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River City Pageant Judge's Information Packet for Optional Competitions

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Thank you so much for your interest in becoming a Optionals Judge for River City Pageant. Our packet may seem large at first, but we have included most information you might want to see including copies of our tentative judge's schedule and score sheets. After you have looked over this packet, please visit our website for more info and/or contact us if you have any questions.



River City Pageant is a fundraiser benefit for the Spokane Parks Foundation that encourages participants to collect swimsuits for the Make A Splash program and raise funds for local Spokane county park renovations while also offering fun opportunities to show poise in a gown or suit, fashion modeling in a "Spokane Pride" themed outfit, public speaking through a personal introduction, and answering questions like for a job interview.

Special Awards and Recognitions for Community Service and trophies for optional events like Talent Competition, Most Photogenic, and Casual Wear Modeling will be presented too.

Younger competitors are not allowed to wear makeup and older competitors are only allowed what would be typically worn at a business meeting.

Contestants also earn points for collecting monetary and swimsuit donations for Spokane Parks Foundation. Recognition for winners include crowns, sashes, trophies, medals and opportunities to volunteer and make appearances at events together.



River City Pageant Mission

The goals of River City Benefit Pageant are to support Spokane Parks Foundation and help competitors become confident spokespeople while having fun and making new friends.

Spokane Parks Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization

River City Pageant is a benefit for the Spokane Parks Foundation and is open to all ages, genders and abilities.

Optional Events Rules and Scoring

Competing in an Optional Event is not required to win a royalty title. They are just a fun way to have more stage time, experience a greater variety of competition and raise more money for the Benefit Organization.

Contestants are allowed to sign up for as many Optionals as they like and they may enter the Photogenic Competition as many times as they want.

For on-stage Optional events, contestants may use the X's as marked on stage or model to their own routines as long as they stay within the appropriate time limits for each event.



Premium Optionals

Talent Optional Competition (ages 6+)



Trophies will be awarded for one Junior Division (ages 6-12) and one Senior Division (ages 13+) overall talent winner. Depending on the number of entries received, there might also be a medal awarded in each age division. This is an optional competition and does not count towards a contestant's overall royalty score.

Each contestant will have 2 minutes to present their talent. Costumes should be age appropriate and props used on stage should take less than 30 seconds to set up.

Talent music is chosen and submitted by the contestant.

Judging criteria for Talent:

1. Entertainment value (performance is engaging and enjoyable)
2. Stage presence (confidence, energy and charisma).
3. Technical skill (execution, technique, synchronization, control)

Casual Wear Optional Competition (ages 6+)

Trophies will be awarded for one Junior Division (ages 6-12) and 1 Senior Division (ages 13+) overall Casual Wear winner. Depending on the number of entries received, there might also be a medal awarded in each age division. This is an optional competition and does not count towards a contestant's overall royalty score.

Each contestant will have 30 seconds to model their casual wear outfit. Contestants may create their own routine or use the X's on stage.

Only props that can be carried during the routine and are part of the outfit (eg. umbrella, golf club, purse, etc.) can be used during the casual wear presentation.



Upbeat modeling music chosen by River City Pageant staff will be played for Casual Wear competition.

Judging criteria for Casual Wear:

1. Modeling ability. (smooth turns, steps, poses, and good use of stage)
2. Stage presence (confidence, energy and charisma).
3. Sense of style and personality

Photogenic Optional Competition (ages 4+) *Unlimited Entries*



Trophies will be awarded for one Kinder Division (ages 4-5), one Junior Division (ages 6-12) and one Senior Division (ages 13+) overall optional photogenic winner. Depending on the number of entries received, there might also be a medal awarded in each age division.

For ages 4 and older, this is an optional competition and does not count towards a contestant's overall score. Photogenic is required for Babies. (See Photogenic Baby Division details below.)

Photos will be judged using a combination of composition, background, lighting, and contestant's poise and personality. For older contestants, hair, makeup, wardrobe, and accessories must all harmonize with each other. Because River City Pageant is a natural pageant, contestants in younger divisions (12 and under) should not have any noticeable makeup or heavy retouching. Contestants in older divisions are also encouraged to submit more natural photos as well. Glamour shots like those used in glitz pageants are automatically disqualified.

All age divisions may enter Photogenic as many times as they like.

Photogenic Baby (ages 0-3)

Photogenic is a required area of competition as Baby Contestants do not compete on stage. Baby Contestants must submit a minimum of 1 photo but additional entries can be purchased and there is no limit. If a contestant submits more than one photo, whichever photo has the highest score will be the one used to calculate the winning photo.

