

#### Queens' Rose Garden Dedication

The Miss Huntington Beach Queens' Rose Garden at the Civic Center



Since 1963, the Huntington Beach Sand Dollars have planted a rose bush in honor of the reigning Miss Huntington Beach and hosted a dedication ceremony for the queen each year at the official-Miss Huntington Beach Queens' Rose Garden located behind Huntington Beach City Hall. The garden flourishes today and can be visited during daylight hours year-round. This past June, the HB Sand Dollars dedicated and planted the "Mellow Yellow" rose bush in honor of 2025 Miss Huntington Beach, Nicole Vogt. Nicole chose this yellow rose as it represents joy and kindness, qualities she embodies as Miss Huntington Beach 2025. Nicole and the Huntington Beach Sand Dollars encourage you to visit the Queens' Rose Garden and enjoy the legacy of Miss Huntington Beach!

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October 25, 2025

Dear Miss Huntington Beach Scholarship Pageant:

We are pleased and honored to represent the City, the City Council, and staff in acknowledging our support for your efforts to bring our community the 113<sup>th</sup> Annual Miss Huntington Beach Scholarship Pageant. Your dedication to this great event, which recognizes our young women, is appreciated by the City of Huntington Beach.

Miss Huntington Beach has been a tradition in our City's history for more than 100 years. Since 1963, a rose that is chosen by the Queen is planted each spring in the Queen's Rose Garden, located at City Hall, to honor each Miss Huntington Beach.

We thank the Sand Dollars of Huntington Beach and the dedicated volunteers who have spent countless hours gearing up for today's festivities and continue to uphold and carry on this special event year after year.

On behalf of the citizens of Huntington Beach, we honor and welcome the new Miss Huntington Beach and her Court as they become Ambassadors for our community and continue to represent the ideas of the pageant. We are proud of you as you compete for scholarships to be used to further your education. A special thanks to our outgoing queen, Miss Nicole Vogt, who has represented the City with grace, poise and positivity, and we wish you all the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Thank you to all who attend, support, and sponsor these outstanding young women. Your efforts serve to continue this wonderful tradition of recognizing the importance these young women have in our future.

Sincerely,

Pat Burns Mayor

Casey McKeon Mayor Pro Tempore



### Huntington Beach Sand Dollars Executive Board of Directors

#### Message from the President

October 25, 2025

Dear Friends.

As President of the Huntington Beach Sand Dollars, I am absolutely thrilled to reflect on the amazing achievements we've accomplished together over the past year! The positive impact of our programs has truly shone through—from revitalizing the Queens' Rose Garden at City Hall to our Royal Court proudly representing our beautiful city at countless ribbon cuttings and community events. This success is a testament to your unwavering support!

Looking ahead, we are bursting with excitement as we prepare to expand our outreach and empower even more young women within our community. This year, we are launching a fantastic new initiatives aimed at increasing membership in HB Sand Dollars and partnering with Victoria Alberty of The Local HB to enhance our website. Thanks to Sand Dollar member Andrea Roberson, we have also established a regular gardening schedule. Additionally, we are planning an annual event at the Queens' Rose Garden on September 11th, which will coincide with the memorial at City Hall. These initiatives will help us organize fundraisers more effectively and foster a stronger, more vibrant community for everyone!

We wholeheartedly recognize that we cannot achieve our goals alone. Your ongoing support through membership, volunteering, donations, and advocacy is absolutely essential. Every contribution—big or small—makes a real difference!

Thank you for being an invaluable part of Surf City's Royal Journey. Together, as locals, we can truly make a positive impact!

With heartfelt gratitude and enthusiasm,

Love Ghione

President, Huntington Beach Sand Dollars



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Marlena Guadrarama Exec. Dir. of Miss HB



#### Ladies and Gentlemen of Huntington Beach,

This year has been nothing short of magical. When I was first introduced to this program, I couldn't imagine myself being a part of it. I had never participated in a pageant before, I wasn't someone who liked being the center of attention, and I knew it would be completely outside my comfort zone. What I did know, however, was that my love for Huntington Beach was over the moon — and that passion gave me the confidence to pursue something that meant so much to me.

Earning a title for a city that has brought me so much love, light, and confidence has truly changed me as a person. Over the past year, I've had the opportunity to spend time with my favorite people, connect with the best community, and advocate for all the aspects that make this city so special. From attending business openings to picking up Easter eggs with children, I've experienced the genuine love and support this city has to offer.

