

State Appointed Title Information



**POA National Pageant** July 18th-24th, 2022

**The Mansion Theatre** 187 Expressway Ln Branson, MO 65616

Thank you for your interest in Princess of America! It is truly an experience like no other. POA focuses on building self confidence, providing a positive environment where each girl has the opportunity to shine, and creating an atmosphere that fosters friendship and camaraderie rather than competition. You'll meet amazing new friends from all across the country and be part of a fabulous on stage production. You'll enjoy fun activities all week long including the iconic "Pink Party". We are excited to be hosting our tenth annual national event in beautiful Branson, Missouri. It's truly a one of a kind destination with fun for the entire family! Please feel free to email us with any questions at info@princessofamerica.org.

#### We look forward to working with you!



## AGE DIVISIONS

Ages are figured as of January 1st, 2022

Tiny Miss: 4-6	Little Miss: 7-9	Preteen Miss: 10-12	
Teen Miss: 13-15	Junior Miss: 16-18	Miss: 19-24	

### MAKEUP

Princess of America is a natural pageant system. Makeup guidelines apply during ALL areas of competition. This includes the required areas for a state or regional title, Superstar, Ambassador, and all optionals including photogenic.

Tiny Miss and Little Miss divisions should wear no noticeable makeup.

Preteen Miss division is allowed to wear light, natural makeup. Use caution with makeup. Judges are instructed that girls should look age appropriate so makeup can work against you if you are not careful.

Teen Miss, Junior Miss, and Miss contestants can be more glamorous but should still look their age.

Makeup guidelines apply during all competitions: required areas and all optional competitions including Superstar and Ambassador.

### AREAS OF COMPETITION (REQUIRED)

#### INTERVIEW

Each contestant will have a personal interview with each of our judges. Questions will be age-appropriate, conversational, and will help the judges learn more about each girl. The judges are looking for personality, confidence, and the ability to express themselves verbally. Tiny Miss and Little Miss contestants will have 1 minute with each judge. Preteen Miss and Teen Miss contestants will have 2 minutes with each judge. Junior Miss and Miss contestants will have 3 minutes with each judge.

WARDROBE: Interview Outfit (dress, suit, pantsuit, etc.) No Jeans.

#### PERSONAL INTRODUCTION

Each contestant will introduce herself on stage. You may include things like your name, hometown, activities you enjoy, future goals, or something interesting about yourself. The introduction will be judged on confidence, personality, articulation, and presentation. The best introductions are 15-30 seconds long. Introductions are not timed but judges are instructed that introductions should not drag on.

WARDROBE: Interview Outfit.

#### FORMAL WEAR

Contestant will appear on stage in the formal wear competition. This portion of competition is judged on poise, confidence, and presentation. *WARDROBE:* Gown of your choice. Gown should be floor length and age appropriate. Slits should be a modest height. We are not looking for anything too sexy or revealing.

#### **ON-STAGE QUESTION**

Contestants, except for those in the Tiny Miss division, will be asked an on-stage question. Teen Miss, Junior Miss, and Miss divisions will not know what questions will be asked. Little Miss & Preteen Miss divisions will receive a list of potential questions and will be given the list at pageant check in. The questions will be age appropriate and not political.

WARDROBE: Wear your formal wear gown.

# NATIONAL TITLES

We will crown 10 national titleholders! These lucky ladies will become the faces of Princess of America for the next year. They will be the recipients of the national prize package, which includes custom national crown and banner, trophy, cash award, custom POA gifts, professional photo shoots, queens trip, and more!

• **TINY MISS**-Highest scoring delegate of age division in the required areas of competition.

• LITTLE MISS-Highest scoring delegate of age division in the required areas of competition.

• **PRETEEN MISS**-Highest scoring delegate of age division in the required areas of competition.

• **TEEN MISS**-Highest scoring delegate of the age division in the required areas of competition.

• JUNIOR MISS-Highest scoring delegate of age division in the required areas of competition.

• **MISS**-Highest scoring delegate of the age division in the required areas of competition.

• JUNIOR SUPERSTAR-Highest scoring talent contender in the Tiny Miss, Little Miss, and Preteen Miss age divisions combined, who has not already been awarded a national title. (See page 4)

• **SUPERSTAR**-Highest scoring talent contender in the Teen Miss, Junior Miss, and Miss age divisions combined, who has not already been awarded a national title. (See page 4)

• **JUNIOR AMBASSADOR**-Highest scoring Ambassador contender in the Tiny Miss, Little Miss, and Preteen Miss age divisions combined, who has not already been awarded a national title. (See page 4)

• **AMBASSADOR**-Highest scoring Ambassador contender in the Teen Miss, Junior Miss, and Miss age divisions combined, who has not already been awarded a national title. (See page 4)

# TITLE OPPORTUNITIES

Princess of America is proud to crown 10 national titleholders! Each of these prestigious titles will be awarded the same amazing prize package and have the same opportunities during her reign. In addition to our six age division titles, we will award 4 additional titles. The competitions listed below are optional and require an additional fee. A brief description of each additional title is provided below.

#### SUPERSTAR & JUNIOR SUPERSTAR

The Superstar competition is a way to showcase your talents! Entries have a time limit of 2 minutes 30 seconds. Points will be deducted for exceeding this time limit. Live accompaniment is not allowed. Only the delegate may perform.

