRA Court Tryout Pageant.

My signature below affirms that all information on the application is understood by me and my parents and is true to the best of my knowledge.

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Contestant Name Printed

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Contestant Signature

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Date

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Parent or Guardian Signature

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Date





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## ELIGIBILITY, REIGN & REQUIREMENTS POLICY

(also see Nwyra Court Rule Book)

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Contestants must meet the following eligibility in order to compete in the Nwyra Court Pageant.

1. This event is open to girls only.
2. Applicants must reach the age of 7 by July 1st of the pageant year and not exceed the age of 18 as of December 31st of the pageant year.
3. Applicants must be a current, paid, contestant and in good standing of Nwyra twelve months prior to tryouts.
4. Applicant must not have ever been convicted for a crime.
5. Applicant shall not be married, never have been married, not pregnant, nor have children.
6. Applicant will not get married or become pregnant during her reign.
7. Applicants will be required to demonstrate horsemanship skills, public speaking, conduct an interview and represent herself in a dignified and honorable manner.
8. Applicant will have her own horse (owned or leased).
9. Applicant will provide her own transportation and horse trailer.
10. Applicant will try out on the horse she plans to use during her reign. Horse should have previous parade experience. Only one horse is required, however a backup horse is recommended. The horse must be healthy, with current vaccination and worming. The horse must be kept clean, trimmed and shod. No stallions, late term pregnant mares, or mares with foals will be allowed.
11. Applicant must be willing to abide by the Nwyra rules, Nwyra Court rules, be responsible for her horse, transportation, do fundraising and be available to participate in court activities throughout the year.
12. Previous Queens cannot serve on Court again.
13. Reigning Princess(s) may not wear their current court attire for tryouts.
14. The selection will be made on a score system; the highest score to be named Queen and the second/third highest will be named Princess(s).
15. The Nwyra Officers/Board of Directors will decide how many princesses will be chosen. If possible, the court should consist of one qualified Senior, one qualified Junior and one qualified PeeWee contestants.
16. If a member of the Court is unable to fulfill her term, the Nwyra Officers/Board of Directors will decide if the position shall be filled for the remainder of the term or will remain vacant.

### **REIGN:**

1. Nwyra Court will reign from January 1, to December 31.

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

If you are selected to be part of the Nwyra Court you will be required to:

1. Attend all Nwyra rodeos.
2. Represent the association and its members throughout Oregon appearing in parades, riding in rodeo grand entries, attending luncheons, interviews, coronations dinners and other public and promotional activities.
3. Distributing Nwyra information as requested by the Board or Court Director.
4. Carry sponsor flags between events at rodeos.
5. Be flexible and available at short notice for appearances.



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6. Must have at least one parent or chaperone to help you at parades and rodeos.
7. Wear the wardrobe that is selected by the Court Director.
8. Be prepared at all events with tack, clothing, and a positive attitude.
9. Be available for appearance and events throughout your court reign.
10. Gather a minimum of \$500.00 in sponsorships to pay for required items.
11. On behalf of the Nwyra, Court members are required to fund raise to cover court expenses.

Violation of these requirements can result in disciplinary action, up to and including the removal of the title and crown. The Nwyra Officer and Board of Directors reserves the right to decide such disciplinary action at any time during your reign.

Please sign below indicating that you have read and understand the above Eligibility, Reign and Requirements Policy and that you agree to adhere to these guidelines during your Lady in Waiting status and if you are selected to be part of the Nwyra Court.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant Name Printed

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Court Director Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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## NWYRA COURT SAMPLE APPEARANCE SCHEDULE

As a member of NWYRA Court you will be required to attend ALL NWYRA rodeos and events. In addition, you will have the opportunity to attend other events that are important in the queening community.

Below is a sample schedule by month that NWYRA Court has followed in the past. It takes a lot of commitment should you desire to do more than just the NWYRA rodeos.

