

Miss American Clogger Pageant

The Miss American Clogger Pageant is preparing to celebrate our 21st year and we want you to be a part of it. Whether you're a veteran to the pageant or brand new, we're sure you'll enjoy 3 days of fun, clogging, and pageantry. This year's pageant will be June 17-19, 2010. It will be held at Forestview High School in Gastonia, North Carolina. Contestants will compete in interview, talent (clogging), and evening gown competition. Our theme this year will be "Welcome to VEGAS!" so get ready for some fun! "21" could be your lucky year!! Make sure you visit our website at www.missamericancloggerpageant.com for the latest updates. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate call us at (706) 202-9073.

Sandra Eason
Director

AGE DIVISIONS

5 – 7 years of age

8 – 9 years of age

10 – 12 years of age

13 - 15 years of age

16 – 18 years of age

19 – 29 years of age

30 & up

Little Miss American Clogger

Petite Miss American Clogger

PreTeen Miss American Clogger

Junior Miss American Clogger

Teen Miss American Clogger

Senior Miss American Clogger

Adult Miss American Clogger

Age will be determined by age as of June 1, 2010. Applicants may be single or married. **We reserve the right to combine age divisions if less than 3 entries are received in a category.**

LODGINGS

Our host hotel for the pageant will be:

Courtyard by Marriott

1856 Remount Road

Gastonia, NC 28054

704-852-4411

Room rates are \$82 per night plus tax. Please say you are with the "Miss American Clogger Pageant" when making reservations. **You must register by May 17 in order to receive this rate.** It is not mandatory that you stay at the host hotel but it will be more convenient as all events on Thursday and some on Friday will be held there. If you have problems with lodgings, please let me know.

ENTRY FEES

Entry fee for pageant is \$210 per contestant. This fee includes the interview, talent, evening gown, and essay competition, Miss American Clogger t-shirt, name badge, production practice video, program book, pizza party and pool party. For those who would prefer to sell ads to earn their entry fee, any contestant who sells four pages of ads or more may waive the \$210 entry fee.

DEADLINE for entry fees and/or ad sales will be June 1, 2010. First to enter will be the last to compete in each age division.

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

<u>June 17</u>	Orientation	4:00 pm	Courtyard by Marriott
	Rehearsals	5:00 pm	Courtyard by Marriott
	Pool Party	8:00 pm	Courtyard by Marriott
<u>June 18</u>	Interview Competition	9:00 am	Courtyard by Marriott
	Lunch	12:00 pm	Courtyard by Marriott
	Rehearsals	2:00 pm	Forest View High School
	Gift-Giving/Costume Party	7:00 pm	Courtyard by Marriott
<u>June 19</u>	Talent Phase of Pageant	9:00 am	Forestview High School
	Evening Gown Phase	6:00 pm	Forestview High School
	Party for Queens	TBA	Courtyard by Marriott

SPECTATOR FEES

Adult\$12.00 (includes entry for both phases of competition)

Child (6 – 12) \$6.00 (includes entry for both phases of competition)

***Entry fee for pageant covers contestant only.**

PRODUCTION NUMBERS

As in the past, contestants will be performing a clogging and evening gown production number. The clogging production number will open the talent phases of the pageant on Saturday morning. Contestants will wear pageant t-shirts, white shorts and “clean” white clogging shoes. The evening gown production will be performed at the end of the evening gown phase of the pageant prior to crowning. Contestants may wear the same evening gown that they compete in. These routines will not be difficult but it will be imperative that you are at all rehearsals so that these production numbers will look good at the pageant.

CATEGORIES

TALENT (50% of score)

The talent phase of competition will count 50% of your overall score. Awards will be given for overall talent winner, age division talent winners, and best clogging costume. General guidelines are as follows:

- Routine must not exceed 90 seconds in length. Points will be deducted if time limit is exceeded.
- Clogging must make up 50% of routine. Other forms of talent (i.e. vocal, other dance forms, gymnastics, etc.) may be included in routine but are not mandatory.
- Any type of music may be used.
- Music must be on CD or cassette tape and **turned in at orientation** on Thursday afternoon. It is advisable to bring a backup in case of problems with original.
- Small props may be used but placement and removal of props should be done quickly.
- Judging criteria will be based on clogging ability, choreography, showmanship, and audience appeal.

EVENING GOWN (25% of score)

The evening gown phase of competition will count 25% of your overall score. General guidelines are as follows:

- Age 5-12 age divisions may wear short or long dress. Ages 13 & up must wear long dresses.
- Judging criteria will be based on overall appearance, poise, and showmanship.

INTERVIEW (25% of score)

The interview phase of competition will count 25% of your overall score. One overall winner and winners from each age division will be awarded. General guidelines are as follows:

- Interview will consist of 2 minutes with each judge.
- Questions will be taken from contestant's Personal Information Sheet.
(Tip: Make a copy before sending in.)
- Contestants must wear pageant t-shirt, white shorts, skirt, or skort, white socks and white tennis shoes.
- Judging criteria will be based on personality, poise, and presentation.

ESSAY (Optional)

If you won a MILLION Dollar jackpot what would you do with the money? This is the topic for this year's essay contest.

General guidelines are as follows:

- Length of essay is at your discretion.
- **Essay must be received on or before June 1, 2010.**
- Judging criteria will be based on content, originality, and neatness.

