

New York April Fool's Committee
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THE 9th ANNUAL APRIL FOOL'S DAY PARADE

The Ninth Annual April Fool's Day Coronation of the King of Fools will be marked by a parade down Fifth Avenue, from 59th Street to Washington Square Park, beginning at 12 noon, Friday, April 1st, 1994.

The parade, led by **The Tonya Harding Pipe Baton Twirlers on Roller Blades**, will spotlight impostors costumed as this year's nominees for the coveted "Fool" crown. The nominations were made by a select board under the auspices of the April Fools Day Committee.

The New York April Fools Day Committee was formed in order to remedy a glaring omission in the long list of New York's annual ethnic and holiday parades. These events fail to recognize the importance of April 1st, the day designated to commemorate the perennial folly of mankind. In an attempt to bridge that gap and bring people back in touch with their inherent foolishness, the parade annually crowns a King of Fools. The winner last year was **Cardinal John O'Connor** for his stance on the '93 St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Among the nominees this year are: **Heidi Fleiss, Michael Jackson, Louis Farrakhan, Beavis & Butt-head, Senator Bob Packwood, Ross Perot, Burt Reynolds and Loni Anderson, Rush Limbaugh, Aldrich Hazen Ames and Vladimir Zhirinovsky.**

The public is invited to participate, in or out of costume, with or without floats, and may join the procession at any point along the parade route.

The King of Fools will be chosen by the cheers of the crowd in attendance at the end of the parade in Washington Square Park. The winning national fool of the year will reign as King (or Queen) through March 31st, 1995.

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