Miss Oregon

June 26-29, 2024 Seaside, Oregon

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Miss Oregon 2023

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Allison Burke Miss Oregon 2023

Lena Larecy Miss Oregon's Teen 2023



Behind the Scenes Heroes: Cast & Crew

Executive Producer/Director Technical Director Lighting Design Choreographer Stage Manager/Assistant Director **Stage Hand Production Assistant Audio/Visual Operator & Announcer Lighting Operator Teleprompter Operator Streaming Coordinator Live Stream Operator Dressing Room Coordinator Dressing Room/Show Runner Dressing Room/Show Runner Master of Ceremonies Mistress of Ceremonies Mistress of Ceremonies Talent Emcee Production Entertainment**

Taylor Miller Clint Kaster Beth McShane Tammy Wallace Amee Springsteen Leslie Cross Misty Carolan **Kevin McShane Kelly McShane** Rochelle Rafn **Jane Rogers** Caitlin McShane **Darla Pugmire Marcee Teeters Angela Palmer Andy Carson** Rebecca Muessle Shivali Kadam Renee Cleland Sophia Takla

Saturday Night Final production

Opening Production

Miss Finalists Announcement

Miss Onstage Question

Meet the Judges

Special Performance: Lena Larecy

Miss Health & Fitness

Parade of Teen Contestants

Special Teen Awards

Shining Stars Performance

Talent - Miss Top 11

INTERMISSION



Shivali Kadam Miss Oregon 2019



Rebecca Muessle Miss Oregon 2014



Andy Carson, KPTV 12 Final Master of Ceremonies

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Miss Red Carpet
Teen Top 5 Announcement
Teen Final Conversation
Special Performance: Allison Burke
Miss Top 5 Announcement
Miss Final Conversation
Miss Special Awards
Crowning - Miss Oregon's Teen 2024
Miss Oregon Finale

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Education is Our Goal

The Miss Oregon Scholarship Program is an annual event dedicated to empowering young women through scholarship opportunities and personal development. During Miss Oregon Week, contestants compete for over \$48,000 in cash scholarships, making it one of the most significant scholarship programs in the state. Additionally, the total value of scholarships and in-kind gifts awarded to both Miss Oregon and Miss Oregon's Teen surpasses \$188,000, highlighting the program's commitment to supporting the educational pursuits of its participants.

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The Miss of Oregon

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1	947	Joann Amorde Miss America Semi-Finalist	1967 Christine Beach	1986	Jana Svea Peterson Miss America Gillette Troupe	2004	Brook Roberts
1	948	Joyce Davis Miss America Semi-Finalist	1962 Marjean Kay Langley Miss America 3 rd Runnerr-Up	1987	Tammy Fazzolari	2005	Lucy Fleck
1	949	Beverly Kruger	1969 Margie Elaine Huhta Miss America USO Tour	1988	Anna Denise Jones	2006	Doniee McGinnis
1	950	Elizabeth Ann Baker	1970 Cynthia Lynn Harrison	1989	Lynette Maria Boggs Quality of Life Finalist	2007	Kari Virding Non-Finalist Talent
1	951	Audry Mistretta	1971 Lynn Dee Grenz Most Talented Popular Singer	1990	Brittny Gae Thompson	2008	Danijela Krstic
1	952	Mary Lou Teague	1972 Sandra Lynn Herring Miss America Talent & USO Tour	1991	Carolyn Helen Ladd	2009	CC Barber Miss America Top 15 Preliminary Swimsuit
1	953	Patti Throop Miss America Semi-Finalist	1973 Nancy Jean Jackson	1992	Sara Kristi Paulson	2010	Stephenie Steers Miss America Top 15
1	954	Diane Carman	1974 Juli Ann Berg	1993	Elizabeth Simmons Miss America 3 rd Runner-Up	2011	Caroline McGowan
1	955	Dorothy Mae Johnson Miss America 1st Runner Up	1975 Betty JoAnn Hupfer	1994	Roberta Stenbeck	2012	Nichole Mead
1	956	Patricia Berg	1976 Shan Rae Moss Miss America Talent Award	1995	Emily John Orton Miss America 1st Runner-Up	2013	Allison Cook
1	957	Judith Hansen Miss America Semi-Finalist	1977 Suzanne Louise Bunker Miss America Semi-Finalist	1996	Patricia Regan Leines Miss America 2nd Runner-Up Preliminary Talent & Swimsuit	2014	Rebecca Anderson Top 10 STEM Finalist
1	958	Mary Ellen Vinton	1978 Amy Kathleen White	1997	Tamara Ann Finch Miss America Semi-Finalist Steinway Talent Award	2015	Ali Wallace
1	959	Karlyn Mattsson	1979 Tammy Mae Sanders	1998	Jennifer Sisco-Moore	2016	Alexis Mather
1	960	Rosemary Doolen Most Talented Singer	1980 Teresa Richardson Miss America Talent Award	1999	Angela Reed	2017	Harley Emery
1	961	Jody Bourne	1981 Julie Ann Ross Miss America Semi-Finalist	2000	Angela Day Brink	2018	Taylor Ballard
1	962	Martha Wyatt Miss America Semi-Finalist	1982 Laura Ann Matthys	2001	Katie Harman Miss America 2002 Preliminary Talent	2019	Shivali Kadam Overall Interview Award
1	963	D'Ann Fullerton	1983 Stephanie Jill Wymer Miss America Talent & USO Tour	2001	Heidi Rickey	2021	Abigail Hayes Miss America 4th Runner-Up
1	964	Carol Pedersen	1984 Renee Louise Bagley	2002	Brita Stream	2022	Sophia Takla Miss America Semi-Finalist
1	965	Sue Pack Miss America Semi-Finalist	1985 Dana Marie Kocks	2003	April Robinson Non-Finalist Interview	2023	Allison Burke
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MEET THE JUBGES

ART ARELLANES

Producer of TV award shows and global ceremonies.



AMY ARNESS

National PTA State President's Outstanding Service Award,
Actively involved in international exchange programs.

Appointed to the ND Department of Education Task Force





Chairs training committee for US and Canadian Coast Guard.

Dedicated 44 years to commercial diving and salvage.

Resides in her hometown with her husband and three kids.

Enjoys whitewater rafting adventures with family.



ALICIA BURBIDGE

Special Events Coordinator at Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp.

Past President of the Hillsboro Jaycees.

Watercolor painter with a unique artistic flair.

































Miss Oregon 2023

"She Flies With Her Own Wings" - One year ago, I set my intentions for 2023 under the theme of these beautiful words from our Oregon state motto. Never in my wildest dreams did I anticipate this year to hold the many gifts of sincere friendship, vulnerability, travel, peace, and, above all, wholehearted service and connection. My year of service was built from years of grit, perseverance, and passion for this beautiful sisterhood that has spanned 77 years of empowering women across Oregon.

Exactly a decade ago, I stepped onto a local Miss America stage and competed for my first title, Miss Portland 2014. Six local titles later, I can attest that the magic of Miss Oregon lies in the gentle moments of human connection. From placing the crown on top of a little girl's head at the Oregon State Fair and seeing her eyes light up and her shyness melt away, to performing the violin on Christmas Eve for hundreds of our unhoused neighbors in Portland and hearing the sounds of people join in song, I am closing this chapter of my life with profound gratitude for the opportunity to touch lives in every corner of our state.

