The 2025 pageant was an incredible success!

Madelyn Karstedt, representing Texas, of LaGrange, TX was crowned the **Miss Czech-Slovak US Queen 2025-2026**; she is the fifth Texas queen to wear the national crown. She also received the Sokol Talent Runner-Up and Kroj Merit Award. She has received a special educational scholarship donated by Dr. Cecelia Rokusek, Slovak Honorary Consul of Florida.

Isabel Sherman, representing Iowa of Cedar Rapids, IA was crowned the Miss Czech-Slovak US 2025-2026 1st Runner-Up. She received the Grand Talent and Kroj Merit Award.

Megan Moucha, representing Wisconsin of Eau Claire, WI was crowned Miss Czech-Slovak US 2025-2026 2nd Runner-Up. She also received the Kroj Merit Award.

Denisa Pecen, representing Illinois of Bloomingdale, IL received the Oratory, Kroj - Accuracy and Sokol Talent Awards.

Katie Rozen, representing Michigan of St. Johns, MI received the Kroj - Family Story Award.

Kate Rex, representing Oklahoma of Yukon, OK received the Gruntorad-Stastny Heritage Involvement Award and the Cultural Preservation Award.

Gracelyn Baumert representing Nebraska of Clarkson, NE received the Božena Award and Kroj - Knowledge award.

Ella Ingwersen representing New York of Ransomville, NY received the John & Lois Fiala Spirit of the Czech-Slovak Heritage Award.

Sarah Langridge representing Minnesota of Savage, MN was named Miss Congeniality; received the Talent Runner-Up and Kroj - Poise awards.

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