



DARLING DIVAS PAGEANTS

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# DDP Newsletter



Royal Ball Ultimate Queen  
*Mikayla*

Welcome to our Summer 2016 recap. Our summer kicked off with our Darling Divas Royal Ball Pageant. Our Divas had a great time competing in this Natural pageant. Many of our contestants had their first Darling Divas experience and have already formed friendships that will last a lifetime.

Next up was our Diva Day Out trip to The Bronx Zoo. This was a day of fun exploring and learning with friends.

We are looking forward to our upcoming events- Mad Hatters Tea Party and 2017 National Pageant. Join us for the fun!



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**Diva Directors**  
Cheryl & KeyAna



**Our Diva Graduates**  
Jessica, Raelynn,  
Miriam, Savanna  
and Essence



**Our Princes**  
Esosa, Johan, Kyle & Antonio



**Kyle & Antonio**

# DARLING DIVAS **ROYAL BALL** PAGEANT

## *Ultimate Royal Queen* – Mikayla

### *0-23 months*

Royal Queen Madelyn

### *2-3 year*

Royal Queen Leighton  
Royal Princess Brooke  
Royal Duchess Gia  
Royal Family Samantha

### *4-6 year*

Royal Queen Leyla  
Royal Princess Savanna  
Royal Duchess Jessica  
Royal Family Kataliya, Ava,  
Jillae & Miriam

### *7-9 year*

Royal Queen Sienna  
Royal Princess Hailee Jo  
Royal Duchess Mary  
Royal Family Brooklyn, Milan,  
Emmalee & Karalynn

### *10-12 year*

Royal Queen Linda  
Royal Princesses Jayleen & JaeLynn  
Royal Duchess Kaileen  
Royal Family Cheyenne, Emily & Amirah



### *13-15 year*

Royal Queen Mia  
Royal Princess Jalaya  
Royal Duchess Sabrina  
Royal Family Faith & Gloria

### *16-19 year*

Royal Queen Amanda

### *20+ year*

Royal Queen Joselyn  
Royal Princess Kara

### *4-8 year Pro*

Royal Queen Raelynn  
Royal Princess Alianny  
Royal Duchess Brianah

### *9+ year Pro*

Royal Queen Mckayla  
Royal Princess Essence

### *Photogenic*

Supreme Headshot Winner – Mia

2-3 div – Samantha  
4-6 div – Savanna  
10-12 div – JaeLynn  
13-15 div – Jalaya  
16-19 div – Amanda  
Pro div – Brianah

Supreme Print Model Winner – Jessica

4-6 div – Savanna  
10-12 div – Cheyenne  
13-15 div – Mia  
16-19 div – Amanda  
Pro div - Brianah

### *Talent*

Supreme Talent Winner - Mikayla

4-6 div – Savanna  
7-9 div – Sienna  
10-12 div – Cheyenne  
13-15 div – Sabrina  
16-19 div – Amanda



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**Madelyn**

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**Leighton**

4-6 years  
**Leyla**

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**Sienna**

10-12 years  
**Linda**



Ultimate Royal Queen  
**Mikayla**



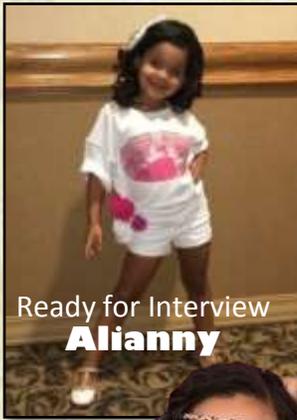
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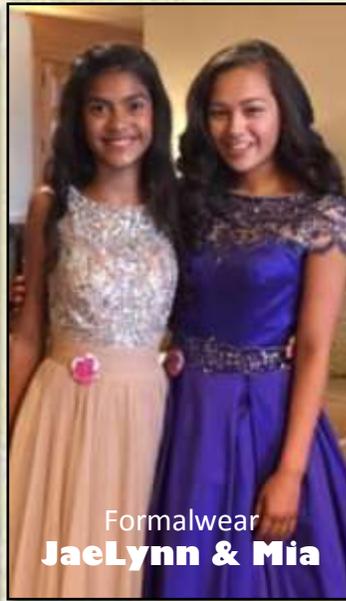
9+ year Pro  
**McKayla**



Ready for Interview  
**Alianny**



Casualwear  
**Leighton & Raelynn**



Formalwear  
**JaeLynn & Mia**



OOC  
**Kaileen**



**Mikayla**



**Joselyn & McKayla**



**Kaileen & McKayla**



**Mia & Raelynn**



**Jayleen & Prince Kyle**



**Silly Girls -  
Crowning fun**



**Jessica & her  
winning photo**

# Education of a Diva & Don



First-year [K12 International Academy](#) (iCademy) students Sammy and Ryan Buggle never stop chasing their dreams, no matter what life throws at them. While 6-year-old Ryan is building his acting [resume](#), his 12-year-old sister, Sammy, is making vlogs for her [YouTube channel](#).

