

2023/2024 Royalty Tryouts

The Ouray County Rodeo Royalty tryouts will be held at the Ouray County Fairgrounds arena on June 17 at 6 :00 pm.

There will be three judges for the tryout and the public is invited to attend.

Princess tryouts are open to young women who are ages 9 through 12 as of September 5th.

Queen tryouts are open to young women who are ages 13 through 18 as of September 5th.

Entrants will be judged on horsemanship, personality/interviews and appearance, and flag carrying ability.

Applicants chosen to represent Ouray County Rodeo will be required:

- * Ouray County Labor Day Parade & Rodeo on September 4th, 2023;
- * Represent Ouray County Rodeo at a minimum of two other rodeos before June 2024
- * Ride in the 4th. of July Parade in Ouray in 2024

Contact Cheryl Darcy @ 281-334-4770 or Erin Stadelman @ 970-275-6051
or email : ouraycountyrodeo@gmail.com with questions.

RODEO ROYALTY APPLICATION

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone #: _____

Age: _____

Emergency Contact name and phone: _____

What school are you attending: _____

Grade: _____

Horsemanship qualifications and experience:
(If more room is needed, use the back of the page)

Horse's breed, color and name: _____

School history and activities:
(If more room is needed, use the back of the page)

Please attach a recent photo of yourself to this application.

**Applicant's
Signature:** _____

Please mail or email this completed application and photo to:

**Ouray County Rodeo Association
PO Box 711
Ridgway, CO. 81432
Ouraycountyrodeo@gmail.com**

RULES FOR OCRA ROYALTY TRYOUTS

REPRESENTATIVE PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Must have adequate time to devote to this position for the coming year.
2. Applicant must be single, have not been married and must not have children.
3. We encourage parents to take an active role in and support all applicants during the tryouts and in the coming year.

HORSEMANSHIP REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant must be a qualified rider and be willing to demonstrate that ability to the Ouray County Rodeo Royalty selection committee at the tryouts.
2. Horse should load easily in a horse trailer for travel to appearances.
3. The horsemanship portion of the competition will consist of a designated pattern and flag run.
4. Caution is emphasized during the tryouts. The horse must be kept under control at all times.

JUDGING REQUIREMENTS

1. The applicant is not required to wear a full dress suit for the tryouts, but western apparel is required. Any neat, clean coordinated outfit will be acceptable whether it be dress pants, new jeans, a longsleeved shirt, boots and a hat.
2. Each applicant will be required to answer questions from the Committee during to the horsemanship competition.
3. The Judging will be done by a Selected Committee.
4. One (1) applicant may be selected each: Rodeo Queen and Rodeo Princess
5. The selected applicant(s) can be removed from any position for any conduct or action not deemed suitable of a representative by the Ouray County Rodeo Association

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HORSEMANSHIP PATTERN

(Start in front of the bucking chutes)

1. Run past center of arena and do a sliding stop.
2. Back up to center of arena.
3. Beginning on left lead, complete 2 circles to the left, the first one large and fast, then a slow smaller circle.
4. Continue back to center of arena, change to right lead making a large, fast circle, then a slow, smaller circle.
5. At center come to a stop and hesitate. Go straight ahead to the stands dismount to answer questions from the judges.
6. Remount and join contestant line-up.