2025/2026 **LOCAL CONTESTANT INFORMATION GUIDE**

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

ATLANTA, GA

ATLANTA AIRPORT MARRIOTT GATEWAY



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It is with great pleasure to host another Miss Black Mississippi & Tennessee USA State Pageant. The growth and experience this year has brought in as Director has ensured me that this is His purpose in my life. I am pleased to have another group of exemplary women represent their counties and cities throughout this great state of Mississippi & Tennessee.

It is my goal to continue this process of empowering women of color to showcase the luminous spirit that they have within. Thank you to every Sponsor, Community Organization and Partner who continue to see what this program is bringing to your communities.

We are magic, black and brown girl magic!

Kristy Arrington
Executive Director, Miss Black Mississippi & Tennessee USA Pageants
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I am so grateful to welcome you to a new era of the Miss Black Georgia USA Pageant. Your journey to the crown has officially begun. This experience will be one of challenges, self-discovery, and glam. You will have opportunities to impactfully serve your communities, while looking fabulous. You will have legacies to continue, while building your own. The stage was set for you to display your talents, intelligence, and truest self in all your black gracefulness. Embrace the essence of you, while using the opportunity to learn and improve yourself. As a guide, I will be here to help you reach your goals as best I can.

Yours in Crowning,
Alexandria "Alex" Van Dyke-Randall,
Executive Director, Miss Black Georgia USA Pageant
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2025 2026 EVENT INFORMATION

MANDATORY CONTESTANT WORKSHOP

JUNE 19-22, 2025 MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

PAGEANT WEEKEND

AUGUST 27-31, 2025 ATLANTA, GEORGIA

DAY ONE | WED 8/27/2025

TRAVEL DAY

DAY TWO | THUR 8/28/2025

ORIENTATION | REHEARSAL WELCOME DINNER

DAY THREE | FRI 8/29/2025

INTERVIEWS | REHEARSAL

SPORTSWEAR COMPETITION | NIGHT ONE PRELIMS

DAY FOUR | SAT 8/30/2025

GROUP ACTIVITY | REHEARSAL
NIGHT TWO PRELIMS

DAY FIVE | SUN 8/31/2025

FAREWELL BREAKFAST & AWARDS FINAL COMPETITION & CROWNING

DAY SIX | MON 9/1/2025

WINNERS' PHOTOSHOOT

MISS BLACK GEORGIA USA

TALENTED TEEN 2025

McKenzie Porter

*SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Is a Natural Born Female & Attends High School, College/University, is Employed, or Resides in the State of Georgia, Mississippi, or Tennessee.

Is of African Descent.

Will Compete in the National Miss Black USA

Pageant, tentatively August 2026, in

Washington, DC, if crowned a Tri-State titleholder.

Must determine a social advocacy platform.

Must attend required engagements or events that pertain to preparation for the state pageant.

Must be ready, willing, and able to meet the time commitments & responsibilities of the one-year reign (from crowning as a Tri-State Queen in 2025 until crowning of successor in 2026).

Must pay the required fees, paperwork, and deliverables by the specified deadlines to maintain eligibility to compete in the state pageant, or risk incurring late fees or disqualification.

Must have outstanding sportsmanship.

Has never posed nude in any format.

Understands that participation in the Summer contestant workshop and competing at the state pageant is mandatory and not optional.

AREAS OF COMPETITION

PRIVATE INTERVIEW, 15%
FITNESS (NOT SWIMWEAR), 20%
TALENT, 35%
EVENING GOWN, 15%
PROJECTION QUESTION, 15%

* MS. DIVISION ONLY CAN BE MARRIED, DIVORCED, OR SINGLE; WITH OR WITHOUT CHILDREN AGE AS OF JAN. 1, 2025

ENTRY FEE & PAYMENT DETAILS

ENTRY FEE: \$1,250

\$85 APPLICATION FEE

Official entry to the state competition.

Official local embroidered sash & rhinestone crown.

Registration, lodging, & meals for the summer workshop. Three Pageant T-shirts.

Select meals provided during summer workshop &

pageant weekend.

One Copy of the Pageant Magazine

One, contestant spotlight page.

Swag Bag

Professional headshot for competition.

Tickets to contestant outings.

Opening number wardrobe.

