

MISS BLACK TRI-STATE USA  
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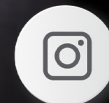
2025/2026  
LOCAL CONTESTANT  
INFORMATION GUIDE

LABOR DAY  
WEEKEND  

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ATLANTA, GA

**TALENTED TEEN | 13-17**  
**MISS | 18-27**  
**MS. | 28-45**



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**MS. BLACK MISSISSIPPI USA 2025**

*LeCourtney Young*

MISS BLACK MS & TN USA

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Welcome to  
THE PREMIERE  
PAGEANT *for*  
WOMEN  
OF COLOR

It is with great pleasure to host another Miss Black Mississippi & Tennessee USA State Pageant. The growth and experience this year has brought in as Director has ensured me that this is His purpose in my life. I am pleased to have another group of exemplary women represent their counties and cities throughout this great state of Mississippi & Tennessee.

It is my goal to continue this process of empowering women of color to showcase the luminous spirit that they have within. Thank you to every Sponsor, Community Organization and Partner who continue to see what this program is bringing to your communities.

**We are magic, black and brown girl magic!**

***Kristy Arrington***

***Executive Director, Miss Black Mississippi & Tennessee USA Pageants***  
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I am so grateful to welcome you to a new era of the Miss Black Georgia USA Pageant. Your journey to the crown has officially begun. This experience will be one of challenges, self-discovery, and glam. You will have opportunities to impactfully serve your communities, while looking fabulous. You will have legacies to continue, while building your own. The stage was set for you to display your talents, intelligence, and truest self in all your black gracefulness. Embrace the essence of you, while using the opportunity to learn and improve yourself. As a guide, I will be here to help you reach your goals as best I can.

Yours in Crowning,  
*Alexandria "Alex" Van Dyke-Randall,*  
Executive Director, Miss Black Georgia USA Pageant  
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2025|2026 EVENT INFORMATION

MANDATORY CONTESTANT WORKSHOP

JUNE 19-22, 2025  
MEMPHIS, TN

PAGEANT WEEKEND

LABOR DAY WEEKEND 2025  
ATLANTA, GA | VENUE: TBA

DAY ONE

TRAVEL DAY

DAY TWO

ORIENTATION | REHEARSAL  
WELCOME DINNER

DAY THREE

INTERVIEWS | REHEARSAL  
NIGHT ONE PRELIMS

DAY FOUR

COMMUNITY SERVICE | REHEARSAL  
NIGHT TWO PRELIMS

DAY FIVE

FAREWELL BREAKFAST | SPORTSWEAR  
COMPETITION | FINAL COMPETITION

DAY SIX

WINNERS' PHOTOSHOOT

*\*SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE*



# MISS BLACK TRI-STATE USA

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### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Is a Natural Born Female & Attends High School, College/University, is Employed, or Resides in the State of Georgia, Mississippi, or Tennessee.

Is of African Descent.

Will Compete in the National Miss Black USA Pageant, tentatively August 2026, in Washington, DC, if crowned a Tri-State titleholder.

Must determine a social advocacy platform.

Must attend required engagements or events that pertain to preparation for the state pageant.

Must be ready, willing, and able to meet the time commitments & responsibilities of the one-year reign (from crowning as a Tri-State Queen in 2025 until crowning of successor in 2026).

Must pay the required fees, paperwork, and deliverables by the specified deadlines to maintain eligibility to compete in the state pageant, or risk incurring late fees or disqualification.

Must have outstanding sportsmanship.

Has never posed nude in any format.

Understands that participation in the Summer contestant workshop and competing at the state pageant is mandatory and not optional.

### DIVISIONS

<b>TALENTED TEEN DIVISION</b> AGES 13-18	<b>MISS DIVISION</b> AGES 19-27
<b>MS. DIVISION</b> AGES 28-45	<b>AGE AS OF</b> <b>JAN. 1, 2025</b>

**\* MS. DIVISION ONLY CAN BE MARRIED, DIVORCED, OR SINGLE; WITH OR WITHOUT CHILDREN**

### AREAS OF COMPETITION

**PRIVATE INTERVIEW, 15%**  
**FITNESS (NOT SWIMWEAR), 20%**  
**TALENT, 35%**  
**EVENING GOWN, 15%**  
**PROJECTION QUESTION, 15%**

## ENTRY FEE & PAYMENT DETAILS

### ENTRY FEE: \$1,250

OFFICIAL ENTRY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL STATE COMPETITION.  
OFFICIAL LOCAL TITLEHOLDER'S EMBROIDERED SASH & RHINESTONE CROWN.  
TWO PAGEANT T-SHIRTS.  
COMPETITION SASH  
SELECTED MEALS PROVIDED DURING SUMMER WORKSHOP & PAGEANT WEEKEND.  
ONE COPY OF THE PAGEANT MAGAZINE  
ONE, FULL-PAGE CONTESTANT SPOTLIGHT PAGE.  
SWAG BAG, HEADSHOT FOR COMPETITION.  
TICKETS TO CONTESTANT OUTINGS.

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

THE SUGGESTED PAYMENT SCHEDULE WILL BE SHARED BY THE DIRECTOR OF YOUR RESPECTIVE STATE ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN OFFICIALLY INVITED TO COMPETE.

**DEADLINE FOR ALL FEES IS JUNE 30, 2025**

### PAYMENT INFO

PAYMENT INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED BY THE DIRECTOR OF YOUR RESPECTIVE STATE.