Janine Buggle, the children's mother, decided to enroll Sammy and Ryan in iCademy after Ryan's acting career took off. "The online school provides us with the flexibility we need as a family to travel to both coasts for him to work as an actor without missing school days," she said.

Sammy is just like other seventh grader, although at just three years old, she was diagnosed with generalized absence epilepsy. As she has gotten older, her seizures have increased to over 100 a day, and her family is still trying to find the right medication to control them.

Janine explains that iCademy has been amazing for Sammy. "In brick and mortar schools she couldn't keep up because of her seizures," she said. "The school put her in pull-out classes and she encountered tons of bullying. We love that she can work at her own pace, and if she is ever having a day that she isn't feeling well, she can communicate with her teachers and adjust her lessons."

Sammy was also diagnosed with Sunflower Syndrome, which means she has extreme sensitivity to the light and sun. "It is very rare and has little research - we are hoping to change that," Janine said. "She has been on over 10 different medications and still we haven't found the answer."

This began the "[Overcoming Epilepsy with Sammy](#)" campaign, and since then, Sammy has been on TV and featured in articles, and she is an activist on the [Epilepsy Foundation of America](#) website. Sammy turned to making videos as a way to share her story with others. "Sammy decided herself at 10 years old to make a video about her epilepsy," Janine said. "She wanted other kids to know that even though you have your obstacles you can overcome anything."

Sammy says she wants to be a "YouTuber" when she grows up. "I want to make videos and make the world smile a little more," she said. "Do not be defined by your limitations, but let them inspire you to make a change. Always be yourself and never be ashamed that you're a little different, because different it awesome!"

Ryan's latest acting job is co-starring as "Young Eddie" on Bryan Cranston's new show, [Sneaky Pete](#).

"The iCademy has made it so much easier for my kids to pursue their dreams," Janine said. "It's so nice to be able to say that we can travel anywhere for an acting job and that my kids wouldn't have to adjust to a new tutor or return to school after a period of time. The consistency for our very inconsistent schedule is a blessing."

So far, Ryan has only filmed the pilot of *Sneaky Pete*. "It was awesome," he said. "My fake brother was fun and we played Legos. They had really good food on the set. I ate mac and cheese in the one scene, so I got to eat Mac and Cheese for like 30 minutes over and over - it was awesome!"



Sammy and Ryan at Darling Divas Pageant

Ryan takes his acting career very seriously. "He's a complete professional when working on a set, and he's walked red carpets with big celebrities," Janine said. "When he comes home though, he still has to pick up the dog poo and take out the trash. I always tell him you can become the most famous boy in the world, but if you don't have a good heart none of it will matter."

Another way he stays grounded is making sure to balance homework and auditions. "I do my schoolwork in the morning and afternoon, and then I usually have to go to the city later on," Ryan said. "So I make sure it's all done before I go to work. If I'm on set all day I do it in my trailer and go back and forth. I love school."

Sammy and Ryan, who live in Matawan, New Jersey. To celebrate going back to school, they had their home classroom decorated.

"The benefits [of iCademy] have been wonderful," Janine said. "The staff and teachers have been so understanding and attentive to our needs as a family. The enrollment process was wonderful, and this transition has been very easy. The kids are so excited for the school year!"

Sammy tries to post daily vlogs during the weekdays. You can expect to see a behind-the-scenes vlog from Ryan and Sammy during New York Fashion Week later this month because they will both be walking in shows - Sammy will be walking for Elizabeth Cordelia and Ryan will be walking for Fun and Fun.

Janine thought she would appreciate the flexibility of online school most; however, she claims that it has actually been the people that make up the K12 staff.

"Having a child that suffers from over 100 seizures a day has its challenges, but having people that support her and care about her education and her wellbeing has been amazing," Janine said.

Sammy loves to feature her brother - and biggest fan - in her videos. "Before bed, me and Sammy cuddle and watch the videos together and I love that," Ryan said.

Ryan, who just started first grade, loves to ride his bike, play soccer and audition for acting jobs.

"When I was three I begged my mom over and over to be on TV until she finally gave in," Ryan said.

Janine is amazed by Ryan's passion for acting. "It can be scary being part of the entertainment business," she said. "The key is balance. Ryan has a passion for performing that I have never seen in a child so young. He loves to act with his whole heart."

*Sammy at  
apple picking farm.*



*Ryan on the  
red carpet.*



*Sammy (left) and Ryan (right) on their first day of the 2016-17 school year*

## Key's Page



Class of 2016



This past spring, after 4 years of hard work, lot of fun and unforgettable experiences, I am proud to call myself *a college graduate*. The time seemed to fly by. I am looking forward to what the future has in store for me. Whatever doors are in front of me, I hold the keys.

