



## Asparagus Queen

### Eligibility and Requirements

*Thank you for your interest in running for Asparagus Queen! The National Asparagus Festival of Oceana County, is one of four asparagus festivals in the United States, but we are the only festival that crowns a queen, so you are truly one-of-a-kind. As Queen, you can expect to enjoy an exciting year of travel in west Michigan, smiling and waving in parades, meeting other royalty and making appearances, all while mingling with the public promoting Oceana County's pride and joy: ASPARAGUS! A Queen and 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up will be crowned at the Queen's Pageant/Fundraiser and a cash prize will be issued to each. In addition, the Queen will be awarded \$1,000.00 to apply toward 1) your own further education in an accredited institution or 2) a charitable Oceana County organization that is approved by the NAF Board of Directors.*

#### Eligibility

- Applicant must be a graduating high school student or older.
- Applicant must be a resident of Oceana, Mason, Newaygo or Muskegon County.
- Applicant should have some knowledge or experience in the asparagus industry, though not required.

#### Requirements

1. If you meet the eligibility requirements, you will need to complete an application. **Applications are due no later than April 1** and can be submitted to the Queen Coordinator in one of the following ways:
  - Mail or deliver to:  
  
National Asparagus Festival  
Queen Coordinator  
PO Box 625  
Hart, MI 49420
  - Email to: [NAFQueenCoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:NAFQueenCoordinator@gmail.com)
2. Applicant must secure a corporate sponsor with a sponsorship fee of \$150 made payable to the NAF **on or before April 1**. More than one sponsor may be secured, but each sponsor is required to pay the \$150 fee. Sponsors may not share one sponsorship.
3. Applicant must be able to attend:
  - Queen's Photo Shoot
  - Queen's Crowning Ceremony
  - National Asparagus Festival Weekend
  - Queens Tea - Following year