



# MYSTIC KREWE OF AQUARIUS

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## MYSTIC KREWE OF AQUARIUS PARADE

"BROADWAY ON PARADE" will be the theme of the seventh anniversary Mardi Gras Parade of the Mystic Krewe of Aquarius.

Aquarius will officially open the 1993 Mardi Gras Galveston Festivities at noon, Saturday, February 13. The Krewe's largest procession in its seven-year history will begin at 14th Street and Seawall Boulevard and proceed to 59th Street.

Aquarius is the second oldest Carnival parade since the 1986 revival of Galveston's Mardi Gras. The Krewe will unveil five new float, including two floats showcasing the Royal Court. King Edwin Mikesh and Queen Betti Sartor will reign over one of the largest krewe courts in all of Mardi Gras.

130 costumed Krewe members will ride theme decorated floats depicting such Broadway classics as "Guys and Dolls", "Camelot", and "South Pacific". Also, 20 Krewe members dressed as costumed popular characters will walk the procession.

The 1993 Parade will present 60 units, including twelve marching bands and several drill teams. The marching bands include, the 120 member Edna High School Cowboy Band from Edna, Texas, Ball High School Band and Tornettes, La Marque Mam'selles and the Marching Redskins of Houston M.B. Lamar, as well as other award winning bands. Reagan, Waltrip, Madison, Milby, Booker T. Washington, Yates, Jones, Kashmere and Forest Brook High Schools will be performing in the parade.

Mardi Gras revelers will be showered with thousands of beads and Aquarius collectible doubloons and cups. Burger King of Galveston will be throwing over 10,000 redeemable doubloons and coupons. Miller Lite-Dienst Distributing will also be showering revelers with more than 10,000 doubloons.

The official reviewing stand for parade judges, dignitaries and the press will be located at Benno's - Pier 25 Restaurant on 25th Street and Seawall Boulevard.

This year's event major sponsor is Burger King of Galveston, along with donations from Miller Lite-Dienst Distributing.