# Parent Information 2015



# Welcome to the Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen Competition!

This is your official parent information packet for the 2015 competition. In this packet, you will find ticket order forms for special events, official host hotel information, and information for ordering official photos, competition DVD and flowers for contestants. Please review carefully, and complete forms and requests by due dates.

We are pleased to announce Mesa Arts Center, the state-of-the-art and award winning facility, as our venue for the 2015 competition. We also welcome back our exclusive host hotel, Hyatt Place Mesa/Phoenix, where all of the 2015 contestants will be staying. We encourage you, as parents of contestants and supporters of the Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona Outstanding Teen Pageant, to patron our official host hotel during competition week. A special friends and family discounted rate has been extended.

From all of us on the Miss Arizona team, we appreciate your commitment to our program and the support you offer your daughters. For our Miss and Teen contestant parents, we will be holding a special meeting during pageant week on Saturday June 27. Please plan to be there to learn important information regarding the duties and expectations of Miss Arizona and to have breakfast with your daughter!

# **Helpful contact information:**

- For questions and concerns, please contact your Local Executive Director
- Host Hotel: Hyatt Place Hotel, Mesa, 480.969.8200, 1422 West Bass Pro Drive, Mesa
- Competition Venue: Mesa Arts Center, (480) 644.6500, One East Main Street, Mesa
- Welcome Dinner, Tuesday 6.23.15, 5:30-7:30, Copper Blues, 980 E. University Drive, Tempe AZ 85281
  - o Tickets required, see form to order
- Sweet Tomatoes Lunch, 6.24.15, 11:30-12:30, 4928 S Power Rd, Mesa, AZ
  - Parents welcome to attend, although contestants may not sit with family/friends
- Coronation Reception, 6.27.14, 10 pm-12 am North Patio, Mesa Arts Center
  - o Tickets required, see form to order

# **TRANSPORTATION**

All Miss Contestants will be driven and supervised by their appointed Field Director.

For Teen Contestants, the Designated Chaperone with a state-issued badge (may be a parent or designated adult chaperone) is required to drive the contestant to all events and rehearsals during competition week. The drop-off area for the Mesa Arts Center will be the back security door between the purple and green walls. It will be marked. Your daughter will only be released to the parent or designated chaperone with a state-issued security badge and only at designated times. Only contestants and pageant staff with a state-issued security badge will be allowed backstage or in the dressing rooms during pageant week. Parents are not allowed backstage. The only exception is the load-in, load-out of wardrobe -- these times are designated in the schedule. This designated Wardrobe Representative must also have a state-issued badge. Rehearsals during pageant week are closed. There is a security guard on staff at the security door at all times while your daughters are at the Mesa Arts Center.

# PAGEANT TICKET PURCHASES

The pageant begins preliminary competition June 25 & 26, with final competition night June 27 at the Mesa Arts Center in the Ikeda Theatre. Visit <a href="https://www.mesaartscenter.com">www.mesaartscenter.com</a> starting May 1, 2015 at 10 am to purchase your tickets. A season ticket for all three nights and individual tickets are available. Box Office phone number is (480) 644.6500.

# PARENT MEETING - Mandatory

There is a mandatory **Parent Meeting** Saturday June 27, 8:00-8:45 am at our official host hotel, the Hyatt Place Phoenix/Mesa in the Meeting Room. (**ONE parent** per **teen** contestant please due to limited space) The address is 1422 West Bass Pro Drive, Mesa AZ. Miss parents will have an opportunity to visit with your daughter from 8:45-9:30 am.

The Parent Meeting will cover the duties, expectations and financial obligations of the new Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen's year of service, and preparation for the national competitions.

#### CONTESTANTS SHOULD BRING

- Official Sash
- A package of thank you notes (Teens only)
- It is suggested, although not required, that you bring a small gift for the outgoing Miss Arizona or Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen, your backstage hostess and your assigned Field Director (Miss only).
- Bid-a-Basket: Each Miss and Teen contestant should bring a basket with items valued at \$100 for the Bid-a-Basket fundraiser. Please have items arranged in a <u>sturdy</u> basket and <u>secured with clear wrapping</u> for protection and easy viewing. Solicit businesses in your community to give complimentary goods examples include pro or college team items, salon certificates, jewelry, golf games, restaurant certificates, etc. <u>Please email mayda@missarizona.org</u> by <u>June 1</u> with basket description. (include name, title in subject line of email. example: "Jane Doe, Miss Capital City, Bid-a-Basket")

# FLOWERS FOR CONTESTANTS

Karen's Flowers is the official florist of the Miss Arizona Pageant: 2048 E. Baseline Rd, Mesa, AZ, 480-926-9544. Karen's Flowers is a generous sponsor of the Miss Arizona Scholarship Foundation; we encourage you to patron this business for your Good Luck gifts. Karen's Flowers provides:

- Fresh flower arrangements
- · Candy soda dishes
- Dish planting arrangements
- Stuffed animals
- Fruit baskets

Note: ALL flower deliveries must be made to the Hyatt Place Hotel in Mesa, 480-969-8200, not to Mesa Arts Center.