Wearing the crown of Miss Huntington Beach isn't just about the sparkle — it's about representing the light and hope for the future of this town. I've hoped to inspire and advocate for everyone in this community who strives to grow and improve, all while doing the same for myself. This past year has brought me countless friendships, lessons, and opportunities, and for all of them, I am beyond grateful.

The most important lesson I've learned as Miss Huntington Beach is the power of showing up for one another. At every event and in every room I entered, I carried my responsibility with integrity, kindness, and confidence — always showing up for those I was supporting and advocating for. From planting my rose bush in the Queen's Rose Garden to speaking with city council members about future goals, I've seen firsthand how much influence this program has within our community, and I am so proud to have been a part of it.

With the support of this city and the HB Sand Dollars, I've been incredibly fortunate to advocate for the Hearing Loss Association of America and to witness the true sense of community Huntington Beach offers to anyone facing challenges or hardship. My story is just one of many, but this experience is one I will never forget.

I want to thank the Sand Dollars Scholarship Program and the members of this amazing community for investing in me, supporting me, and listening to my journey. I am extremely proud to pass on this title and to say goodbye as Miss Huntington Beach 2025!

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With sincere gratitude and love,

Nicole Vogt

112th Miss Huntington Beach

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#### MASTER OF CEREMONIES



A longtime familiar voice in Huntington Beach, Matt Liffreing has a long and colorful history with the Miss Huntington Beach Scholarship Program – both as its Master of Ceremonies and as a video producer with HBTV-3 for many years.

Matt returns to the stage as Master of Ceremonies to continue his proud tradition of celebrating the young women who represent Surf City with grace, poise, and community spirit.

#### **JUDGES**

**Zechariah Jauregui:** Zechariah is a community-focused professional dedicated to public service and leadership. He currently serves on the team of State Senator Tony Strickland and previously worked for Congresswoman Michelle Steel as her Deputy District Director. Passionate about connecting people and strengthening his community, Zechariah is known for his positive attitude, strong work ethic, and heart for helping others throughout Orange County. We are excited to welcome him into the Miss HB family as a judge this year!

**Shawn Wood:** Shawn graduated from UC Davis in 2006 and serves as the interim Chairman of the Board for the Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce. He is the President and Founder of Student Movers, Inc., a Pro Mover Certified company. Shawn has received multiple awards for his leadership, including recognition from the County of Orange and U.S. Congress. He was named Valedictorian of the Huntington Beach Robert Mayer Leadership Academy and honored with the "20 Under 40 Successful Alumni" award from UC Davis. Dedicated to his community, he also serves on various boards and committees. Passionate about celebrating achievement and community spirit, Shawn is honored to bring his expertise to the Miss Huntington Beach Scholarship Pageant.

**Aron Harrington:** Aron is president and CEO of the Huntington Beach Credit Union. Aron Harrington is a resident of Huntington Beach and serves as the President/CEO of Huntington Beach Credit Union, bringing over 10 years of experience in the financial services industry. He is the recipient of the Tomorrow's Star Award, recognizing his achievements in the credit union movement as a professional under 35. Aron remains dedicated to giving back to the community, and Huntington Beach Credit Union has proudly supported the HB Sand Dollars and other local initiatives for many years.

**Jill Hardy:** Jill is a former HB Mayor and served the City of Huntington Beach as a Councilmember for four terms. Her family moved to Huntington Beach in 1926. She has taught high school math and social studies for 32 years and is currently teaching at Marina High School. A long-time supporter of the Miss HB Scholarship Pageant, Jill appreciates the focus the program has on serving the community she loves. As a student herself (working on a second Master's degree at CSU Fullerton), Jill understands the financial challenges earning a degree presents and appreciates the opportunity for scholarships provided through Miss HB.

**Dr. Cynthia Anderson:** Dr. Anderson is a retired Anesthesiologist and former Lt. Cdr., having trained and served in the Navy after medical school. In her "civilian" life she practiced over 30 years at UCI where she served in various roles, including Residency Training Director, Department Chair, Medical Staff President, and member of the California Scientific Advisory Council. Cynthia is currently serving as President of the Assistance League of Huntington Beach, an all-volunteer nonprofit that typically gives over \$1 million in goods and scholarships back to our community annually. She is excited and honored to serve as a judge.

#### TABULATORS

**Jim Sankey:** Jim Sankey worked as a financial analyst for the City (1974-2001) before moving on to a second career as "Jimmy the Jolly Trashman" at Rainbow Disposal (2004-2016). He has been a member of the Sand Dollars and the Miss Huntington Beach Committee for over 20 years.