All fees are non-refundable & non-transferable.

\*A late fee of \$150 will be incurred if all required payments & documents are not received by the deadline

# WARDROBE REQUIREMENTS

## Interview

THINK BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL WITH A FLARE! AN ENSEMBLE FOR A JOB INTERVIEW WITH PERSONALITY. A NICE DRESS, JUMPSUIT, PANTSUIT, OR SKIRT SUIT.

## Fitness NOT SWIMWEAR

SELECT A FUN ATHLETIC/WORKOUT ENSEMBLE IN THE COLOR OF YOUR CHOICE. SHOULD BE PAIRED WITH ATHLETIC SHOES, NOT HEELS. TALENTED TEEN DIVISION CAN WEAR A TEAM UNIFORM.

## Talent

CHOOSE AN ENSEMBLE THAT COMPLEMENTS YOUR TALENT PRESENTATION.

## Evening Gown

SELECT ANY STYLE FLOOR LENGTH DRESS THAT MAKES YOU FEEL LIKE THE QUEEN YOU ARE! GOWN SHOULD COVER SHOES.

## Group Outing

TWO PAIRS OF DARK BLUE JEANS, ATHLETIC SHOES, SOLID BLACK JACKET, PAGEANT T-SHIRT (GIVEN AT ORIENTATION)

## Other Pieces

ORIENTATION | ALL COCKTAIL ATTIRE  
WELCOME DINNER: BLACK OUTFIT  
SPORTS THEME COSTUME  
SHOES & ACCESSORIES FOR ALL OUTFITS

MISS BLACK  
TENNESSEE USA 2024  
Jada Cooke

## Opening Number

THE PAGEANT WILL PROVIDE THE OPENING NUMBER DRESS. YOUR MEASUREMENTS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE SUMMER CONTESTANT WORKSHOP. YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MATCHING SHOES AND JEWELRY.



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**CROWNS & AWARDS**

**CROWNING**

**2026 STATE QUEENS**

**WE WILL BE CROWNING NINE QUEENS TO ADVANCE TO THE NATIONAL MISS BLACK USA PAGEANT, TENTATIVELY AUGUST 2026 IN WASHINGTON, DC.  
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***IF WE HAVE A MINIMUM OF 30 CONTESTANTS IN EACH DIVISION OVERALL, WE WILL ALSO CROWN THE REGIONAL TITLES OF  
MISS BLACK TRI-STATE TALENTED TEEN USA 2026  
MISS BLACK TRI-STATE USA 2026  
MS. BLACK TRI-STATE USA 2026  
THE TRI-STATE TITLES CAN BE SELECTED FROM  
ANY OF THE THREE STATES***

**SIDE AWARDS**

**PEOPLE'S CHOICE**

**VOTES ARE \$1 EACH & A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS THE REIGNING QUEENS' REIGNS. THERE WILL BE NO LIMIT ON VOTES PER PERSON. VOTING CLOSSES AT 12 PM ON FINALS DAY.**

**MISS CONGENIALITY**

**SELECTED BY THE CONTESTANTS AND AWARDED TO THE YOUNG LADY EMBODYING SISTERHOOD, SUPPORT, & GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP DURING PAGEANT WEEKEND.**

**COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**

**AWARDED TO THE DELEGATE WITH THE MOST RECORDED COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS COMPLETED DURING HER TIME AS A LOCAL DELEGATE.**

***MORE AWARDS COULD BE GIVEN OUT PER STATE.***



# PROGRAM BOOKLET

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## CONTESTANT SPOTLIGHT



EXAMPLE

YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ONE FULL PAGE COLOR ADVERTISEMENT IN THE PROGRAM BOOK (\$255). YOU WILL ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBMITTING A HIGH RESOLUTION, PROFESSIONAL HEADSHOT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE STATE PROGRAM BOOK. EACH CONTESTANT WILL HAVE ONE SPOTLIGHT PAGE, WHICH IS INCLUDED IN YOUR FEES. YOU WILL BE PROVIDED A LINK TO SUBMIT YOUR HEADSHOT AND ANY TEXT FOR YOUR SPOTLIGHT PAGE. HEADSHOTS & AD PAGES ARE DUE JULY 15, 2025. FILES MUST BE A 300DPI JPEG OR PNG FILE. SEE THE CHART BELOW FOR DIMENSIONS.

## PROGRAM BOOK FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

YOU CAN SELL ADDITIONAL ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE PROGRAM BOOK & EARN CREDIT TOWARDS YOUR FEES!

FULL PAGE | \$100  
HALF PAGE | \$80  
QUARTER PAGE | \$55  
BUSINESS CARD | \$30

<b>Full-Page</b> 8.5" W x 11" H  (please include a 1/8" bleed)	<b>Half-Page</b> 7.5" W x 4.75" H  (no bleed)	<b>Quarter-Page</b> 3.5" W x 4.75" H (no bleed)  <b>Eighth-Page</b> 3.5" W x 2.5" H
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ARTWORK MUST BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN 07/15/2025  
ALL ADVERTISEMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY VIA DROPBOX FILE REQUEST, BE FORMATTED CORRECTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SIZE CHART ABOVE & BE SUBMITTED AS A 300DPI JPEG FILE THE PRINTER WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CUT OFF OR LOW QUALITY PRINTS.