

THE TENNESSEE VALLEY PRIDE QUEEN PAGEANT (Female) 2010

CONTEST RULES AND REGULATION

1. Contestants must be a gay female and have reached the age of **21** by the day of the contest. Positive proof of age is required.
2. Entry fee of \$40.00 must be paid in cash or money order **before Monday, July 12, 2010**. Any entries after wards will be \$75.00, **to be paid at registration**. Entry fees are non-refundable once paid, unless the pageant is cancelled.
3. The contest will be held at IMAGES, 6005 Lee Highway, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 37421. If you need directions or have questions, please call at (423) 855-8210, Fax (423) 855-7017.
4. Registration and rehearsal will be the day of the contest: Sunday, July 18, 2010, at 5:00 pm, (**No Exception**).
5. The Contest will begin promptly at 10:00 pm.
6. Categories and point values are:

Presentation of Contestants (Show the PRIDE Colors): 25 % of
Total Points

Formal Wear: 25 % of Total Points

Talent: 50 % of Total Points

On Stage Question: Non-Scored

7. There will be five judges with a maximum point value of 48 per judge. Scoring will be on the comparative scoring system used by USofA Pageants and is the fairest scoring system used in the Nation today. The purpose of this system of Judging is to eliminate any possibility of pageant fixing. Judges decisions are final. In the event of a tie - for 1st place or 4th Place, the contestant with the highest talent score is the winner of the tie.

8. Props and back-up dancers are allowed and encouraged, but please note that there is minimal prop storage space available Should you have questions please call ahead. Prop setup and knockdown time of five (5) minutes, will be allowed upon request. Only one (1) person will be allowed to assist each contestant. Only the contestant and the designated one helper will be admitted free of charge, all back up dancers, friends, fans etc., will pay admission at the door.

9. The use of any illegal drug is prohibited while participating in the contest. Any contestant caught using drugs will be disqualified and removed from the building.

10. Any contestant caught in the act of stealing will be disqualified and removed from the building.

11. Contestants should be ready for all categories in a timely manner. All contestants should conduct themselves in a professional manner both prior to, during, and after the contest.

12. **Presentation of Contestants** may be a costume or fashion statement representing any theme, **as long as it includes all six (6) PRIDE Colors**. In preparing for this category, think "Gay Pride". Choose the look and accessories you feel most confident about. Use your imagination, creativity and keep in mind this is the first time the judges are seeing you. You will be required to at least, state your name and where you are from. Make them remember you. No props, personal music or support dancers.

13. **On Stage Question** This is a Non Scored fun Category. The MC will ask you a very simple and easy question, about yourself or this pageant. This affords the opportunity to evaluate each contestant's basic qualities, such as intelligence, ability to communicate, attitude and composure, etc. The Judges may also gather information about a Contestant's professional or personal life

14. **Formal Wear** may be any type you feel competitive. Each Contestant will model their Formal Wear as the emcee reads their Contestant Formal Wear Description Sheet. After individual modeling, all of the Contestants will be brought back onto stage in one line, for comparative scoring. IMAGES will provide Formal Escorts.

15. **Talent** may be any type Talent Presentation (no stripping), with the exception of the use of any water, fire, glitter, power or any other type talent which may cause harm or injury to either yourself, the audience, any other participant in the contest or the facility itself. If you have any questions please ask. Talent is limited to seven (7) minutes. Prop setup and knockdown time is limited to five (5) minutes. Your talent music must be on a CD, in track "one" and be the only music on the tape. It should be plainly labeled with your contestant name, number and talent music title.

16. Prizes are:

TENNESSEE VALLEY PRIDE QUEEN (Female) 2010 - Crown, Plaque and \$150.00 (\$50 that night, \$75 distributed throughout the year and \$25 when she gives up her crown)

1st Runner Up - Plaque and \$75.00.

2nd Runner Up - Plaque

17. This is an open contest - meaning that you do not have to be a resident of Chattanooga nor the state of Tennessee. This contest is not affiliated with any other pageantry system.

18. **Poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated**. There can only be one (1) winner of TVP Queen Pageant. If you or your assistants, friends or supporters act in an un sportsman manner, because the Contest does not turn out the way you or they think it should, **you will be escorted** from IMAGES and **not allowed to return**. There will be no exception in this situation.

19. Violations of these rules will result in point reduction and / or disqualification.

20. Tennessee Valley Pride Contest / Pageant Obligations

- ** Hold the TVP Organization in the highest esteem and maintain and project a sound high moral and non-embarrassing manner while holding a TVP Title.
- Attend all official TVP events.
- ** Conduct at least one fund raiser show.
- Assist in all TVP Fund Raisers.
- Assist in the Toy Drive (Christmas Season, Fund TBD).
- Attend the Atlanta Pride Parade, if TVP has been entered.
- ** Be an active TVP Board Member for the year.
- Represent TVP and the Gay Community in a professional manner.
- ** Assist all TVP Contest / Pageant Winners get contestants for every TVP Contest and Pageant scheduled.
- And any other duties deemed by the TVP Board of Directors.

** Minimum Obligation Requirements

21. Judges and Tennessee Valley Pride President decisions are final!

Have Fun and Good Luck To Everyone

CONTESTANT BIOGRAPHY AND INFORMATION SHEET

TALENT PROPS YES ____ NO ____ TALENT SET UP TIME YES ____ NO ____

TALENT LENGTH (min.) _____

DANCER YES ____ NO ____ HOW MANY _____

CONTESTANT # _____ STAGE NAME _____

NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____ EYES _____ HAIR _____

PHONE NO. _____

CURRENT TITLE (S) _____

The following information is the only descriptive information that will be read by the pageant commentators. Please print or type as neat as possible for clarity. If the information is not legible - then it will NOT be read.

SPONSORS _____

GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS _____

ZODIAC SIGN _____

FAVORITE FLOWER _____ FAVORITE ACTOR _____

HOBBIES AND SPECIAL INTEREST _____

HERO OR MENTOR _____

FAVORITE QUOTE _____

CONTESTANT BIOGRAPHY: _____

FORMAL WEAR:

Name: _____

Formal Wear Designer: _____

Accessories: _____

Additional Sponsors: _____

