

Agreement of Expectations for the 2019 Colorado Master and slave Title Holders

Preface:

This document is being provided to each contestant pair prior to the Contest so all contestants are fully aware of the expectations and terms of agreement prior to competing for the Titles. Should you win the Colorado Master and slave contest for 2019, this document serves as our written agreement of the expectations of you as a Title Holder and what you can expect from the Owners/Producers of the Title.

The Rules, Scoring and Judging process for the Contest are in the Contest Handbook that is available online at www.ColoradoLeatherFest.com.

Competing for and winning a State Master/slave title is the beginning of a wonderful journey. The Master/slave titles are teaching titles, and during the contest you will be given opportunities to demonstrate your ability to teach, to speak publicly and to represent the Master and slave community. After the Contest you will have many opportunities to represent the title, not only in Colorado, but possibly in other states. We are proud of our Title Holders and look forward to a great year!

General Guidelines/Accountability:

As a title holder, you are in a very visible leadership position within the BDSM/Leather/Fetish/kink/M/s communities. Always remember that during your title year, everything you say and do will not only be representing you as individuals, but also, this title, the Colorado Master/slave community, and the Master/slave community everywhere. Every public appearance, opinion, comment, writing, class, speech, etc. will be reflective of you as individuals and as leaders in the community. You are expected to conduct yourselves accordingly. Avoiding negative community politics and drama is advised. In short, pick your battles and choose your words wisely during this title year.

For the next year, you are representing the Colorado Master and Colorado slave titles, so you are expected to wear your title patch when participating in any community event or house party during your title year.

Encourage others to consider competing for a future Colorado Master/slave title. (Mentor and Recruit)

During your title year, you are expected to provide the Colorado Master and slave contest owners/producers with your monthly itinerary of scheduled appearances, classes, fund raisers, etc. You should update the itinerary if events are added or dropped throughout the month. We will not micro manage your activities, but we like to know what you are attending in a "formal capacity" so we can help advertise and support your activities when possible.

You are expected to plan your Step-Down presentation and celebration at next year's Colorado Master and slave Contest event.

You will also have a role at the 2020 Colorado Master/slave Contest.

As the Colorado Master/slave title holders, you are eligible to compete as the exclusive Colorado representatives at the Southwest Regional Master/slave contest in Phoenix, next year. Should you win

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at SWLC, you will then be eligible to compete at the International Master/slave contest in Dallas at the completion of your SW title year.

Travel Fund and Money:

The Colorado M/s Travel Fund helps to support the current year title holder travel expenses. Funds available to the current year title holders are only those funds raised during the current title year, beginning with the contest weekend. All monies are held in a designated savings account.

The primary purpose of the travel fund is to support your travel expenses to the Southwest Leather Conference Master/slave Contest in Phoenix, AZ, and travel within the State of Colorado. This year, we are earmarking \$1,200 for the SWLC Regional M/s event. The money is to support your travel to and from Phoenix, three (3) nights lodging at the host hotel (Thursday, Friday and Saturday), the event meal package along with your other meals for the conference, and your registration as contestants in the SW M/s Contest. We will NOT pay for tee-shirts, play party tickets, bar tabs, or other expenses not directly associated to your travel, meals, and required participation in the SW M/s Contest.

Should the travel fund fail to cover all of the expenses, you should work to make up the difference from fund raisers. If funds still fall short, you will need to cover the shortage from your own finances. You are entitled to a full accounting of the travel funds balance at any time. You are encouraged to organize additional fund raisers to help support the travel fund.

Should the travel fund exceed the expected expenses for attending SWLC, the excess money may be used to help with your travel around Colorado, to attend events in the Southwest region, and to attend other regional Master/slave conferences; in that priority.

If, for any reason the travel fund is not depleted at the end of your title year, the balance will remain in the travel fund reserves and may be used to help future title holders.

You may not charge money, for personal gain as a result of presenting classes, services or appearances during your title year. However, you may negotiate for, and accept financial aid in the form of free admission, travel expenses, lodging and meals from events and event organizers/producers.

Any money collected from the community during your title year via, donations, fund raisers, or any other means becomes the property of Colorado Leather Fest and is added to the Colorado Master/slave travel fund. All money will be accounted for and added to the designated travel fund, unless otherwise negotiated in advance. Per IRS rules as a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit, we must have a paper trail of money raised and money spent.

Should you need funds to advertise or promote your events or the title, you may submit a request in writing for such funds. It will be assessed by the Colorado Master and slave producers as to their ability to help in part or in whole.

