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On behalf of AGRA and the Rodeo Committee, I want to welcome you all to the 38th Annual Arizona Gay Rodeo! It is our pleasure to have you here and to ensure you have a good time.

As you walk around, you will notice there are many things happening at the same time. Throughout the day and evening, there will be entertainment; and, yes, dancing in the pavilion. Many vendors, selling a variety of goods as well as simply providing information, are inside the pavilion and on the outside patio. And, there are a variety of games for children and adults on the grass.

And, don't forget the rodeo events

will be going on throughout the day. Make sure you take time to spend time in the arena stands watching your favorite events supporting the contestants and cheering them on.

I invite you all to come to the awards ceremony in the pavilion Sunday night at approximately 7:00 pm and help us congratulate the rodeo contestants as they are presented with their ribbons and buckles.

Have fun; play safe; drink responsibly; make new friends; and enjoy the weekend.

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GRAND MARSHAL

JAYME CHRISTENSEN-WALKER AKA NIKKI STARR

The Directors, Coordinators, and Membership of the Arizona Gay Rodeo are honored to have as this year's Grand Marshal, Jayme Christensen-Walker aka Nikki Starr.

Jayme grew up in Snyder, Oklahoma and started their involvement in rodeo with OGRA. Jayme and his husband Mark were the first husband and husband team competing within OGRA.

In 2010, Jayme, as Nikki, took the Miss OGRA crown, but this was just the beginning. Jayme moved to Arizona, quickly becoming involved in the community, including The Men of Charlie's and of course, AGRA. Nikki won another crown in 2012, becoming Miss Rainbow Cactus.

Rodeo was in Jayme's blood and he quickly started working in the arena, and looking into AGRA Royalty. Nikki won Miss AGRA in 2016, and took Miss IGRA 1st Runner Up in 2017. However, the fire and drive to get the black sash was still burning bright. In 2019 Nikki won Miss AGRA 1st Runner Up and went on to compete for Miss IGRA. His determination paid off and Nikki triumphed as Miss IGRA 2020/2021!

Most recently, Jayme has been serving on the AGRA Board of Directors as Vice President, where he has been leading our truly amazing Royalty teams as they fund raise and create awareness for gay rodeo!





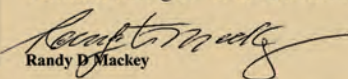
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JAY LOVEJOY

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Our beloved friend John “Jay” W. Lovejoy passed away on March 9, 2023 at the age of 83. He was a 30 plus year member of AGRA, and was affectionately known as one of the “AGRA Golden Girls”, who were honored as Grand Marshals for the 2013 Arizona Gay Rodeo. Jay was a strong supporter of AGRA and the Annual Rodeo.

Jay previously served as AGRA Treasurer as well as the Rodeo Treasurer. He loved what he did, and is known for creating the “Lovejoy Method” for distributing the rodeo profits. This method allowed the organization to be more efficiently and equitably give to other organizations that are important to AGRA, and was used for several years.

Jay was born in Chicago on June 25, 1939. He graduated with a

Bachelor’s Degree in Accounting from the University of Illinois. He then enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he served as a Lieutenant on nuclear submarines for over 6 years. After serving in the Navy, Jay became an auditor and comptroller, and spent most of his career working what would eventually become the Viad Corporation.

Jay made his way to Phoenix many years ago where he became an avid member of Team Arizona, a social athletic club for gay men seeking community and a little friendly competition. He found kinship as a long-time member of the Lambda Car Club with his fellow gay car enthusiasts, traveling to car shows and showing off his own fleet of collectors’ cars. Always the accountant at heart, Jay served as Treasurer for any group in which he was involved.

Jay’s friendliness, support, enthusiasm, and professionalism were beyond comparison. He was a kind man, a good friend to multitudes, a great conversationalist, and a cherished member of AGRA. Every encounter with Jay was a delightful experience because of his mere presence, and were so lucky he dedicated his time and energy to AGRA and other worthy organizations.