## Diva Day Out

### The Bronx Zoo

We had a fun time exploring The Bronx Zoo with some of our divas and their moms. For many of us, it was the first time and we were all amazed at how much there is to see and do. If you have the opportunity, I recommend that you visit the zoo with your family.



# DARLING DIVAS PINK PRINCESS

## Mad Hatters TEA PARTY AND FASHION COMPETITIONS

Join us as we raise funds for  
Susan G. Komen for the Cure

Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

4pm – 9pm

Merrick Academy

136-25 218th St, Laurelton, NY

Tickets for this event are  
\$20 for adults and \$15 for children 10 & under  
*TICKETS SOLD OUT LAST YEAR SO DON'T WAIT*

ENTERTAINMENT ~ REFRESHMENTS ~ GIVE AWAYS ~ RAFFLES  
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

### FASHION COMPETITIONS

WE HAVE 2 FUN FASHION EVENTS THAT YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN IF YOU CHOOSE:  
No experience necessary, just have fun on our runway.

1. **PINK FASHION** – Runway style modeling showcasing your outfit  
which must be pink or mostly pink
2. **HAT FASHION** – Runway style modeling. Focus of this outfit will be the HAT.  
Any color or style is acceptable.

Cost to participate in both of these events is \$20.00  
Number of winners will depend on entries.  
Winners will receive beautiful gifts.  
Proceeds from these events will be donated to our cause

For Tickets and Information  
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*Awareness  
Matters*

*Believe*



# Darling Divas Nationals

Beautiful Crowns & Awesome Prize Packages for all contestants

- (1) Elite Grand Supreme
- (2) Ultimate Grand Supreme
- (4) Grand Supreme
- (4) Mini Grands and more!

Join Mr. Tim, LaBelle,  
Raelynn, Mia  
and the 2016  
National Royalty

NEW\* Natural & Glitz Beauty

January 27-29, 2017  
White Plains, NY

## Awarding Over \$15,000 in Cash & Prizes

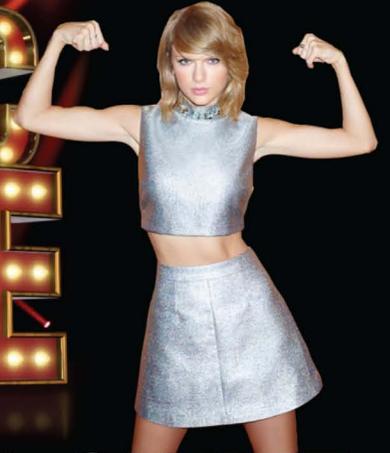
EVERY contestant receives a beautiful crown & prize package



# DARLING DIVAS



## LIP SYNC BATTLE



# BEYONCE VS TAYLOR SWIFT

**GET READY FOR OUR FIRST EVER LIP SYNC BATTLE!**  
SONG CHOICE MUST BE FROM BEYONCE OR TAYLOR SWIFT

**\$50 TO ENTER**

Winner receives a \$200 cash prize

THIS IS A "BATTLE ROUND" ANYTHING GOES EVENT but remember, this is a family event so keep it clean and suitable for family viewing (lewd or inappropriate behavior will result in disqualification without any refund)

Entry must consist of one featured performer who will be doing the actual LIP SYNCING and up to 5 background performers to enhance the performance.

Competition will take place at the start of our party on Saturday night.

You must submit the name of your song (this is to avoid duplication (we will confirm if your song is available)

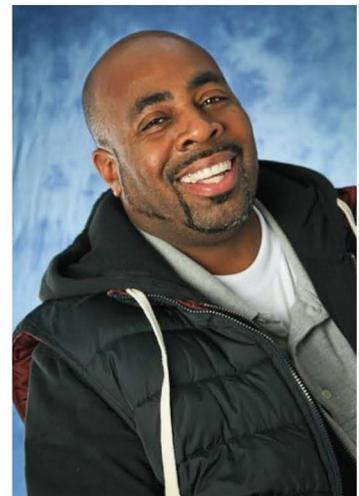
Scoring will be based on Lip Sync-ability, Performance and Overall Entertainment Value (If you are not familiar with this show, you can check it out on YouTube)

Spots are limited as we do not want this to go on too long into the Party.

Event is opened to anyone not just pageant contestants.  
You are not registered until we receive your name, song choice and your \$50 entry fee. We will not hold spots.

Entries/PayPal payments must be sent to [info@mydarlingdiva.net](mailto:info@mydarlingdiva.net)

For information, email [cwilliams@mydarlingdiva.net](mailto:cwilliams@mydarlingdiva.net)



**YOUR HOST**  
Our own Mr. Cool, Russell P

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