



Miss Illinois Horse Fair
Queen Pageant Application
March 3-5, 2017



Please place a checkmark indicating which category you are participating in:

Miss (17-21) _____ Jr. Miss (14-16) _____

Name: _____

Age: _____ Birthdate: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone number: _____

Parent's Email (If under 18): _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

School: _____ Major (If applicable): _____

Horse Name: _____ Breed: _____ Color: _____

Sponsor (If any): _____



Please complete the following with NEAT & PRINTED handwriting (JUDGES WILL SEE THIS)

Future Ambitions (Including but not limited to: scholastic, career, and goals/dreams):



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Honors/Accomplishments & Achievements:

Hobbies & Interests:

School Organizations, Community Involvement etc.:



If more space is needed for any category, please use an additional sheet of paper with labeled categories

Essay: What role do horses play in your life?

Please submit a **one page** paragraph-style essay about the above topic. Please mail in the essay on a separate sheet of 8.5 x 11" paper (Normal printer paper size) following these additional guidelines. Essay to be sent along with pageant application. Essays will not be accepted during Horse Fair weekend.

- **Size 12 Font**
- **Times New Roman Font**
- **Single Spaced**
- **Full name in upper left-hand corner**



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Entry:

The Miss IHF Pageant will **begin in the morning on Saturday, March 4th and conclude Sunday, March 5th, 2017** at the State Fairgrounds in conjunction with the Illinois Horse Fair. Entry into the Miss IHF Queen Pageant is \$100. This goes towards the production of the pageant, prizes and crown fees. Contestants are encouraged to get a sponsor to cover this fee. It can be anyone from a local business, your local horse club, or simply family & friends. Be sure to include the sponsor on the first page of the application.

SPECIAL NOTES: (PLEASE READ & FOLLOW)

- **PLEASE submit separate payment for Queen Pageant & Stalling Fee**
- **A 2017 Illinois Horse Fair Release will be required to be signed by contestant or parent/guardian for individuals who are under the age of 18 at move-in/check-in.**
- **Make checks payable to: *Illinois Horse Fair 2017.***

Pageant Overview:

Judging Criteria:

- **Horsemanship (35%)**: The young ladies will be asked to perform a basic skills pattern designated by the Miss IHF Board. (The pattern will be given with info packet as soon as applications are received) The skills include Walk, Trot, Canter, Halt and back up 3 steps. (Please note: Judging will not reflect horse skill level.)
- **Personal Interview (30%)**: Each contestant will answer questions from a panel of judges in a private setting based on current events, horse-related topics, and from the application submitted.
- **Speech (25%)**: Contestants will be asked to prepare a 1-minute speech on the topic provided (Will be provided in information packet) and will be recited to an audience individually for judging.
- **Overall Appearance: (10%)** This score reflects the contestants overall attitude, appearance and presence while attending the Illinois Horse Fair

A detailed break-down of pageant schedule and criteria details will be provided in the information packet sent after applications are received



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Stalling

Stalling fees listed below: ***Please circle your selection***

Arriving Thursday, Staying through Sunday

Arriving Friday, Staying through Sunday

Arriving Saturday morning, Staying through Sunday

Additional info: PLEASE READ EVERYTHING IN ITS ENTIRETY:

Move In: Thursday 9am to 9pm

Move Out: Sunday 4:30 - 6:00 pm

Moving in/out only during scheduled hours, or by Appointment with a \$15 Convenience Fee

To make an appointment, please contact ihf@horsemenscouncil.org and please state that you are with the pageant.

After you schedule your time of arrival, please email Director, Anne Marie Connelly of your planned arrival time at amconnelly91@gmail.com.

What Documentation Do I Need to Supply? The following documents must be presented to receive a Stall Occupancy Permit (Will receive upon Move In/Check-In). Stalls cannot be occupied without Validated Stall Occupancy Permit.

- Current Negative Coggins required (12 months) on all horses.
- Health Certificate and Entry Permit Number required on out-of-state horses (www.agr.state.il.us/AnimalHW/equinereq.html)
- Signed liability release forms for all equine Owners/Riders/Handlers.

Where will the contestants be stalled

Contestants will be stalled in Barn 14. They will have access to a **shared** tack stall in their aisle. Please keep this in mind when packing and preparing for your horse. Please fill out the form on the next page.



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Stalling Application

Owner Name	Rider Name
Owner Address	Rider Address
City, State, Zip	City, State, Zip
Owner Phone	Rider Phone
Owner Email	Rider Email

Type of horse:

Breed: _____ Discipline: _____

Emergency Contact:

Name:

Phone Number:

Relationship to owner/Rider

Breed:	Age:	Mare:	Gelding:
Name of horse:			
Stable With: QUEEN PAGEANT			
All horses must have a stall. Tack stalls will be available for 4 girls to share.		Each contestant will receive a 3-Day pass along with stalling reservation.	

