<u> 2021 Miss Merry Christmas Pageant</u>

SPONSORED BY THE CAROLINA DOGWOOD FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

DIVISIONS

BABY MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages Birth to 18 months
TODDLER MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 19 to 35 months
MINI MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 3 to 4 years
TINY MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 5 to 6 years
LITTLE MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 7 to 9 years
JUNIOR MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 10 to 12 years
YOUNG MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 13-14
TEEN MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 15 to 17 years
MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – Ages 18 to 24 years

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021

Location: The Unity Center at 1147 Salisbury Road, Statesville, NC 28625

Pageant begins at 10:00 AM (for all age groups) *Registration will be from 9:00 am – 9:45 am *On-stage walking instruction/practice immediately following registration*

ALL CONTESTANTS will be judged on **OVERALL APPEARANCE**, **POISE**, and **ON-STAGE PRESENCE** Ages 7 -24 years will be asked the following question on-stage:

"WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT CHRISTMAS?"

Required attire is an age-appropriate *HOLIDAY DRESS OR GOWN*

PHOTOGENIC competition is optional.

Winners receive a *Crown*, *Monogrammed Sash* and *Trophy* and will have

opportunities to make appearances with the Carolina Dogwood Festival

Contestants please bring an unwrapped toy for The Festival to Donate to children in need

DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS IS: **Saturday November 6, 20201 at 5:00 PM** ENTRY FEE is \$50 (optional Photogenic is \$10 per photo – limit 2 photos)

Email application to: carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com

Or mail to: P.O. Box 653, Statesville, NC 28687

Fees must accompany application and are accepted via cash,
PayPal ("Friends & Family" ONLY with notation of event)

@ carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com,
certified check, or money order made payable to: "Carolina Dogwood Festival"

Questions/more info: Cheryl Abbott, (704) 929-4155

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COMPETITION GUIDELINES:

- 1. All contestants in all divisions must have been born female and and be residents of or attend school in the NC.
- 2. Contestants in the Teen and Miss Divisions must be single, never married, and have no children.
- 3. School requirements (if enrolled): must be in good academic standing, have good attendance, and no major discipline incidents. Students may attend public, private, church-affiliated, or home schools and colleges.
- 4. Contestants must not have any type of criminal record; this includes "pending", "convicted", "community service" agreements, and "restitution" arrangements.

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- 5. There will be one Winner, a 1 runner-up awarded in each age division. The winner will be awarded to the contestant accumulating the highest number of points from the panel of judges. If ties occur, the judges will be given a tie-breaker ballot.
- 6. There will be one Photogenic Award given in each age division for those contestants choosing to enter. This optional competition is scored separately and will NOT be included in the overall scores for contestants. Recommendations for photographs are a natural looking headshot that may be lightly retouched, is no smaller than 5X7 or larger than 8X10. Photos may be color or black/white and should be labeled on the back with the contestant's full name. You may enter no more than 2 photos (\$10 each) and they should be turned in at registration on pageant day. *No "emailed" pictures will be accepted. Photos will be available for return immediately following the pageant; pictures not picked up after pageant will not be mailed back to contestant.
- 7. **Registration** will be from **9:00** am **9:45** am. *Registration will close at 9:45 am*. Contestants will be given walking instructions and be allowed to practice the stage walking pattern immediately after registration and until 9:50 am. The pageant will begin promptly at **10:00** am.
- 8. There are dressing room facilities available.
- 9. Following announcement of the winners, there will be official photos taken.

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PARTICIPATION RULES, REGULATIONS, AND WAIVER

I give my child permission to participate in the Christmas Pageant sponsored by the Carolina Dogwood Festival Committee (referred to herein as the "sponsoring organization"). I, as a parent of a contestant or a contestant over 18 years of age, understand and agree to abide by all the rules, regulations and guildelines ("Competition Guidelines" on next page) set forth in this agreement.

The Directors, associates, committee members, and the facility where the pageant is being held are not responsible for any damages, accident(s), or losses that occur before, during, or after the pageant. The sponsoring organization reserves the right to cancel, limit, or split age groups based on participation numbers. I understand that the judges' decisions are final and score sheets from this competition will not be released and are the property of the sponsoring organization.

I, the Parent/Contestant over 18 years of age, understand that poor sportsmanship by the contestant, parents, relatives/friends will result in disqualification and all fees paid will be forfeited.

I, the Parent/Contestant over 18 years of age, understand that if my child is / I am awarded a title, I am responsible for all fees associated with travel or appearances. I understand that from time to time titleholders from this pageant including my child / myself will be requested to participate in appearances, parades, etc. along with other titleholders of the community.

My child/ I will be required to attend the annual Christmas Pageant held in November 2022 to crown the successors.

I give the sponsoring organization permission to use my child's/ my name, photo, likeness, etc. during the pageant and in publicity (i.e. newspaper, website, radio, and social media) thereafter to promote the events sponsored by the Carolina Dogwood Festival Committee.

Personal checks will not be accepted for entry fees. All fees must be paid prior to the pageant via PayPal, certified check, money order, or cash. Entry form and fees must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 6, 2021.

Parent or Guardian Signature (if under age 18)	Date	
Contestant Signature (if over age 18)	Date	

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EMCEE INFORMATION SHEET (Please print legibly)

Contestant # _____(Assigned at pageant)

CONTESTANT NAME	DIVISION	(Assigned at pageant
Parents/Guardians Names:		
Siblings w/ ages:		
Favorite person:	Favorite movie:	
Favorite activity:	Favorite color:	
Favorite book:	Favorite food:	
Favorite TV show:	Favorite song:	
Favorite school subject:		
Hobbies/Interests:		
Interesting facts about yourself:		
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Name:							
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