**Angela Clitherow:** Long time Huntington Beach resident Angela is the former President and CEO of the Huntington Beach Credit Union. Her career in credit unions spanned 44 years and she served as either a CEO or CFO for over 30 of those years. Angela is also a former HB Chamber Ambassador.

#### MEET OUR CONTESTANTS...

Contestants are listed in order of their appearance on stage. Prior to the pageant, the judges reviewed the contestants' detailed resumes regarding their educational and career goals, community service, awards and achievements, and their platform to prepare for a private interview with each contestant.

The panel interview will comprise 25% of each contestant's score. The additional 75% of their score will come from the three phases of competition onstage - personal expression, active/lifestyle wear, and evening gown. During this phase of competition, each contestant is also scored on poise, grace, and public speaking.

Here is a brief overview of each contestant...



Annaleah La Parne

Annaleah La Parne is a senior at Huntington Beach High School where she enjoys playing water polo as a member of the HBHS Water Polo and Swim Team. As the only daughter in her family—she has three brothers, one older and two younger—she cherishes spending time with her family.

Annaleah is passionate about water safety and works as a lifeguard. For the past two summers, she has served as a Camp Staff Lifeguard at the Boy Scouts of America's Lost Valley Summer Camp. She is both an Eagle Scout and a Girl Scout Ambassador. This past August, she earned the highest honor a Girl Scout can achieve—the Gold Award—for her project focused on water safety to help keep children safe around swimming pools.

If given the opportunity to represent Huntington Beach, Annaleah would use her platform as Miss Huntington Beach to promote water safety awareness and to demonstrate that young women can achieve anything they set their minds to while contributing to their community and the wonderful city of Huntington Beach.



Kelli Wilkes is a graduate of Huntington B California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, with a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and a minor in Women and Gender Studies. She is currently a dedicated law student at UC Irvine, where she began her Juris Doctor program in August 2025 and is set to graduate in May 2028. At UCI, she is a member of the Women's Law Society. Kelli volunteers with the Public Law Center, assisting domestic violence survivors with drafting declarations under attorney supervision. She is eager to practice in the public interest sector and

A lifelong sailor, Kelli actively participated in both her high school and Cal Poly's sailing teams. She currently teaches sailing at the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club and was recognized as the Top Student in her Sailing Instructor Certification class. When not sailing, she enjoys arts and crafts and recently began taking ballet classes.

aspires to clerk for a federal judge.

Her platform, the Public Interest Law Fund, fosters a culture of giving back—one she hopes to promote as Miss Huntington Beach. Kelli views this title as an opportunity to empower young women and celebrate their achievements.

Lainie Jeannine Shield is a student at California State University, Long Beach, pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Forensic Studies. She holds three associate degrees: an A.S.T. in Administration of Justice and an A.A. in Social and Behavioral Sciences from Golden West College, and an A.S. in Business Marketing from Rio Hondo College. She is also completing a Certificate in Investigations along with coursework in CSI and Forensics.

Active in leadership, Lainie currently serves as Miss Orange County CYE and Director of Memberships for the Turning Point USA chapter at CSULB. Previously, she was Captain of the Huntington Beach Police Department Explorer Program and a Miss Huntington Beach Princess for the 2024 Court.

A passionate advocate for children facing cancer, Lainie supports The Cody Waters Foundation created in honor of her cousin — which provides comfort and resources to affected families. Inspired by Cody's courage and smile, she aims to raise awareness and advocate for families in need.

Lainie cherishes Huntington Beach for its small-town charm and strong community ties and would be honored to represent its vibrant spirit as the next Miss Huntington Beach.





**Gabrielle Samiy** is a community advocate, former college athlete, and aspiring educator dedicated to public service and civic engagement. A lifelong Huntington Beach resident, Gabrielle grew up immersed in the city's vibrant surf culture and close-knit community spirit—values that continue to shape her passion for service.

She holds three associate degrees and is pursuing a business finance degree at Cal State Fullerton. Her long-term goal is to teach business at the college level while coaching and mentoring young leaders, particularly women in sports and entrepreneurship.

Civic engagement lies at the heart of Gabrielle's platform. She is committed to expanding access to resources and inspiring participation across all age groups. In 2022, she ran for Huntington Beach City Council, driven by a desire to give back to the city that raised her and amplify local voices in government.

While playing basketball at Orange Coast College, Gabrielle helped lead her team to a CCCAA State Championship title and earned All-Tournament Team and First Team All-Conference honors. She brings that same determination and team-first mindset to her community work today.

As Miss Huntington Beach, Gabrielle would use the crown as a platform to strengthen community connections, inspire civic participation, and champion the values that define Huntington Beach.

