



DARLING DIVAS PAGEANTS

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DDP Newsletter - March 2011



Our 5th Anniversary Pageant was definitely one to remember. This was our first 2 day pageant with an amazing party in between.

There was lots of great competition from our contestants who came from all over the US and Canada. They came from NY, NJ, CT, PA, FL, SC, MA, RI, OH, IL and Ontario, Canada.

Not to mention the surprise ending at crowning where we crowned not one but two Ultimate Grand Supreme winners and also crowned their coaches with our first supreme coach titles.

Our pageant was covered by a Brazilian TV show and an Italian Magazine.

Check out some photos from this event in this issue.

If you missed this pageant, we have 2 more pageants this year leading up to our 2012 Viva Las Vegas Nationals.

Congratulations to our 2011 National Royalty

SUPREMES

0-9 Ultimate Grand Supreme – *Melanie*
10 & up Ultimate Grand Supreme - *Ciara*

Boy Grand – Damian
0-4 Grand – Sophia
5-9 Grand – Essence J
10 & up Grand – Zoe

0-4 Mini – Miley
5-9 Mini – Christina
10 & up Mini – Kristen

0-4 Hollywood Superstar – Brenna
5-9 Hollywood Superstar – McKayla
10 & up Hollywood Superstar – Kassidee

Pro Supreme – Korla
Novice Supreme – Nasir
Supreme Beauty – Amayah
Model Supreme – Kiara
Photogenic Supreme – Gracie

Division Supremes
0-2 Jada ~ 3-4 Bryanna ~ 5-6 Nyomi
7-9 Lila ~ 10-12 Shanyia
13-16 Tia ~ 17+ Katie

HOLLYWOOD STARS

0-2 Briana, Madison, Princess Shakima;
3-4 Princess Katrina; 10-12 Amanda;
13-16 Anika, Elizabeth

DIRECTORS' CHOICE

Kanisha

Covergirl – Tia
Hostess – Essence W
Most Popular - Kianna

QUEENS / KING

0-2 Taylor
3-4 Amanda
5-6 Jer'Nee
7-9 Kayla
10-12 Serena
13-16 Kianna
17+ Sydney
Boys 0-7 Anthony
Boys 8&up Anssoumane



PRINCESS / PRINCE

0-2 Daliah
3-4 Jaleah
5-6 Linda
7-9 Makaylee
10-12 Jazmyn
13-16 Essence W
17+ Geuele
Boys Hayden

SWEETHEART / DUKE

0-2 Olivia
3-4 Chloe
5-6 Anisa
7-9 Jhatory
10-12 Junise
13-16 Margaret
Boys Amir



Our Supreme Coaches
with their Ultimate Grand Supremes



Our Pageanty Spirit Award winner
Kayla Forbes.
She will be pictured in an
upcoming issue of Pageantry magazine.



Coach Ms Gigi
with Ciara



Coach Ms Margie
with Melanie

Exciting Moment Crowning
Our 2 Ultimate Grand Supremes



Our youngest Queen
4 month old Taylor



Our newest Lifetime Queens
Kylie & D'Andre



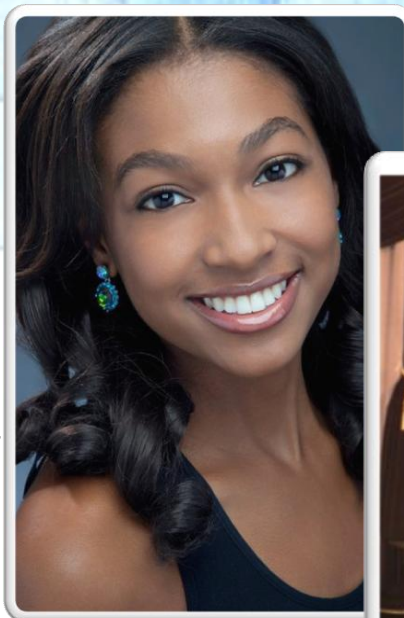
Directors' Choice winner
Kanesha

MEET A FEW OF OUR **BROOKLYN BEAUTIES**...