Wholeheartedly, the leader and woman I am today is a direct reflection of my experiences in the Miss Oregon Scholarship Program. I am eternally thankful for the over \$30,000 in scholarships that allowed me to graduate debt-free and for the personal and professional development that led to my dream job serving our state in another capacity, as Oregon's State Operations Manager in the United States Senate.

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To the generous sponsors, volunteers, and supporters of the Miss Oregon Scholarship Program who make all of this possible year after year - you are all the backbone of our organization. Thank you for the impact you have made on the hearts and lives of us through your donations and services over so many years and for believing in our mission.

To my forever Miss Oregon sisters, I feel lucky to share such precious memories with the most wholehearted and gracious women I've ever known. From helping me prepare to compete at Miss America, to hosting the most beautiful send-off party, opening your homes and closets to me, and sending me the kindest notes and thoughtful gifts throughout my year, I love you all very much, and our sisterhood is so dear to my heart. It is an honor to join this legacy of extraordinary women, and it is my truest hope to pay your kindness forward.

To our beloved Miss Oregon board, including Beth, Blaine, and Kirsten, you have poured more love and support into my journey than I could ever thank you for. There are countless hours you have given behind the scenes to make each year extraordinary for every woman who comes to this sisterhood, and I am forever changed for the better from your mentorship and friendship. From late-night calls and early morning emails, bringing my dream Miss America gown to life in such vivid brilliance, and creating the most incredible custom jeweled violin case, thank you all for believing in me and so generously going above and beyond for me to live out this dream from day one.

To Lena, my sister, this year bringing us together is the greatest blessing I could ask for. From all our fun behind the scenes at local competitions, to our shared jokes and nicknames, to my proudest moment at Miss America - watching you so beautifully and boldly share your story and grace that stage, I am thankful to be forever bonded in sisterhood and a friendship that will last a lifetime.

Finally, to my mom and dad, I love you both so much. You've shaped me into the woman I am today and have given me unwavering support throughout my twenty-eight years of life. Words fail to capture the magnitude of gratitude I feel for sharing this extraordinary journey and dream come true with you both.

With heartfelt joy and thankfulness, it has been the greatest honor to have served as Miss Oregon 2023.

Oregon, you will always have my whole heart.

With much love,



Contestant No.1 Miss Sierra Cascade



Miss Oregon Semi-Finalist

MANJU BANGALORE

Hometown Corvallis, Oregon

> Talent HERStory

Community Service

Operation Period: The Fight for Menstrual Justice

University of Southern California (Remote) & International Institute of Astronautical Sciences M.S. Astronautical Engineering and M.S. Bioastronautics

Career Ambition

I plan on becoming a commercial astronaut and conducting my research in space. I am also signed with an acting manager and agent and just booked my first TV pilot. In addition, I want to grow the nonprofit I started almost a decade ago, Operation Period, to impact thousands of more young women.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon

Contestant No.2 Miss Portland Metro

MYA JOYCE

Hometown Sublimity, Oregon

Talent
Classical Piano

Community Service

Our Other Glass Ceiling: Body Image in Young Women



Miss Oregon 2nd Runner Up

Harvard University
Chemistry

Career Ambition

To become a pediatric ophthalmologist, continue to conduct groundbreaking chemistry research, and to continue to advocate for scientific policy change in our country.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$8,850

Contestant No.3 Miss Central Valley



Miss Oregon Community Service 2nd Runner Up

KAROL WAI

Hometown Clackamas, Oregon

Talent
Speed Painting

Community Service
Youth Voice Youth Vote

Oregon Health & Science University
Doctor of Medicine (M.D. Candidate)

Career Ambition

I aspire to become a Physician-Scientist capable of treating Oregon's most medically underserved communities. I seek to utilize practices of evidence-based clinical medicine, novel therapeutic research, and a commitment to cultural humility to guide me along this career rooted in values of service above self and compassion which triumphs over circumstance. I believe that innate to the practice of medicine is the basis of shared personhood and I hope to one day contribute to discoveries which improve health equity for All. I am a daughter of two humble immigrants who fled a Military dictatorship and lived to tell the tale. It is because of their struggles and sacrifices that I can even dare to dream at all in a state where "She Flies With Her Own Wings".

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$2,700

Contestant No.4 Miss Northwestern

MELANIE POTTER

Hometown Klamath Falls, Oregon

> Talent Gymnastics

Community Service
Collaborate, Clean,
Compost



Oregon Connections Academy

Audiology

Career Ambition

To become a licensed audiologist.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$3,350

Contestant No.5 Miss City of Sunshine



VALERIE O'NEILL

Hometown Klamath Falls, Oregon

> Talent Sign Language

Community Service
Eating Disorders

Klamath Community College

Business/ Criminal Justice

Career Ambition

I want to work somewhere on the police force. I am going to shadow all positions to figure out what position I want.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$1.750

Contestant No.6 Miss Evergreen

KAYLIN SALLADAY

Hometown
Walterville, Oregon

Talent Vocal

Community Service

Relay For Life: Fighting Cancer One Lap at a Time



1st place, CSI Awards Non-Finalist Interview Non-Finalist OSQ

Bushnell University
Biology

Career Ambition

To represent my community as a member of the Oregon House of Representatives

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$3,250

Contestant No.7 Miss Emerald Valley



Miss Oregon

3rd Runner-Up

SARAH WHITE

Hometown Portland, Oregon

Talent
Tap Dance

Community Service
Further with Finance

University of South Carolina

Finance & Management

Career Ambition

Chief Executive Officer

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$9,350

Contestant No.8 Miss Sunstone

KATHERINE NGUYEN

Hometown Aloha, Oregon

> Talent HERStory

Community Service
MADD



Columbia University
PhD

Career Ambition

I want to create learning models and improve assessment methods to utilize academic scholarship and enact meaningful change to foster inclusive educational environments for all learners.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$250

Contestant No.9 Miss Three Rivers



Miss Oregon 2024 Overall Interview

ABIGAIL HOPPE

Hometown Salem, Oregon

Talent
Latin Jazz Dance

Community Service
Making Type I Diabetes feel
like Type None Diabetes

Graduate, Linfield University
Elementary Education

Career Ambition

Curriculum designer with a focus on creating new, outof-the-box instruction for students of all abilities with an entrepreneurial mindset.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$6,750

Contestant No.10 Miss City of Bridges

JARNAGIN

Hometown Keizer, Oregon

Talent
Musical Theatre

Community Service
Theatre for Everyone



Willamette University

Theatre: Acting Emphasis

Career Ambition

My career ambition is to become an actor and a theatre teacher for high school students.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$500

Contestant No.11 Miss Douglas County



AUDREY WAN HOUTEN

Hometown Oakland, Oregon

Talent HERStory

Community Service
Who Run The World

Umpqua Community College

Agriculture Communications

Career Ambition

Agriculture Marketing

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$10,250

Contestant No.12 Miss Clatsop County

J.ILLIAN BOOTHE

Hometown Clatskanie, Oregon

Talent
Roller Skating

Community Service

No More Stolen
Sisters: Missing and
Murdered Indigenous
Women



Oregon State University
Speech Communication

Career Ambition

To work as a public relations professional, assisting companies with their external relationships.

