

### 2025 Miss Spring Mountain Festival Pageant Rules

## March 21-22, 2025 Landes Arts Center Petersburg, WV 26847

If you would like to be a contestant in the Miss Spring Mountain Festival Pageant, the process is simple. Complete an entry form and sign the contestant's contract, then submit with your photograph to the Pageant Committee. There is a \$125.00 entry fee to be in the Queen's and Teen pageant. Pre-Teen Entry Fee is \$80.

- 1. Contestants must be 16 years of age by January 1, 2025, and must not have turned 28 years of age on or before January 1, 2026. However, If a contestant is 15 years old on the date of the pageant, but will be 16 years old on January 1, 2026, the contestant may choose to compete in the Teen or the Queen Division.
- 2. Contestant must be a citizen of the United States and a legal resident of West Virginia.
- 3. Contestants must not have been married or ever borne a child and be a natural and legally born woman.
- 4. The Queen will not participate in another pageant until after competing in or until after the WV Association of Fairs and Festivals pageant in January 2026. The Queen may decide to compete at the Miss USA WV Pageant May 29-31, 2025. If the Queen is older than 22 years on January 1, 2025, she will compete at Miss USA WV Pageant and the Teen-Queen goes to the WVAFF Pageant. If the Teen-Queen has not reached her 16<sup>th</sup> birthday by January 1, 2025, then the Queen First-Runner up goes to the WVAFF Pageant as Queen.
- 5. By signing the contestant application, you thereby give the Grant County Chamber of Commerce permission to use your photograph for publicity, news articles or other festival purposes, unless you specify to the contrary.

### Important information for the Pre-Teen, Teen, and Queen contestants:

All entries must be received, and entrance fees paid by March 7, 2025 and shall be submitted on-line via the Grant County Chamber Website. Link/form is www.grantwychamber.com/miss-smf-pageant

The Pageants will be held at the Landes Art Center on March 21 and 22 in Petersburg, WV at 6:30 p.m. Teen and Queen contestants will need to be at the Arts Center at 11:30 a.m. on March 22 for registration, rehearsal and interview. A Schedule will be forwarded closer to the date. The Queen Contestants will be provided with a light dinner with all Contestants and the Judges. Baby through Pre-Teen will need to be at the Arts Center at 5:00 p.m. on March 21 for registration and rehearsal.

**Areas of competition for Pre-Teen**: Introductions (name, age, and city), you will be in plain jeans (without bedazzle, etc.) and a t-shirt (the t-shirt will be provided), and an evening gown phase of competition. Pre-Teen Queen will receive a sash, crown, flowers and a \$50 gift card.

**Areas of competition for Teen:** Interview (professional attire), Introductions (name, age, and city), and evening gown. You will be in plain jeans (without bedazzle, etc.) and a t-shirt (the t-shirt will be provided), and evening gown phase of competition. On-Stage Interview questions (from Biography) will be asked of the top 5 finalists. Teen Queen will receive a sash, crown, flowers and a \$50 gift card.

**Areas of competition for Queen:** Interview (professional attire), Introductions (name, age, and city), and evening gown. You will be in plain jeans (without bedazzle, etc.) and a t-shirt (the t-shirt will be provided), and an evening gown phase of competition. Randomly selected On-Stage Interview questions will be asked of the top 5 finalists. The Queen will receive a sash, crown, flowers and a \$1000 scholarship and other donated gifts.

The Pre-Teen, Teen and Queen are required to ride in the Spring Mountain Festival Parade on Saturday, April 26, 2025, and attend events as decided by the Pageant Director.

Spring Mountain Festival is Scheduled for April 25th - 27th, 2025.

# The Spring Mountain Festival Queen will represent the Spring Mountain Festival in the 2025 WV Association of Fairs and Festival Pageant in Charleston, WV in January 2026 with Pageant Entry Fees paid by the Chamber of Commerce.

A Queen who is eligible and chooses to compete at WVAFF Pageant will be required to do a 30-second promotion during the Pageant competition. The Queen will be required to perform her 30-second promotion for the Pageant Director by April 16<sup>th</sup> and then again on stage at the Spring Mountain Festival for practice. This is your time to be creative and a way to entice others to attend the Spring Mountain Festival. The Miss WV USA Pageant does not have a promotion requirement.

#### QUEEN'S DUTIES

If chosen as the 2025 Miss Spring Mountain Festival Queen, you will be required to:

- 1. Represent the Spring Mountain Festival at the WV Association of Fairs & Festival Pageant in January 2026 or the Miss WV USA Pageant May 29-31, 2025.
- 2. Attend all 3 days of the 2025 Spring Mountain Festival Friday, April 25- Sunday, April 27, 2025.
- 3. Saturday, April 26- Participate in the parade and introduction of the Queen.
- 4. Sunday, April 27 (or Saturday before parade) Attend the Spring Mountain Festival Breakfast (if scheduled).
- 5. Participate in activities during the Spring Mountain Festival as decided by the Pageant Director or Designee.
- 6. The Queen must wear her crown and sash at all times. Dress according to the weather.
- 7. The Queen will ride in local parades and attend any local festivals that require her presence. The complete list is contained in the contract.
- 8. Please see the contract for all the requirements and details. These rules contain only highlights.