Photos will be judged using a combination of composition, background, lighting, and contestant's pose. Because River City Pageant is a natural pageant, contestants in the Baby Division (ages 0-3) must not have any makeup or noticeable retouching. Glamour shots like those used in glitz pageants are automatically disqualified.



Natural Makeup Requirements for Photogenic

River City Pageant is a natural system. Please follow these guidelines for judging:

Contestants younger than 13 years old are not allowed to wear any noticeable makeup for Photogenic. This means they can wear a little concealer under their eyes for dark circles or a little powder on their noses for shine, and maybe a little lip gloss for chapped lips, but you really should not be able to tell.

Contestants 13 and older may wear makeup, but it must not be too over the top. False eyelashes are okay as long as they are not so long that it is overly noticeable. Think about what might be appropriate to wear to a job interview in an office and that should give you a pretty good idea of what we mean.

Wigs like the kind you see in a "glitz" style pageant are not allowed for Photogenic. If someone needs to wear a natural wig, that is fine as are hair extensions that you pin under your own hair.

Permanently colored/dyed hair and tattoos are acceptable. Most natural pageants ask that contestants keep hair and skin neutral so as not to be distracting, but we don't mind. We do, however, require that hair-styles are tidy during competition and any royalty appearances should a contestant win.

Judging criteria for Photogenic:

1. Make-up, hair and wardrobe are age appropriate. (no noticeable makeup under 13)
2. Shows personality of contestant.
3. Photo draws you into it and makes you want to see more.
4. Image quality is good. (focus, color, cropping)

Samples of Photos That Would Score Well in River City Pageant Photogenic Competition:

Photos do not need to be professional studio shots. As long as they meet the criteria above and you, as a judge, like them, then score how you see fit. Here are some samples of photo styles that work:



Any size and shape of photo or pose of contestant is fine. Images do not need to be headshots and they can be either color or black and white.

Important Side Note about Photogenic Scoring:

We will have scoresheets available for Photogenic, however, sometimes this event is more popular than we are expecting and there are a large number of photos to judge. In the event this happens, we may ask you to do individual written scoring for the Baby Division and then we will have a different sheet for ranking your favorite photos for the other age brackets. We will then have you work with the other Optionals Judges to decide who the final winners are.

Judge's Dress Code

We would appreciate it if judges would set an example and dress similarly to how our contestants will be dressed for Personal introduction. Attire would be what you might wear to a job interview such as a suit or nice dress or nice slacks and a button-down shirt.

Judges with titles are encouraged to wear their sashes while judging and may wear their crowns for any photos before and after the pageant competitions are over.

Free Optionals

The following are not judged by our Optionals Judges, but the information is included in case one of our contestants asks you about them.

Photogenic People's Choice (any age)

The contestant with the most Facebook likes on their contestant photo. Dates and contest specifications are posted on the River City Pageant Facebook Page. Winner receives a trophy.

Top Fundraiser (any age)

The contestant with the most monetary donations for the benefit organization. Winner receives a trophy. Depending on the number of entries received, there might also be a medal awarded in each age division.

Most Item Donations (any age)

The contestant who collects the most new or like new swimsuits for Spokane Parks Foundation's Make A Splash program. Swimsuits will be distributed through the program to children in need in the greater Spokane region. Winner receives a special crown, trophy and souvenir sash. Depending on the number of entries received, there might also be a medal awarded in each age division.

Most Referrals (any age)

The contestant with the most referrals. Referral must list contestant name on registration form in order to be counted towards the Most Referrals score. Winner will receive a special trophy, a fun gift bag and can earn free Optionals entries and/or discounts off registration fees.

100 Points River City Pageant Pin (any age)

Any contestant with a Donation Score of 100 or more will receive a special rhinestone pin. Points are tallied by total monetary donations collected plus items collected.

Age Division Awards

Personal Introduction

Contestant with the highest score in each age division will receive a medal.

On-Stage Question

Contestant with the highest score in each age division will receive a medal.

Theme Wear

Contestant with the highest score in each age division will receive a medal.

Formal Wear

Contestant with the highest score in each age division will receive a medal.

Fund Raising

Contestant with the highest score in each age division will receive a medal.

Early Bird Plushie (everyone eligible)

Any contestant who registers and pays in full by the "Early Bird" deadline will receive a cute little River Otter plushie at pageant day check-in.