Additionally, have a specialty in crisis communication, assisting companies when in a crisis scenario.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$6,250

Contestant No.13 Miss Lane County



Miss Oregon

1st Runner-Up

EMILY REDLING

Hometown Roseburg, Oregon

Talent
Vocal Performance

Community Service
Rise Up for Children:
Empowering Homeless Youth

University of Florida

Business Administration

Career Ambition

C.E.O. of Fortune 500 company

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$4,225

Contestant No.14 Miss Tri-Valley

ANNA EDWARDS

Hometown Klamath Falls, Oregon

Talent
Speed Painting

Community Service

Stronger Together:
Vaccinations and
Science-Centered
Education



Miss Oregon Semi-Finalist

Oregon State University
Pharm.D and MBA

Career Ambition

As a pharmacist, I aspire to drive innovation in pharmaceutical practices and enhance patient care through strategic management approaches. Although I am still exploring different areas of pharmacy practice, I plan to work in a rural or underserved community.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$6,500

Contestant No.15 Miss City of Roses



Miss Oregon
Semi-Finalist
Congeniality Award

J.ILLY MECHAM

Hometown Portland, Oregon

Talent Vocal

Community Service
Bloom: Healing Trauma

amunity College

Philosophy

Career Ambition

I dream of one day becoming a family lawyer.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$1,250

Contestant No.16 Miss Meadowlark

MADISON BAKER

Hometown Beaverton, Oregon

Talent
Contemporary Dance

Community Service
Athletics for ALL



Miss Oregon Semi-Finalist

Texas Christian University
Public Relations/Advertising

Career Ambition

I'm currently striving to work in public relations and influencer management, helping to connect consumers to the people, products, and places they love through unique branded opportunities.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$3,250

Contestant No.17 Miss Majestic Lakes



Miss Oregon People's Choice

ZINNIA SIROKMAN

Hometown Portland, Oregon

Talent
Wrestling Demonstration

Community Service
Mental Healthcare Access for
All

University of Oregon

Educational Foundations

Career Ambition

I want to become a preschool special education teacher.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$250

Contestant No.18 Miss Klamath County

ALLYSSA DEFILLIPO

Hometown Klamath Falls, Oregon

> Talent Vocal

Community Service

Building Balance: Finding Your Wellness



Miss Oregon 4th Runner-Up

Arizona State University Online
Nutritional Sciences

Career Ambition

Expand my business in nutrition coaching/personal training to 20+ clients by 2025, place nationally at an NPC show within the next 3 years, and earn a minimum of \$70,000 annually.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$5,760

Contestant No.19 Miss Coos County



Miss Oregon Semi-Finalist

KIRI GOODSON

Hometown Coos Bay, Oregon

> Talent Vocal

Community Service
Foster Love: Together We
Rise

Princeton University

Medical Anthropology

Career Ambition

To become an Anesthesiologist for the United States Military.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$10,050

Contestant No.20 Miss Southern Jewel

BRIDGET WARGAS

Hometown Klamath Falls, Oregon

Talent Science Experiment

Community Service
The Loneliness
Epidemic in Elderly



Oregon Institute of Technology
Applied Psychology

Career Ambition

After I complete my bachelors degree I will go to Graduate School to become a Physician's Assistant.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$1,450

Contestant No.21 Miss Southern Gem



JJILY BROWN

Hometown Roseburg, Oregon

Talent
Tap Dance

Community Service
Rock the Vote!

Umpqua Community College

Political Science

Career Ambition

To obtain a law degree and become an attorney.

Scholarships Earned through Miss Oregon \$7,925

HOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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Miss Oregon Scholarships, In-Kind and Awards = \$127,000

CONTESTANT SCHOLARSHIPS

 1^{st} Runner Up = \$3,000 3^{rd} Runner Up = \$1,750

 2^{nd} Runner Up = \$2,500 4th Runner Up = \$1,250

All Semi-Finalists = \$500 Remaining Contestants = \$250

Miss Oregon Community Service Awards

 1^{st} Place = \$1.500 (Burke Family)

 2^{nd} Place = \$1.000 (Kaila Tripp)

 3^{rd} Place = \$500 (Cook Family)

Women in Law Scholarship = \$1.000

Tiffany Phillips Scholar Athlete Award (Misty Carolan & Allison Cook) = \$1,000 Joann Amorde Berg Talent Awards (Friends of Joann) (4) = \$500 Preliminary On Stage Conversation Awards (2) = \$500

\$500 Overall Interview Award (Shivali Kadam) Non-Finalist Interview Award (Ellen Spitalari) \$500 Non-Finalist On Stage Conversation Award (Allison Cook) \$500 Congeniality Award (Sophia Takla) \$250 Paperwork Award (Kirsten White) \$200























Miss Oregon's Teen 2023

As I give up my title tonight, I find myself overwhelmed with emotions and memories. I am reflecting on all of the times I proudly represented the state across my chest. I am thinking about all of the children I met, hugs I gave, and lives I changed. I'm reminiscing on the once in a lifetime opportunities I had at Miss America, the friends I met, and the growth I underwent this past year.

To my Miss Oregon Board (Cindy, Blaine, and Beth)- The three of you have been a crucial part of my journey. I appreciate the time you put into helping me find my Miss America wardrobe, the effort put into helping me perfect my talent, and the kindness in making sure that I am full of confidence each time I step onto a stage. Thank you all for taking care of me, and pouring so much love into my year.

Allison- Words cannot describe the amount of gratitude I have for the fact that I had the honor of being YOUR teen. You have been the most supportive, encouraging, positive role model. I don't think that my crown getting caught in your hair just moments before your crowning was a coincidence. You will forever and always be my Miss Oregon.

> To Oregon and every person who helped me get here today- I thank you all from the bottom of my heart. The expression "It takes a village" has never felt more true.

> > To my family- If my time in this organization has taught me one thing, it's that your family members are not just those related to you through

blood. Your family are the people who will love you unconditionally regardless of what you've been through. Family are the ones who will support you every single step of your journey. I found my family through the Miss America Opportunity, and now I have a group of people who I know will always be there for me when I need them.

Lastly, the Painter family- Back in 2019 I met Angie and Brooke as my Miss Douglas County directors, but that relationship quickly changed. After being crowned Miss Umpqua Valley's Teen 2021 they became so much more to me. Angie, Allan, Ashley, Brooke, Ryan, and Cara, you are genuinely the reasons I am here today, the reasons why I have a safe place to call home, and the people who taught me that I deserve good things. Oh, and Cara, thank you for being the world's best big sister. I may not have been born your sister, but God knew that I needed you.

To whoever wears this crown next, good luck. Don't let time slip because as soon as it's over you're going to miss it. Have faith and try hard, but above all... have fun because you're in for a wild ride

In the words of Morgan Harper Nicholes, "One day you will look back, and see that all along you were blooming." I see it now. I really was blooming this whole time.

Lena Larery Thank you, God, for giving me this once in a lifetime opportunity.

