



# Cat City Drag Race Application 2025

Competition Date: Sunday, March 9, 2025

Official Entry Application

Presented by Cathedral City LGBT+ Days

**Applications will be accepted until March 1, 2025 at 5:00 pm (PST), or until 8 applications have been submitted, whichever occurs first .**

## Cathedral City LGBT+ Days Mission (CCLGBT+)

CCLGBT+ Days is a time to recognize the strength in our diversity, appreciate our similarities, and stand united for the equal rights of all Americans. It honors the lives, history, and wonderful accomplishments the LGBTQIA+ community has contributed in making Cathedral City one of the most gay-friendly cities in America. Year after year, the Human Rights Campaign Foundation has ranked Cathedral City with a perfect "100" score, and that is a testament to the city's belief in equality for both our residents and visitors alike. CCLGBT+ Days serves to support and promote LGBTQIA and allied businesses for the advancement of economic development and increased tourism in Cathedral City, California.

## Cat City Drag Race

The Cat City Drag Race is open to any person who seeks to become Royal Highness of Cathedral City in a parade of bed floats and accompanying drag competition during Cathedral City LGBT+ Days on Sunday, March 9, 2025 between the hours of 10 am and 1 pm, and who shares the values of the CCLGBT+ DAYS's mission as well as the equality for all people.

## Overall Competition Prizes:

- **Each of the selected 8 drag contestants in the competition will receive a guaranteed \$500 performance fee.** The performance fee requires each drag queen and four members of the drag queen's entourage to decorate a city supplied bed float to be part of the Cathedral City LGBT+ Days Parade of Beds and Bed Race. In addition, following the parade of beds and bed race, the drag queen will perform one lip sync with the category of "Bring It Like Royalty". **Each drag queen contingent will also receive a \$200 gift card to purchase items to decorate the bed.**
- In accordance to the rules of the competition, **the winner of the competition will be named "Royal Highness of Cat City Drag Race," a Tiara, a Sash, \$1,000 Visa/MasterCard Gift Card, two adult Schwinn Bicycles, their photo - name - designation as the winner of the Cat City Drag Race on the Festival Lawn electronic billboard for one month. (Retail Prize Value: \$2,500 + bragging rights).**
- Although not required, the Drag Queen Bed can participate in the "Bed Race" and win additional prizes (see official rules for the parade of beds / bed race at [www.CathedralCityLGBTDays.com](http://www.CathedralCityLGBTDays.com))

**Drag Race Competition:** Official contestants will compete in a parade of beds, lip sync competition, and the Wheel of Shade spin on Sunday, March 9, 2025 in Downtown Cathedral City (near or in front of City Hall) between the hours of 10:00 am and 1:00 pm.

**Contestants Judged by a Panel of Judges on the following:**

1. Originality
2. Themed Outfit / Bed (Category is: "Bring It Like Royalty")
3. Personality
4. Performance

**Application Instructions:** Please read the enclosed information carefully. The following items must be submitted to ChrisParman@gmail.com by the application deadline to be considered for participation:

1. This completed Application Form,
2. Waiver Agreement

Deadline for completed applications is no later than March 1, 2025 at 5:00 pm (PST).

**Your First Name \***

**Your Last Name \***

**Your Drag Name \***

**Your Phone Number \***

 

Area Code Phone Number

**Your E-mail \***

Detailed drag race information and your confirmation will be sent via email.

**Official Mailing Address**

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State

Zip Code

### Alternate Contact Person E-mail

### Alternate Contact Person

First Name

Last Name

### 100-word maximum Description of Entry (How you want to be introduced as)

(To be used for announcer script. Please provide description regarding your entry. Up to five sentences is sufficient. Drag Race Coordinator reserves editorial rights.)

## Cathedral City Drag Race

### GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER TO ENTER THE COMPETITION. Free entry.
2. Decisions by judges are final.
3. Contestant must be 18 years of age or older.
4. Up to eight (8) total contestants will be chosen to participate in the contest. If less than 5 contestants enter, the competition will be canceled.
5. Applicants who submit a completed Drag Race application prior to March 1, 2025 will be chosen based on the order of the date and time of submission. It is a first-submit, first-in contest process. Once eight contestants have submitted a complete application, then the acceptance process of the competition will conclude and all applications submitted thereafter will be placed on a Wait-List.
6. Judges will evaluate the contestants and score each contestant from 1 to 10 points in whole numbers (1 being the least, 10 being the most). Each contestant will receive a parade of bed score and a Lip Sync score from the judges.
7. Judges will determine the order of performers in the competition.
8. Date, time, location, and theme of competition:

Sunday, March 9, 2025 between the hours of 10:00 am and 1:00 pm (judges have the right to extend the time due to unforeseen circumstances), Downtown Cathedral City (outdoors), 68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, CA 92234.