NOTE: Crowns, trophies and other prizes are subject to change!

Tentative Judges' Schedule for River City Pageant

Saturday, April 13, 2019

We will do our best to keep things moving according to schedule. Please be on time.

Time	ROYALTY JUDGES	Ms., Miss, Teen, Jr. Teen	King & Pre-Teen	JPT, Prince, Jr. Princess	OPTIONALS JUDGES
8:15		Check-In 8:15am			
8:30					
8:45			Check-In 8:30am		
9:00		Optional On-Stage Rehearsal Time		Check-In 8:45am	Optionals Judges Arrive
9:15				Optional On-Stage Rehearsal Time	Optional On-Stage Rehearsal Time
9:30		Prepare for first event			
9:45		Optionals Back Stage	Prepare for first event	Prepare for first event	9:45 Judges to Tables
10:00		Welcome and Introduction of Optionals Judges			
10:15			Optionals Back Stage	Prepare for first event	Judge Casual Wear & Talent 10am-11:15am
10:30		Optional Talent and Casual Wear		Optionals Back Stage	
10:45	Royalty Judges Arrive		Optional Talent and Casual Wear		
11:00	Royalty Judges' Orientation	Prepare/Dress for Personal Intro		Optional Talent and Casual Wear	
11:15			Prepare/Dress for Personal Intro		
11:30	11:30 Judges to Tables	Line up Back Stage		Prepare for Intro	Judge Photogenic
11:45	Introduction of Ambassadors and Royalty Judges				
12:00			Line up Back Stage	Prepare for Intro	Optionals Done
12:15	Judge Personal Intros & On-Stage Questions	Intro & Question		Line up Back Stage	Kinders Check-In 12p
12:30			Intro & Question		Kinders Prepare/Dress for Personal Intro
12:45			LUNCH		Intro & Question
1:00	ROYALTY JUDGES BREAK FOR LUNCH 1pm-1:45pm	Prepare/Dress for Theme Wear	LUNCH		Optional On-Stage Rehearsal Time
1:15			Prepare/Dress for Theme Wear	LUNCH	Line up Back Stage
1:30				Prepare/Dress for Theme Wear	
1:45	1:55 Judges to Tables	Line up Back Stage			
2:00			Line up Back Stage		
2:15	Judge Theme Wear	Theme Wear		Line up Back Stage	Prepare/Dress for Theme Wear
2:30			Theme Wear		
2:45			Prepare/Dress for Formal Wear		Theme Wear
3:00	JUDGES 15min Break		Prepare/Dress for Formal Wear		Theme Wear
3:15	3:25 Judges to Tables	Line up Back Stage		Prepare/Dress for Formal Wear	
3:30			Line up Back Stage		Prepare/Dress for Formal Wear
3:45		Formal Wear		Line up Back Stage	
4:00	Judge Formal Wear		Formal Wear		
4:15				Formal Wear	Line up Back Stage
4:30					Formal Wear
4:45	Judges may leave or stay for Finale	On-Stage Introduction of Baby Contestants			
5:00		Raffle Prize Drawings			
5:30	FINALE ~ Awards and crowns will be presented in the following order: Baby, Petite Princess, Jr. Prince, Princess, Prince, Jr. Preteen, Pre-Teen, King, Jr. Teen, Teen, Miss, Ms. and Supremes				
6:00	Group photos with all contestants and then Royalty Photos. Judges Welcome Too!				

River City Pageant Score Sheet for Talent (No more than 2 minutes)

Contestant Name	Age Division	Number
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Scoring is done on a scale of 1-10 for each section. The total score possible is 30. Please do not use decimal points.	Below Average			Average			Above Average			😊
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

<u>SCORE</u>									
Entertainment value (performance is engaging and enjoyable):									out of 10
Stage presence (confidence, energy and charisma):									out of 10
Technical skill (execution, technique, synchronization, control):									out of 10
→ TOTAL:									
Comments:									Out of 30
<i>Please use pen only and initial next to any score or comment changes made. Thank you.</i>									

Judge Signature: _____ **Judge #** _____

Standards Review

Each contestant will have 2 minutes to present their talent. Costumes should be age appropriate and the amount of props used should be limited to quick and easy set-up/take down.

Judges should be looking to see if the level of talent for age is impressive and to see if contestant sings, plays, acts, dances, etc. in a way that engages the audience. Singing and musical instruments should be in tune and have good tone and timing. All performances should be polished and well-rehearsed.

