



The 65th Anniversary of the Cherry Blossom Princess Program

April 7 – 14, 2013 – Washington, DC
c/o National Conference of State Societies
Post Office Box 70175
Washington, DC 20024

**UNITED STATES CHERRY BLOSSOM QUEEN AND RUNNER-UP
SELECTION AND PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT – FORM G**

One of the Princesses representing a U.S. State or Territory is selected by the traditional spin of the “Wheel of Fortune” to represent the United States as the 2013 U.S. Cherry Blossom Queen. The term of reign is for the next 365 days (one year). If you are chosen, it is necessary for you to remain in the Washington, DC metro area **through Sunday evening, April 14.**

As Queen, you will be required to attend subsequent events and festivities in Japan, usually in May and lasting approximately two weeks. The Queen, her Society, and the NCSS will work together to prepare for this trip. This includes preparing the many gifts received for presentation in Japan, along with official welcome letters from individuals within the United States, District of Columbia, and her own state/territorial Government. All air, hotel, and meal expenses will be covered for the trip to Japan. **However, the Queen has the financial responsibility for travel and hotel accommodations to/from the DC area for the trip to Japan, and subsequent Festival week for the following year, should you be from out of town.** Clothing requirements for the trip to Japan are similar to the Festival. In addition, you will be required to take two (2) formal white ball gowns, along with long white gloves.

In the event the 2013 US Cherry Blossom Queen is unable to meet these commitments, the title, the Mikimoto crown and pearls, and the Queen sashes will be turned over to the Runner-up, who will then become the US Cherry Blossom Queen. The former-runner-up-turned-new-queen is then expected to participate in the Japan trip and other possible events in Washington, DC, as well as to return to Washington, DC for the 2014 Cherry Blossom Festival events. **For out-of-town participants, the same travel and hotel responsibilities apply to Runner-up in this situation as mentioned in the above paragraph.**

I have fully read and understand everything on the US Cherry Blossom Queen and Runner-up Selection and Participation Agreement, and I agree to abide by everything listed within this document.

Name of Princess (please print)

Signature of Princess

I am not over the age of eighteen and therefore need a parent/guardian’s signature:

Parent/Guardian (please print)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Society President (please print)

Signature of Society President

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM, ALONG WITH THE OTHERS, NO LATER
THAN DECEMBER 1, 2012**