



NEWPORT, NH  
**Winter Carnival**  
*Pageant*  
**Application**

*Applications due by  
 Friday, December 15, 2017 at 3pm to:*

Email:  
**info@newportoperahouse.com**

Mail or Drop-Off:  
**Newport Opera House Association  
 20 Main Street, PO Box 351  
 Newport, NH 03773**

or  
**Newport Rec Center  
 65 Belknap Ave.  
 Newport, NH 03773**

**Entrant Category:** *Please review "Rules" for definitions of and qualifications for categories.*

**Participant:**    Princess    Prince                      **Contestant:**    Queen

Entrant's Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal (Physical) Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School (or alternative): \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a special request of which Queen Contestant or Prince/Princess you (or your child) would like to be paired with, please list it here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Princes/Princesses Only:**

Dress Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Pants Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian #1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian #2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

The following contact information belongs to:

- Parent/LG #1       Parent/LG #2       Both Parents/LGs

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE FIRST MEETINGS FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS/CONTESTANTS WILL BE  
 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20 AT THE OPERA HOUSE.  
 PRINCES/PRINCESSES – 6PM      QUEEN CONTESTANTS – 7PM**

**CONSENTS AND RELEASES**

**ENTRANT:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Legal Name), a contestant/participant in the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant, do hereby hold harmless and waive all rights to any type of lawsuit against Newport Opera House Association, its Board Members, its agents (including the Winter Carnival Pageant Committee) and those contracted by Newport Opera House Association, its Board Members or its agents for the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant and its related events and activities. I hereby release to the herein-mentioned parties all right to any video, photographic and sound recordings made of the pageant and its related events and activities and relinquish all rights to them. I agree to enter this competition and all related activities at my own expense and risk. I understand the contestants and participants and their parents and/or legal guardians must comply with all the rules, regulations and agreements outlined in the pageant's "Rules and Code of Conduct." I understand the monies raised during the pageant process are property of the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant, under the direction of the Newport Opera House Association. Participants authorize Newport Opera House Association ("NOHA") and/or the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant organization ("the Pageant") to use Participants' name, likenesses and other information about Participants, whether embodied in photographs, videotapes, recordings or any other format (collectively, "Information"), for purposes of promotion, publication, commercial advertising, or any other purpose whatsoever, now or at any time in the future. Participants understand and agree that NOHA and/or the Pageant may use any such Information: (1) in all manner and media whatsoever, whether now known or hereafter invented, including electronic and print media and the Internet; (2) with or without Participants' names; (3) without the payment of royalties or other compensation to anyone; and (4) without the need to notify them or to seek further approval before doing so. By signing this application, I am fully aware and understand the contents of the Pageant packet and its stipulations of title and regulations set forth by the Newport Opera House Association and its Directors.

Entrant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S):**

Please check here if entrant is 18 or older (if entrant is not a minor, this section is not required to be completed.)

I/we, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (Legal Name(s)), the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of an entrant in the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant, do hereby hold harmless and waive all rights to any type of lawsuit against Newport Opera House Association, its Board Members, its agents (including the Winter Carnival Pageant Committee) and those contracted by Newport Opera House Association, its Board Members or its agents for the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant and its related events and activities. I/we hereby release to the herein-mentioned parties all right to any video, photographic and sound recordings made of my/our child (minor) during the pageant and its related events and activities and relinquish all rights to them. I/we agree to enter my/our child in this competition and all related activities at my own expense and risk. I/we understand the contestants and participants and their parents and/or legal guardians must comply with all the rules, regulations and agreements outlined in the pageant's "Rules and Code of Conduct." I/we understand the monies raised during the pageant process are property of the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant, under the direction of the Newport Opera House Association. Participants authorize Newport Opera House Association ("NOHA") and/or the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant organization ("the Pageant") to use Participants' first name, likenesses and other information about Participants, whether embodied in photographs, videotapes, recordings or any other format (collectively, "Information"), for purposes of promotion, publication, commercial advertising, or any other purpose whatsoever, now or at any time in the future. Participants understand and agree that NOHA and/or the Pageant may use any such Information: (1) in all manner and media whatsoever, whether now known or hereafter invented, including electronic and print media and the Internet; (2) with or without Participants' names; (3) without the payment of royalties or other compensation to anyone; and (4) without the need to notify them or to seek further approval before doing so. By signing this application, I/we am/are fully aware and understand the contents of the Pageant packet and its stipulations of title and regulations set forth by the Newport Opera House Association and its Directors.

Parent/Legal Guardian #1:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian #2:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARADE RELEASE FORM**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ parent or guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby release and forever discharge the Newport Opera House Association, their agents, employees, personal representatives, affiliates from any and all claims, demands, damages, actions, causes of action or suits of any kind or nature whatsoever, which I now have or may hereafter have, arising out of or in any way relating to any and all injuries and damages of any and every kind, to both person and property, and also any and all injuries and damages that may develop in the future, as a result of or in any way relating to the following:

- Participation and Riding in the Newport Winter Carnival Parade

It is understood and agreed that this Release contains the entire agreement between the parties. Furthermore, this Release shall be binding upon the undersigned, and his respective heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors and assigns. This Release shall be subject to and governed by the laws of the State of New Hampshire

This Release has been read and fully understood by the undersigned and has been explained to me.

EXECUTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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

## 2017-18 RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT

### **Categories of Entrants**

#### *Participants*

Princess or Prince: In 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (or equivalent through alternative schooling) on pageant date.

#### *Contestants*

Queen: Females in 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> Grade (or equivalent through alternative schooling) on pageant date.

### **Contestant Areas of Competition:**

#### *Before Public Event:*

Private interview with judges (approximately 10 minutes)

Written Essay (approximately one page)

#### *During Public Event:*

Talent (3-5 minutes)

Formal Wear (age-appropriate, formal wear)

Onstage Interview (Question(s) answered live on stage)

#### *Additional Awards:*

Awards separate from, and in addition to, the overall pageant competition may also be presented at the discretion of the Winter Carnival Pageant Committee, including, but not limited to, top talent, fundraising and Miss Congeniality.

### **Rules:**

1. Entrant agrees to attend scheduled practices and rehearsals as required. Missing more than 10% of scheduled practices and rehearsals may result in disqualification.
2. The participant/contestant must live and/or go to school in Newport, New Hampshire's school district.
3. Entrants must meet designated age or grade guidelines of the category being entered on the date of the pageant.
4. Each entrant and their parent(s)/legal guardian(s) must sign the Code of Conduct Agreement and Consent & Release before he/she may begin any pageant practices or activities, excluding orientation.
5. All rehearsals, including dress rehearsal, are closed to all except participants/contestants and designated pageant volunteers/personnel. Parents may remain on-site, but will not be allowed in the rehearsal hall or room.
6. Participants and contestants may be required to obtain sponsors to participate in the pageant. Additional guidelines are available pertaining to sponsors.
7. The pageant coordinators must approve all clothes to ensure appropriateness. Once clothes are approved, no changes can be made.
8. Participants/contestants and parents/legal guardians are never allowed to approach the judges prior to or during the competitions. Failure to observe this rule may result in immediate disqualification. Judges will be provided with instructions regarding scoring procedures prior to the competition.
9. Under no circumstances will contestants have the right to view anyone's scores but their own. NOHA respects each individual entrant's right to privacy and confidentiality. The master tabulator's sheet is not made public and is the property of the Newport Opera House Association.
10. Contestant/participant affirms that he/she is and will continue to be a person of good moral character, that he/she has not committed and will not commit any act inconsistent with the highest standards of public morals and conventions or that will reflect unfavorably on the pageant, Newport Opera House Association, or anyone connected with the pageant. Participants/Contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a courteous, professional manner at all times during the pageant and while representing the pageant. Defamatory and/or verbal remarks against the pageant, its agents or other participant/contestants by participants/contestants or their parents/legal guardians may result in immediate disqualification, forfeiture of any prizes and awards won, as well as legal charges, costs and fees, if applicable.
11. The Queen and her court (i.e. all Queen contestants) agrees to attend winter carnival activities as designated by the Newport Winter Carnival Committee and/or Newport Opera House Association. No monetary awards and/or prizes will be given out until all the Winter Carnival responsibilities are met.
12. Newport Opera House Association, Newport Winter Carnival Pageant Committee, officers, volunteers, and pageant personnel are not responsible for accidents, injury, or theft incurred at the time of the pageant,

rehearsals or travel to and from. The organizations providing the facilities for the rehearsals and/or pageant are also not responsible for accidents, injury, or theft incurred at the time of the pageant, rehearsal, or travel to and from.

**Code of Conduct Agreement:**

The undersigned hereby agree to the above rules and below criteria put forth by the Newport Opera House Association. This agreement pertains to all participants in and contestants of the Newport Winter Carnival Pageant.

These criteria must be adhered to upon entering the pageant:

1. All activity must uphold the moral character, honor and status of the pageant, per the discretion of the NOHA Board of Trustees.
2. Good sportsmanship is expected at all times by participants, contestants and their parents/legal guardians. Disruptive behavior before, during or after the pageant may result in disqualification and removal from the premises.
3. Entrant affirms that she is and will continue to be a person of good moral character, that she has not committed and will not commit any act inconsistent with the highest standards of public morals and conventions or that will reflect unfavorably on the pageant, Newport Opera House Association, or anyone connected with the pageant.
4. Participants, Contestants and Parents/Legal Guardians are to conduct themselves in a courteous, professional manner at all times during the pageant and while representing the pageant. Defamatory and/or verbal remarks against the pageant, its agents or other participant/contestants by participants/contestants or their parents/legal guardians may result in immediate disqualification, forfeiture of any prizes and awards won, as well as legal charges, costs and fees, if applicable.
5. Inappropriate behavior of contestants includes, but is not limited to, consumption of alcoholic beverages, smoking, indecent exposure of any sort, illegal or immoral activity and bullying.

Any violation of the above may result in the forfeiture of the crown, prizes and scholarship monies associated with the title by action of Newport Opera House Association.

All contestants and their parents (or legal guardians) must agree to abide and uphold these rules and Code of Conduct. Any falsification of the information supplied to Newport Opera House Association may also result in immediate disqualification of the entrant's participation in the pageant.

Participant/Contestant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted as "Complete" by Newport Winter Carnival Pageant Committee:

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_