# Miss Arizona 📈

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

This is your official parent information packet for the competition. In this packet, you will find ticket order forms for special events, official host hotel information, and information for ordering official photos, competition videos, and flowers for candidates. Please review carefully.

We are pleased to announce Mesa Arts Center, the state-of-the-art and award winning facility, as our venue for the competition. We also welcome back our exclusive host hotel, Hyatt Place Mesa/Phoenix, where all of the 2019 candidates will be staying. We encourage you, as parents of candidates and supporters of the Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona Outstanding Teen Competition, 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.

#### Helpful contact information:

- For questions and concerns, please contact your Local Executive Director
- Candidate Information: Miss Arizona Resource Portal: www.missarizonaresourceportal.weebly.com
- 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
- Candidate Appreciation Party, Mesa Arts Center, Terrace Lobby

#### TRANSPORTATION

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

For **Teen Candidates**, the Designated Chaperone with a state-issued badge (may be a parent or designated adult chaperone) is required to drive the candidate 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. If you plan to arrange carpooling amongst the badge-holding chaperones, we must have this in writing. Email ONE list per carpooling group to Diana Anderson at rainbowenterprises39@gmail.com.* 

Only candidates and competition staff with a state-issued security badge will be allowed backstage or in the dressing rooms during competition week. <u>Parents are not allowed backstage</u>. 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. This may be the same person as the designated chaperone. Rehearsals during competition 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.

#### COMPETITION TICKET PURCHASES

The competition begins with preliminary competition June 19 & 20, with final competition night June 22 at the Mesa Arts Center in the Ikeda Theatre. Visit <u>www.mesaartscenter.com</u> starting May 1 at noon to purchase your tickets. A season ticket for all three nights and individual tickets are available. Box Office phone number is **(480) 644.6500**.

## CANDIDATES SHOULD BRING

- Official Sash
- A package of thank you notes **and stamps**
- 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 candidate should bring a basket with items valued at \$75 or more 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 donate goods examples include pro or college team items, salon certificates, jewelry, golf games, restaurant certificates, etc. Worth \$75 or more. Please email mayda@missarizona.org by June 1 with basket description. (include name, title in subject line of email. example: "Jane Doe, Miss Capital City, Bid-a-Basket")

#### GIFTS FOR CANDIDATES

ALL flower and gift deliveries must be made to the Hyatt Place Hotel in Mesa, 480-969-8200, not to Mesa Arts Center. Any deliveries to MAC will not be accepted.

#### PEOPLE'S CHOICE

In alignment with the Miss America and Miss America's Outstanding Teen Competition, we present the 2019 Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen **People's Choice Awards!** You may cast your vote for the candidate you believe should be a finalist in the Miss Arizona and Arizona's Outstanding Teen Scholarship Competition. The candidate with the most votes will automatically advance into the Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen Top 11 on Final Night. Online voting will be open June 1 until 4:00 p.m. PST on June 21. 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 People's Choice Awards will benefit the Miss Arizona Scholarship Foundation fund. Vote online at missarizona.org and also in the lobby on Wednesday and Thursday evenings before the competition. Cash and credit cards are accepted.

#### PRINCESS PROGRAM

The Arizona Princess program is for girls age 4 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 Competition. It is also for girls who want to support a particular candidate by representing her during state competition week. Princess activities will be Thursday - Saturday competition 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 & Sash
- Wednesday and Thursday Preliminary Competition Ticket for Princess
- Professional Photos from the Princess Activities
- Appear on stage with candidates for official Arizona Princess Crowning Ceremony
- A Professional Photo with Miss America 2019, Nia Franklin
- Cupcake Café Princess Party
- Story Time with the current Miss America, Nia Franklin
- Photo op with Miss America, Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen
- Arizona Princess T-shirt & Goody bag
- Official Princess Photographs

Each titleholder is expected to make efforts to recruit AT LEAST ONE princess to share in this extremely positive, rewarding experience. Candidates are welcome and encouraged to recruit more than one! For information, go to www.azprincess.weebly.com or email princess@missarizona.org.

#### Breaking rules will result in immediate expulsion from the competition.

#### No alcohol or substance use regardless of age.

**Sportsmanship:** Display good sportsmanship during the entire week of competition. Show appreciation to meal hosts, state staff, Mesa Arts Center staff and backstage hostesses, and display professional behavior at all competition week events. Your positive attitude can help create a positive culture for everyone around you. Disrespectful or careless behavior will not be tolerated and may result in immediate expulsion from the competition per state staff judgement.

