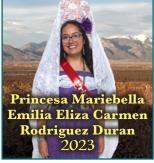






2024 Fiesta de Gaos Royal Pageant













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Welcome to the 2024 Fiesta de Gaos Royal Pageant!

iBienvenidos Damas y Caballeros!

This past year has been surreal. Being able to experience my culture and its traditions firsthand has taught me what it really means to be a Taoseña. I am beyond grateful to have served in this role and create different friendships within the community and other surrounding areas. I love being able to attend and see different cultural events that go on in our community, especially the Fiesta. The Fiesta is an ongoing tradition that not only me, but my family hold near and dear to our hearts. Being able to see friends, family and the community come together to celebrate our patron saints, Santiago y Santa Ana is a blessing. I love being able to celebrate the Fiesta every year with people who love them as much as I do.



I truly thank, from the bottom of my heart, our community for the endless support that they have shown me this past year and allowing me to be their Reina. I also thank the amazing Fiesta Council and Royal Court Committee for always putting in long hours and so much work into making the Fiesta happen. Without them, I would not be where I am right now. Lastly, I thank my amazing friends and family for sticking by my side and helping to create so many memories that I will cherish forever.

I am delighted to welcome our 2024 Royal Court and so excited for them to be able to represent Taos with such beauty and grace. I remind them to always smile because there are always going to be cameras on them, never forget to reapply your lipstick and mainly have fun! This experience is only a year and believe me it flies by, so always live in the moment and take pictures. Being a part of the Royal Court is such an honor, thank you to Mariebella, Natalia, Ariana and Zaira for sharing this experience with me. I know the women of the 2024 Royal Court will do amazing and carry themselves with a balance of pride and humility.

!Gracias a Dios por esta oportunidad y que Dios bendiga a todos!

Un gran abrazo,

Maye Marquis Sarah Lillian Montoya

Reina de La Fiesta de Taos 2023

iiiiQue Viva la Fiesta!!!!





The Fiesta de Taos, Inc. cordially invite everyone to attend the Taos



Friday, July 19 - 5:00 PM

Fiesta de Taos Mariachi Mass & Coronation Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Taos Plaza

Celebrants

The Most Reverend John C. Wester, Archbishop of Santa Fe
The Reverend Father Peter Felice Mgendwa
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The Reverend Father Ryan Stoer
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The Reverend Father Angelo Marquez
Pastor - Holy Trinity Parish



Friday, July 19 – 7:00 PM

Opening Ceremonies Kit Carson Memorial Park

Saturday, July 20, 10:00 AM

Children's Parade Kit Carson Memorial Park





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Bienvenido

Hon. Don Francisco Trujillo II, President

Introduction of the 2023 Royal Court

Introduction of the 2024 Fiesta de Gaos, Inc. and Dignitaries

Introduction of the 2024 Fiesta de Gaos Royal Pageant Auditor & Judges

Auditor: Iris Gonzalez Judges: Herman Lovato y Lobato; Krystal Lucero; Elena Rivera; Ane Romero; Margaret Trivino-Roybal

Introduction, Biography, & Fiesta Fashion Presentation: Contestants

Bilingual Speeches: Contestants

Entertainment: Vito Trujillo, Sr.

Galent Presentation: Contestants

Closing:

Announcement of the 2024 Reina de La Fiesta de Gaos y Princesas Baile del Anuncio

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM Doors Open at 6:00 PM DALEEE @ KTaos Solar Center - \$20.00 Per Person Featuring – **GONZALO**

The Reina & Princesas will be announced at 8:45 PM





Royal Pageant Auditor & Judges

Iris Gonzalez - Auditor

Auditor Iris Gonzalez is a New Mexico native born and raised in Albuquerque. Born to her mother Catherine, a New Mexico native, and Francisco, a native from El Salvador, she is the second eldest of four children. Iris graduated from Rio Rancho High School in 2018 and graduated from the University of New Mexico in 2020 with a Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in accounting. She currently is the Accounting Manager at B&D Industries, Inc., in Albuquerque, whom she has been employed with for five years. Iris currently oversees accounts payable, accounts receivable, multiple interns and works directly with the President, CFO, and CEO. She wishes the best to all contestants.

Пеrman Lovato y Lobato - Judge

Herman Lovato y Lobato is a longtime volunteer with Santa Fe Fiesta, Inc. and a Santa Fe-based arts advocate who has served on the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) / Opera and Music Panel, the Santa Fe Opera Board of Directors, the Santa Fe Arts Commission, and the Santa Fe 400th Anniversary, lnc., Board of Directors. He has held a variety of positions at Santa Fe Fiesta, Inc., including president and vice president. He is the chairman of the 400th Celebration honoring Nuestra Señora de La Paz, La Conquistadora, who arrived in New Mexico in 1625. Professionally, he is the New Mexico Department of Public Safety's Technical Support Division Deputy Director, where he has direct responsibility of the globally accredited Forensic Laboratory Bureau and the 30 units of the Law Enforcement Records Bureau.

