

Congratulations

You have been crowned Miss Kansas Angus
or selected a Kansas Angus Ambassador.

As Miss Kansas Angus you have an exciting and busy year ahead. You will be meeting many new people and have opportunities to promote our Kansas Angus Associations and the Angus Breed.

☺ You are a representative of the **Ks. Angus Association, the Kansas Angus Auxiliary and the Ks. Jr. Angus Association** as well as the Angus Breed and Angus Breeders.

☺ You must remember when you are in the public eye; **you are expected to be poised and professional at all times.**

☺ At times you may be asked to give interviews by the media. You are expected to be knowledgeable of the Angus breed and its programs and of the beef industry. Answer all questions respectfully and enthusiastically.

You are expected to read these guidelines carefully and follow them at all times in your role as Miss Kansas Angus or Ambassador.

Miss Kansas Angus (& Ambassadors) Dress Code

Ambassadors follow this code omitting areas that are Miss Ks Angus specific (#s1 & 4).

Style and poise is very important as you present yourself as a representative. You should be aware at all times of the way you stand, sit and present yourself in the ring, in photos and at Angus socials.

Follow these guidelines for attire:

1. **Miss Ks. Angus will be awarded an official blazer style jacket.**(the jacket/blazer must be red or a combination of black and red, the style and fabric will be of your choice) The jacket provides for a classic, elegant appearance whether it is paired with slacks, jeans when appropriate, a skirt or dress. You should wear your jacket at all appearances where reasonable.

2. **Always** wear hose with a dress or skirt.

3. Pumps or closed toe shoes/boots with medium to low heels are a very nice presentation with a dress or skirt. (Never where open toes or sandals in the show ring.) Do not wear white /light colored shoes in the show ring. Boots are appropriate with slacks, black or dark jeans or skirts.

4. Miss Kansas Angus will be awarded \$100.00 by the Ks. Junior Angus Association toward the purchase of boots. The boots should be black and appropriate for showing. The style will be of your choice.

5. **Halter tops, backless, cropped, tube, spaghetti strapped tops, shorts or mini skirts are never appropriate in the show ring;** or at anytime you are wearing your banner.

Sleeveless blouses & dresses are not recommended unless worn under your jacket Light colored jeans and slacks should not be worn in show ring. .On the occasion that a formal or party dress is appropriate please be professional in your appearance.

6. Be very careful when choosing a skirt for the show ring or social functions. Although short skirts may be in style, longer (below the knee) skirts make a much better presentation in show photos.

7. When sitting don't cross your legs. Sit with knees and feet together in front of you.

8. The color combination black, red and white makes a very striking appearance.

9. **Always wear your tiara and banner** for shows, banquets, sales, photos, etc.

10. **Wear makeup-** even if you do not regularly wear makeup – please remember that a little blush, tinted gloss or lipstick and mascara will avoid a washed out look for photos and you will look more polished. Avoid being over made up a natural look is best.

11. **If you are also exhibiting,(state shows) remember that you have committed yourself to being Miss Ks. Angus!** or an Ambassador for the year. You are expected to perform your MKA duties except in the specific classes that you are in. This would be a very good time to make arrangements with Ambassadors to fill in. Make sure that your face, hands and clothing are clean when presenting awards. If you are showing, it is suggested that you wear black jeans and boots so that you can put on your Official Jacket when in the ring as Miss Ks Angus (Ambassadors may also want to have a jacket/blazer that can be put on over a "show shirt" for a more professional presentation)

12. For sales-wear your tiara and banner. Black slacks or nice black/dark jeans , boots and your jacket are appropriate at most on farm/ranch sales.

Show Ring! Photo Duties

- Arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the show.
- Trophies/Awards/Ribbons: Please visit with the show awards chairperson or manager so that you know which awards are to be given and when. It is a very good idea to set out the correct number of ribbons for each class prior to the start of the show.
- Get a program and follow along, this will tell you the number in each class as well as when a division champion is to be selected.
- Do not chew gum in the ring. Eating during classes should be avoided. Sit only in chairs- do not sit on tables or fences. Avoid leaning or "resting" on tables/fences.
- You are not the ring man. **Do not** tail or help with moving cattle in the ring or in photos. Do not help with ring clean up.
- If another queen is present be courteous and share duties. However, as Miss Kansas Angus you are expected to be in all photos at KAA or KJAA sponsored shows. Ambassadors you may want to take turns as to what photos you are in if more than 1 of you are present as well as Miss Ks Angus.
- PHOTOS - On most occasions it is best for you to stand at the tail of the animal (not behind) Hold the Rosette or Banner visibly out in front of you about at your waist. Stand in a "Present Position". This position is: one foot slightly in front of the other and an angled outward your body should be turned slightly to an angle.
- If others besides the judge and the exhibitor wish to be in to photo, they should be behind you, on the side of you or behind the animal. Remember you are presenting the award and should be in the front. If more than one award is given you may want to invite someone to hold one. However, you should have a least one award (preferably the banner or rosette) in the photo.
- Remember, picture taking with any uncooperative animal can get frustrating.
- "Keep your cool, smile and poise"

Socials/Banquets/Parties/Luncheons

- During these occasions, etiquette and manners are very important.
- Maintain your composure and act as the lady you are.
- You may want to check with the host to inquire about appropriate attire. A dress or nice suit is a good choice for most banquets or luncheons.
- When in doubt, your jacket and a black skirt would always be appropriate.

