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Educating Rodeo Champs of Tomorrow

WATERVILLE, Wash. – To celebrate its fifth year of inspiring young women, Rodeo Queen University will feature PRCA Miss Rodeo America 2016 Katherine Merck and IPRA Miss Rodeo USA 2016 Harmony Latham.

In the 60 years of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and the 50 years of the International Pro Rodeo Association, there has never been an event that brought its two queens together to teach at a rodeo queen clinic until now.

“We are honored that these two amazing leaders representing the top two professional rodeo associations in the world helping us teach rodeo education,” said Rodeo Queen University organizer and Founder, Jamie Rauch, of Moses Lake. “This is a wonderful opportunity to teach tomorrow’s rodeo champions”, stated Dayna Jenkins, of the Miss Rodeo America Headquarters, located in Colorado Springs.

Rodeo Queen University Bible Camp 2016 will feature Merck, a native of Spokane, Wash. and the first Miss Rodeo America from Washington state and Latham, a native of Wrightwood, Calif. Both women will be on hand to offer tips, support, guidance and encouragement for young rodeo queen hopefuls.

Rodeo Queen University will also host Miss Rodeo Oregon 2013 Nicole Schrock and Miss Rawhide Rodeo 2015 and Miss Rodeo USA First Runner Up Paige Jerrett. Jerrett also represented the PRCA when she held the title of Miss Rodeo New York 2012 as well as other top Christian Educators and Speakers.

“We are extremely excited for this blessed opportunity. Washington State has a rich history of rodeo and is statistically the least churching state in the union. This is a fantastic opportunity to help develop leaders and create “world changers” in a life transforming experience. We encourage all young ladies to attend, no experience is required. Last year we had one camper that attended who had never wore a pair of cowgirl boots or rode a horse fall in love with the western way of life,” said Rauch.

Rodeo Queen University blends the sport of rodeo and leadership skills, fostering of faith for young women ages 8 to 24 with a weekend of instruction in the art of being a rodeo queen in, and out, of the saddle at the North Central Washington Fairgrounds in Waterville, Wash. Instruction begins Thursday, June 23 and concludes Sunday, June 26 with a mock pageant, dinner, graduation and baptism service that is open to the public with advanced purchased tickets available online at the STORE on the website, or at the following ticket outlets; Basin Feed & Supply in Moses Lake, Valley Feed & Supply in Wenatchee, and at the North Central WA Fairgrounds in Waterville. Tickets and RQU merchandise will be available after May 1, 2016. Registration for campers and instructions can be found online as well.

For more information about Rodeo Queen University and tuition rates for this year’s camp, visit www.rodeoqueenuniversity.com or contact Jamie Rauch at jamierauch@ymail.com

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