	# of 3-day Passes	# of Stalls	Cost of Each:	Please indicate:
Barn 14 Thurs-Sun	1	1 w/shared tack stall	\$110	
Barn 14 Fri-Sun	1	1 w/shared tack stall	\$90	
Barn 14 Sat-Sun	1	1 w/shared tack stall	\$45	
Pine Shavings Bedding per bag (Bedding not included w/stall)	X	_____bags	\$9	
Additional Fairgrounds passes- 3-Day pass	X	_____passes	\$27	
Additional Fairgrounds passes- 1-day pass	X	_____passes	\$13	
Sub-Total Stalls, Bedding, and Extra Passes	1	___ bags ___ passes	X	\$
Paying By Credit Card, Add 5% Processing Fee			%5 Total	
TOTAL STALLS, BEDDING, EXTRA PASSES				\$



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Payment Options:

I wish to pay in full by Check/Money Order: \$ _____

I wish to pay in full by Credit/Debit Card: \$ _____

Card Type: _____

Cardholder Name: _____ (Please Print)

Cardholders Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

_____ - _____ - _____ Exp. ____/____

3- Digit Code: _____ (Card information may also be confidentially provided by calling 217.689.4224 ex. 106)

Cardholder Signature: _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____

AGREEMENT: I hereby authorize Horsemen's Council of Illinois/Illinois Horse Fair to reserve stabling and exhibition time for my Queen Pageant Horse. I agree to pay any charges by 2/15/2017, or risk losing my stall to others on a waiting list. The authorized signature on this contract signifies that I have read and understand the rules and regulations attached.

Signature

Date

IHF Event Manager Signature & Date



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Illinois Horse Fair Vendor/Exhibitor Rules and Regulations

By completing the Exhibitor Contract for Space Rental you agree to abide by all rules and regulations governing the participation in the Illinois Horse Fair.

Definitions:

COMMERCIAL: Shall apply to all parties providing a product, service or stallion for commercial benefit.

NON-PROFIT: Shall apply to all IRS designated non-profit organizations promoting particular equine activities.

BREED ASSOCIATION/REGISTRY: Shall apply to all recognized Associations/Registries responsible for registry of a specific breed. Proof of authorization shall be provided.

FOR SALE: Shall apply to all parties purchasing stall space for the purpose of selling a horse.

ADMISSION: The Illinois Horse Fair (IHF) management reserves the right to refuse admission to any person(s) in the interest of safety and welfare of said persons, the general public, exhibitors or animals.

ELIGIBILITY: The IHF reserves the right to determine the eligibility of any product for display. Commercial exhibitors/vendors (Exhibitors) must list their participating company as "Exhibitor" for the record. All exhibits must conform within the bound of good taste. IHF management may refuse any exhibit, item or displays.

Exhibitor Show Hours: **Friday: 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

All set up and tear down schedules are assigned by IHF management and will be strictly enforced.

Exhibitors must not dismantle displays, assemble packing materials or tear down on Sunday prior to close of Fair.

No vehicles are allowed within the secured area (or any so identified areas) during IHF hours.

Exhibitor parking is in designated areas only and will be enforced. Violators shall be subject to immediate towing.

EXHIBITOR PASSES provided per the following schedule: 100 sf -2, 225 sf -4, 300 sf -5, 400 sf & up -6.

PAYMENTS: All charges for exhibit space must be paid in full in US funds on or before January 15 (all late fees must be paid for registrations or payments submitted after that date). **Failure to pay in full by February 14 can result in loss of booth space to wait listed vendors.**

IHF management, sponsors, their agents or representatives for this event do not and cannot guarantee any financial benefit or gain to exhibitors or exhibiting organization, nor guarantee attendance for same.

CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS: If any event or circumstance not caused by IHF prevents an Exhibitor from setting up or staffing an exhibit for any or all of the show period, the contractual responsibility between Exhibitor and IHF shall be considered to be satisfied with no refund due Exhibitor.

PUBLICITY: In consideration for participation, the undersigned hereby grants IHF and the Horsemen's Council of Illinois (HCI) the right to use their name and/or likeness and that of its employees and agents involved in the Fair, using video and/or audio and/or photographs in any association with HCI or IHF.