Signing off for the final time,

I am Lena Larecy, your Miss Oregon's Teen 2023

Teen Contestant No.1 Miss Southern Jewel's Teen



Miss Oregon's Teen Semi-Finalist

AMEY GORDON

Hometown Sutherlin, Oregon Talent Speed Painting

Community Service Embracing differences: more than meets the eye

Teen Contestant No.2 Miss Lane County's Teen

TAYLOR DENNIS

Hometown Creswell, Oregon

Talent Cheer Routine

Community Service Teen Mental Health Matters



Teen Contestant No.3 Miss Southern Gem's Teen



Miss Oregon's Teen
Top 5

MYLA JOHNSON

Hometown Coos Bay, Oregon **Talent** Jazz Dance

Community Service
Love to Learn with
Literacy

Teen Contestant No.4 Miss Douglas County's Teen

KENDYL-RAE BARTZ

Hometown

Oakland, Oregon

Talent

Ventriloquism

Community Service

Living to Lead: Inspiring Today's Youth to be Tomorrow's Leaders



WINNER
Miss Oregon's Teen
2024

Teen Contestant No.5 Miss Coos County's Teen



Miss Oregon's Teen Semi Finalist

KAYTLIN JOHNSON

Hometown Coquille, Oregon Talent Vocal

Community Service

Awareness & Prevention for Female Athletes Struggling with Eating Disorders

Teen Contestant No.6 Miss North Coast's Teen

SAVANA PEDRAZA

Hometown Seaside, Oregon

Talent
Cheer Routine

Community Service

Water Safety On The Coast



Teen Contestant No.7 Miss Clatsop County's Teen



Miss Oregon's Teen

2nd Runner Up

Community Service Winner

SHAELYN BANGS

Hometown Knappa, Oregon **Talent** Tap

Community Service
Pediatric Mental Health:
Improving early recognition,
access, and intervention for
children

Teen Contestant No.8 Miss City of Sunshine's Teen

SEATTLE TREJO

Hometown Klamath Falls, Oregon

Talent
Vocal

Community Service

Music Education in Schools



Miss Oregon's Teen
Top 5
Congeniality Award

Teen Contestant No.9 Miss Sunstone's Teen



Miss Oregon's Teen Community Service 2nd Runner Up

PAISLEY MOODLEY

Hometown Roseburg, Oregon **Talent**

Tahitian Aparima

Community Service Alzheimer's awareness

Teen Contestant No.10 Miss Central Valley's Teen

ALICIYAH MIGUEL-CLONINGER

Hometown St. Helens, Oregon

Talent
Dance

Community Service

Let's Talk About It: Advocating for Diabetic Needs



Teen Contestant No.11 Miss Tri-Valley's Teen



Miss Oregon's Teen
Semi-Finalist
Community Service 1st Runner Up

TESSA BONELLI SANQUIST

Hometown
Otis, Oregon

Talent
HERStory

Community Service
I have dyslexia, dyslexia

doesn't have me.

Teen Contestant No.12 Miss Klamath County's Teen

NOVALEE TUBBS

Hometown Klamath Falls, Oregon Talent Silk Veil Dance

Community Service
Thrift, Style & Impact.



Teen Contestant No.13 Miss Evergreen's Teen



AURIANNA NAN HOUTEN

Hometown
Oakland, Oregon
Talent
Drestling

Community Service
Wrestle Like a Girl: Grow
Women's Wrestling

Teen Contestant No.14 Miss Portland-Metro's Teen

ABBY TAYLOR

Hometown
Portland, Oregon

Talent Jazz Dance

Community Service

HealthyHER: Advocating for Teen Health & Fitness



Miss Oregon's Teen

1st Runner Up

TEN SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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Letter from the Editor in Chief



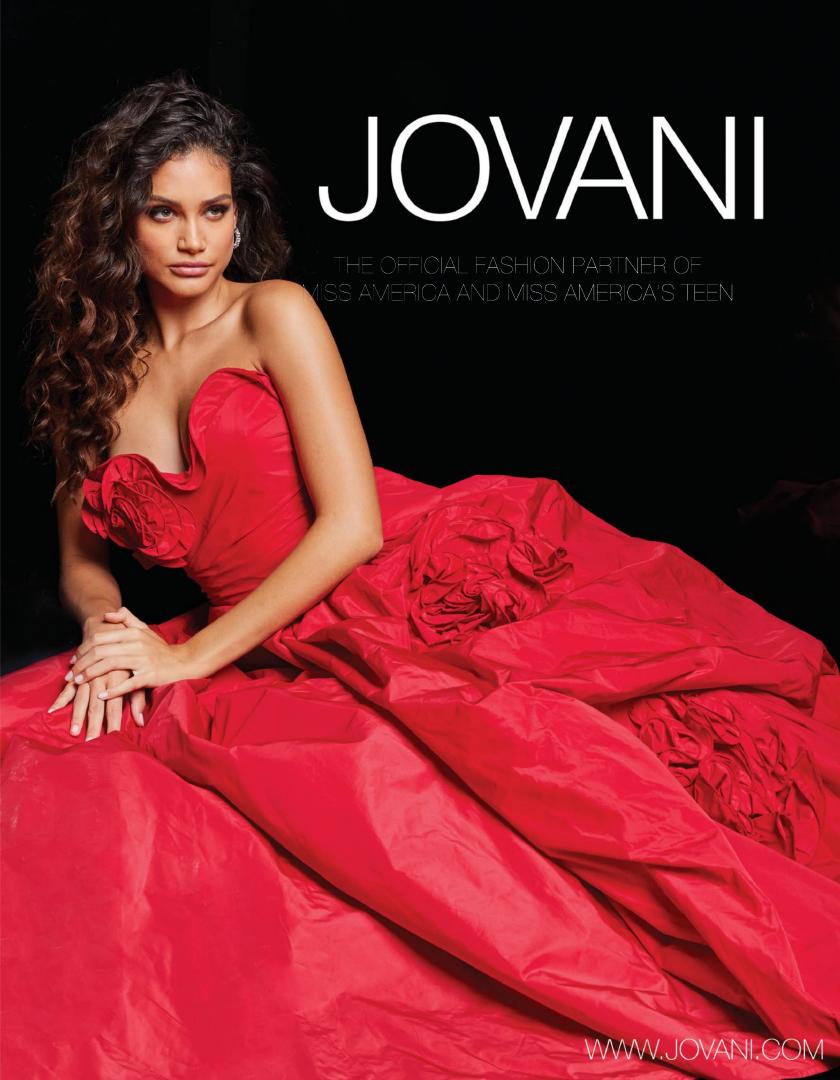


We believe that by joining forces with the **Go Red For Women's Initiative**, we can make a meaningful impact on the health and well-being of women across the nation.

eart disease is the leading cause of death among women in the United States, and the Go Red For Women's Initiative has been instrumental in raising awareness about the importance of heart health among women. This initiative aligns perfectly with the mission of *Officially HER* magazine, which is to empower, educate, and inspire women to lead healthier and happier lives. We believe that by joining forces with the Go Red For Women's Initiative, we can make a meaningful impact on the health and well-being of women across the nation.

Officially HER magazine is committed to using its platform to raise awareness about heart disease, provide valuable information about heart-healthy lifestyles, and highlight the partnership formed this year between the Miss America's Scholarship Foundation, Inc. and the American Heart Association. We are delighted to dedicate this special edition of our magazine to this worthy cause.

Robin Fleming
Editor in Chief
CEO Miss America





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Whether it's a tale of triumph over adversity, a heartwarming experience that touched lives, or a demonstration of expertise, each story is a testament to the power of personal narrative.



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story to tell."



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Nurturing your heart with these 5 easy tips paves the way for a longer, healthier future, with each heartbeat serving as a poignant reminder of life's precious gift.

Nutrient-Rich Foods

Opt for a heart-healthy diet filled with fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and lean proteins. These foods offer vital nutrients, fiber, and antioxidants, supporting optimal heart function.





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Physical Activity

Prioritize regular physical activity for 150 minutes of moderate-intensity exercise per week to improve circulation, lower blood pressure, and maintain a healthy weight.



