

# **Introduction to Application Form for Mr., Miss, and Ms. Gay Vancouver 2015-2016**

## **Gay Vancouver Pageant**

The Imperial Sovereign Court of the Raintree Empire (ISCRE) produces the annual Gay Vancouver Pageant at which contestants vie for the titles of Mr., Miss, and Ms. Gay Vancouver. This year's Pageant, "Rhythms of the Night," will be held at 7pm on Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup> at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, 107 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St. in Vancouver. Tickets will be available at Saturday in the Park Pride (in Esther Short Park on July 11<sup>th</sup>) for \$12 and at the door for \$15. A portion of the net proceeds will benefit Martha's Pantry and the Audria M. Edwards and Pride of the Rose Scholarship Funds.

## **Required Qualifications**

To apply for the titles, applicants must (1) be at least 21 years of age, (2) have lived in the Empire (Clark, Cowlitz, Skamania and Wahkiakum Counties) for at least six months, (3) be Registered Members of the ISCRE, (4) have completed and submitted the attached form, and (5) have paid the \$50.00 application fee.

## **Screening, Campaigning, and Election**

- Application forms and fees can be mailed to the ISCRE (PO Box 966, Vancouver WA 98666) or delivered to the ISCRE's Treasurer (Brandon) by 7pm on Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Applicants will be interviewed by members of the Board of Directors and the College of Monarchs beginning at 7pm. Contestants will be announced after all interviews have been completed. Application fees of individuals who are not selected as contestants will be refunded at that time.
- Contestants may campaign from the time they are announced until the polls open at the Pageant. Rules for campaigning will be described after contestants are announced.
- Contestants will be expected to sell tickets to the Pageant during Saturday in the Park Pride. The ISCRE Treasurer will issue tickets and collect money and unsold tickets from contestants.
- Contestants must attend and be prepared to be introduced, answer a question, and perform on stage during the Pageant.
- Voting will take place after all contestants have been introduced at the Pageant. To be eligible to vote, individuals must be at least 21 years of age and provide proof of residency in the Empire or be Honored Members of the ISCRE.
- The contestant for each title who obtains the highest number of votes will take the oath of office, be invested with the title, and receive a symbol of office at the end of the Pageant. A contestant who has no opponent must receive votes on more than half of the ballots cast.

## **Responsibilities of Gay Vancouver Title Holders**

- Attend Gay Pageants in at least three cities outside the Empire, at least six meetings of the ISCRE Board of Directors, the majority of ISCRE-sponsored fund-raising events, and the ISCRE's Coronation in 2016.
- Help plan and produce at least one fund-raising event and the Gay Vancouver Pageant in 2016.
- Remain a resident of the Empire. (Title holders who live outside the Empire for more than 30 consecutive days in the first nine months of their term of office must vacate their titles.)

## **For More Information about the Gay Vancouver Titles or the ISCRE...**

...Ask a member of the Board of Directors or the Imperial Family of Reign XLI,

...Ask someone who has held a Gay Vancouver title,

...Check the Bylaws and Operations Manual (found in the Documents section of [RaintreeEmpire.org](http://RaintreeEmpire.org))

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Which Gay Vancouver 2015-1016 title are you applying for? (Check one):

\_\_\_\_\_ Mr.                      \_\_\_\_\_ Miss                      \_\_\_\_\_ Ms.

Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_

Stage Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

In the space below, describe what you would like to accomplish with the title if you are elected.  
Continue on the back of this page if you need to, or attach a page if you prefer.

Your signature below signifies that you understand responsibilities of the position and, if you are elected, will fulfill them to the best of your ability.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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Date signed