Hello all, my name is **Brittney Ashley Hollingsworth**. I am Miss Brooklyn's Outstanding Teen 2011. Throughout my year of service I am going to voice what I am most passionate about, teenagers like me getting involved in service. Which is why I chose my platform to be Y.E.S- Youth Engaged In Service. In June 2011, I will have the opportunity to run for the title of Miss New York's Outstanding teen 2011. Indeed I am excited because I know that it will be a lot of fun and an amazing experience, with the help of the Miss Brooklyn Organization, my family and friends. I enjoy taking part in Darling Diva's events as well as attending their seasonal pageants. Thanks to Miss Cheryl and her team for providing great opportunities for young women.

On November 29, 2011, I became the first African American to hold one of America's prestigious titles, Miss New York Teen USA. I was Born and raised in Brooklyn, and attend school at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. I am the only girl and the youngest of four and enjoy watching football games with my brothers. My dream is to be a sports journalist commenting on the NFL. I am also an active member of the Ronald McDonald house foundation. I always dream of an opportunity to grant someone a wish. On December 11, 2010, that dream became a reality when I visited a child with cancer who wanted to meet a princess. There are no words to describe that moment, but fulfillment. In addition, I take pride in speaking at various schools about bullying, which I am strongly against, particularly, cyber bullying. This is an epidemic with today's youth that can be prevented and should not be tolerated or ignored in school facilities, in the communities and at home.



I encourage young people, especially young girls to pursue their dreams and don't let anyone or anything stand in their way, no matter how great the challenges may be!

I am your reigning 2011 Miss New York Teen USA, and getting ready for the national pageant this July.

Lisa Drouillard

Calling all Mommies, we have a pageant just for you and your baby

Coming in May 2011

MOMMY & ME PAGEANT



Compete in:

*Introduction/ Mommy & Me-wear
Creative Presentation/ Anything Goes
Fancywear*

*2 divisions based on the child's age
5-10 and 11 & up*

*Winner, 1st Runner Up and 2nd Runner Up in each division
Great Prize Packages for all*

Low Entry Fee

Space is limited so call today

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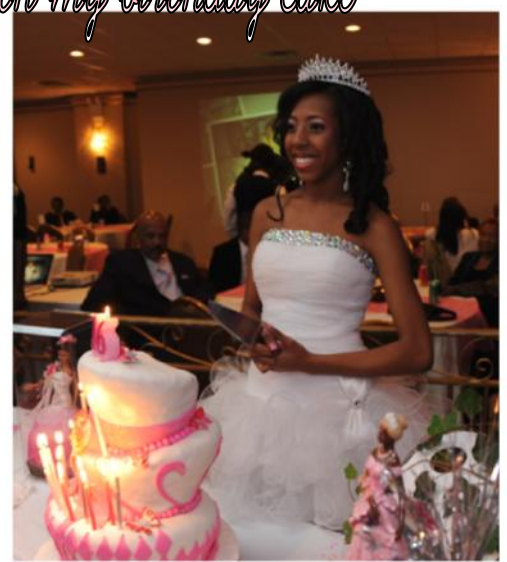
my invitation



Hi Everyone, so excited to announce that I finally turned 16 this past December. Seems like just yesterday I was the cute baby in the mirror – LOL. Really, I had a fabulous Sweet 16 Party with my family & friends.

It was my most special birthday so far.

with my birthday cake



with my parents and my Sweet 16 court

Let me know of YOUR special birthday celebration and it could be pictured on an upcoming page.

U A J E A S E L D N A C F L L
B R E N O I T A T I V N I J J
C N E E T X I S T E E W S X G
A O F M P Q M E V W E N X U I
K E K L Y V W Z F G D Q M J B
E C C I H S N O O L L A B Z B
Q B I Z W C U Y A D H T R I B
F R I E N D S O S F A M I L Y
S A U N O I T A R B E L E C M

Balloons
Candles
Friends

Birthday
Celebration
Invitation

Cake
Family
Sweet Sixteen

AS SEEN ON...

