

How to Run for Rutabaga Queen

Anyone Can Compete for the Crown

Download and fill out an “Offishul” Application by May 1st
(Deadline not strictly enforced, but it makes things much easier for
the Queens.)

Application Link: <https://forms.gle/kovMCBoYV5YRqm5K8>

Ticket Link here: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/5936335>



Here's what to expect from the **2023** Rutabaga Queen competition:

- 1. The Rutabaga Queen Contest begins on the first day of the Kinetic Grand Championship and ends at the Rutabaga Ball that night.**
Ball Location: Synapsis, 1675 Union, Eureka
Doors at 7pm, Show at 8 pm.
We will be setting up on Friday night, and someone will be on site by 5:00 pm day of for you and your entourage to check in and bring your gear.
2. There will be opportunities throughout the race course to interact with the public, racers, royalty, and the media throughout the race. This is your opportunity to promote yourself, the ball, and your knowledge of the Kinetic Universe. Make sure that your interactions are always appropriate and family-friendly.
3. There will be opportunities to get on stage during the race at certain times and stages for Questions and Answers with royalty. Queen Glitterina Sassypants will organize these; she will contact the contestants with the times and locations. Contact information here: Glitterinasassypants@gmail.com or 707-498-4956
4. Rutabaga Ball is where you will get a chance to introduce yourself and perform a talent. Wear your fanciest finery and tell us about who you are, your character, and any fun facts about your persona. Then you will have the chance to shock and amaze folks with your “talent” . You are welcome to interpret “talent” as you please, with a time limit of 10 minutes. Please coordinate any audio and other logistics needs with Princess Nawdy Little at least 48 hours before the ball. Contact information here: nawdy.littlegirl@gmail.com or 541-659-6986

Judging

1. Rutabaga Queen contestants will be judged on the course and at the ball on Day 1 of the Kinetic Grand Championship by fellow royalty. There will be a vote at the Rutabaga Ball by all Queens and Rutabaga Royalty attending the ball.
2. There will also be a chance for “Fan Favorite.” The Fan Favorite will be voted on by attendees at the ball. Therefore we recommend packing the house with your supporters, drumming up folks along the race to come and vote for you at the ball!

Bribing

1. As we are not doing a judging panel this year, we encourage you to bribe on the course and at the ball. If you would like to make a special bribe for a Royal, Official, or Racing team, please do. We would like to see your bribes tie into your persona and pageantry. Please bring an example of your bribe to the ball with you. We might just ask you about them! Spread the glory to bystanders, racers, officials, kops, royalty, etc.

What is a bribe?

There is a long-standing tradition of bribing “offishuls” in the sport of Kinetics, and Queens love tradition. A bribe is anything that bestows glory, any nice thing you make or do. Bribes should be an extension of your creative approach and connect to your persona.

Comportment

The Rutabaga Ball, like all Kinetic Universe events, is for Kinetic fans of all ages.

Please keep it family friendly. It *is* after dark, though, and we serve alcohol, so shoot for PG13.

Who Can Compete

There is **no age or gender requirement** to run for Rutabaga Queen. Minors will need to have a parent or guardian signed permission slip, and a parent or guardian accompanying them during the Rutabaga Ball and at the Kinetic Grand Championship. Be aware that although it is an all ages event, there is alcohol served at the Ball.

Entourage

Registered contestants will receive 1 free entourage tickets to do with as they please.

When the doors open at 7pm, backstage goes private and quiet.

Backstage is a QUIET ZONE! Candidates will lose points for making too much noise backstage as it is distracting during other candidates’ moment in the spotlight.

Scoring

Wouldn’t you like to know?

Some Queenly Advice from the Queens

A Rutabaga Queen is an indefinable force of nature. Each Rutabaga Queen forges her/his/its path to the crown. The first Rutabaga Queen was spontaneously self-declared. As such, we like to keep things ambiguous and open to interpretation. That being said, we’re rooting for you! So, if you’re going to run for Rutabaga Queen, here are some clues that will take you far:

- **Follow Rules A & H of the Kinetic Grand Championship.**
- Most Rutabaga Queens are happy to answer questions. Don’t hesitate to contact us with questions.
- Bribes are a form of audience participation, not our way of getting you to give us a bunch of stuff. **You can not buy this crown.** The best bribes are fun for everyone.
- If you win the crown, you will want to hand out bribes during the KGC. Think ahead, but don’t dare pass out “Queen” bribes if the title you earn is “Princess.”
- You have the option of purchasing Ball tickets at a discount and selling or giving them to friends, coworkers, and strangers on the street. This is NOT a requirement and is NOT factored in judging, but it dramatically increases the volume of people you’ll have

screaming for you in the audience! Love from the audience is *heavily* factored in judging.

- When you win a Royal Title like “Princess” or “Queen,” we will ensure you KNOW IT! Choosing a stage name with such an honorific in it would be presumptuous.
- Think about your support crew during the KGC. A driver is quite nice, and also someone to keep handing you water and lipstick. ;-)