We truly miss our friend and loyal supporter and will always be grateful for his involvement.

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In Memoriam

Judy Huckins was first introduced to AGRA and the rodeo in the late 1980's or early 1990's by a friend who worked security at the rodeo. She very quickly "got hooked" on rodeo and started to become involved.

At each Annual Arizona Gay Rodeo, you could find Judy standing "guard" as one of the most dedicated volunteers ever. She always had a smile on her face and was never too busy to say hello and carry on a conversation.

After Judy met Kathy, her life partner, they both continued to be involved and work at the annual rodeo.

Not only was Judy a volunteer at the rodeo, she was involved in several capacities with Casa de Cristo Church and Apostolic Center.

Judy truly enjoyed the Arizona Gay Rodeo and loved working with everyone. She looked forward to each year. She continued as dedicated and special rodeo volunteer until her death on September 12, 2023.

Judy was a true inspiration to many and was always ready to volunteer.

AGRA thanks Judy for her long-time support, dedication, and for being a very special volunteer. We will certainly miss you and will be thinking about you at this 2024 Arizona Gay Rodeo.

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THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 15

(Events at Charlie's – 727 W Camelback Rd – Phoenix)

AGRA Royalty Competition.....	6:00 pm
Charlie's/AGRA Mini Rodeo.....	9:00 pm

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 16

AGRA Rodeo School	9:00 am
Contestant Registration	6:00 – 8:00 pm
Complimentary Dinner Buffet.....	6:00 – 8:00 pm
Entertainers/Performers/Dancing.....	7:00 pm

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 17

Gates Open	9:00 am
New Contestants Meeting.....	10:00 am
Rodeo Events Start	11:00 am
Grand Entry	1:00 pm
Community Mutton Bustin'	After Grand Entry
Rodeo Continues	After Mutton Bustin'
Games on the Green.....	Noon – 5:00 pm
Entertainment/Performers/Dancing.....	12:15 pm

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 18

Gates Open	9:00 am
Rodeo Events Start	11:00 am
Grand Entry	1:00 pm
Rodeo Continues	After Grand Entry
Games on the Green.....	Noon – 4:00 pm
Entertainment/Performers/Dancing.....	1:00pm
Catered Dinner	6:00 – 8:00 pm
Awards Presentations	7:00 pm

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 19

Survivors Brunch at Charlie's.....	11:00 am
& President's Day Drag Show with Pussy LeHoot	



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Nick would like to thank IGRA competitors, royalty, volunteers, and fans for their willingness to share Gay Rodeo stories. Get your copy of Gay Rodeo history this summer at Amazon.com or contact Nick for more information.
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EVENT RUNNING ORDER

Gates Open - 9:00 am

New Contestants Meeting - 9:30 am (Saturday only)

RODEO START TIME - 11:00 am

Calf Roping on Foot

Team Roping

Mounted Breakaway Roping

Steer Decorating

Pole Bending

Grand Entry (approximately 1:00 pm)

Community Mutton Bustin' (Saturday Only)

Chute Dogging

Goat Dressing

Steer Riding

Bull Riding

Wild Drag Race

Barrel Racing

Flag Race

Awards Presentations - 7:00 pm Sunday

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Arizona Gay Rodeo.....	February 16-18	Phoenix (Laveen), AZ
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Rodeo in the Rock.....	April 26-28.....	Little Rock, AR
Show-Me State Rodeo.....	May 10-12	Kansas City, MO
BigHorn Rodeo.....	May 24-26	Las Vegas, NV
Crossroads of the West Regional Rodeo....	June 21-23.....	Salt Lake City, UT
Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo	July 12-14.....	Denver, CO
North Star Regional Rodeo.....	July 26-28	Hugo, MN
Canadian Rockies Rodeo North	August 9-11	Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Great Plains Rodeo	August 9-11	Oklahoma City, OK
Zia Regional Rodeo	August 23-25.....	Santa Fe, NM
Best Buck in the Bay	September 13-15.....	San Francisco, CA
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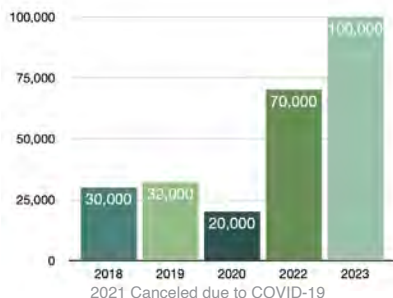