Stress Management

Combat stress with techniques like meditation, deep breathing, or yoga. Taking time for mindfulness lowers stress levels and promotes a healthier cardiovascular system.



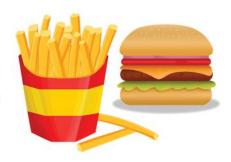
Quality Sleep

Ensure 7-9 hours of uninterrupted sleep nightly. Quality sleep is linked to overall well-being and helps prevent conditions like obesity and high blood pressure, reducing strain on the heart.



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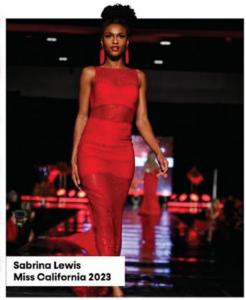














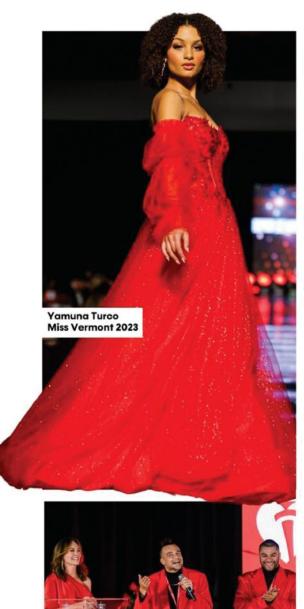
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Each finalist awarded \$10,000 in tuition scholarships

1st Runner-Up

2nd Runner-Up Miss Ohio's Teen Miss Oklahoma's Teen

Aubrey Bartmann

3rd Runner-Up

4th Runner-Up

Paisley French

Miss Texas' Teen Natalie Poveda

Miss Kentucky's Teen

Sophia Todd

HANLEY'S HAVEN



rom the Alonzo King Lines Ballet in San Francisco to the Joffrey Ballet School in New York City, I've been a competitive dancer for over ten years and delved into ballet programs across the country. Starting my own vinyl design business at age 12 ignited my passion, leading to the creation of my community service initiative, 'Passion to Profit.' At the core of this initiative is my desire to empower young entrepreneurs by fostering real-world skills.

Embarking on this journey in high school, I am currently a junior enrolled in both high school and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The inspiration for 'Passion to Profit' stems from my personal experience – finding joy and purpose in doing what I love. My mission is to help others discover their passions and transform them into profit, whether that be in income, purpose, or learning opportunities.

As a leader, I am teaching young entrepreneurs the art of turning passion into profit.

The impact of 'Passion to Profit' goes beyond monetary gain. It has provided me with a platform to explore my talents and creativity. Studies have shown that individuals engaged in enjoyable responsibilities spend less time on social networking apps, leading to improved mental and emotional well-being. This, to me, is invaluable.

Now, as a leader, I am teaching young entrepreneurs the art of turning passion into profit. My focus includes imparting real-world skills such as finance management, community reinvestment, and brand marketing. Through my YouTube platform, I've shared "Five Steps for Young Entrepreneurs" in classrooms and virtually, witnessing the excitement and engagement of students as they ponder their aspirations.

The validation I receive in those moments fuels my determination to continue. 'Passion to Profit' has allowed me to reinvest in my community by raising and donating funds to The American Heart Association. As Miss America's Teen, I am confident that this initiative is not only beneficial but critical for our future generations.

Looking ahead, I eagerly anticipate continuing my quest of delivering 'Passion to Profit' and hosting virtual entrepreneurship sessions through my YouTube platform, connecting with a wider and more diverse audience across the nation. Guided by North Carolina's motto, "esse quam videri" — "to be, rather than to seem," I am steadfast in my commitment to empower teens to build real-world skills, encouraging them "to be" rather than "to seem."







Miss America finalists



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1st Runner-Up

Miss Texas

Ellie Breaux

2nd Runner-Up

3rd Runner-Up

4th Runner-Up

Miss Indiana
Cydney Bridges

Mallory Hudson

Miss Kentucky Miss Rhode Island

Caroline Parente

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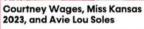






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aving graduated from the United States Air Force
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Miss America 2024 and the first active-duty Air
Force officer to be crowned Miss America at the
state level.

My journey takes root in a poignant chapter—a chapter marked by the loss of my mother to pancreatic cancer at the tender age of 41. This profound event stirred within me a commitment to change, leading to the creation of the Whitney Marsh Foundation (WMF) alongside my family. As its President and Founder, I have endeavored to embody resilience and foster hope, one small step at a time.

Armed with a degree in physics and currently pursuing a Master's in Public Policy at the esteemed Harvard Kennedy School, my presence is of an earnest effort to make a difference. As a graduate intern with Harvard Medical School, I navigate the realm of artificial intelligence to

My journey through the
Whitney Marsh Foundation
reflects an unwavering spirit
needed to combat pancreatic cancer.

contribute to the early detection of pancreatic cancer—a disease with a mere five-year survival rate of 12%.

The Whitney Marsh Foundation stands with a quiet strength in the ongoing battle, having raised a quarter of a million dollars for pancreatic cancer research. Beyond the role of a fundraiser, WMF serves as a catalyst for change, organizing medical seminars and creating a platform for the exchange of research.

In a modest initiative, WMF has begun a pilot program to support financially struggling families at risk for pancreatic cancer, providing essential blood screening. This endeavor ensures that no family is left behind in the pursuit of early detection. With a steadfast commitment to progress, WMF endeavors to reshape the narrative surrounding pancreatic cancer—one that claims over 78% of patients within one year of diagnosis.

As Miss America, I seek to be an advocate for change. My journey through WMF reflects an unwavering spirit needed to combat pancreatic cancer. With each unassuming step forward, I aim to lead us towards a future where statistics cease to define our battle against this formidable foe.

In my hands, the Miss America crown becomes a symbol not of grandiosity but of hope—a reminder that even in the face of personal tragedy, a heart's dedication can spark a movement that saves lives. Together, let us stand united against pancreatic cancer, with humility guiding us toward a brighter, cancer-free future.