- Wear your tiara and banner.
- As Miss Kansas Angus or ambassador- you are to not consume alcohol or use tobacco products at anytime!
 - ✓ **If there are times during your time as MKA or ambassador you have a boyfriend** present- you are requested not to hold hands or have any other type of public display of affection. We realize that this may be acceptable behavior in many social functions- however we do not deem it appropriate behavior in your role as MKA or ambassador.
 - ✓ **FACEBOOK and social media-** we welcome promotion of your position and Angus on social media- however please be tasteful and appropriate through the year.. You are encouraged to post and share photos of your MKA or Ambassador event on the Kansas Angus Association Facebook page.

Miss Ks Angus Required Attendance*

(Ambassadors are encouraged and welcome to participate in all activities and events)

1. Kansas Angus Futurity- Show, Banquet, Jr. Show, Sale (Jan.)
2. Ks. Angus Preview Show- (June)
3. National Jr. Angus Show (July)
4. Ks. Angus Tour or Field Day (fall)
5. Ks. State Fair, Open Angus Show- Jr show to present Angus champion awards in photos (Sept)
6. Any Special Show/event sponsored or hosted by the KAA or KJAA(MKA chairman will let you know if you are to attend)

Suggested Attendance

American Royal (Oct.)

National Western Stock Show (Jan)

KJLS(Sept) to present KAA sponsored awards to Angus champions

KAA members sales- as many as you can.

- On occasion you may be invited to attend a Private Production Sale, always accept the invitation when your schedule permits. If you are invited to any event please acknowledge the invitation. A written thank you note is a good idea. For sales refer to the show ring dress code and wear your tiara and banner.
- Even if you are not specifically invited to a sale, KAA members always welcome your attendance.
- If you are in attendance at other major Angus Show, you may want to assist on show day. Please inquire before if your help is allowed. However, remember at

these shows you are a guest. Most times the state queen and/or Miss American Angus is grateful for the assistance.

***If you are unable to attend a required event please contact Anne Lampe prior to the event.**

Miscellaneous

- Remember you are a role model- people are looking at you and your actions
- **Please write thank you notes! To ALL gift sponsors & hosts**
- **Throughout the year read the Ks Angus News and Angus Journal; study current industry issues. This will aid in your role as a spokesperson for the Angus breed and our associations.**
- If you are ever in doubt or have questions about your duties or responsibilities please ask.
- MKA keep a scrapbook of your year- it will be fun to look back on.

☺ Have a great Year! If ever you have a question or concerns contact Anne Lampe, Miss Kansas Angus Program Chairman 620-872-3915 (h) 874- 4273 (cell) kansasangus@wbsnet.org

I as Miss Kansas Angus or Ambassador agrees to the rules and guidelines set forth and reviewed in the handbook.

_____ signature _____ Date

Parent or Guardian _____

Anne Lampe _____ Contest Chairman

Please write thank you note to our MKA Program Sponsors, address can be found in the Kansas Angus Directory. Please keep your copy of the Directory throughout the year as a reference for addresses.

Miss Kansas Angus & Ambassador Gifts & Awards 2014 Sponsors

MKA Official Jacket

(Sponsored by Lori Fink; Fink Beef Genetics).

Tiaras

(Sponsored by Megin O'Brien)

Banners

(Sponsored by Stucky Ranch, McCabe Genetics, Green Garden Angus),
Molitor Angus Ranch)

MKA Luggage/tote & Ambassador Tote Bags

(Sponsored by Ks Angus Assn)

\$100 toward Boots for MKA — (Sponsored by KJAA)

MKA Buckle

(Sponsored by Sandra McCurry; McCurry Angus Ranch, Mary McCurry,
& June Hagenbuch)

\$300.00 for MKA (Sponsored by Ks. Angus Auxiliary, *Lori Fink, Treasurer*).

MKA Photo Album/Scrapbook -

(Sponsored by Triple 3 Bar S Angus, Mark and Anne Lampe)

MKA Jewelry- (sponsored by Silver Lake Angus, Karen Santee)

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MKA Note cards and Contestant Favors -(Sponsored by Anne Lampe)