

## Krewe de Canailles Membership Rules – Mardi Gras 2019

### GENERAL

To be considered a member of KDC, you must:

1. Be at least 21 years of age.
2. Pay membership dues. You must be current on membership dues to maintain membership.
3. Agree to comply with the membership rules (by signing up for membership, you agree to compliance).
4. Sign waiver to walk in parade. You will not be allowed to walk in the parade unless the waiver has been signed.

Members of Krewe de Canailles are required to 1) have fun and 2) BE NICE OR LEAVE. Our values of inclusivity, ingenuity and sustainability stem from a vision of kindness to one another and our city. As representatives of KDC, members are required to act good-naturedly at all KDC events. Vulgar and offensive words and actions will not be tolerated, nor will any illegal behavior Y'all can be canailles and still be nice.

If at any event a member acts in a harmful or derogatory manner that KDC leadership feels jeopardizes the reputation of the Krewe, you will be asked to remove yourself from the event and your membership will be terminated.

### MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues should be paid no later than January 31, 2019. Individual membership dues are \$50 per person.

Membership includes:

- Invitation to Krewe de Canailles social events held throughout the year
- Admission to walk in the parade with the Krewe (or your Sub-Krewe)
- Admission to parade after-party

No refunds will be given for dues because of expulsion from KDC events for bad behavior or if a member relinquishes membership.

### MEETINGS

Meetings will be announced via email and social media. The first KDC meeting will be held at **[TBD]** on **[TBD]** at **[TBD]**. We ask that all individual members and Sub-Krewe Captains please attend all scheduled KDC meetings.

## SUB-KREWES

All Sub-Krewes are required to designate a Captain to serve as the point of contact between their Sub-Krewe members and KDC leadership. All Captains are expected to uphold the KDC membership rules and to report any member in non-compliance, or report any incidents during the parade to the officers present.

Each Sub-Krewe is required to have a central costume theme in accordance with the parade theme to distinguish themselves as a Sub-Krewe, but also maintain cohesion with KDC. Offensive or vulgar costumes will not be allowed, and themes must be approved by January 31, 2019.

Each Sub-Krewe is also responsible for providing music for their group. This can be anything from members playing instruments, to some type of sound system, to arranging a band to play. Please notify KDC leadership no later than January 31, 2019 of your choice of music so we can plan the parade lineup.

## INDIVIDUALS

While we are allowing Sub-Krewes to form within the overall KDC, we encourage individuals to join as well. There will be an Independent Krewe where anyone without a Sub-Krewe can march.

## COSTUMES

Regardless if joining as an individual member or as part of a Sub-Krewe, you must be in full costume for the duration of the parade. All costumes must be approved in advance by KDC leadership, and will be reviewed before the parade during line up. If a member's costume is deemed offensive or vulgar by KDC, that member will not march in the parade. Membership dues will not be refunded for failure to comply with membership rules.

We encourage costumes, floats, and throws to be as creative and visually stimulating as possible. Since we want to limit waste through excessive throws, we suggest any renewable or recyclable materials you can.

If you have any questions or concerns about your costume before the parade, please email [krewedecanailles@gmail.com](mailto:krewedecanailles@gmail.com).

## PARADE

The 2019 parade will begin at 7:00PM. The parade begins at the **[TBD]**, goes down Jefferson Street, and ends at Warehouse 535. Please park at Warehouse 535 and meet at **[TBD]** by

6:00PM to line up for the parade. KDC board members and/or your Sub-Krewe Captain will show you where to line up.

The theme of the 2019 parade is Louisiana Folklore.

You will be provided a wristband that serves as your ticket to walk in the parade. You may collect your wristband from your Sub-Krewe Captain, or the sign in table at **[TBD]** before the parade.

Aside from the police lead car and follow car, no motorized vehicles will be permitted in the parade. However bicycles, wagons and any kind of woman or man-powered floats are encouraged. All floats should be mobile throughout the entire parade. If an issue arises with your float, please pull over to the right side of the route until you are able to repair it or until the parade has passed.

Only KDC members in good standing can march in the parade. While you may interact with crowd members, please discourage them from marching with you.

Please leave the beads at home, but feel free to bring environmentally-friendly throws. Further, please keep all waste to a minimum and either use the trash cans along the route, or collect your waste in a bag to throw away at the end of the route. We will provide a certain number of KDC signature wooden doubloons to hand out to individuals and Sub-Krewes.

If any member engages in any illegal, offensive, or vulgar behavior, that member will be asked to leave and/or reported to the authorities present. In this event, the offending member's membership will be terminated immediately. Membership dues will not be refunded if a member is expelled for bad behavior.

In the event of any emergency or incident, notify the closest officer and your Sub-Krewe Captain if possible.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Membership deadline – January 31, 2019
- First member meeting – **TBD**
- Sub-Krewe theme/costume submission for approval – January 31, 2019
- Individual costume submission for approval – January 31, 2019
- Parade – **TBD**