Hey Girl Scouts!

want to be a **justine** cover girl?

girl scouts girl scouts girl scouts girl scouts

you have to be a **R.E.A.L. Girl!**

Tell us what makes you R.E.A.L. Remarkable* Energetic* Aspirational* Leader!

Be a justine R.E.A.L. Girl!

One lucky girl who is a current Girl Scout between the ages of 13 & 19 will be selected as our 2011 R.E.A.L. Girl and will appear on an upcoming 2011 *Justine* cover and in a feature article. The winner will receive an all-expense-paid trip to her *Justine* cover shoot and a *Justine* swag bag. Finalists and semi-finalists will also be chosen. DEADLINE... March 25, 2011.

Go to [www.justinemag.com](#) for official entry form and contest information.

2010 R.E.A.L. Girl
Hosanna Kabakoro

Adjanaye and Nya & Nyasha
as seen in
Justine Magazine

Disney Fairies, Play Sets Dress-Up

SETS & PETS

Kylie as seen in
Toys R Us catalog

your child | BEHAVIOR

to handle the myriad money decisions that fall into our lap, from retirement to complicated mortgage terms to managing a health-insurance plan.

It's not all our fault. Until recently, money education was virtually absent from most school curricula. And even today, only four states—Missouri, Tennessee, Utah, and Virginia—require that all students take a personal-finance course before graduating from high school. How can we help our kids avoid the mistakes that have led to millions of defaulted loans since 2008 and contributed to the recession from which we're still recovering?

By talking to them about money ourselves. Trouble is, fewer than one in five parents give themselves a top grade for their understanding of fundamental saving and investing principles, according to a 2010 survey by the investment company T. Rowe Price. "Sometimes we can express our own insecurity by avoiding the subject," says Joline Godfrey, author of *Raising Financially Fit Kids*.

If the idea of schooling your child in personal finance seems overwhelming, take heart. "Instilling money literacy doesn't require a lot of planning or knowledge," says Laura Levine, executive director of the nonprofit JumpStart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy. She urges parents to focus on the basics, like comparison shopping and the importance of planning and saving. When your child masters these concepts, she'll know more than many adults. The key is to start young and keep your talks kid-friendly.

THE LESSON
You work to earn money. No doubt you can still hear your own parents' anguished refrain, "Do you think money grows on trees?" But as Richard Bromfield, Ph.D., a child psychologist and author of *How to Unspoil*

Want your child to learn about coin values? Show her the money.

your *Child Fast*, says, "Actually, kids today think it comes out of ATMs." Take the time to explain that these machines are like a piggy bank. They hold your money, and when you take some of it out, you have less for next time. How do you get more? By earning it.

• **Pay them cash for helping you out.** Although you shouldn't reward your child for performing ordinary chores, compensating him for taking on extra projects (such as cleaning out the garage) will help him connect the dots between working and getting paid. Jennifer McIntyre, of Philadelphia, gives her 6-year-old daughter, Lily, a few dollars when she makes the beds or folds the laundry, tasks that go beyond her usual clean-up assignments. "The beds may look a bit wrinkled, but it gives her a proactive way to earn that's connected to her labor," says McIntyre.

• **Show them where you work.** Your kids may hear about a place called "Mommy's job" all the time, but it remains an abstract concept until they see where you go and what you do every day. This exposure will help your children grasp the relationship between working and making money. "And eventually they'll realize that by spending time at your job, you make money to pay for things your family needs," says Nathan Dungan, a family-finance expert and author of *Prodigal Sons & Material Girls*.

THE ANSWERS ON ALLOWANCE
You know it's a valuable tool for teaching your child to budget, but setting it up can be confusing. We address these FAQs.