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As the Arizona Gay Rodeo becomes more successful, thanks to your support, we have been able to increase the amount of money we donate to the Arizona LGBTQ+ Community annually.

EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

STEER RIDING

This is a good beginner's event, but it's not as easy as it looks. Steers are male cattle which have been castrated. The rider has a "bull rope" wound around the animal just behind the front legs and then around the rider's hand; no knots are allowed. This hand hold and the rider's legs, wrapped around the animal, are all the rider has to count on to stay on top. A rider who is able to spur, or move their legs back and forth on the animal's sides, will receive a higher score.



CHUTE DOGGING

This event is designed to give even the novice a chance to compete in rough stock events. The steer and the contestant both start in the bucking chute and face a 60-second time limit. When the chute gate opens, the contestant must bring the steer out to a 10-foot line in front of the chute, and then attempt to wrestle, or "dog" the steer to the ground. The contestant will turn the steer's head up and toward the steer's shoulder, hoping the steer will fall over on its other shoulder, causing all four feet to point in the same direction as the head was turned. If the steer is contrary and falls the other way, it is

termed a "dog fall" and the contestant can either attempt to turn the head the same direction or let the steer up and start over. In this event either the contestant "dogs" or gets "dogged."

BULL RIDING

The ultimate event of the rodeo, Bull Riding, is an advanced version of Steer Riding, but with one-half ton more beef to contend with and the added danger that many bulls turn back on the rider and attempt to get even for having their routine disrupted. Guaranteed, once you are on the bull and the gate opens, few riders ever leave this event without being slammed to the ground and scurrying for cover, as the Bull Fighter moves in to save the cowboy or cowgirl.

CALF ROPING ON FOOT

This is the second step in a roper's career. Most beginning ropers practice on fence posts or other stationary objects and then move in to the arena with a live animal. The contestant stands in the roping box and when the calf is released, attempts to throw the loop over the calf's head. Once the loop passes over the calf's head, the contestant must pull up the slack in the rope.

TEAM ROPING

Hours of hard work go into the training for this event. This event is loaded with hazards, such as collisions, entanglements, and worst of all, possible loss of fingers. The team consists of two ropers

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and two well-trained horses. One roper is called the “header” and his or her responsibility is to catch the steer by the horns while the teammate, called the “heeler,” has the responsibility of catching the steer’s back legs, or heels. When the header makes the catch, he or she must wind the rope around the saddle horn, called “dallying off,” and turning the steer away from himself causes the steer’s heels to fly in the air for the heeler’s loop to catch. When both ropers have been successful in their tasks, they must turn their horses to face the steer and pull their ropes taut.

MOUNTED BREAKAWAY ROPING

The roper is mounted on horseback with one end of his or her rope tied to the saddle horn by a piece of string. When the calf is released from the chute, the roper will be in hot pursuit with lasso swirling above his or her head. When the loop is thrown, it must pass completely over the calf’s head. As the calf pulls away from the rider and horse, the rope grows taut and will break away from the saddle horn.

POLE BENDING

In this event, horse and rider compete for fastest time working a linear pattern through six equally spaced poles. The poles must be at least 6 feet in height and spaced 21 feet apart. A running start is allowed and a 5-second penalty will be assessed for knocking a pole down, and disqualification will take place if the team goes off course.



