



Parades of Palm Springs, Inc.
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Miss Festival of Lights

Pageant Rules and Regulations

The interview process will be held at the luncheon on November 8, 2008 at the Spa Resort Casino and you will be required to dress in formal attire.

Applications must be received by October 15, 2008.

Current queens are not eligible for this year's pageant. Current princesses are eligible for the 2008 pageant. The 2008 Miss Festival of Lights will receive a complimentary entry into the Miss California International Pageant and will represent Palm Springs.

All contestants must be born female and be between the age of 16 and 24 prior to December 1, 2008. Drivers License or birth certificates will be required.

If in school, contestant must carry a 3.0 GPA and maintain this throughout the duration of their reign should they become a member of the court.

A contestant must be single and never been married nor had her marriage annulled, and she must not be pregnant. Contestants agree that if they should become pregnant during their reign their position will be given to the next runner up.

All entrants must be of good moral character and shall not have been convicted of any crimes and shall possess poise, personality, intelligence, charm and the ability to speak in public. Entrants may not be under the influence of any illegal drugs now or during their reign. The Court will not be allowed to alter their appearance with tattoos, piercings, etc. that will be seen by the public without approval.

Awards will be presented as follows:

Festival of Lights Queen	\$1000.00
1 st runner up	\$500.00
2 nd runner up	\$250.00

**in addition the finalists may be given gift certificates, etc .

Note: 50% of the award will be given at crowning and 50% at the end of the year's reign.

Upon receiving the applications the committee will narrow the entrants to 25 and they will be granted an interview in formal attire. .

Judging will be based on the following criteria: (Judges rulings are final)

Interview Process	30 points
Poise, Grace, Etc.	10 points
Formal Attire	30 points
On-Stage Questions	30 points

The winners are required to attend Festival of Lights events such as: fundraising events, the parade, dinners, etc. They will be required to be in business attire with their crown and sash (unless otherwise directed by the committee).

If the Queen is unable to fulfill her duties and obligations, the first runner up will then take her position along with the entitled awards. Awards will be given at the end of the year November 1, 2009.

Entrant must be a US citizen and a resident of the Coachella Valley.

All contestants applications, signed rules and regulations sheet a copy of birth certificate/and or drivers license and a photo must be returned prior to October 15, 2008.

I have read the enclosed information and would like to submit my application as a contestant for the Parades of Palm Springs, Miss Festival of Lights Pageant. To the best of my knowledge, I meet the specifications included in the rules and regulations. If I am under the age of 18 I have the approval of my parents/guardian whose signature is below.

Date: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Printed Name of Applicant: _____

Parent or Guardian _____

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**APPLICATION
MISS FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE
2008**

Please print:

Full Name: _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____ E-Mail _____

Date of Birth _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Have you ever seen the Festival of Lights Parade (if yes how many times _____

Do you attend school _____ Name of School _____

What is your GPA _____ Do you plan to attend college _____

What kind of community service have you done if any _____

What is your goal for the next five years? _____

Please tell us why you should be selected as a finalist by the Festival of Lights Parade Pageant Committee _____