Allyssa Coe is a college freshman at Chaffey College and aims to become an aesthetic nurse and licensed esthetician, blending her passion for beauty and wellness while helping others feel confident in their skin. Allyssa has excelled as an AP Scholar, graduated cum laude, and consistently made the Honor Roll, reflecting her dedication and strong work ethic. As Captain of both her Track and Soccer teams, she learned valuable lessons in teamwork, leadership, and perseverance.

Through pageantry, Allyssa has earned titles including 2nd Runner-Up at Miss Thai USA, Miss Photogenic, and Miss Sport—honors that allow her to celebrate her culture and inspire others to embrace their heritage.

She maintains an active lifestyle and promotes wellness through community involvement with the Surfrider Foundation, supporting ocean conservation and beach cleanups. Allyssa also enjoys painting. With creativity and drive, she strives to make a positive impact in every community she joins and looks forward to representing Huntington Beach.





Lilliana Mindel

**Lilliana Mindel** is a sophomore at UCLA studying Voice, where she was named a Regents Scholar and spires to become a full-time opera singer. In 2024, she won 1st Place in the Schmidt Vocal Arts National High School Competition, representing California. She was also a Grand Prize Finalist in The Music Center's 2023 Spotlight Competition and earned 1st Place in the 2025 Opera Buffs Artists of the Future Competition.

In May 2025, she performed her first full Italian role, Esilena, in Handel's Rodrigo. As the first freshman in UCLA history to receive a starring opera role, this was quite an honor. Lilliana also serves as an ambassador for the LA Opera Connects College Advisory Committee, which brings opera to young students and underserved communities.

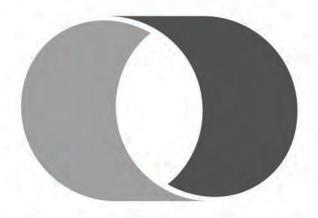
Her platform is the Boys & Girls Club of Huntington Valley—where she performed in her first musical as a singing bee in Winnie the Pooh. Through her years at the Club, she cultivated her love for performance. As Miss Huntington Beach, Lilliana hopes to share that experience and highlight the organization's power to positively shape children's lives.

Amanda Luyks is pursuing a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Dance at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB). She began dancing at age three, balancing rigorous training with her academic pursuits throughout her school years. While in high school, she worked as a dance instructor and part-time secretary at Southland Ballet Academy. Amanda graduated summa cum laude from Huntington Beach High School in 2022 and joined Festival Ballet Theatre as a company member that same year, performing actively in their productions.

Amanda is involved in multiple student organizations, serving on the event planning committee for Tau Beta Pi, the engineering honor society, and as Officer of Outreach for CSULB's ASME and ASHRAE chapters. As Miss Huntington Beach, she hopes to inspire students to use Khan Academy for academic success in STEM and encourage others to give to Khan Academy's mission to provide free educational resources for all.



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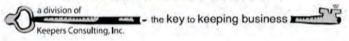


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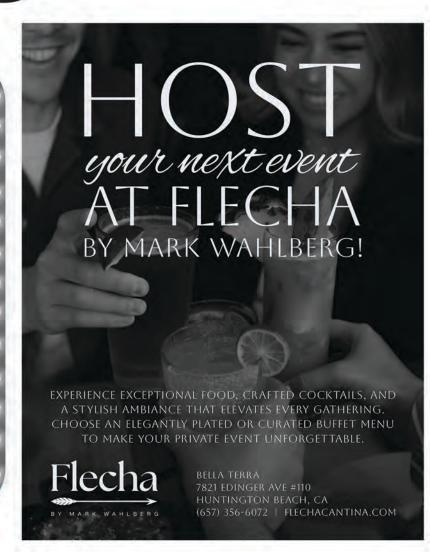
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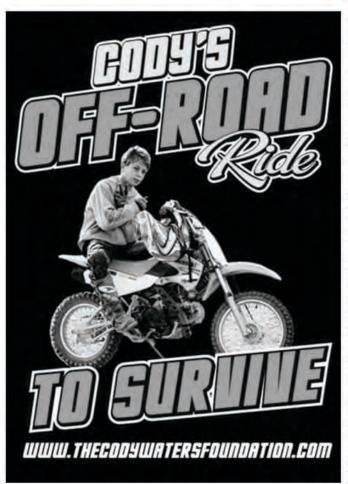
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If you are interested in learning more about Cody's Foundation, please, visit www.thecodywatersfoundation.com or our Facebook page The Cody Waters Foundation.