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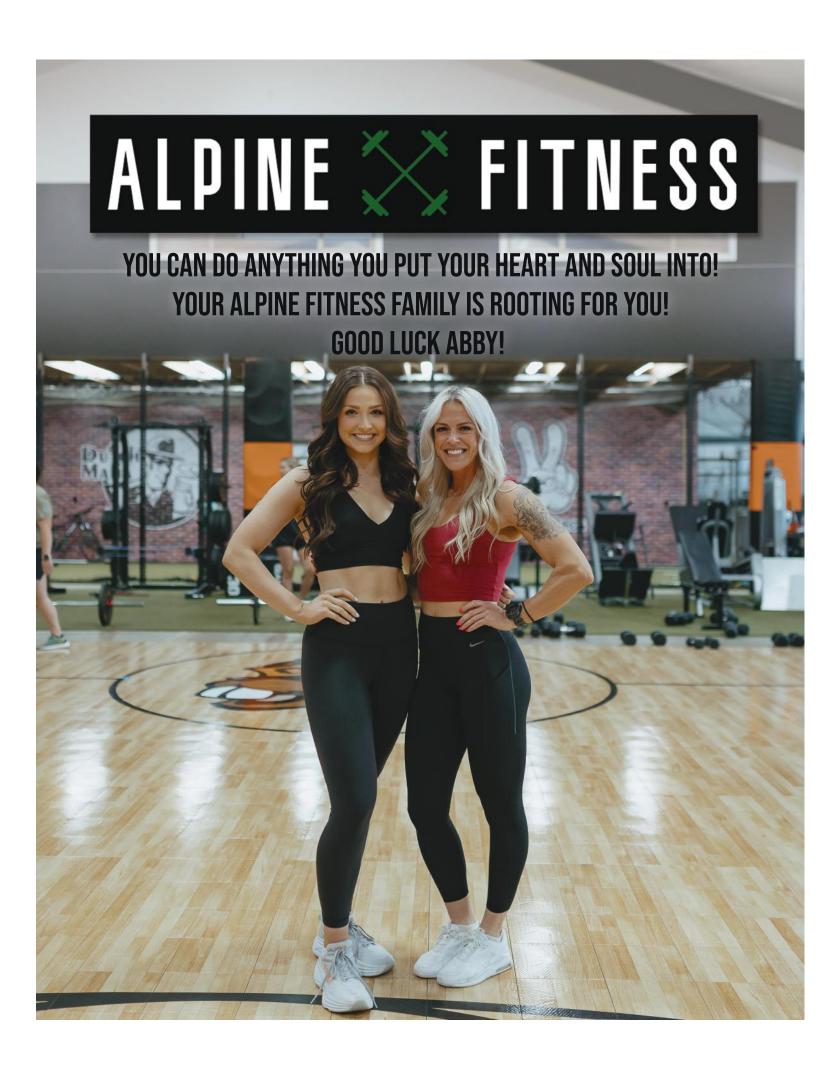
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Gooooo Audge!!! -Love, Zekey

always be here to hold you high above all! Love, Dad and Mom

Audrey, we are so proud of you! You never cease to amaze us with all of your accomplishments as a young adult. Your future is so very bright. I'm grateful that Hosanna has you to look up to. I couldn't have picked a better role model.

-Kathryn

Good luck, Audrey! So proud of all that you have accomplished and all that you will continue to accomplish. So blessed to be such good friends with you! -Brady

Audrey, this has to be a MISSunderstanding, last I checked it was yesterday that you were competing for the Miss Oregon's Teen title. Now look at you, doing grown up things. I loved getting to watch you grow into the women you are today.

-Love, E

Good luck, our prayers are with you. -Dan and Alma Fine

Good luck, Audrey! We're all so proud of you and know you're going to do amazing!

-Mia

Good luck! -Kathy Shaw

create positive change. Keep shining! Your journey is just as impactful as any title or crown. -Bella

Dear Audrey, I am so proud of you and for everything you've achieved. With this season of pageant, you really showed how to persevere even when it wasn't easy, and look where it got you! Watching your journey over the past years leading up to this moment has been so inspiring. Both on and off of the stage, you are a great leader and make a big impact to those who have been blessed enough to know you. I;m always cheering you on and so greatful that I get to support you! This is your moment to shine, and I know you'll achieve great things in life. I love you!

-Anaiah

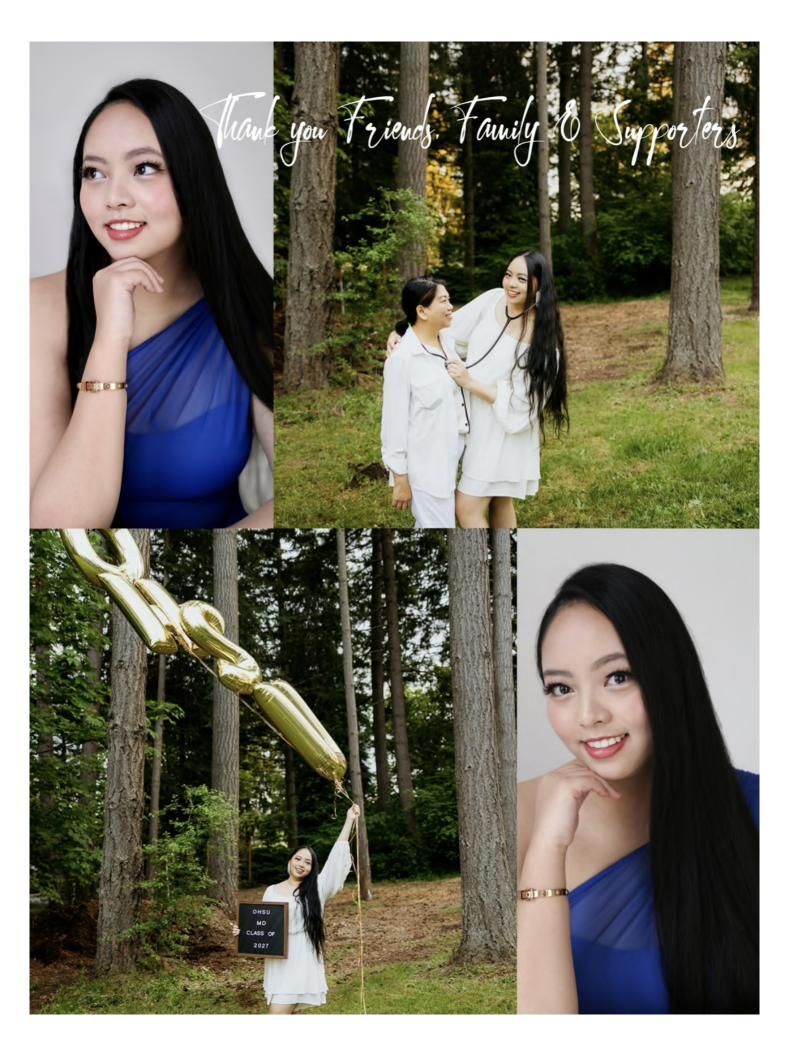


She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs without fear of the future. - Proverbs 31:25

Audge, thank you for being my best friend! I love you so much. I can't wait to see your pretty dress. -Love, Hosanna

Audrey, you are truly a remarkable presence in the world of pageantry. Your involvement goes beyond the glitz and glam-it's a powerful statement of your strength, ambition, and the inspiring message you carry. I'm incredibly proud of the way you embody confidence and grace, all while staying true to yourself and your values. It's not just about the competition; it's about the platform you've built to voice your passions and