#### Hotel Room:

**Miss Candidates**: No one may be in a Miss candidate's room at any time, including family, significant others, friends or local directors. Once you are dropped at your room each night by your designated chaperone, you may not leave your room and are not allowed ANYONE except your roommate in the room. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in immediate expulsion from the competition. Miss candidate's rooms are complimentary June 18-21, checking out the morning of the 22.

**Teen Candidates:** Rooms are limited to family or guardians only. Outstanding Teen's parent or designated adult chaperone will be responsible for the candidate's room, tax and incidental charges and will be required to present a valid credit card at time of check-in. For Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen rooms (special \$79 rate), call 480-969-8200 and ask for the "Miss AZ Scholarship Competition Outstanding Teen" group rate. Please make your reservation **BY JUNE 2.** This special \$79 rate is available beginning two days before State and one day after should you decide to extend your stay.

**Dressing Room:** No one, including parents or coaches, may be backstage or in Dressing Rooms <u>at any time</u>, <u>under any circumstances</u>. (The only exception to this rule is "Wardrobe Load-In" on June 18 and "Wardrobe Load-Out" on June 22 following the final night show. The ONLY person who may help the candidate is the Official Wardrobe Representative (female only) who has a state-issued badge. (Badges will be checked.)

**Schedule:** Be on time to everything. Lateness will not be tolerated or accommodated. Wear your state-issued badge at all times except when wearing a sash is indicated in the schedule. Teens must have a parent or chaperone with a badge with them at all times except closed rehearsal times at Mesa Arts Center. A rough schedule will be provided at Prep Day and a specific schedule sometime in June.

**Hair and Makeup Services**: No hair or makeup professionals of any kind are allowed whether in your hotel room or backstage. No teen parents/chaperones are allowed backstage to do hair and makeup. Teen parent/chaperone may help their teen with hair and makeup in their hotel room.

**Cell Phones:** The ONLY time cell phones may be used is at the designated events during the week and in your room at night (*not backstage*). Cell phones will be checked in each morning with the Teen Hostess or your respective Field Directors. They will only be returned for designated events and at the end of the night.

**Talent Music:** You will be allowed one hour -- starting after dinner until one half hour before the preliminary or final night competition -- to use your iPod (not cell phone) for talent music. If such devices are seen at any other time, they will be confiscated and not returned until the end of the competition.

**Message Boards:** The Miss Arizona and Miss America Organization does not condone a candidate posting on message boards and participation on them, evenly anonymously, is strictly forbidden. No one in the organization, especially our leaders and candidates, should ever read them.

Rehearsals during competition week will be closed. No parents or Local Directors may attend.

#### MORE INFORMATION

For **Miss** candidates, a complimentary hotel room is provided Tuesday, June 18 through Friday night, June 21. Upon check in, she will need to provide a **credit card** for incidentals. *Check out is between 7:30-8:00 am, Saturday morning. The candidate's Parent or Local Director must meet her in the lobby during this time to take her luggage.* She may, at a rate of \$89 choose to extend her stay for Saturday night. (If the candidate is staying at the hotel for Saturday night, we ask that the parent check her into her new room/handle her luggage 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 and speak with Kelly Hane to make reservations - ask for the "Miss Arizona Scholarship Competition" group rate of \$89/night. Make reservations *by June 2 to secure the special rate*.

**Teen** candidates are required to stay at the host hotel Tuesday June 18 through Friday night, June 21, checking out the morning of Saturday June 22. It is *optional* to stay at the hotel for Saturday Night, June 22 for the same Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen rate of \$79. Guests may call 480-969-8200 to make reservations. Reserve **by June 2 to secure the discounted rate**. These rooms go quickly and may sell out so be sure to reserve as soon as possible.

**Miss Arizona 2019** and **Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen 2019** are NOT required to stay at the host hotel the night of June 22, but you may have TV interviews very early the morning of June 23. You are responsible for getting to and from the station (a media sheet with all necessary information will be provided). The new Miss Arizona and Arizona's Outstanding Teen must be available for mandatory contract signing, press interviews and meetings Sunday all day *as well as every day* the following week through July 5. We realize this covers the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday, but NO EXCEPTIONS will be made. **This week is mandatory prep, meetings and photos for National Competition.** 

#### COMPETITION WEEK SCHEDULE - JUNE 18- 22, 2019

A specific schedule will be available for download from www.missarizonaresourceportal.weebly.com one-to-two weeks prior to competition, and an updated, specific schedule will be in each candidate's welcome packet. *Schedule is subject to change.* 