Krystal Lucero - Judge

Krystle Lucero is a seasoned professional who brings a diverse range of expertise to her role as a Senior Program Analyst focused on managing New Mexico's Sex Offender Registry. Beyond her impressive work in the public sector, Ms. Lucero has an extensive background in marketing, social media marketing, and public relations, which she has honed through her volunteer efforts with the esteemed Santa Fe Fiesta, Inc. and her own personal business venture providing marketing services to local enterprises in Santa Fe and the surrounding areas. Her impressive client roster includes the likes of Antonio Reyna, Una Más y La ChaCha, Café Castro, The Weird News, and Action Glass and Mirror, all of whom have benefited from her keen marketing acumen and strategic approach.

Demonstrating her unwavering commitment to the Santa Fe Fiesta, Ms. Lucero has volunteered hundreds of hours to the organization's marketing campaigns, ensuring the annual celebration remains a vibrant and well-promoted cultural touchstone for the community. Her dedication to the Fiesta is further evidenced by her 15-year tenure as an active member of the Santa Fe Fiesta Council, where she has taken on the role of Public Relations Chair. Additionally, Ms. Lucero has served in various leadership positions within the Santa Fe Fiesta, Inc. organization, including Executive Secretary, Board of Director, Vice President, and now President, underscoring her invaluable contributions and the trust placed in her by her peers to guide the organization's strategic vision and community outreach efforts.





Royal Pageant Auditor & Judges

Elena Rivera - Judge

Elena was born and raised in New Mexico. Her Hispanic roots originate from her family residing across Northern New Mexico – in Española, Taos, and Mora. Elena graduated from Rio Rancho High School in 2018, New Mexico Highlands University in 2023, with a Bachelor of Business Administration. At Highlands, she was a member of the women's volleyball and track teams and enjoyed snowboarding in her off season. She has been working at B&D Industries, Inc. for a year and has progressed from Accounting Intern to Staff Accountant. Elena is thrilled to be a 2024 Fiesta de Taos Royal Pageant Judge and wishes each of the contestants well.

Ane Romero - Judge

Ane Romero was raised in Las Vegas, New Mexico. She received her B.A. in Political Science (05') and M.P.A (11') from New Mexico Highlands University, where she served as the first female elected Student Body President and was appointed to the New Mexico Commission on Higher Education. Ane is trained and certified in suicide prevention through The Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program and has provided training for schools, communities, and on the Navajo Reservation. In 2001, she served as La Reina de Las Vegas and in 2005, she was crowned Miss New Mexico and competed at the national Miss America Pageant. Ane worked on Capitol Hill where she oversaw the Congressional Mental Health Caucus and focused on behavioral health policy. In 2011 she was awarded the "National Excellence in Federal Government Leadership Award" by the National Resource Center for Hispanic Mental Health for her work in mental health policy. In 2013, she became the first Congressional House staffer to be presented with the "Allies in Action" award by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and the "Friends of Children's Mental Health" award by the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. In 2014, she returned to New Mexico. Ane has taken on the role of overseeing the Reina de Las Vegas Fiesta Court and pageant, following the passing of longtime coordinator Rosita Ellis. Ane currently serves as the State Director for U.S. Senator Ben Ray Lujan. She is happily married to her husband, Ryan.

Margaret Grivino-Roybal - Judge

Margaret Trivino-Roybal is a member of Cochiti Pueblo and was raised in Española. She is married to Martin Roybal Jr. from Santa Fe. She joined the Army after high school and served 10 years active duty as an Army Medic and was stationed in Fort Bragg, NC, Fort Benning, GA, Fort Lewis, WA, and Fort Riley, KS. Mrs. Trivino-Roybal was deployed to Iraq and Haiti. She returned home after serving in the Army to care for her ailing parents. She attended the University of New Mexico and received her master's degree in nursing as a Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner. She enjoys sewing which she will occasionally sew outfits for the Santa Fe Fiesta Royalty. Mrs. Trivino-Roybal is honored to be a judge for a third consecutive year for this year's Fiesta de Taos Royal Pageant.





Chantel Janae Emiliana Brumfield-Vigil



Chantel Janae Emiliana Brumfield-Vigil was born on June 11, 2005, to Marla Vigil and DuShaun Brumfield, granddaughter of Rick and Nadine Vigil, great grandparents Tina and the late Jose Vigil, and Eli and Gloria Arellano.

Chantel is a 2023 Taos High School graduate attending UNM Taos where she hopes to pursue a degree in nursing to become a labor and delivery nurse or a degree in early education and become a kindergarten teacher. Chantel has always enjoyed helping others and is excited to see what God has in store for her.

In high school, Chantel was in Advanced Placement classes, was a proud member of the Taos Tiger Classics

dance team and participated in the mariachi program where she sang and played the violin.

