

# Horsemen of Iowa Inc. Junior & Senior Queens Rules HII Queens Contest

## Rules for the HII Queen Contest

Junior Queens: Age 10 - 15 on January 1st

Senior Queens: Age 16 - 26 on January 1<sup>st</sup>

- All Contestants must be unmarried
- Must be a current member of HII, as well as an active member the previous year.
- Anyone winning their division cannot run again in that division the next consecutive year.
- You must not be a current Queen of another Horse Club-
- Any breed of horse can be used with any discipline of western riding.
- Contestants will be judged for overall appearance in western attire, properly cleaned and fitted tack, performance of the riding pattern, personality, equine knowledge.
- The Jr. & Sr. divisions will be presented and judged separately.

## Judged Criteria:

1. **Riding Pattern & Rail work- Horsemanship** ~ 30% ~ Judge
2. **Overall Appearance in Western Attire and Tack** ~ 30% ~ Judge
3. **Short Interview with Queens Committee** ~ 30% ~ Committee
4. **Written Questionnaire** ~ 10% ~ Committee

Please check in at office upon arrival.

You will then be given the Queen's Questionnaire to be completed at the show office.

Queens will also need to complete their Interview with the Queens Committee prior to the riding portion of the contest. Please be in show ready attire for the interview.

## Queen Duties & Prizes

Selected Queens will receive:

- Montana Silversmith Crown worth \$250(?)
- Sash
- Photograph following the contest
- Paid entry fee to the Iowa State Fair Cowgirl Queen Contest, in addition to \$75 to cover expenses (\* Queens are only eligible for this \$ if they participate)

Both Queens are expected to represent HII at events as needed

## Riding Pattern

**Judged as Horsemanship** -Your horse will not be judged, only your Horsemanship will be judged

Junior Queen:

All Jr. Contestants will enter the arena along the rail.

Judge will ask for a walk - trot – lope in correct lead in both directions.

Judge will ask Jr. Contestants to line up in center of arena.

One at a time, Jr. Contestant will ride forward and will lope around the arena (left lead) performing the Queen's Salute.

Jr. Contestant will come to a stop in front of the announcer's stand.

Jr. Contestant will then perform a back (5 steps) and re-enter the line-up.

After the Jr. Contestants leave the arena then the Sr. Contestants will enter on the rail.

Sr. Queen Contestants:

Will perform the same pattern with exception of the back, Sr. Contestants will perform a back (5 steps) then a 180\* turn and then re-enter the line-up.

### **Iowa State Fair Cowgirl Queen Contest**

It is not a requirement for Queens to participate. If you do desire to do so, HII will give you \$75 toward your expenses: This will only be given if you participate in the Cowgirl Queen Contest at Iowa State Fair (\*Note- Runners-up will not be eligible to represent HII if the Queen does not participate at the Iowa State Fair Queen Contest)

### **QUEENS PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING QUEENS CONTEST!**

Any questions or comments regarding the Queen Contest, please Email:

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