





Dear Interested Contestant:

Thank you for expressing interest in **Sunshine State AAG**. This packet will include the information you will need to start your path to becoming a forever member of the AAG family. This packet includes:

- Brief synopsis of all categories you will be competing in, which are the same as Nationals.
- Prize Package details for Winner and 1st Alternate
- Location of pageant
- Tentative schedule for pageant
- Event details

There will be an entrance fee of **\$100**, which is non-refundable, due prior to registration.

The pageant is scheduled to take place December 3, 2023 at Southern Nights Tampa.

Thank you for your interest in AAG Pageantry, and we look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

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Contestants must be at least 21 years of age and be assigned male at birth, regardless of current gender identity. Contestants must be at least 21 years of age and be assigned male at birth or self-identify and present as male. Contestants must be at least 21 years of age, weigh at least 210lbs, and be assigned male at birth, regardless of current gender identity.

OFFICIAL RULES

- 1. AAG Pageantry does not discriminate against hormones, surgical procedures, enhancements, etc. and will not be considered by any judge in scoring a contestant.
- 2. Judging will be on a cumulative point system 5 judges at preliminaries, and 7 judges at nationals. The high and low will be dropped at nationals.
- **3.** Contestants will be judged in the following categories: Interview, Creative Costume, Talent, Evening Gown (*Goddess and Goddess at Large*), After 6 Attire (*Gent*), and On-Stage Question.
- **4.** In any category contestants may not use excessive glitter, fire, food, water, nor do anything else that may cause injury to one-self or other persons.
- 5. Talent may not exceed seven (7) minutes. Prop set-up and tear-down will be limited to a combined total of five (5) minutes.
- 6. Contestants may only have one (1) assistant backstage at any time.
- 7. Contestants will receive admission to the pageant, however Promoter reserves the right to charge admission for contestant's dresser, dancers, assistants, etc.
- 8. The use or dispensing of any illegal substance, excessive consumption of alcoholic beverages, and/or anyone caught in the act of stealing or tampering with another person's property, be it a contestant or any person in the contestant's party (backup dancers, assistants, etc.) will not be tolerated and may result in immediate disqualification from the competition, and/or result in ejection from the premises.
- **9.** Contestants must be on time for all designated check-ins and categories. Late arrival to registration will result in contestant automatically being assigned contestant #1 for the competition. If contestant has not arrived by scheduled start time of Interview the contestant will be disqualified from competition.
- 10. Contestants must submit their music selections (*Creative Costume, Talent, and Crowning*) prior to registration. In addition, contestants must possess a backup of their music selections throughout the competition for use in case of emergency.
- 11. The winner and first alternate of each division must sign a contract detailing terms and obligations.
- 12. AAG Pageantry reserves the right to make any decisions concerning any matter not covered by these rules.

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION

One (1) administrative point per judge will be deducted per violation (infraction) off contestant's total score.







INTERVIEW (50 points per judge)

• Each contestant will have a personal interview with the panel of judges. Each judge will ask one (1) question, which will be the same question for all contestants. **Each contestant is allotted seven (7) minutes for their interview.** The suggested attire is business professional. Contestant will be judged on intelligence, communication, attitude, composure, personality, alertness, vocabulary/grammar, general knowledge, personal appearance, and overall effectiveness of answers.

<u>CREATIVE COSTUME</u> (25 points per judge)

Each contestant will present themselves to the panel of judges and the audience in a creative costume. The costume must be mobile. Setup time is not permitted, and contestant must be able to enter and exit the stage on their own. There is a one (1) minute time limit for modeling after which each contestant will introduce themselves (name, contestant number, and introduce their costume) on the microphone. Contestant will provide their own music track for this category not to exceed one (1) minute. Contestants will be judged on creativity, fit, ability to model costume, lip sync (if you choose to), music selection, overall effectiveness of costume, and introduction speech.

TALENT (50 points per judge)

• There is a 7-minute time limit for this category, and there is also a combined total of 5-minutes for set-up/ tear down time limit, if needed, for props/set pieces. Contestants will be judged on talent ability, lip sync, dance, live vocal (if applicable), entertainment value, costuming, and makeup. If there are props/dancers, they will be judged as well.

EVENING GOWN – GODDESS/AT LARGE (25 points per judge)

• Each contestant will be judged one at a time on a full-length evening gown. It may be of any color, style, or fashion. Contestants will be judged on gown selection, fit, hair, makeup, accessories, poise, modeling ability, and general appearance. Music will be provided for this category.

AFTER 6 ATTIRE – GENT (25 points per judge)

• Each contestant will be judged one at a time in this category. It may be of any color, style, and fashion. Contestants will be judged on attire selection, fit, hair, accessories, poise, modeling ability, and general appearance. Attire should reflect masculinity and should not be excessively embellished with beads and/or rhinestones or appear to be a costume. Music will be provided for this category.

ONSTAGE QUESTION (25 points per judge)

• Only contestants who advance to the Top 5 will compete in this category. Each contestant that advances to the Top 5 will answer the same question. Contestants will be sequestered until it is their time to answer question. Contestants will be judged on poise, confidence, ability to communicate, vocabulary and grammar, and overall effectiveness of answer. At the state/regional preliminary level, all contestants will compete in Onstage Question immediately following individual modeling of Evening Gown or After 6 Attire.







Winner – each division:

- \$500 cash (\$300 night of pageant, \$100 at nationals, \$100 at step down)
- Crown and sash
- 2 NIGHTS OF HOTEL OR \$250 EXTRA CASH AMOUNT (additional cash paid at nationals)
- One (1) Dresser Pass at nationals
- Entry fee to nationals

1st Alternate – each division:

- \$250 cash (\$150 night of pageant, \$100 at nationals)
- 1 NIGHTS OF HOTEL OR \$125 EXTRA CASH AMOUNT (additional cash paid at nationals)
- One (1) Dresser Pass at nationals
- Entry fee to nationals

All other placements:

- One (1) Dresser Pass at nationals
- Entry fee to nationals







LOCATION OF PRELIM

Southern Nights Tampa 1401 E. 7th Avenue Tampa, FL. 33605

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

2:00PM Registration 3:00PM Interview* 7:30PM Pageant Begins

*It is advised to come to Registration ready for Interview, as it will begin as soon as Registration is complete, which may be earlier than the time stated above.

Contestants will compete in the following categories with Goddess at Large contestants first, followed by Gent contestants, and then Goddess contestants

- o Creative Costume
- o Talent
- Evening Gown/After Six
- o Onstage Question

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

- There will be a \$5 cover charge for all patrons (contestants excluded) to enter the venue
- Southern Nights is an 18+ establishment, you must have proper photo ID to enter
- You may only have one (1) dresser or assistant with you in the dressing room
- Due to limited space, any backup dancers will not be allowed to enter the dressing room until Creative Costume is complete

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