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Funds may be advanced to help pay for the cost of a fundraising event, with repayment of the advance coming from the proceeds of the fund raiser. The net profit, after expenses, of the fundraiser will be added to the travel fund.

Receipts are required for all reimbursed expenses.

Appearances:

You are required to attend next year's Southwest Leather Conference and compete in the regional Master/slave Contest.

You are required to attend next year's Colorado Master/slave contest.

You will serve in a role at next year's Colorado Master and slave Contest event.

You are required to participate in the Leather Contingent at the annual Denver Pride parade and Colorado Springs Pride parades.

You are required to organize and host at least one travel fund, fund raiser during your title year. The Kinky Prom is a required fund raiser, but others may be organized.

You are required to attend no less than four events, gatherings or meetings within the state of Colorado, to present, teach or speak about Master/slave dynamics. We encourage you to make as many appearances as possible and to be visible within the community throughout the state.

You are strongly encouraged to attend all local title events within the state, to show support and to help where possible. Supporting other title holders, contests, and events within the state is good protocol and promotes goodwill among the contests and title holders.

Helping pour beer at the Rocky Mountain Leather Alliance (RMLA), the Leather Colorado Foundation, Colorado Leather Fest, and Denver boys of Leather (DbolL) beer busts is strongly encouraged, as these organizations have supported the Colorado Master and slave activities. Each organization typically has multiple beer busts each year. You are required to volunteer to help at least one beer bust for each organization, and more if possible.

You are also encouraged to support and work with the State MAsT Chapters as they are a primary connection for the M/s Community and each year several of the Chapters sponsor the M/s Title Patches. We suggest that you try to attend each of the MAsT Chapter meetings at least once during your title year. Make the Chapters that sponsored the title patches the top of the priority list to visit and support.

You are encouraged to blog or journal about your travels and experiences. Building a photo journal of your experiences is also strongly encouraged as it helps make a nice step-down presentation.

You are encouraged to reach out to, support and to be visible with as many sub-cultures of the community as possible. The MAsT Chapters are a natural fit, however, reaching out to many other sub groups and sub-cultures helps to educate and spread knowledge about the Master/slave dynamic.

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Examples include, but are not limited to TNG, munches, the drag community, the gay community, the Rocky Mountain and Pikes Peak Empire Courts, as well as groups all over the state.

During your title year, you may attend as many Master/slave regional conferences and contests as you have time and resources available. Money for this travel will not come from the Colorado Master and slave travel fund, unless there is a surplus above the expected SWLC expenses.

Our Commitment to you:

We will listen to you and work with you to improve each phase of the contest and duties of the title holders.

We will be totally transparent with you about finances, needs, expectations and support.

During the year, and especially as you approach the date for the SWLC, we will assist in your final preparation to compete at the Southwest Leather Conference Master and slave Contest. You must make time available for practice sessions as we help you to prepare for the next level of competition and the next step in your journey.

Should you win the Southwest Master and slave title, you will then work with the owners and producers of SWLC for your travel funds, expenses, expectations, etc. Our mutual obligations will be fulfilled at that point and you will transition to a Regional Title Holder. However, you will still have the step-down responsibilities at the next Colorado M/s Contest. Should you not be awarded the SW M/s Title, your obligations to your State title shall continue until your step down at the next Colorado Master and slave Contest.

We wish you well with your journey and hope that you will have FUN and enjoy the many opportunities that will come your way. As the owners and producers of the Colorado Master and slave contest, we are always here for you as a sounding board, a resource, a safe place to vent, moral support, mentoring, and friendship, as needed. Please utilize us and keep in contact throughout your title year.

The undersigned have read, understand and agree to the expectations of the Colorado Master and slave Title Holders.

Print Master name:	Date
Print slave name:	Date
Master Trent, Owner/Producer Colorado Master/slave Title & Contest	Date
slave kelly, Owner/Producer Colorado Master/slave Title & Contest	Date

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Addendum:

Dates for appearances and opportunities to help other organizations will be provided to you as they become known. Not all of these are mandatory but serve as a list of “known dates” so you can plan to do what you are able. Dates in bold are mentioned in the required participation in the Agreement.

2019:

June – Denver Pride Parade

July – Colorado Springs Pride Parade

August – Denver Back Alley (RMLA) at Trade Bar, Denver

August 10 – Kinky Prom at Voodoo Leatherworks

2020:

January (possibly 16-19, 2020) SWLC and SW Regional M/s Contest

May (possibly 1-3, 2020) Colorado Leather Fest and Colorado Master/slave Contest