**Theme Category: "Bring It Like Royalty"**

9. Contestant must be ready to perform (sing or lip sync) a song in full drag by the start of the

Lip Sync Competition at the schedule date and in between the allotted hours. Contestants can arrive to the competition location two hours in advance to prepare. The locations will do their best to accommodate preparation, but it may be in your best interest to come prepared and ready to perform with little to no advanced preparation.

10. Contestants must provide their music for the Lip Sync portion of the competition to Chris Parman at least three days in advance (March 6, 2025) by emailing him a .mp3 or .wav file format to ChrisParman@gmail.com.
11. Once a confirmed contestant, the contestant must submit a recent drag photo of themselves that can be used for promotional and marketing materials including print, social media, electronic websites, television, electronic billboards, and any other visual medium utilized for the competition by the promoters and sponsors. Submit photos to ChrisParman@gmail.com.
12. On the Day of the Competition, any contestant who does not arrive on time for their parade of bed contingent portion of the Drag Race will be eliminated from the competition and will NOT receive the performance fee. Any contestant who does not perform in the Lip Sync competition, Wheel of Shade Spin, or Audience Favorite portion of the Drag Race will be eliminated from the contest and will NOT receive their performance fee.
13. Performance fee of \$500 will be presented by check to the Drag Performer after the competition from the City of Cathedral City. In order to receive a check after the competition on March 9, 2025, the contestant must provide the following:
  - To whom to make the check out to
  - Submit a W-9 tax form to the City of Cathedral City by April 20, 2025.Anyone who submits a W-9 tax form after April 20, 2025, will receive a performance fee check after the contest. It may take up to two weeks after the competition to receive the check.
14. Once all contestants have performed the parade of beds and lip sync portion of the competition, then each contestant will have one spin at the “Wheel of Shade”. The “Wheel of Shade” offers each contestant the opportunity to pick a competitor and either add or subtract up to 3 points depending on the spin number. Multiple contestants can choose the same competitor to add or subtract total score points.
15. Once the “Wheel of Shade” portion of the competition has been completed, then the audience gets to cheer, whistle, clap, and/or yell for the contestant they like the most. The contestant who gets the loudest support determined by a decibel reading from the Main Stage wins the “audience favorite” award with 10 extra points.
16. The contestant with the most points after the Parade of Beds, Lip Sync Competition, the Wheel of Shade, and the Audience Favorite – wins the competition.
17. The winner of the contest will be the contestant who received the most points during the competition. The total of each contestant’s scores will be added together for a final score. The contestant with the second most points will be considered the “Runner-Up”.

**OBLIGATION OF THE COMPETITION WINNER, The winner must:**

1. Be in the Cathedral City contingent for the Palm Springs Pride Parade in November 2025. (parade route location, date, and time to be confirmed)
2. Represent Cat City Drag Race in an honorable manner.

## **WAIVER AGREEMENT**

I am participating in the Cat City Drag Race (the "Event") hosted by the Cathedral City LGBT+ Days, the City of Cathedral City, and sponsored by any Presenting Sponsor to be determined later, Altman Real Estate (CCBC Resort Hotel & The Runway Restaurant), KGAY 106.5FM, Gay Desert Guide, and GED Mag.com, Sunday, March 9, 2025. In consideration for my participation in the event and with full understanding of the risk involved, I agree to indemnify, release, defend, and hold harmless the owner(s) of the property on which the Event occurs and the City of Cathedral City and Official Sponsors, including its employees, agents, officials, officers, and event producers from any and all claims, demands, actions, damages, or liabilities of any kind arising out of, or in connection with, my participation in the Event, whether or not caused in whole or in part by the negligence of such officers, directors, employees, agents, event producers, sponsors, and volunteers, which occurs during or as a result of my participation in any of the events and activities held in connection and/or under the direction of the above-referenced entities.

I also consent to being video recorded and photographed, and grant permission to Cathedral City LGBT+ Days and the City of Cathedral City to use my information, images, or recordings for media-related activities in future Cat City Drag Race event publicity and I understand that I will not receive any compensation for such use.

I also agree that in the event any provision of this Liability Waiver and Release is declared or determined by any court to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the validity of the remaining parts, terms, or provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

I also agree that this Liability Waiver and Release shall be interpreted, construed and governed according to the laws of the State of California. In the event of litigation between the parties, venue in state trial courts shall lie exclusively in the County of Riverside, California. In the event of litigation in a U.S. District Court, venue shall lie exclusively in the Central District of California, in Riverside.

I also agree to obey by the rules and regulations put forth by the Event Coordinators of the Cat City Drag Race.

A WAIVER form is required to be signed by all contestants prior to the first performance. A form will be sent to the contestant submitting this application. Signed waiver forms are to be submitted anytime up to the first performance by email or in person at the first performance.

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