DOES NOT INCLUDE
HOTEL AND/OR TRAVEL
TO THE STATE PAGEANT
IN ATLANTA, GA.
DOES NOT INCLUDE
TRAVEL TO THE SUMMER
WORKSHOP IN

MEMPHIS, TN

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

DEPOSIT \$300 DUE ASAP! PMT 2 \$255 DUE MAR 30 PMT 3 \$255 DUE APR 30 PMT 4 \$255 DUE MAY 31

PMT 5 \$100 DUE JUN 30

DEADLINE FOR ALL FEES IS JUNE 30, 2025

PAYMENT INFO

PAYMENT INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED BY THE DIRECTOR OF YOUR RESPECTIVE STATE.

All fees are non-refundable & non-transferable.

*A late fee of \$200 will be incurred if all required payments & documents are not received by the deadline

MISS BLACK TENNESSEE USA
TALENTED TEEN 2025

Addison Stewart

WARDROBE REQUIREMENTS

Interview

THINK BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL WITH A FLARE! AN ENSEMBLE FOR A JOB INTERVIEW WITH PERSONALITY. A NICE DRESS, JUMPSUIT, PANTSUIT, OR SKIRT SUIT.

Fighes S NOT SWIMWEAR

SELECT A FUN ATHLETIC/WORKOUT ENSEMBLE IN THE COLOR OF YOUR CHOICE. SHOULD BE PAIRED WITH ATHLETIC SHOES, NOT HEELS. TALENTED TEEN DIVISION CAN WEAR A TEAM UNIFORM.

Talent

CHOOSE AN ENSEMBLE THAT COMPLEMENTS YOUR TALENT PRESENTATION.

Evening Gown

SELECT ANY STYLE FLOOR LENGTH
DRESS THAT MAKES YOU FEEL LIKE THE
QUEEN YOU ARE! GOWN SHOULD
COVER SHOES.

Group Outing

TWO PAIRS OF DARK BLUE JEANS, ATHLETIC SHOES, SOLID BLACK JACKET, PAGEANT T-SHIRT (GIVEN AT ORIENTATION)

Other Pieces

ORIENTATION | ALL COCKTAIL ATTIRE
WELCOME DINNER: BLACK OUTFIT
FAREWELL BREAKFAST | SHADES OF PINK OR YELLOW
SPORTS THEME COSTUME
SHOES & ACCESSORIES FOR ALL OUTFITS



MISS BLACK GEORGIA USA

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THE PAGEANT WILL PROVIDE THE OPENING NUMBER DRESS. YOUR MEASURMENTS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE SUMMER CONTESTANT WORKSHOP. YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MATCHING SHOES AND JEWELRY.



Henrycia Simmons

CROWNING

2026 STATE QUEENS

WE WILL BE CROWNING EIGHT QUEENS TO ADVANCE TO THE NATIONAL MISS BLACK USA PAGEANT, TENTATIVELY AUGUST 2026 IN WASHINGTON, DC. TALENTED TEEN | GEORGIA | MISSISSIPPI | TENNESSEE 2026 MISS BLACK | GEORGIA | MISSISSIPPI | TENNESSEE 2026 MS. BLACK | MISSISSIPPI | TENNESSEE 2026

IF WE REACH THE MAX NUMBER OF CONTESTANTS, WE WILL ALSO CROWN THE REGIONAL TITLES OF MISS BLACK TRI-STATE TALENTED TEEN USA 2026

MISS BLACK TRI-STATE USA 2026

MS: BLACK TRI-STATE USA 2026

THE TRI-STATE TITLES CAN BE SELECTED FROM ANY OF THE THREE STATES

SIDE AWARDS

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

VOTES ARE \$1 EACH & A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS
THE REIGNING QUEENS' REIGNS. THERE WILL BE NO LIMIT ON
VOTES PER PERSON. VOTING CLOSES AT 12 PM ON FINALS DAY.

MISS CONGENIALITY

SELECTED BY THE CONTESTANTS AND AWARDED TO THE YOUNG LADY EMBODYING SISTERHOOD, SUPPORT, & GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP DURING PAGEANT WEEKEND.

BEST SPORTSWEAR AWARD

ONE AWARD OVERALL

MORE AWARDS COULD BE GIVEN OUT PER STATE.



CROWNING CEREMONY TALENT PRELIMINARY

contestants will complete the talent portion of competition, which scores will be applied to the state pageant in Atlanta, GA

June 19-22, 2025 | Memphis, TN

includes

1 professional headshot for state pageant, walking sessions & interview prep, community service projects, group outing, meals, t-shirt, & additional gifts

> MISS BLACK TRI-STATE USA GEORGIA | MISSISSIPPI | TENNESSEE Redefining Beauty

APPLY NOW!

Deadline: March 1, 2025

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