#### TENTATIVE COMPETITION WEEK SCHEDULE

Tuesday 6.18 Wardrobe: Cute and casual (bring competition heels/tennis shoes); Teen: Competition Interview attire Morning: Check-in, wardrobe load in and deliver bid-a-baskets to theatre Afternoon: Rehearsals, Teen Interviews, Miss Hotel Check-in Evening: Dress Rehearsal, Teen Interviews

#### Wednesday 6.19

Wardrobe: (am) Casual rehearsal clothes and shoes; competition heels; (pm) Competition attire. Ad sale winners: cute outfit for lunch Morning: Talent Tech Rehearsal and Miss Interviews Afternoon: Lunch, Rehearsal, Miss Interviews

Ad Sales Winners private lunch with Miss America, Nia Franklin (casual) Evening: First Preliminary Show, Visitation after show

#### Thursday 6.20

Wardrobe: (am) Casual rehearsal clothes and shoes; competition heels (am & afternoon) Miss: Competition Interview attire (pm) Cocktail or nice dress for visitation Morning: Talent Tech Rehearsal Afternoon: Rehearsal and Miss Interviews Evening: Second Preliminary Show, Visitation after show

#### TENTATIVE COMPETITION WEEK SCHEDULE continued

Friday 6.21 Wardrobe: (Daytime) Casual rehearsal clothes and shoes, competition heels; (afternoon) Colorful daytime dress, crown/sash (pm) Nice dress/trendy outfit for evening party, crown/sash Morning: Rehearsal Afternoon: Rehearsal, Princess Party Evening: Candidate Appreciation Party

Saturday 6.22 Wardrobe: (Daytime) Casual rehearsal clothes and shoes; competition heels Morning: Check out of hotel, Rehearsal Afternoon: Rehearsal Evening: Final Show

#### Sunday 6.23

2019 Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen TV interviews may be scheduled for earlier that morning. Wear interview attire. (Attire will need to be approved) Daytime: Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen MANDATORY contract signing and various meetings (nice casual).

The parent or Designated Chaperone for TEEN Candidates must be available from June 18-June 22 and are required to stay in the host hotel Tuesday June 18 – Friday June 21 (checking out Saturday June 22. It is optional to stay at hotel June 22.) 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 Competition. 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<sup>™</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> 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<sup>™</sup>, 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** Hyatt Place Phoenix/Mesa has a 24-hour fitness room, and brand new swimming with food service.

**Reservations** Guests may call 480-969-8200 to make reservations and must ask for the "Miss Arizona Scholarship Competition" group rate of <u>\$89/night</u>. Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen Candidates may extend their stay for <u>\$79/night</u> including Monday June 1 through Sunday, June 23. Please make your reservation **by June 2.** Call Kelly Hane at 480-754-8651 if you have any issue with your reservation.

## PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY OF STATE COMPETITION

**Genie Bunton Photography** will be photographing the state competition and events. **Five12 Media** will be videoing the candidates interview and the competition. Please visit the Miss Arizona Resource Portal (www.missarizonaresourceportal.weebly.com) under the "Photography/Video" tab for further details on pricing and ordering. We encourage you to purchase photos and video to cherish your memories of the 2019 competition!

## CANDIDATE APPRECIATION PARTY

#### Friday June 21, 5:00pm & 7:00pm, Mesa Arts Center, Terrace Lobby

Join us as we celebrate and recognize the incredible Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen class of 2019! Each candidate will be announced, will sign the official competition poster and receive special gifts from Miss Arizona Organization sponsors. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, desserts, beverages, music, and mingling and wish them luck before they compete in the finals night of competition!

#### 5:00-6:00pm Outstanding Teen Candidate Appreciation Party 7:00-8:00pm Miss Candidate Appreciation Party

\$35/per person \$25/per Princess \*State Candidates are complimentary

## TICKETS ARE LIMITED AND MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED by June 1.

## COMPETITION MAGAZINES

View the 2019 full-color Competition Magazine before it is on sale to the public. Secure your copy for \$20.

## ORDERING COMPETITION MAGAZINES AND CANDIDATE APPRECIATION RECEPTION TICKETS

Please visit www.missarizonaresourceportal.weebly.com, Events Tab, to purchase tickets via credit card **OR** Mail this form with ONE check for **entire order** payable to:

Miss Arizona Scholarship Foundation ATTN: Event Tickets 2040 S. Alma School Road, Ste. 1-152 Chandler, AZ 85286

Titleholder's Name Your Name	Pho			
Miss Arizona Candidate Appreciation Party		# of tickets: # of Princess tickets:	(@\$35 each) (@\$25 each)	
2019 Competition Magazine		# of magazines:	(@ \$20 each)	
			Total	

Tickets purchased for the Candidate Appreciation Party and pre-ordered Competition Magazines will be in Titleholder's "Candidate Welcome Packet" given to the candidate Tuesday, June 18.