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Congratulations to our Queen and Court:

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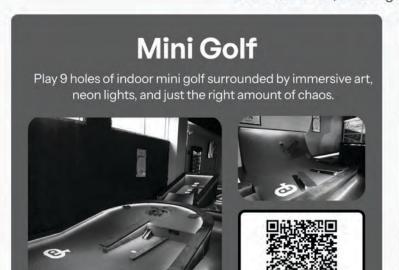
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A BIG THANK YOU to this past year's Royal Court: Queen Nicole Vogt and Princess Catherine Dosier. They did a fantastic job representing the City of Huntington Beach through the HB Sand Dollars. A special shout-out to June Dugmore, President Emeritus, for all her contributions throughout the years.

In a dazzling spectacle of light and anticipation, the spotlight shines on

the contestants of the 2026 Miss Huntington Beach Scholarship pageant— Allyssa Coe, Amanda Luyks, Annaleah LaParne, Lainie Shield, Kellie Wilkes, Lilliana Mindel, and Gabrielle Samiy. As they step onto the crimson carpet, hearts racing with excitement, they embody the very essence of grace, strength, and the vibrant spirit of Huntington Beach. Best of luck to these remarkable women!

With each delicate stride, the echoes of countless hours of hard work, unwavering dedication, and fiery passion are palpable. Tonight is their moment to dazzle—to showcase the brilliance and beauty that comes from within. Each contestant is a radiant star, already victorious in the hearts of all who bear witness.

As they bask in the glow of this unforgettable evening, a legacy is born—one that inspires generations to come. Cheers and applause ring out, celebrating their courage and accomplishments. With every smile and every twirl, they are reminded: tonight is not just about competition; it's about cherishing the memories they create and the bonds they forge.

A special thank you to the incredible HB Sand Dollars who have supported and encouraged these amazing contestants: Marlena Guadarrama, Linda Vircks, Xiomara Escobar, April Gentry, Jerry Supernaw, Andrea Roberson, Bonnie McMullin, Mary Deyden, Paul Dugmore, June Dugmore, Roxane Escobar, Carole Ann Wall, Shirley Lewis, Victoria Alberty, Jim Sankey, Coral Gangitano, and Sandy Mandrella. Your efforts to uplift and inspire these young women have made a profound impact this year.

And our deepest gratitude goes to those instrumental in making the 2026 Miss Huntington Beach Scholarship Pageant a success: MC Matt Liffreing, Judge Zechariah Jauregui, Judge Jill Hardy, Judge Shawn Wood, Judge Dr. Cynthia Anderson, Judge Aron Harrington, Tabulator Angela Clitherow, Tabulator Jim Sankey, and Musician Jacob Melvoin. Your commitment and dedication have been invaluable.



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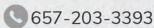
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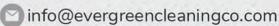


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#### JUNE DUGMORE: A LEGACY OF VOLUNTEERISM AND PHILANTHROPY

Article featured in June 2025 Edition of HB Living written by L. Love Ghione, President of Huntington Beach Sand Dollars

Born in Missouri, June Dugmore grew up in a family that ran a restaurant-giving her a deep appreciation for hospitality and involvement. She would apply those lessons in her role as a dedicated community volunteer and philanthropist.

Dugmore has served multiple times as president of the Golden West College Foundation. Over the years, she and her late husband, Paul, donated generously to the college, supporting the nursing department, library and art center. In 2021, Golden West awarded the Dugmores a Pillars Award.

She also served as president of Sand Dollars, which for 50 years has hosted the Miss Huntington Beach Scholarship Competition.

Additionally, Dugmore is active in the Assistance League of Huntington Beach and has served as an honorary chair for the local chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Her long resume includes serving as a Girl Scouts leader and as president of the Women's Club of Long Beach. Dugmore met her husband at Long Beach City College in the 1940s. She later commuted to Scripps College in Claremont via the Red Car, putting off driving until motherhood made it necessary. She fondly remembers when her husband surprised her with a Mustang on her birthday.

Dugmore's passion for fashion led to a thriving career. As a sales associate at Robinson's, her keen eye for style quickly propelled her to a buyer's position. Later, at Walker's Department Store, she headed the girls department.

She has put her expertise to good use, organizing fashion shows to raise funds for various charities.

The Dugmores raised five children in Huntington Beach, with the entire family embracing sports and the performing arts. Dugmore even pioneered the first bowling team for the Seal Beach 'League. Through her vibrant service to the community, Dugmore has crafted a legacy that will be cherished for generations.



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