

Hello Everyone and Welcome to the 2012 National Citrus Pageant and Model Search,

Whether this is your first Citrus Experience or you are an old friend, may I welcome you and hope the pageant is all that you hope. May it provide positive memories to hold for a lifetime! I work for the entire year to create Citrus, I hope you find this to be a positive outlet for your family.

As the National Director, I want everyone to read the directions/briefing that I share with every Citrus judge. It is my hope that this information will assist you as you prepare for a fun, worthwhile, exciting, memorable weekend at the 2012 National Citrus Pageant and Model Search.

There are 3 judges for interview/beauty line up, 3 different judges for Citrus Wear, and the 3 different judges for Formal Wear/Beauty and three different judges for all Optional Competitions. Each judge is scoring on a scale from 1-10. I ask that each judge use the full scale.

Interview:

- 0-11 months, 12-23 months, 0-35 months (BOYS), 2-3 years- Judges, Please look for a beautiful face, a happy baby, spirited personality, and well groomed baby. These are babies; there should be no make-up on these children. There will be no questions asked; it is just an up close and personal viewing of each precious little one!
- All other age divisions: The contestant will enter the room and introduce him or herself. They should be natural, well spoken, but most importantly have a beautiful face and posses a happy disposition. Look for the contestant who is comfortable, maintain eye contact, speaking from her heart, well groomed and excited to be there! Make-up in all of these divisions should be very light and pretty. It is my vision that they leave the interview room and could enter a photo shoot for a major magazine.

Citrus Wear:

- 0-11 months, 12-23 months, 0-35 months, 2-3 years, 3-6 years, 4-6 years, 7-9 years, In these 7 age divisions, the contestants must wear an outfit that is canary yellow, lime green, and/or orange. It may be 1, 2, or all 3 of these colors. Other colors are allowed, but the citrus colors must be the prominent colors.
- The outfit can be ANYTHING like a costume, sportswear, off the rack outfit, school wear, or swimwear to name a few. Props and other people are allowed in the routine.
- The time on stage is timed to 90 seconds; the contestant may or may not provide his/her own music. Stop scoring the contestant at 90 seconds. Judges, Please look for a beautiful face, fun personality, great showmanship, creativity in outfit and routine, would you like to see the contestant back on stage again, was the contestant entertaining, did the contestant maintain eye contact and make a connection with judges/audience, and was the audience's reaction positive? Did the contestant provide a WOW factor?
- 10 years old and up, Each contestant must wear blue jeans (any length) and a citrus colored top. Judges, please look for a beautiful face, confidence, great eye contact, fun modeling ability, amazing style, well groomed, is the stage her 2nd home, did she command your attention, did she provide a WOW factor? With that being said, all styles of modeling are allowed, do what best suites you and your style. Judges, Keep an open mind on modeling styles, and look for the next star!

Formal Wear:

- Each contestant will provide/wear the formal wear that best suits him or her.
- All colors, styles, and lengths of dresses are allowed. Judges, although you take into consideration grooming, does the outfit fit, is the attire age appropriate, is the coloring flattering to his/her skin tone, and is the hair and make-up light and pretty?
- The most important element of formal wear is a beautiful face, a smile connected to his/her heart, confident modeling ability, consistent eye contact, is he or she just a vision! Formal Wear/Beauty is timed at 90 seconds; please stop scoring at the 90 second mark.

Optional Competitions:

- Best Smile- look for a warm, kind smile, is it connected to his or her heart, do you have to smile back, and is it contagious?
- Most Beautiful/Handsome Face- look for a beautiful face, light and pretty make-up, is the contestant destined for a modeling career
- Most Beautiful Eyes- sparkling and bright, expressive eyes
- Best Hair- age appropriate, stylish, out of his/her face, add to the overall look of the contestant without being distracting
- Best Dressed- scored in the formal wear competition, it can be glitz, natural, Sunday best, does the outfit fit, does the style suit the contestant, is the child wearing the outfit or is the outfit wearing the child?
- Most Photogenic- a beautiful face, either a natural or glitz image, does the picture command your attention, is the lighting correct, do the eyes speak to you, do you keep going back to the picture, is the cropping correct?
- Best Portfolio- do the 8-12 pictures (natural or glitz) show range, diversity, a beautiful face, great styling, creativity
- Best Composite- does the composite show range, are the outfits varied, look for a beautiful face, style, and creativity

If you have any questions about the scoring for the 2012 National Citrus Pageant, please contact the National Office at 954-322-0312 or e-mail us at director@littlemisscitrus.com

Scores are available for purchase at the pageant, for any details about purchasing scores, please contact our official auditor, Paul Driver, at chiron1@gmail.com

Michael Salas



Michael Talking with Jimmy Kimmel on his late night national television show.

The 2011 National Court: Bailey Grace Sheridan (0-11 months), Embrelyn Lawhorn (12-23 months), Giovanni Lasorsa (0-35 months, boys), Sadie Sunshine Garrett (2-3 years), Randy Williams (3-6 years, boys), Brianna Ashley Gonzalez (4-6 years), Bernice Chau (7-9 years), Caitlyn Kent (10-13 years), Natalie Dubuc (14-17 years), Megan Polly (18-29 years) and Miraya Young (Ms. Citrus) represented these titles with style, grace, a sense of pride, and the willingness to help those who may have needed a hand up. Thank you to all of the amazing titleholders and parents for providing a memorable year of love, new friendships, and rhinestones! You are all etched in my heart forever, once a Citrus Titleholder, always one!

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