Is the performance memorable? Was it creative? Unique? Exciting? Moving? Share that in the Comments.

River City Pageant Score Sheet for Spokesperson (No longer than 1 minute)

Contestant Name	Age Division	Number
Title of Speech		

Scoring is done on a scale of 1-10 for each section. The total score possible is 30. Please do not use decimal points.	Below Average			Average			Above Average			😊
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

	<u>SCORE</u>
Ability to communicate in front of an audience (projection, eye contact):	out of 10
Stage Presence (confidence, energy and audience engagement):	out of 10
Content Clarity (point of speech was unambiguous and well-articulated):	out of 10
→ TOTAL:	
Comments:	Out of 30
<i>Please use pen only and initial next to any score or comment changes made. Thank you.</i>	

Judge Signature: _____ **Judge #** _____

Standards Review

Each contestant will have 60 seconds to deliver their speech. Contestants choose their own platform. Speeches do not need to be memorized, but a reasonable attempt at eye contact with the audience and judges should be expected. Delivery should be natural, enunciation clear, and volume appropriate. Information or opinion presented should be clear and presented in a logical order.

River City Pageant Score Sheet for Casual Wear (Approximately 30 seconds)

Contestant Name	Age Division	Number
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Scoring is done on a scale of 1-10 for each section. The total score possible is 30. Please do not use decimal points.	Below Average			Average			Above Average			😊
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

<u>SCORE</u>									
Modeling ability (smooth turns, steps, poses, and good use of stage):									out of 10
Stage presence (confidence, energy and charisma):									out of 10
Sense of style and personality:									out of 10
➔ TOTAL:									
Comments:									Out of 30
Please use pen only and initial next to any score or comment changes made. Thank you.									

Judge Signature: _____ Judge # _____

Standards Review

Each contestant will have 30 seconds to model their casual wear outfit. Contestants may create their own routine or use the X's on stage. Only props that can be carried and are part of the outfit (eg. umbrella, golf club, purse, etc.) can be used during the casual wear presentation. Upbeat modeling music will be played for all Casual Wear contestants. There is no option to submit custom music.

Judges should be evaluating the modeling ability, wardrobe choices, and whether the contestant exhibits a confident and charismatic personality and obvious enthusiasm for their choice of outfit.

River City Pageant Score Sheet for Acting Competition

Contestant Name	Age Division	Number
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Scoring is done on a scale of 1-10 for each section. The total score possible is 30. Please do not use decimal points.	Below Average			Average			Above Average			😊
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

<u>SCORE</u>										
Acting Ability (Is contestant's presentation natural and believable?):									out of 10	
Sense of Character (Does contestant's portrayal convey a sense of who they are supposed to be?) :									out of 10	
Energy and Style (Are they engaged and interesting?):									out of 10	
→ TOTAL:										
Comments:									Out of 30	
<i>Please use pen only and initial next to any score or comment changes made. Thank you.</i>										

Judge Signature: _____ **Judge #** _____

Standards Review

Each contestant will have up to one minute to perform their acting entry. Contestants may use a script from the River City Pageant website or use their own. Presentation may be for a commercial or dramatic monologue. Acting style should be appropriate to the content chosen. For example, if for a commercial, you should have a desire to purchase the pitched product. For a dramatic monologue, presentation should feel real and in the moment. For a comedic piece, you should be amused. Props should be kept to a minimum so as not to be distracting.

River City Pageant Score Sheet for Photogenic

Please pick your 3 favorite photos from each age category and rank them accordingly.

Standards Review

- Hair and wardrobe are age appropriate.
- Makeup is flattering. (No noticeable makeup on Junior, Kinder or Baby Divisions.)
- Shows personality of contestant.
- Photo draws you into it and makes you want to see more.
- Image quality is good (focus, color, cropping). No extreme touch-ups.

Senior Division (Ms., Miss, Teen, Jr. Teen, King)			
Place	Contestant Name	Photo Number	Points
1st			10
2nd			8
3rd			6

Junior Division (Pre-Teen, Jr. Pre-Teen, Prince, Princess)			
Place	Contestant Name	Photo Number	Points
1st			10
2nd			8
3rd			6

Kinder Division (Jr. Prince, Petite Princess)			
Place	Contestant Name	Photo Number	Points
1st			10
2nd			8
3rd			6

Baby Division			
Place	Contestant Name	Photo Number	Points
1st			10
2nd			8
3rd			6

Judge Signature: _____ Judge # _____