- 1** When should you start? Most experts suggest establishing a weekly payout by first grade, since your child is becoming interested and may discuss money with her peers by then. "If she doesn't seem ready, wait a bit," says Jon Sullio, coauthor of *The Financially Intelligent Parent*.
- 2** How much should you give? Think of a toy or a treat you purchase regularly (such as Silly Bandz or ice cream), and estimate the cost. Then let your child know that you'll give her, say, \$3 per week, but from now on she'll have to buy the item herself (or choose to save the money for something else).
- 3** Should you tie it to chores? No, because then your child will expect to be paid for every task. Assign him household duties by age 2 or 3, and expand them as he gets older. If he fails to do them, give him a consequence tied to the action (such as taking away his toys for a while if he doesn't pick them up).

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Nadia as seen in Parents Magazine



KeyAna with Kate Snow
on the set of **Dateline NBC**
after shooting a segment on bullying

Look for these exciting events in 2011

SPRING FASHION SHOW

Sunday March 13, 2011

4pm start

\$20 per person in adv (\$25 at the door)

\$15 for 10 & under

For tickets & information call 718-809-1868



Spring Break "Just Teen" Party

Monday April 18, 2011

Nocturnal, Brooklyn, NY

7pm – 12midnight

\$10 admission with advance purchase

For tickets & information call 718-809-1868

DDP CALENDAR

March 13, 2011

Spring Fashion Show
Brooklyn, NY

April 18, 2011

"Just Teen" Party
Nocturnal, Brooklyn

July 23, 2011

Pageant

"Stars & Stripes Forever"
Brooklyn, NY

August 2011

**Ms. Gorgeous Diva
Pageant**

Brooklyn, NY

Date to be finalized

October 30, 2011

Pageant

"Halloween 2"

East Rutherford, NJ

January 20-22, 2012

"Viva Las Vegas"

National Pageant

** dates & events subject to
change*

If you have an idea for an event you would like to see in 2011, please send to cwilliams@mydarlingdiva.net or Darling Divas, 1158 Troy Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11203. All reasonable suggestions will be considered.

Darling Divas & Dashing Dons Pageant

"A great pageant experience for Divas & Dons of ALL ages"

Celebrating 5 years in pageantry

Compete in
Introduction
Beauty
Casualwear
and
Optionals



Age Divisions

0-2 / 3-4 / 5-6

7-9 / 10-12 / 13-16

17+ & boys too

Grand Supreme
Mini Supreme
Division Queens & Kings
Division Princesses & Princes
Division Sweethearts & Dukes
Court and more

"ONE DAY PAGEANT"

Saturday July 23rd, 2011

KUMBLE THEATER for Performing Arts
LIU Brooklyn Campus
Flatbush Ave (betw Dekalb Ave & Fleet St)
Brooklyn, New York



Donate 10 or more toys
to the Toys for Tots Program
and receive a
special gift

LOW \$150 ENTRY FEE

(includes Registration, Supreme titles, Beauty, Casualwear & Red, White & Blue Wear)

**Does not include door and optional events*

LOTS OF PRIZES AND TITLES
NO ONE GOES HOME EMPTY HANDED OR WITHOUT A CROWN
SPACE IS LIMITED! REGISTER TODAY!!!

For more information contact **CHERYL WILLIAMS, director**
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HALLOWEEN

"No tricks, Just Treats"

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ONE DAY PAGEANT

Sunday October 30th, 2011

Sheraton Meadowlands

2 Meadowlands Plaza

East Rutherford, New Jersey

LOW \$150 ENTRY FEE

(includes Registration, Supreme titles, Beauty, Casualwear & Costume Wear)

**Does not include door and optional events*

Lots of Titles & Gifts

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SAVE THE DATE



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Join us

For our January 2012

Viva Las Vegas National Pageant

NO NEED TO GAMBLE,

YOU'VE PLACED YOUR BETS ON THE RIGHT SPOT

Email to get on mailing list for PPW

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