# Candidate Appreciation Party Tickets and Magazine orders are due June 1st

#### AUTOGRAPH PARTY WITH MISS AMERICA 2019, NIA FRANKLIN!

Audience members who wish to receive an autograph from Nia Franklin and a photo opportunity may do so Wednesday, June 19 from 5:30-6:00 PM at Mesa Arts Center Terrace Lobby. A \$10 donation is required per person for entrance.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF MY DAUGHTER WINS?

Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen have strenuous preparation for the national competitions and have many obligations during their year of service. The day after winning, your daughter will have a lengthy meeting with the board of directors, social media director and appearance manager. Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen's parent or parents must be available to attend this initial meeting with the board of directors, social media director and appearance manager in order to sign all agreements.

Miss Arizona and Arizona's Outstanding Teen will be given a **Winner's Manual** with all the information, contacts, guidelines and expectations she needs in order to do her job well. This will be her go-to guide for the year.

During the course of this year, your daughter will learn how to work with different professionals with different backgrounds, entertain various audience with her talent, correspond professionally through email and verbal communication, speak publically and extemporaneously, compete with the best of the best, manage a busy schedule, and more, more, more! The contractual rules and protocols put in place are meant to help foster a culture of growth and professional skill-building opportunities for Miss Arizona and Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen.

Since Miss Arizona is an adult, she is 100% responsible for her position. The state office will not communicate with parents on Miss Arizona's behalf. Think of the scenario of a young adult with a job or internship at a company like Intel or Nike. Parental interference would not be appropriate or tolerated, nor will it be tolerated in this case. (This is not to insinuate that the role of a parent is not important. Miss Arizona may need your support, love and encouragement in order to thrive during her year.)

For Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen (MAZOT), it is understandable that parents will help her manage her position and schedule depending upon her level of maturity. For MAZOT, school comes first, then her job as Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen. A parent or parents will be cc'd on all email correspondence from the state office. However, MAZOT *is expected to handle all correspondence herself* and attend preparation sessions, wardrobe shopping, etc, by herself without parental interference. If MAZOT cannot drive, a parent or appropriate adult must be available to drop her off at the appointed lesson or meeting location and return when the session is finished.

In order to understand these expectations more clearly, please review the Candidate Code of Conduct that all Miss candidates and all Teen candidates and their parents sign and notarize as a part of the MAO and MAOTeen contracts.

The Miss Arizona office will communicate information regarding the national competitions (tickets, hotel, special events, etc) to parents as soon as it is received from Miss America and the Miss America's Outstanding Teen offices. You will have certain obligations -- such as securing "good luck signs" and arranging your flight and lodging -- for national competition.

#### MAOTEEN NATIONAL DETAILS

## MAOTEEN NATIONAL PAPERWORK PORTAL & DEADLINES

National Paperwork and Ad's Due by Tuesday June 25<sup>th</sup> (tentative). NO EXCEPTIONS!! (That is 3 days after crowning!)

**Early Candidate Production Check-In** will be on Friday, July 19, 2019 (tentative). If arriving early please make sure she has a room booked as MAOTeen does not provide housing for the candidates until Saturday afternoon. The official Candidate Check-In and photoshoot Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:20 am (tentative).

**Pins:** Miss Arizona's Outstanding Teen will be required to bring 65 state pins to check-in with the silent auction item. (See example below. Please note the very small size of the pins so that 52 will fit on a lanyard). Please make sure the pins are in a ziplock bag with your state abbreviation.



**Silent Auction:** Silent auction baskets are required at Nationals, but not required to be state themed so be creative. This is a fundraiser, so make your basket something on which people will want to bid.

## TICKETMASTER

Competition tickets usually go on sale in April, get your tickets now for the best seats!

- Competition tickets are not available through the Miss America's Outstanding Teen Organization but will be ONLY available through Ticketmaster.com
- Typically, there is priority seating in Sec. 101, 102, 103 for \$45 for each Preliminary Night, \$90 for the Final Night of Competition or \$180 for a package. \*Standard Ticketmaster rates and charges apply OR Standard Seating in Sec 104, 105, 106 for \$40 for each Preliminary Night, \$75 for the Final Night of Competition or \$155 for a package. \*Standard Ticketmaster rates and charges apply
- There will be NO Will Call Booth in Orlando so you must order your tickets through Ticketmaster and print them at home or have them shipped to you.

#### CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK HOSPITALS (CMNH) NATIONAL FUNDRAISING

It is required for all teens competing at the national level to have a CMNH page and raise \$500.