



Gila River Royalty Pageant 2020

Official Contestant Application

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 20, 2020 5:00 P.M.

****THE CRITERIA FOR CONTESTANTS ARE NON-NEGOTIABLE****

The Gila River Royalty Committee has operated the Jr. Miss Gila River and Miss Gila River Royalty Program offering a scholarship for the young women enrolled with the Gila River Indian Community. The titleholders will serve as role models for young women and youth, serve as good-will cultural ambassadors throughout the Community and State of Arizona. The Royalty Committee sincerely encourages qualified young women to participate in the Jr. Miss Gila River and Miss Gila River Royalty Pageants.

****SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL REQUIRED MATERIALS TO THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE (LOCATED IN THE GOVERNANCE CENTER - EXECUTIVE WING) OR EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL REQUIRED MATERIALS TO missgilariver@gric.nsn.us ****



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Jr. Miss Gila River Eligibility Criteria

- Young women between the ages of 14-17 years of age on or before **February 29, 2020**
- Enrolled member of the Gila River Indian Community
- Have never before held the Title of Jr. Miss Gila River
- Must be a full-time student with a minimum 2.0 G.P.A.
- Must be single, never married, and have no children
- Must not be cohabitating (living) with an intimate companion
- Must be willing and able to uphold the image and leadership role of Jr. Miss Gila River throughout the twelve-month reign

Miss Gila River Eligibility Criteria

- Young women between the ages of 18-24 years of age on or before **February 29, 2020**
- Enrolled member of the Gila River Indian Community
- Have never before held the Title of Miss Gila River
- Must be a full-time high school or college student with a minimum 2.5 G.P.A. or employed full-time and in good standing with employer
- Must be single, never married, and have no children
- Must not be cohabitating (living) with an intimate companion
- Must be willing and able to uphold the image and leadership role of Miss Gila River throughout the twelve-month reign



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Judging Criteria

- Demonstrate knowledge of the Community government, culture and history of the Akimel O’otham and Pee-Posh
- Personal Interview with pageant judges and impromptu sessions
- Extracurricular activities and Community involvement
- Pageant presentation – Introduction
- Pageant presentation - Traditional talent that is culturally appropriate and genuine three (3) minute time limit.
- Pageant presentation – Business Attire
- Overall contestant poise and attitude throughout the pageant activities
- Overall communication skills throughout the pageant activities



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Part One- Official Contestant Application:

*** The following must be submitted in order for an application to be considered complete:**

- Complete Official Contestant Application
- Biography (One Paragraph, include name, age, residence, parents/siblings, maternal/paternal grandparents, school/work.)
- Copy of Certificate Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) or Gila River Tribal ID
- Official academic transcript, December 2019 grades
- Two (2) letters of reference from school officials or professional individuals; *letters from relatives or tribal officials will not be considered
- Essay 500 words (minimum): What empowers you as a young woman to be a leader for the Community?

Part Two- Pageant Requirements:

*** The following must be submitted at Orientation**

- Introduction
- Traditional Talent Description
- Business Attire Description

Note: All items described above become property of the Communications and Public Affairs Office and will not be returned.



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| Contestant Information | | |
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| Name: | | |
| Age: | Date of Birth: | |
| GRIC Enrollment Number: | Enrolled District: | |
| Email Address: | Cell Phone: | |
| Home Phone: | Message Phone: | |
| Mailing Address: | Physical Address: | |
| <i>Applying For:</i> | <i>Miss Gila River (18-25yrs old)</i> | <i>Jr. Miss Gila River (14-17yrs old)</i> |

| Parents/Guardians Information | |
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| Mother/Guardian's Name: | Father/Guardian's Name: |
| Mothers Parents: | Fathers Parents: |
| Tribal Descent: | Tribal Descent: |
| Phone Number: | Phone Number: |
| Email Address: | Email Address: |

| Educational Background | |
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| Name of School Attending: | Address: |
| Did you graduate: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Degree Obtained <i>(if any)</i> : |
| Expected graduation date: | |
| Last Semester G.P.A. : | |

| Employment History | |
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| Name of Employer: | Address: |
| Dates of Employment From: <input type="text"/> | To: <input type="text"/> |
| Supervisor Name: | Phone Number: |



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Please add any additional information you would like to include: (awards, extracurricular activities, volunteering, etc.)

Disclaimer and Signature

With submission of this application, I, the contestant, hereby enter the 2020 Miss Gila River Pageant; 2020 Jr. Miss Gila River Pageant.

I understand that the information provided in this application will be used by the CPAO appointed Pageant Committee for qualification and pageant judging purposes.

Furthermore, I authorize the Gila River Indian Community to record, film, tape, photograph or otherwise, use my name, likeness, voice, wardrobe and performance for promotional programs and informational purposes for the Gila River Royalty Program.

I, the contestant, also understand that false or misleading information in my application or interview may result in disqualification from the 2020 Gila River Royalty Pageant.

CONTESTANT SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____