#### PEOPLE'S CHOICE

In alignment with the Miss America and Miss America's Outstanding Teen Pageant, we present the 2015 Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen *People's Choice Awards!* You may cast your vote for the contestant you believe should be a finalist in the 2015 Miss Arizona and Arizona's Outstanding Teen Scholarship Pageant. The contestant with the most votes will automatically advance into the Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen 2015 Top 11 on Final Night. Online voting will be open June 1, 2015 until 4:00 p.m. PT on June 26, 2015. Voting will be available in the Mesa Arts Center lobby until the conclusion of the Friday night preliminary competition. Each vote is \$1 and proceeds from the 2015 People's Choice Awards will benefit the Miss Arizona Scholarship Foundation fund.

#### PRINCESS PROGRAM

The Arizona Princess program is for girls age 5 to 12. The purpose of the program is to introduce them to the Miss America Organization, develop relationships with you the titleholder and encourage the princess to possibly compete one day in the Miss Arizona Pageant. It is also for girls who want to support a particular contestant by representing her during state pageant week. Princess activities will be Thursday - Saturday pageant week. Those who recruit a princess be featured in an additional stage appearance during a special preliminary night crowning ceremony with your specific princess.

Arizona Princesses will receive:

- Official Arizona Princess Crown
- Official Arizona Princess Sash
- Thursday and Friday Preliminary Competition Ticket for Princess
- Appear on stage with contestants for official Arizona Princess Crowning Ceremony
- Cupcake & Crowns Princess Party
- Story Time with Miss America
- Photo op with Miss America, Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen
- Arizona Princess T-shirt & Goody bag

Although not a requirement, each titleholder is expected to make efforts to recruit a princess to share in this extremely positive, rewarding experience. You are welcome and encouraged to recruit more than one! For information, go to <a href="https://www.azprincess.weebly.com">www.azprincess.weebly.com</a> or email <a href="mailto:princess@missarizona.org">princess@missarizona.org</a>.

# PAGEANT WEEK MISS AND TEEN CONTESTANT RULES

No alcohol or substance use, regardless of age. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in immediate expulsion from the competition.

No one may be in a Miss contestant's room at any time, including family, significant others, friends and local directors. Teen contestant rooms are limited to family or guardians only. **Failure to adhere to this rule will result in immediate expulsion from the competition.** 

No hair, makeup, or tanning professionals or "coaches" will be allowed in your hotel room. No hair or makeup professionals or parents are allowed backstage. The Miss America Pageant requires contestants do their own makeup and hair on Final Night and Miss America's Outstanding Teen does not allow hair and make professionals of any kind during competition; this is our position for the entire week of competition. Miss Arizona staff may "check" hotel rooms at any time. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in immediate expulsion from the competition.

Cell phones may not be used at any time backstage. The only time cell phones may be used is at the **Welcome Dinner, Sweet Tomatoes, Phoenix Children's Hospital**, during specific, monitored times for social media postings and in hotel room at night. Cell phones will be turned in each morning to Pageant Staff and returned upon returning to the hotel.

The Miss Arizona and Miss America Organization does not condone a contestant posting on message boards and participation on them, evenly anonymously, is strictly forbidden. No one in the organization, especially our leaders, contestants and parents, should ever read them.

All contestants are required to attend the Coronation Reception. Please display good sportsmanship. Show appreciation and professional behavior at all pageant week events.

# MORE INFORMATION

For **Miss** contestants, a complimentary hotel room is provided through Friday night, June 26. Upon check in, she will need to provide a **credit card** for incidentals. **Check out is between 8:00-8:30 am, Saturday morning.** She will load her luggage into her Field Director's room. (Please be sure this luggage is marked with her name and title.) A parent or Local ED may claim her luggage between 9:00am and 9:30 only. (We

will provide the room number of your daughter's Field Director during the Parent Meeting.) She may, at a rate of \$84 choose to extend her stay for Saturday night. (If contestant is staying at the hotel for Saturday night, we ask that the parent check her into her new room or arrange with the front desk to keep her current room for an additional night.) This *optional* Saturday night reservation is made through the Hyatt Place Hotel, not Miss Arizona staff. Call 480-969-8200 to make reservations and ask for the "Miss Arizona Scholarship Pageant" group rate of \$84/night. Make reservations *by June 8, 2015 to secure the discounted rate*.

**Teen** contestants are required to stay at the host hotel Tuesday June 23 through Friday night, June 26, checking out the morning of Saturday June 27. It is optional to stay at the hotel for Saturday Night, June 27 for the same Miss Arizona Outstanding Teen rate of \$79. Guests may call 480-969-8200 to make reservations. Reserve **by June 8, 2015 to secure the discounted rate**. These rooms go quickly and may sell out: be sure to reserve as soon as possible.