BARREL RACE

Contestants vie for the fastest time in running a 3 point, cloverleaf pattern around three barrels. The horse and rider are allowed a running start and time begins and ends upon crossing a visible starting line. A 5-second penalty is assessed for knocking over a barrel. The pattern can be started either from the left or right, and contestants that go off the prescribed course are disqualified.

FLAG RACE

A triangular pattern similar to that of the barrel race is used, with the substitution of a pole in place of barrel number three. The two other barrels will have a bucket that is 3/4 full of rabbit pellets placed on top of it, and a flag in one of these buckets. The rider may choose to run to the right or left and as they pass the first barrel, they pick up the flag, race past the pole, back to the second barrel, and attempt to place the flag in the second bucket. If the rider knocks over the first bucket or the pole, a 5-second penalty will be assessed. If the rider does not pick up the flag or misses the second bucket, no time will be given. If the second bucket or

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barrel are knocked over, the rider is disqualified. Sounds easy, but try this at 30 plus miles per hour!

WILD DRAG RACE

The Wild Drag Race is an audience favorite all across the IGRA rodeo circuit. Even though the competition is serious and the payoff sizable, a large number of competitors also believe this to be a very entertaining event for the audience. The drag costumes come from “Goodwill” stores, from second-hand stores, and many from raiding mom’s closet. A team is made up of one male, one female, one “drag” (either male or female), and one wild steer. The steer, with a halter and a 25-foot lead rope, is in a bucking chute at the beginning of the event. The cowgirl holds the rope and the cowboy and drag stand 40 feet from the chute. When the chute gate opens, the team tries to direct (or harass) the steer toward the finish line, which is 70 feet from the chute. They must get the steer across the finish line, mount the “drag,” and then ride back across the finish line. The “drag” must be mounted on the steer before the steer starts back across the finish line and must stay on the steer until all four feet of the steer have crossed back across the finish line. Sounds easy, but the “drag” may get bucked off several times before the event is ever completed!

STEER DECORATING

This event requires a two-person team. One member stands ten feet from the chute gate holding the end

of a 25 foot rope, which is looped around the steer’s horns. The other team member stands 40 feet from the chute and has a 24-inch long ribbon. When the chute gate opens, the team must bring the steer out and across the ten-foot line. One team member tries to tie the ribbon on the steer’s tail while the other team member tries to remove the rope from the steer’s horns. When the ribbon is on the tail and the loop is off the horns, the ribbon-tier must tag the timer.



GOAT DRESSING

This two-person event was created specially for gay rodeo. The team stands 50 feet from the point where the goat is tethered. One of the team members has a pair of jockey-style underwear worn over their forearms. When the whistle sounds, the team runs to the goat. The team member without the underwear picks up the goat’s rear hooves, grabs the underwear from around the other member’s arms, and pulls it up the legs of the goat. Both team members must then race back to the start/finish line and cross the finish line to stop the time. The underwear must stay over the goat’s tail bone until the timer is tagged by both members.

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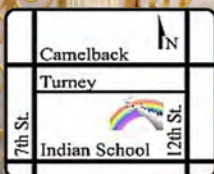
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Invocation (Saturday)	Rev. Charlotte Strayhorn Casa de Cristo Church and Apostolic Center
Riderless Horse Song (Saturday & Sunday)).....	Joshua Sipe (Claudia B)
U.S. & Canadian Anthems (Sunday).....	Katina Murphy
Invocation (Sunday)	Rev. Kimberly Bittner Community Church of Hope
Arena Director	Tim Smith
Assistant Arena Director	Bill Barber
Arena Crew Coordinator	Jayme Walker (Nikki Starr)
Chute Coordinator.....	Denise Reinhart-Stange
Assistant Chute Coordinator	Nicole Reighlie
Assistant Chute Coordinator	Greg Tinsley
Lead Judge.....	Rick Jones
Judge.....	Tom Sheridan
Judge.....	Randy Edlin
Judge.....	Michael Lentz
Announcer.....	David Smith
Announcer.....	Christopher Service
Assistant Announcer	Jason Delto
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