#### AMBASSADOR & JUNIOR AMBASSADOR

The Ambassador competition is a way to celebrate those who have a heart for service. Delegates will assemble a portfolio of their community service work and positive things she has done to make a difference with her Princess of America state/regional title. Portfolio must be turned in at pageant check-in. Ambassador forms will be sent separately.

Delegates will also speak with the judges about their journey with Princess of America. Delegates will have a panel interview with the judges and be asked questions based on the portfolio and what they have achieved with their Princess of America state title.

*NOTE:* The Junior Superstar & Junior Ambassador titles will come from the junior divisions (Tiny Miss, Little Miss, and Preteen Miss age divisions combined). Superstar & Ambassador titles will come from the senior divisions (Teen Miss, Junior Miss, and Miss age divisions combined).

# **OPTIONAL COMPETITIONS**

We are excited to offer a variety of optional competitions! The competitions listed below are optional and require an additional fee. More information on each optional competition will be in the national handbook.

- PHOTOGENIC
- CROWN COVER MODEL
- CASUAL WEAR
- PINK CARPET COUTURE
- STATE COSTUME
- SPOKESMODEL
- TOP MODEL
- SUPERMODEL
- SPECIAL AWARDS
- VIP AWARDS: All contestants are automatically entered into the following VIP awards.

BEST ATTITUDE (staff choice) BUTTERFLY AWARD (director choice) PRINCESS PICK (queens choice) MISS PERSONALITY (contestant choice)

# YOUTUBE

Want to see more of Princess of America before you arrive at the pageant? Check out our YouTube channel! We have examples of past opening numbers, and examples of areas of competition.

Click here to visit our YouTube channel!



### **REQUIRED FEES**

#### • State Appointed Application Fee-\$50

If selected, required national fees include:

- National Entry Fee-\$450
  - This includes: Custom state crown Custom rhinestone satin banner T shirt
- Opening Number Dress-\$200
- Sponsorship Fee-\$745
  - This includes: Sponsor Page (page design not included) Delegate Pink Party Ticket Delegate Birthday Bash Ticket 2022 National T Shirt Scholarship Fee Delegate ticket to junior and senior superstar shows Delegate ticket to optional shows for all age divisions Delegate ticket to spokesmodel show for all age divisions Delegate ticket to preliminary shows for all age divisions Delegate ticket to junior and senior final shows 1 Additional ticket to junior and senior superstar shows 1 Additional ticket to optional shows for all age divisions 1 Additional ticket to spokesmodel show for all age divisions 1 Additional ticket to preliminary shows for all age divisions 1 Additional ticket to junior and senior final shows
- **Party Pass\***-\$95 This pass will gain admittance for 1 additional guest to attend the Pink Party and Birthday Bash. The Party Pass is required for 1 parent/ guardian of each junior division delegate (Tiny Miss, Little Miss, Preteen Miss) as they must be accompanied by an adult. The Party Pass is not required for senior division delegates (Teen Miss, Junior Miss, Miss)\*
- **Opening Number Shoes**-Prices vary and will be offered at a discount.

## PLATFORM

It is required that all national delegates select a platform. After all, Princess of America's motto is "A Crown With A Cause".

What is a platform? A platform is your 'cause'. Choose something that sparks passion within you. You can choose a specific organization that you volunteer with or even create your own organization. It can even be something as simple as promoting kindness in your community. Know your platform, and be prepared to potentially answer platform based questions in your interview or for on stage question.

# **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

This tentative schedule is subject to change. You will receive a final schedule one month prior to the pageant.

MONDAY, JULY 18TH: Check-In, Rehearsal, Top Model, Pink Party TUESDAY, JULY 19TH: Orientation, Rehearsal, Superstar WEDNESDAY, JULY, 20TH: Optional Competitions, Birthday Bash THURSDAY, JULY 21ST: Interviews, Ambassador FRIDAY, JULY 22ND: Rehearsal, Preliminary Competitions SATURDAY, JULY 23RD: Rehearsal, Final Shows, Crowning SUNDAY, JULY 24TH: New Queens Photoshoot

### AGREEMENT

Please see our contestant/ titleholder agreement linked below to read all the rules. At pageant check in, each contestant (and parent or guardian if 17 or younger) will be required to sign the agreement. Please be sure to read thoroughly.

Click here to read the 2022 Contestant/Titleholder Agreement!

# **READY TO APPLY?**

**Step 1:** Visit www.princessofamerica.com and click "Register Now".

**Step 2:** Click on your state of residence if you are new to POA or click "returning delegate" if you are returning to POA.

**Step 3:** Click on the application and fill it out! Submit a professional headshot that follow POA's makeup guidelines via email to <u>info@princessofamerica.org</u> with name/application in the subject line. Example "Jane Doe Application". To also be considered for a Superstar or Ambassador title please submit a talent video or a letter of recommendation when sending your headshot.

After you have submitted your application and \$50 application fee please allow 2-4 weeks for acceptance. After acceptance, the remaining \$450 entry fee must be paid in full before your crown and banner are ordered.

Feel free to email us at info@princessofamerica.org with any questions. We look forward to working with you!

# GOOD LUCK!

We can't wait for you to get started on this exciting journey! The skills and experience you gain through participation in this organization will serve you well in all areas of your life and benefit you far beyond a pageant stage.