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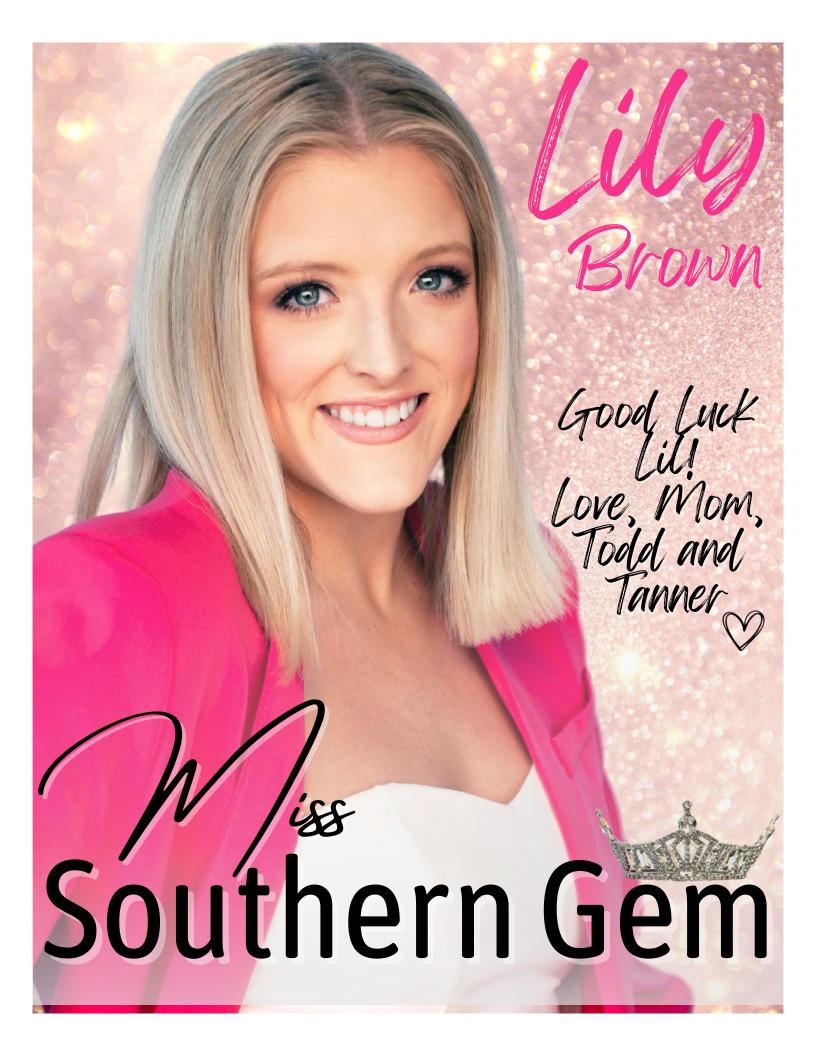
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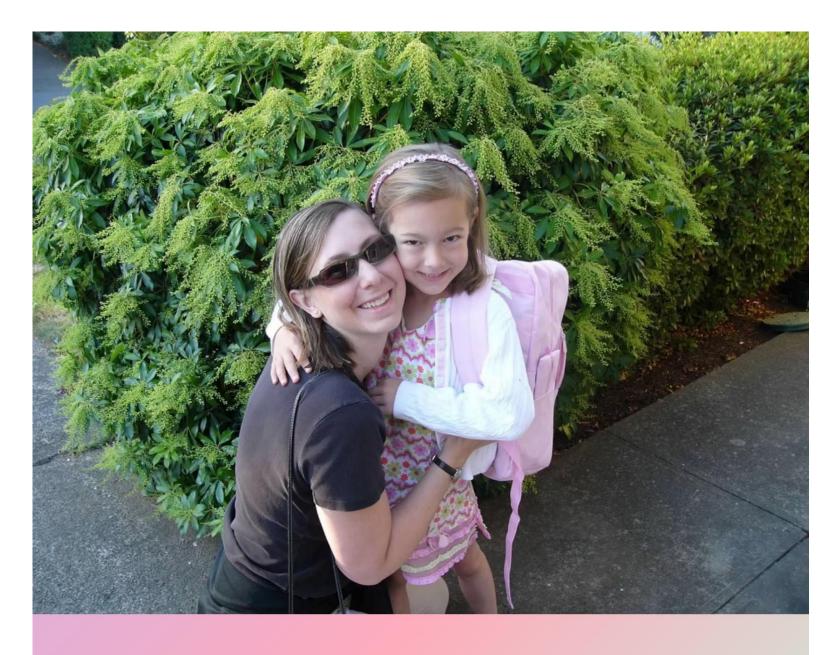
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Over the last century, women have been shattering glass ceilings and forging new paths in the modern workplace. Young women in the 21st century have more options than ever before. Glass on the Ground seeks to answer a new question for a new generation. How do young women navigate their careers in an era of unprecedented opportunity? Don't be mistaken, there is still glass above us and barriers yet to be broken. Let's take a moment to reflect on how far we've come while planning how far we'll go. Look around ladies, there's glass on the ground.

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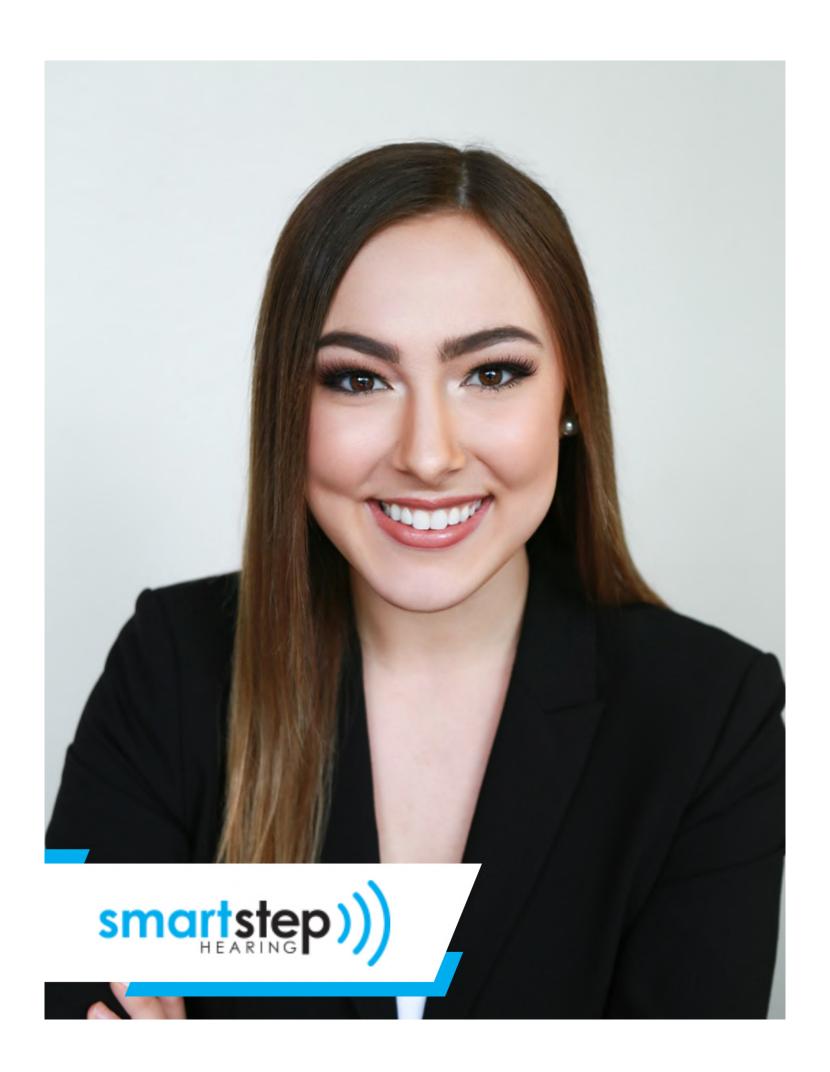
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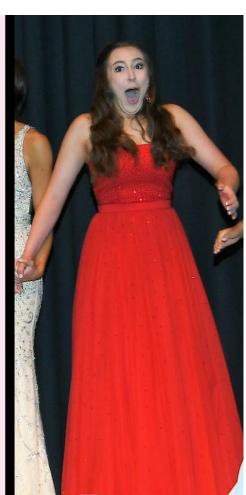




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Nana, I bet you are going to look so pretty in your dress on stage. I love you

proud of you!