Miss Arizona 2015 will stay at Hyatt Place Hotel on Saturday night. Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen 2015 has the choice of staying with her parents, if her parents opt to purchase a room at the Hyatt Place, or she may stay in the room with Miss Arizona 2015. Both Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen 2015 are required to stay at the host hotel Saturday night for mandatory contract signing on Sunday morning and also must be available all of Sunday for important meetings and press interviews.

# COMPETITION WEEK SCHEDULE - JUNE 23- 27, 2015

Schedule will be available for download from www.missarizonaresourceportal.weebly.com mid-June, and an updated, specific schedule will be in each contestant's welcome packet. Schedule is subject to change.

The parent or Designated Chaperone for **TEEN** Contestants must be available from June 23-June 27 and are *required* to stay in the host hotel. You may room with another Teen and parent if you wish.

# OFFICIAL HOST HOTEL- HYATT PLACE PHOENIX/MESA

We *highly encourage* parents and your daughter's supporting delegation to take advantage of the special group rate at the Hyatt Place Hotel of Mesa, the official host hotel of the Miss Arizona Pageant.

The Official Host Hotel for the 2015 Miss Arizona/Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen Scholarship Competition is the **Hyatt Place Phoenix/Mesa** located at 1422 West Bass Pro Drive, Mesa AZ 85201, only 2 miles from our competition venue.

Located in the Mesa Riverview Shopping Center, the Hyatt Place is adjacent to a variety of shopping, dining and entertainment options including the Cinemark movie theater.

#### Food

All guests enjoy a *complimentary* hot breakfast, a.m. Kitchen Skillet™ served daily, with hot breakfast items, fresh fruit, oatmeal and plenty more to choose from. The new gallery menu features fresh 24/7 Apps, breakfast, lunch & dinner options, including new signature flatbreads & an On-the-Go selection. In the Bakery Café serves freshly baked gourmet items and Starbucks® coffee & tea drinks. Bakery Café also offers wine, a variety of domestic and imported beers and a full service bar.

#### Rooms

The spacious guest rooms feature contemporary decor with divided living and sleeping areas, plush Hyatt Grand Bed™, state-of-the-art media and work center with a 42" flat-panel high-definition television that easily integrates with laptops and other electronic devices, an oversized Cozy Corner sofa-sleeper, and wet/dry bar with mini fridge. Get connected with free Wi-Fi throughout the hotel and remote printing. All Hyatt Place hotels are smoke-free.

### **Pool and Fitness Center**

# Miss Arizona / Miss Arizona Outstanding Teen Scholarship Pageant Video Order Form

Order and pay before June 1, 2015 to take \$20 off the Complete Package Price (\$119.00)!

\$100 - Edited HD video from Thursday, Friday, and Saturday's shows

\$25 - Individual video from your competition interview plus the winner's interview

\$30 - Pageant event video – includes video from TQLA, lunches, rehearsals, thank you note party, all set to music from the pageant

All of the above items delivered on a USB stick to make it easy for you to enjoy and play on your favorite media player. A DVD set is available too, just let us know!

Please complete the following information and we will mail your order to you after editing.

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$\bigcirc$	Video from Thursday, Friday, and Saturday Shows	\$100.00
$\bigcirc$	Individual Interview Contestant:	\$25.00
$\bigcirc$	Pageant Event Video	\$30.00
$\bigcirc$	Complete Package (all of the above videos) (\$119 if ordered and paid before June 1, 2015)	\$139.00

Please mail this form and payment to:

LC-Fotografia 7929 N. Placita Murrieta Tucson, AZ 85743 www.lc-fotografia.com wayne@lc-fotografia.com



Total:

We accept credit cards via PayPal - please ask us and we will send you a PayPal invoice!

Please make checks payable to: LC-FOTOGRAFIA

Have questions? Call us 520-401-2079



#### 2015 COMPETITION WEEK PHOTO ORDER

The official pageant week photographer is Morgan McLane from Morgan McLane Photography. Please visit www.morganmclane.come to see Morgan's editorial work and learn more about this talented artist.

For Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen, Morgan is offering 3 pre-sale packages. Order BEFORE pageant week begins for these discounted packages!

# **Competition Package \$150**

Includes all on-stage photos from the competition

# Backstage Pass \$60

Includes all parties and appearances throughout the week, backstage, and rehearsals

#### All Inclusive \$195

Incudes competition and backstage packages combined

# Purchase photo packages online ONLY at:

http://missarizona2015.morganmclanephotography.com



Photo by Morgan McLane

# **Special Event Tickets**



Each Contestant is expected to sell a minimum of 3 tickets to each event.

Official Welcome Dinne	r		
Copper Blues, 930 E Univers			
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			ers, Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's
Outstanding Teen. Full meal	and beverage is includ	led in price.	
Ticket price: \$30 each			Amount due:
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TEEN FAMILY/FRIENDS ARF	RIVAL TIME: 5:15 pm*		
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Orders due by May 25

will be in Titleholder's "Contestant Welcome Packet" given to the contestant Tuesday, June 23.