

## Quni Royalty Organization









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## **ORGANIZATION PROFILE**

This year has brought new and exciting changes to the Miss Zuni Organization. A decision was made to change the name to the Zuni Royalty Organization. The reason for the change in name was that the Organization is now charged with the selection of the Miss Zuni, Jr. Miss Zuni, Zuni Prince and Zuni Princess. We feel the name correctly reflects our mission and purpose. In doing so, the Organization drafted Bylaws which are currently in review and will be finalized within this year. Lastly, the Organization recruited the following individuals to serve as members:

- Cheryl Sandy
- Juanita Edaakie
- Monica Chapito-Soseeah

## **MISSION**

The mission of the Zuni Royalty Organization (formerly Miss Zuni Organization) is to provide an environment that encourages Zuni youth to embrace Zuni culture and traditions, through positive interaction and representation of the Zuni People. Specifically, the Zuni Royalty Organization is established and shall be operated exclusively to conduct pageants to choose the following to represent the Zuni Tribe:

- a) Miss Zuni
- b) Jr. Miss Zuni
- c) Zuni Prince
- d) Zuni Princess

## **PURPOSE OF THE TITLES**

The purpose of the titles for Miss Zuni and Jr. Miss Zuni is to provide a personal and professional platform for young Zuni women to promote culture and the community. It provides a forum for today's young Zuni women to express their pride in Zuni culture and language/traditions through their viewpoints, talents and accomplishments.

Participation in publicly promoting health, education, and economic status in the community is a must for an individual vying for the title of Miss Zuni and Jr. Miss Zuni. Therefore, it is very important that the young lady vying for this title be able to articulate and express herself in public. A positive and healthy attitude is essential during the pageant.

The purpose of the titles for the Zuni Prince and Zuni Princess is to encourage family engagement with children in the traditional, cultural and social activities that our community takes pride in and for families to promote this engagement in and out of our community.

Participation in being able to introduce themselves in either Zuni or English is a must for our youth vying for the title of Zuni Prince and Zuni Princess. Demonstrating or presenting an age appropriate talent in both modern and traditional is a requirement during the pageant. Additionally, the candidate and family must complete a family project that demonstrates how the family engages the candidate in traditional activities.

Come and join us on Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 10:00 am (tentative Zuni Middle School) for the modern and traditional talents of our candidates. We invite you to our coronation of our Royalty during the evening performances on Saturday, September 2, 2017.