

*Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John, Inc.*

**Pageants' Committee**



*Presents:*

*St. John Festival Princess  
2016-2017  
Application*

*Please have this application notarized and returned to Ms. Leona Smith / Mrs. Enid Doway on or before **Monday, February 15, 2016** with all attachments.*

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Dear Parents or Guardians:

Your daughter \_\_\_\_\_ has shown an interest in vying for the title of St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017, and we are asking for your permission for her to participate in this years' competition and selection show. Should your daughter be allowed to participate we promise you, it will be both an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

**Eligibility for St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017:**

- ❖ The contestant should be ages of 7-11. By this we mean that he/she should be 7 years of age on or before July 4, 2016 and may not make his/ her 12th birthday before July 4, 2016.
- ❖ The contestant must have and maintain a 2.5 (C+) average in all academic classes.
- ❖ Must have passed their last grade in school.
- ❖ Must be of good moral character.
- ❖ Must not currently be holding a title of any kind.

**Qualifications for St. John Festival Princess:**

- ❖ Presentation Speech –25 pts.
- ❖ Swim Wear –50pts.
- ❖ Sports Wear –50pts.
- ❖ Favorite Storybook/ Cartoon Character Costume – 100pts.
- ❖ Evening wear – 100pts.
- ❖ Impromptu Question and Answer – 25pts.



## CONTRACT

The St. John Festival Princess 2016 – 2017 Selection will be held on Sunday, June 19, 2016 (Father's Day 2016) at 6:00p.m. It will begin with an introductory production, not judged, by all of the contestants, the reigning St. John Festival Princess and back up dancers. Because of the complexity of this production all contestants must attend each practice. The practices are closed to the public and members of the contestant's entourage. These practices to promote a relaxed, stress free atmosphere for the contestants. A schedule will be given by April 1, 2016 of the exact dates and time of the practices, so please make all necessary arrangements. The Pageants' Committee will be responsible for this production.

The soliciting of sponsors is permitted and will be the sole responsibility of the parents and chaperones. All monies collected are to be in the forms of checks or money orders made payable to the "Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John, Inc.", not the contestants, parents or chaperones for tax purposes. If a contestant has incurred a balance due to vendors or any individual after the selection show, the Pageants' Committee nor the Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John, Inc. will be held responsible. Any and all unpaid balances will be the sole responsibility of the parents/guardians and chaperon.

If for any unforeseen reason, a contestant has to withdraw from participating in the St. John Festival Princess 2015 – 2016 Competition and Selection Pageant, (This includes withdrawal by the Festival and Cultural Organization) all monies that were received from sponsors (to include the Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John) as well as any items of clothing and expenses spent by the Queens' Committee must be returned to the Committee within 72 hours of the contestant official verbal or written withdrawal . Note: There will also be a \$3,500.00 withdrawal fee for expenses incurred by the committee.

The Queens' Committee will be responsible for taking the photographs that will be displayed in the newspapers and other media. This will be a closed photo session. Once again, we close these sessions to promote a relaxed, stress free atmosphere for the contestants. The contestant and her entourage will be given the opportunity to select the photo to be displayed. Please remember these photos are the property of the Festival and Cultural Organization and cannot be displayed without the expressed consent of the Committee.

On the night of the Pageant each contestant will be allowed 1 person in the back stage area, because of space limitations. (Note: This is not an option.) Each contestant will also be given 2 complimentary passes. All others are expected to buy a ticket or pay at the gate.

The Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John, Inc. has prided ourselves on hosting and producing fair and unbiased pageants for the past 62 years, with that being said all scores are final, closed and sealed to public scrutiny for exactly one year to date of the pageant. **No exceptions.**

### **Contestant Responsibilities and Penalties:**

- ❖ As a Contestant vying for the title of St. John Prince/ Princess 2016-2017 you are required to conduct yourself in a respectable manner at all times during the term of your reign. Failure to do so may result in withdrawal of pageant.



- ❖ Promptness and Attendance is a requirement at all functions.
- ❖ As a contestant you are required to maintain a 2.5 average in all classes. Failure to do this will result in withdrawal from the pageant.
- ❖ An Introduction speech is required at the Pan-O- Ramma to be held on June 4, 2016.
- ❖ A calendar of events will be given to you at the first meeting. Please make every effort to attend each function, as they are not arbitrary.
- ❖ As St. John Festival Princess Contestant 2016-2017 you are required to choose a Chaperone **to be approved** by the Festival & Cultural Organization of St. John. **Please Note: The Official Chaperone is the only person that can act and or receive information on behalf of the contestant.**

### **St. John Festival Princess Responsibilities and Penalties:**

- ❖ As St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017 you are the Ambassador of the island of St. John and as such you are expected to conduct yourself in a respectable manner at all times during the term of your reign- Failure to do so will result in dethroning.
- ❖ Promptness and Attendance is a requirement at all functions- Failure to do so will result in dethroning.
- ❖ An acceptance speech is required to be given on the day of Coronation which is June 26, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. and at the opening of the Festival Village which is June 28, 2016 at 7:00p.m.
- ❖ St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017 is also expected to assist in reigning over the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade 2016, which begins at 11:00a.m. on that day, then sit in the Governor's Box for the remainder of the parade.
- ❖ St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017 will be given a crown, scepter, and banner, which are the property of the Festival & Cultural Organization of St. John and must be given to the Chairperson when requested. These items are to be worn only when instructed by the Chairperson of the Festival & Cultural Organization as they are a representation of the Committee as a whole..
- ❖ It will be the responsibility of the Committee to ensure that the St. John Prince / Princess has the appropriate attire to wear when invited to any special events. (To be discussed.) **Accessories such as hair dressing fees, shoes, stockings, socks, jewelry, and etc. are not the responsibility of the Organization.**
- ❖ **ALL** requested appearances of St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017 **must be approved** by the Festival and Cultural Organization of St. John and not by parents, chaperone, or friends of St. John Festival Princess. If for any reason you are not available for an appearance, the First Runner-up will assume your position for that appearance. The First Runner-up will be provided with the proper attire as well as the crown, scepter, and banner for the event.

If you will allow your child to participate in this year's selection, please sign the consent portion of this application and return it to the Festival & Cultural Organization as soon as possible. Please complete the consent in its entirety.

The application deadline is **February 15, 2016.**



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St. John Princess 2016/ 2017 Consent Form

Please Type or Print Legibly

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Work Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understood the attached qualifications and requirements for contestants vying for the title of St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017 and do hereby give my daughter \_\_\_\_\_ permission to participate in this years' Pageant to be held on Sunday, June 19, 2016.

Contestants' Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A copy of your most recent report card should accompany this application.  
Please have this form notarized before returning.

Must be returned by: **February 15, 2016.**

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*St. John Festival Princess 2016- 2017 Contestant-Chaperone Consent Form*

I, (Chaperone Name) \_\_\_\_\_ agree that I will promote a positive experience for all the candidates while assisting the contestant for whom I am serving as a chaperone. I understand that I am serving as a representative to the contestant and to the overall pageant system. I will promote the characteristics of a role model for all those whom I come in contact with. I am providing assistance with wardrobe changes and ensuring that my candidate arrives to committee requested appearances and practices on time and is prepared.

Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chaperone Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chaperone Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understood the attached qualifications and requirements for contestants vying for the title of St. John Festival Princess 2016-2017 and do hereby give agree to adhere to the rules and regulations of this years' St. John Festival Princess Selection Pageant to be held on Sunday, June 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Winston Wells Ballpark.

Chaperone's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/ Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contestants' Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please have this form notarized before returning.**

Must be returned by: **February 29, 2016**

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