Chantel grew up and was raised in Arroyo Hondo/San Cristobal attending Our Lady of Sorrows Parish. Chantel's favorite things to do include, spending time with her family, dancing, singing, rescuing animals, writing, and being an advocate for those who struggle with mental health problems. Chantel's love for her community and La Fiesta de Taos are what have encouraged her to run for La Reina de la Fiesta de Taos.

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Julianna Christina Dolores Flores



Julianna Christina Dolores Flores was born on September 25, 2006. She is the daughter of Elena Struck-Flores and Teodoro Flores with two sisters. Alexis and Avah. Julianna is 7th generation Taoseña, granddaughter of Tina Jo Martinez, Doris Struck and the late Albert Struck. Julianna's ancestors include Bernabe and Dolores Struck, Jose Bernardino and Roselia Vigil, Polito E. and Tina V. Martinez, George and Edith Flores, Meliton and Clorinda Struck, Meliton and Elena Trujillo, Enrique and Sofia Lopez, Edwardo and Onofre Vigil, Juan Jose and Dora Vigil and, Pablo and Delia Flores. Julianna is a member of the San Francisco de Asis Mission Parish enjoys participating in the annual enjarre, having mastered the art.

Julianna is a Senior and honor roll student at Taos High where she participates in varsity volleyball, basketball and softball. She recently joined a Denver basketball team and played in nine tournaments around the United States. Julianna is an amazing artist who has painted professionally since she was 8 and sold many paintings through her journey. Julianna recently joined the Mariachi class and enjoys playing guitarrón and guitar. Julianna is an avid reader.

Julianna plans to attend college to study American Sign Language (ASL), English and Communications. These are programs close to her heart as Julianna is deaf in one ear and has first-hand experience with the difficulties the Hard of Hearing and Deaf community encounter. Her favorite part of growing up in Taos is that once someone knows whose family you are a part of, they automatically start sharing childhood stories of their family and how they know your relatives.

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Iosefina Adelaida Eloisa Cecilia Valencia-Sanchez



Iosefina Adelaida Eloisa Cecilia Valencia-Sanchez was born on January 5, 2007, in Taos, New Mexico. Growing up in the communities of Ranchos de Taos and Arroyo Seco. She is the daughter of Dolores C. (Valencia) and Luis M. Sanchez Jr. and has a younger brother, Diego M. Sanchez. Her paternal grandparents are Violeta (Martinez) and Luis Sanchez Sr., and her maternal grandparents are Rebecca (Romero) and Jose Valencia. Josefina has one Goddaughter on the way, Ali Cardenas.

Josefina is a senior at the New Mexico School for the Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and will graduate in May 2025. While attending school she has been in over 7 art shows, participates in the student council and the Women of Color Collective Club. She is a residential dorm student.

commuting each week and prides herself on being involved in her community. Previously she participated in Our Lady of Guadalupe youth group, assisting with the summer bible camp for youth. Over the years she has participated in mass and received her sacraments at the parishes of San Francisco de Asis Mission Church in Ranchos de Taos, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Taos, and Holy Trinity Parish in Arroyo Seco.

In the future, she plans to pursue a degree in business and culinary arts to eventually open her own restaurant. This has been a dream of hers since she was a child. Josefina works toward her goal by trying out new recipes and using new ingredients. Besides cooking she enjoys pursuing her art and finding new ways to express her creativity.

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Izavela Enedine Francis Vásquez



Izavela Enedine Francis Vásquez was born on July 31, 2007, daughter of Reynold and María Inez Vásquez of Talpa, New Mexico. She has one older sister, Felice Vásquez. Izavela is the granddaughter of Mike and Guadalupe (Lupe) Anaya, Lorraine Vásquez and the late Johnny Vásquez, maternal great grandparents are the late Manuelita and George Chavez, and the late Mary and Abel Anaya. Paternal great grandparents are Maria Floraida Archuleta and the late Tito Archuleta, and the late Margarita and Luis Vásquez.

Izavela grew up in Talpa, New Mexico and attends the San Francisco de Asis Mission Church with her family. She assists her grandma Lupe in the annual bake sale for the Catholic Daughters and

for the feast of St. Francis church bazaar. Izavela began Mariachi at the age of $\bar{7}$ years old playing with Mariachi Jáguar Encantado and has excelled playing the violin for over 10 years, now a part of Mariachi El Tigre. Izavela will be a 2025 Taos High graduate. She plans on attending the University of New Mexico-Main Campus in the Fall of 2025 to study Business Administration in hopes of opening her own business. As a young child, Izavela always enjoyed attending the Taos Fiesta. A special memory she holds close to her heart is when she participated in the 2011 Fiesta Children Parade, along with her sister Felice, walking along the Taos Fiesta Court, when her Aunt Anna Eloisa Vasquez Rael was the 2011 Fiesta Queen handing out balloons.

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