<b>January</b> Columbia County Court Coronation Dinner Jr. Miss Rodeo Oregon Coronation Dinner Jefferson County Court Coronation Dinner	<b>July</b> St. Paul Rodeo (PRCA) Molalla Buckaroo Rodeo (PRCA) Eugene Pro Rodeo (PRCA) Philomath Frolic & Rodeo (NPRA) Santiam Canyon Stamped Rodeo (NPRA)
<b>February</b> Teen Miss Rodeo Oregon Coronation Dinner Miss NPRA Coronation Dinner Philomath Frolic & Rodeo Queen Coronation Dinner	<b>August</b> Canby Rodeo (PRCA)
<b>March</b> Vancouver Horse Expo Canby Rodeo Court Coronation Dinner Albany NW Horse Expo High Desert Stampede (PRCA)	<b>September</b> Ellensburg Rodeo (PRCA) Pendleton Round-Up (PRCA)
<b>April</b> St. Paul Rodeo Court Coronation Dinner Women for Ag Dinner and Auction Miss Rodeo Oregon Coronation Dinner	<b>October</b>
<b>May</b> Shriner's Hospital Visit Spray Pro Rodeo & Parade (NPRA)	<b>November</b>
<b>June</b> Portland Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade Sisters Pro Rodeo & Parade (PRCA) Tillamook Rodeo (NPRA)	<b>December</b>



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## PHOTOGRAPHER'S RELEASE

Please provide 1 – 8x10 color photo (photo's will be returned). Photo should be a head and shoulder shot, western style hat and blouse, no crowns or banners.

Permission to Use Copyright Print(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Person in Photograph: \_\_\_\_\_

Photographer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name of Photographer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address of Photographer: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

As the photographer and copyright owner of the print(s), I grant permission for my print(s) to be used in the Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Pageant and for pageant publicity purposes. The print(s) will not be used for any purpose beyond those stated by Northwest Youth Rodeo Association.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Photographer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Photographer



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## SOCIAL MEDIA & NETWORKING POLICY

The absence of, or lack of explicit reference to a specific internet and/or web site does not limit the extent of the application of this policy. Where no policy or guideline exists, titleholders should use their professional judgment and take the most prudent action possible. Consult with your Court Director if you are uncertain.

1. Personal blogs should have clear disclaimers that the views expressed by the author in the blog is the author's alone and do not represent the views of the NWYRA. Be clear and write in first person. Make your writing clear that you are speaking for yourself and not on behalf of the NWYRA or your title.
2. Information published on your blog(s) should comply with the NWYRA confidentiality and disclosure of proprietary data policies. This also applies to comments posted on other blogs, forums, and social networking sites.
3. Be respectful to the NWYRA, yourself, other title holders, your sponsors, NWYRA sponsors, and possible pageant competitors.
4. Social media activities should not interfere with titleholder responsibilities or pageant rules and regulations.
5. Your online presence reflects the NWYRA and your title as the NWYRA Queen or Princess. Be aware that your actions captured via images, posts, or comments can reflect that of the NWYRA and your title as well.
6. Do not reference site sponsors, other title holders, or rodeos without their express consent.
7. Respect copyright laws, and reference or site sources appropriately. Plagiarism applies online as well.
8. NWYRA logos and trademarks may not be used without written consent.
9. Ultimately you should be mature, be ethical, and think before you type or post.
10. The NWYRA Officers and Board of Directors reserves the right to determine if posts are acceptable and within moral standards set forth in the Code of Conduct.

Violation of this policy can result in disciplinary action, up to and including the removal of the title and crown. The NWYRA Officer and Board of Directors reserves the right to decide such disciplinary action at any time during your reign.

Please sign below indication that you have read and understand the above policy and that you agree to adhere to these guidelines during your Lady in Waiting status and titleholder year.

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Contestant Name Printed

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Contestant Signature

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Date

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Parent or Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Court Director Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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## CONTESTANT COURT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1.	NWYRA Court Application (pgs. 6-8), completed and signed	
2.	Statement of why you want to be part of NWYRA Court (50 words or less)	
3.	Non-refundable application fee of \$50.00. Check made payable to NWYRA	
4.	Eligibility, Reign & Requirements Policy (pgs. 9-10), signed	
5.	Photographer's Release (pg. 12), completed and signed by photographer	
6.	8x10 Photo	
7.	Social Media & Networking Policy (pg. 13), signed	