-Marshall

so much! -Love, Hosanna

Aurianna!! I have known you for eight years and even though we don't get to see each other a ton, I adore when I get to see you! You have such a

beautiful heart and I love you! Good luck and I'm so -Love, Mia

I'm going to have to take a second look, is Aurianna wearing a dress?? I thought I'd never see you on a pageant stage in my life. I guess the twin telepathy wasn't working there. Jokes aside, I can't wait to continue to support you in your journey through pageants and watch you grow tremendously.

-Love E

Aurianna, we're so proud of you! You carry yourself with boldness and beauty. I'm excited to see what life hands youand then how you crush each goal and challenge ahead. Look out world, Aurianna is here.

Congratulations and can't wait to see you on stage! Love you so much. -Kathryn

Good luck! You are so pretty Good luck! your going to slayyyy! -Kathy Shaw -Dixie

You have always been so aware of helping a person in need. With your energetic smile, you can be counted on to lend a hand no matter what the cause! Your personality and commitment to other people is what the world Our lovely daughter, we believe in you and will continue to believe in you. We know whatever path you choose for yourself, you will surely succeed. So, do what inspires you and makes you happy!

Love, Dad and Mom

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7

Auri, you made my first year of high school good and encouraged me to choose a sport I didn't know I would love! Thank you for being super supportive throughout the season. -Gaige

Aurianna, your journey in the pageant world is nothing short of inspiring. Your commitment to excellence and your genuine desire to make a difference are what set you apart. I'm so proud to see you take the stage, not just for the elegance you exude but for the powerful voice you bring to advocate for causes close to your heart. You aren't just competing for a title; you're living your truth and in doing so, encouraging others to embrace their own. Your impact extends far beyond the pageant scene—it's a ripple effect of empowerment and grace. Keep shining, Aurianna, your light is truly transformative.

I love you, Nana. -Love, Zekey

-Bella

I love how empathetic and outgoing you are! You are an amazing being and I am so glad to have you as my friend-

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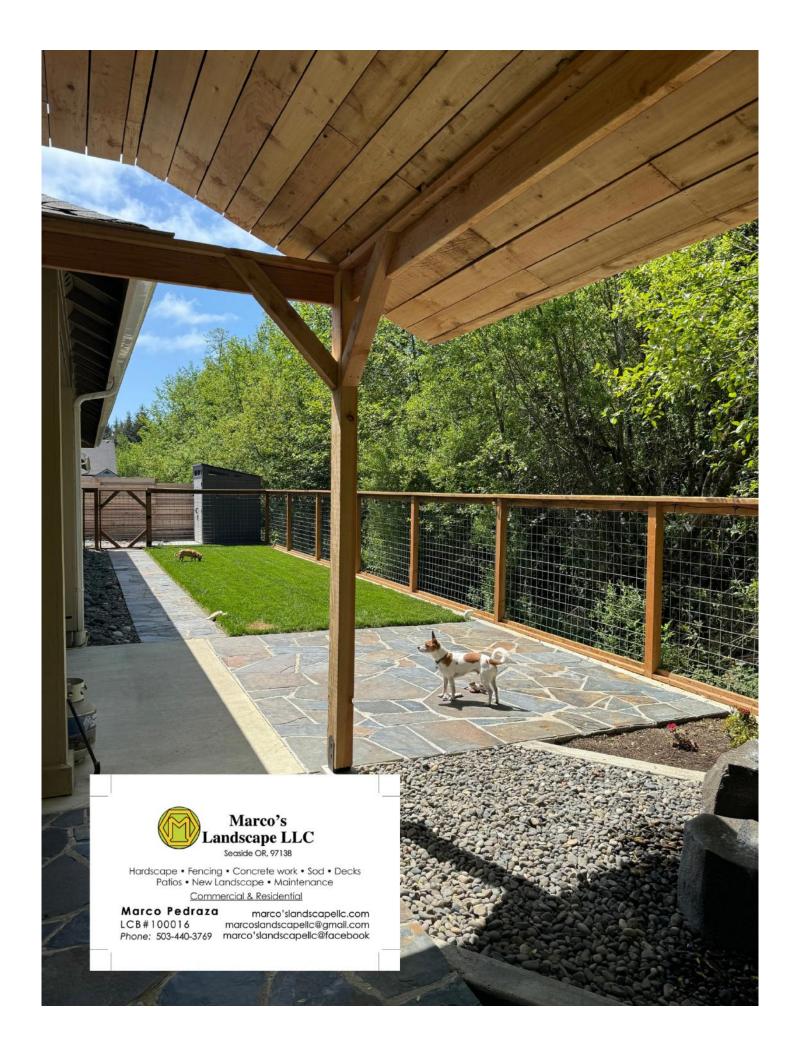
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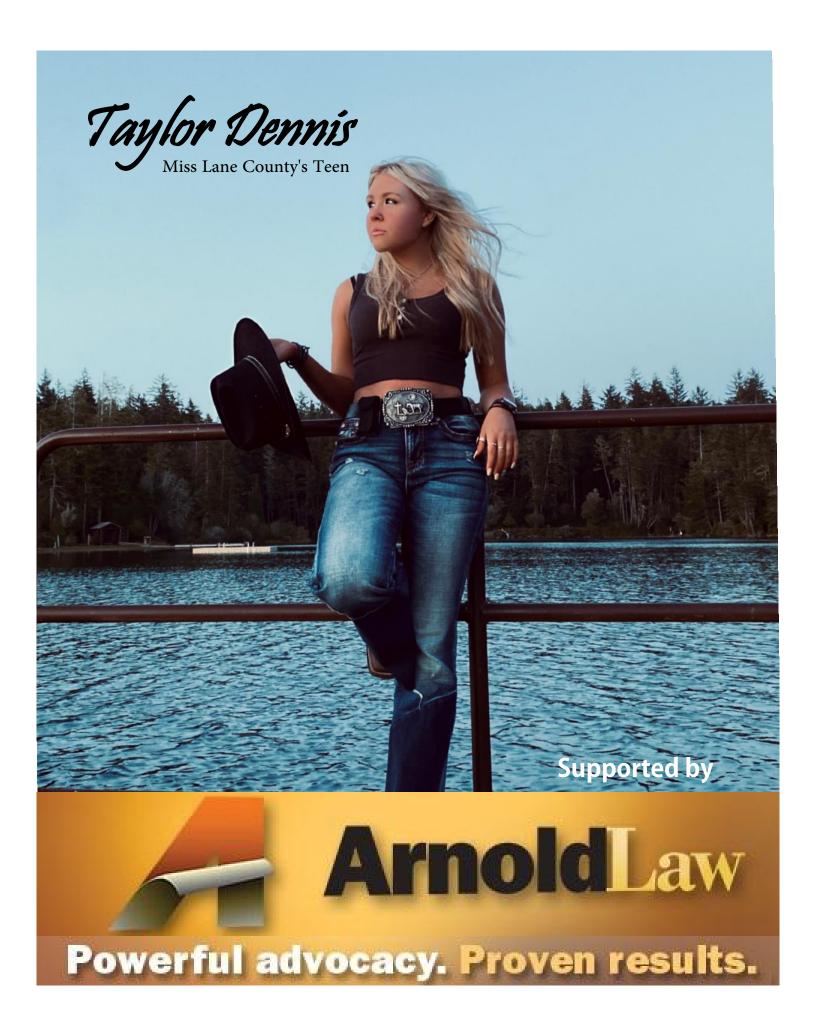














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