INSURANCE: Exhibitors are required to carry fire and liability insurance covering trade shows and fairs which insures their goods and exhibits against damage and loss or personal injury. All insurance certificates must include the following statement – "The Horsemen's Council of Illinois and/or The Illinois Horse Fair and/or The Illinois Department of Agriculture, their officers, employees, agents and directors are additionally insured."

(RULES & REGULATIONS CONT'D)

INDEMNIFICATION/HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE: Exhibitor agrees that if a claim or lawsuit is made against IHF, HCI and/or the Illinois Department of Agriculture, their owners,

shareholders, agents and or employees for any damage brought by or allegedly attributable to,

Exhibitor arising from Exhibitor's presence on the premises or Exhibitor's contract for space rental, Exhibitor will pay all attorney's fees and costs incurred by the Illinois Horse Fair and the Horsemen's Council of Illinois.

LIABILITY: Exhibitor shall hold HCI and IHF and it's management, and the Illinois State Fairgrounds and it's management blameless for any injury or damage that may occur to an exhibitor, its employees, agents or property, or for loss as a result of theft, fire, accident or any other causes. Exhibitor shall take precautionary measures of their own, such as securing small or easy portable articles of value and the removal of them to a place of safe keeping after exhibit hours. Any damage to facility property through carelessness or other act of Exhibitor or their employees, agents or invitees must be paid by Exhibitor causing damage.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS: Exhibitor agrees to obey all State laws, local ordinances and regulations governing the use of the Illinois State Fairgrounds, to abide by the rules of the State Fire Marshall and State Police, and other public officials whose duties may regulate exhibits. Illinois sales tax will be applicable to the event. For additional information, please visit the following site: www.revenue.state.il.us/individuals/salesandrelated/fairs (This DOES NOT apply to IRS designated non-profit organizations.)

EXHIBIT SPACE ASSIGNMENT: IHF management will assign exhibit space. Exhibitors will agree to accept the location assigned and agree to reassignment if directed by IHF management for the best interest of the show. Sub-leasing of space and/or assignment or transfer of any right, interest or obligation of Exhibitor related to IHF or Exhibitor's exhibit or participation is prohibited and if attempted by any Exhibitor will result in contract becoming null and void unless prior approval has been obtained from management.

BOOTH CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT: IHF will provide an identification sign and number for each booth space. Each booth will have 8ft back drapes and 3ft side drapes. The back and side drapes may not be removed or moved without IHF approval. No sign, apparatus or construction may extend more than 8ft above the floor. The exhibit may extend 4 ft from the back of the booth space at the 8 ft height, but beyond that point the height must not exceed 3 ft. The exhibitor may drape unsightly structures at their own expense. IHF and HCI strongly recommend only professionally made signs and floor coverings for your exhibit space. Exhibitor shall have a 50 ft grounded extension cord. Live animal sales are prohibited in exhibit space.

EXHIBITS AND APPLIANCES: Exhibits must be contained within the booth space and not obstruct or interfere with neighboring exhibits. No signs, posters etc. may be displayed outside the exhibitor's assigned space. Sound levels on A/V equipment must not exceed normal conversation levels. No damage of any nature may be done to any part of the Illinois State Fairgrounds. An identification sign will be provided for each vendor. A table and 2 chairs will be provided for each booth space.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: All decorations must be made of flameproof materials. All packaging containers and materials must be removed from the floor. No propane tanks may be used inside. Strobe lights are prohibited.

VENDOR/EXHIBIT CLEANING: Exhibitors are responsible for keeping their exhibits clean and free from accumulated rubbish and unsafe conditions.

PETS: No animals (except service dogs) will be allowed in exhibition buildings, seminar areas, Coliseum or Livestock Center. Dogs on the grounds in any other areas must be leashed at all times.

CONCESSIONAIRE: Food vendors shall be subject to a daily fee, due directly to the State of Illinois. Please call 217-689-4224, ext107 for the most up to date information.



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Please mail all forms & payments to:

Miss Illinois Horse Fair Queen Pageant
ATTN: Anne Marie Connelly
504 Pike Drive West
Highland, IL 62249

Director Contact:

A full information packet will be emailed out to the email addresses specified on this entry form explaining all phases of competition and additional pageant details. If you have any outstanding questions, please feel free to contact the director at any time. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Anne Marie Connelly- Director
(618) 979-1643
amconnelly91@gmail.com

AGREEMENT: I hereby authorize Horsemen's Council of Illinois/Illinois Horse Fair and the Miss Illinois Horse Fair Queen Pageant to use this information for purposes of the IHF Queen pageant. The authorized signature on this contract signifies that I have read and understand the rules and regulations and understand that all judge decisions are final.

Signature

Date

Parent Signature (If under 18)

Date



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