PHOTOGENIC (Optional)

Anyone selling a one-page ad in the program book (**in addition to any ad sales sold to earn free entry fee**) will be eligible to compete for the photogenic award. One overall and age division photogenic awards will be given. Overall and age division awards will also be given to the most natural photogenic picture. General guidelines are as follows:

- Submit one photograph (no larger than an 8 1/2 x 11) with application.
- Color or black & white photograph may be used.
- Head shot is preferred but not mandatory
- Judging criteria will be based on quality of picture and presentation of subject.

AD SALES (Optional)

Although ad sales are not mandatory to enter the pageant, they provide a way to earn your entry fee, compete in the photogenic competition, earn exposure in the program book, and compete for ad sales winner. Enclosed is an ad sales information sheet for you to present to potential advertisers. Ad sales are a great way for businesses, organizations, and individuals to advertise and/or show their support for their favorite contestant. General guidelines are as follows:

- Any contestant selling 4 pages of ads (in any combination) may waive pageant entry fee.
- Any contestant selling 1 or more pages of ads may enter the photogenic competition. **This page must be sold in addition to pages sold to earn free entry fee.**
- Theme awards will be given for the ads that best capture our theme for this year.
- The contestant who sells the most ads will win the Ad Sales Award.
- Deadline for Ad Sales is June 1, 2010.

Tip: Don't know any businesses? Create a good luck page for all your family, friends, and fellow cloggers to sign! What a great way for them to show their support for their favorite contestant.

AWARDS

TITLE AWARDS

Overall Miss American Clogger (Highest combined score of talent, evening gown, and interview)

- Over \$1,000 in cash & prizes including:
- \$500 CASH
- Magnificent Crown
- Beautiful Trophy
- Embroidered Banner
- Autograph Cards
- Clothing, Jewelry, Clogging Supplies, Gift Certificates, and other prizes from various sponsors and vendors
- Appearances throughout the year

Age Division Winners

- \$100 CASH
- Magnificent Crown
- Beautiful Trophy
- Banner
- Jewelry
- Gift Certificates, clogging supplies, and other prizes from various sponsors and vendors
- Appearances throughout the year

Age Division Runner-ups (1st – 4th Alternates)

- Beautiful Trophy

All Contestants

- Miss American Clogger t-shirt
- Miss American Clogger Program Book
- Miss American Clogger Name Badge
- Beautiful Participation Trophy (for non-placing contestants)
- Gift Certificates, clogging supplies, and other prizes from various sponsors and vendors

OTHER AWARDS

Photogenic Awards

(Must sell 1 page of ads)

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| <u>Overall Photogenic</u> | <u>Age Division Photogenic Winners</u> |
| Beautiful Plaque | Beautiful Plaque |

Talent Awards

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| <u>Overall Talent Winner</u> | <u>Age Division Talent Winners</u> |
| \$500 Savings Bond
(Sponsored by CCA) | Beautiful Trophy |
| <u>Overall Clogging Costume</u> | <u>Age Division Best Costume</u> |
| Beautiful Trophy | Beautiful Trophy |

Evening Gown Awards

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| <u>Most Beautiful Evening Gown</u> | <u>Age Division Winners</u> |
| Beautiful Trophy | Beautiful Trophy |

Interview Awards

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| <u>Overall Interview Winner</u> | <u>Age Division Winners</u> |
| Beautiful Plaque | Beautiful Trophy |

Ad Sales Winner

(Contestant selling the most ad pages. Must sell 7 pages to qualify)

- Large Trophy
- Savings Bond
- Appearances throughout the year

Miss Congeniality

- Beautiful Plaque

Overall & Age Division Essay Winners

- Beautiful Trophy

Ticket Sales Winner

- (Contestant who presales the most spectator tickets)
- Beautiful Trophy

PRIZES WILL ALSO BE GIVEN FOR DOOR CONTEST, CAR CONTEST AND COSTUMES AT GIFT-GIVING PARTY. Decorate “VEGAS-style”!!!

Miss American Clogger Pageant Personal Information Sheet

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Age (as of June 17, 2010): _____ Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____

Name of School You Currently Attend: _____ GPA: _____

If Not Currently in School, List Occupation: _____

List Any Special Training (Voice, Dance, Etc.): _____

Awards You Have Won: _____

Hobbies You Enjoy: _____

Person You Most Admire in Clogging and Why: _____

Interesting Things You Have Done In Clogging: _____

Future Plans: _____

Name of Parents or Spouse (if married): _____

I hereby declare all above information to be true and understand that all disclosed information and photographs may be used by the Miss American Clogger Pageant in order to promote the event.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature if under 18: _____

Additional Pages May Be Attached if Needed

Miss American Clogger

2010 Ad Sales

The Miss American Clogger Pageant is preparing to celebrate our 21st year. This year the pageant and program book will be seen by people throughout the country. What a great way to advertise and support your favorite contestant at the same time. All contestants in the pageant are asked to sell ads to help offset the expense of printing the program book. Contestants who sell ads can have their photograph on each page of ads sold. They will also receive prizes and special awards at the pageant including best theme awards. Our pageant this year will have a "Welcome to VEGAS!" theme.

If you're looking for a way to advertise your business or just want to do a personal ad to support your favorite contestant, please fill out the information below and provide paperwork for your ad (camera-ready preferred). Checks should be made payable to **Miss American Clogger Pageant**. All ads and payment must be received no later than June 1, 2010. Thanks so much for your support of our contestants and the Miss American Clogger Pageant.

_____	Full Page Ad (8 ½ x 11)	\$100.00
_____	Half Page Ad (5 ½ x 8 ½)	\$60.00
_____	Quarter Page Ad (4 ¼ x 5 ½)	\$40.00
_____	Business Card Ad (2 ¾ x 4 ¼)	\$25.00

Business &/or Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Ad Sold By _____