

**WORKING TOGETHER TO ENGOURAGE OUR FUTURE LEADERS** 

# QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS by earning the fittle of state Ambassador!









### Why participate in the optional Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup>?

This is an opportunity for you to win cash awards and prizes, make your Yearbook a lifetime memento of your pageant experience, and give your family, friends, and local business people a chance to wish you good luck and congratulations. With any amount of Spotlight Contest™ spaces, you are **guaranteed** to receive a fabulous Spotlight Award on stage during pageant weekend.

**State Ambassador:** By participating in the Spotlight Contest\*\*, you can qualify to compete at the National Pageant in Hollywood! When you complete two full Spotlight Contest\*\*pages, you will earn the title of State Ambassador. As a State Ambassador, you are eligible to compete as a finalist in the National All-American Miss Pageant in Anaheim, California.

**State Cover Girl:** Complete three full Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*</sup> pages and you are eligible for the State Cover Girl Title! This prestigious title is awarded to one girl in each age group who has completed the most Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*</sup> spaces for her state. As a State Cover Girl, you become state royalty and are eligible to compete as a finalist in the National All-American Miss Pageant in Anaheim, California.

## Where will the Spotlight Contest™ pages appear in the State Yearbook?

Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> pages will appear in the second half of the Yearbook. Your name will be at the top of each **full** page of Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> spaces that you send in, and you may put a photo of your choice on each **full** page. You may select a different photo for each full Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> page or use the same photo for all of your Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> pages.

## What should I do first if I want to participate in the Spotlight Contest\* for the State Yearbook?

- 1. Sit down with your parents and decide what goals you want to reach.
- 2. Read pages 2 and 6 of this Spotlight Contest™booklet for some ideas about whom to contact.
- 3. Make a list of all the people you would like to visit with about the Spotlight Contest.".
- Schedule specific times that you will go out and visit your prospective Spotlight Contest™ contributors.
- You should visit prospective Spotlight Contest™ contributors in person. Do not try to
  offer spaces by using the phone or writing letters because it is impersonal and
  usually ineffective.
- 6. Write down what you will say to your prospective Spotlight Contest™ contributor. Practice in front of a mirror until you feel comfortable and look very natural.

Believe in yourself...and others will believe in you too!

### When I am ready to go out, what should I do?

Look your best and remember to take this booklet with you. Tell your prospective Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*\*</sup> contributor why you are participating in the Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*\*</sup> and the prizes you hope to earn. Then, explain the different Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*\*</sup> sizes and their prices. Show them examples of Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*\*</sup> spaces on pages 9-13 of this booklet. Explain that Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*\*</sup> contributions are **tax-deductible** as an advertising expense for their business.



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### Here is an example of what you could say:

"Hello. My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and I am a State Finalist in the National American Miss Pageant for my state. National American Miss awards scholarships, prizes, and trips to the National Pageant to young ladies nationwide. I will be participating in the State Pageant this year and my goal is to win \_\_\_\_\_\_. Can you help me reach my goal by placing a 1/10th, 2/10th or larger size Spotlight Contest\* message in our beautiful State Pageant Yearbook? (Show them examples on pages 12 and 13 of this Spotlight Contest\* booklet.) Your Spotlight Contest\* contribution is tax- deductible as a business advertising

expense. Professional artists will design your Spotlight Contest<sup>\*\*</sup> space from your business card, photograph, camera-ready art, or whatever you can give me. The State Pageant Yearbook will be distributed to hundreds of people from all over the state on pageant weekend."

### Who are good prospects as Spotlight Contest™ contributors?

Your family members, friends, and neighbors are ALWAYS happy to put "CONGRATULATIONS" and "BEST WISHES" Spotlight Contest" messages in the State Yearbook. Let them know your photo will be featured on full Spotlight Contest" pages and you are able to EARN prizes and awards by working toward that goal.

If you have offered Girl Scout cookies, Christmas cards, magazines, candy, etc., for clubs, schools, church groups, and other organizations, then you already know some of the people who would love to have a space in the Yearbook!

Your family members know store owners, managers, club officers, neighbors, and friends who are always eager to help you achieve your dreams and your goals. Your doctor and dentist have watched you grow up; they should be eager to help too. Don't forget your parents' insurance agents and community business people who sponsor youth-oriented activities such as Little League Baseball and football or basketball teams.

### What if a prospective Spotlight Contest™ contributor says "no"?

Many of your prospective Spotlight Contest\* contributors would like to obtain a Spotlight Contest\* space but may not want to do so at that time for various reasons. You **should not** feel discouraged or ready to give up! The best thing for you to do is say, "Thank you for your time," with a smile and ask that they keep you in mind for next year's pageant. Also, it's a good idea to keep in touch with those potential Spotlight Contest\* contributors throughout the year, if only to say hello and let them know how great you did in your state pageant!

## If I win the State Cover Girl title, can I also win the State Pageant title?

Winning the State Cover Girl title has nothing to do with the selection of the State Pageant Winner. If you win the State Pageant title and the State Cover Girl title, you will keep all your Spotlight Contest prizes and awards you earned and you will represent your state as both the State Pageant Winner and State Cover Girl. After all, you will have earned it!

## IMPORTANT: Do not confuse the Spotlight Contest\* with sponsorship fees!

Some of you receiving this Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> magazine may not have sent in all of your sponsorship fees. **Sponsorship fees are required...the Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> is not**. Sponsors' names will be listed beside your photo in the front of the Yearbook. Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> Contributors will appear in the second section of the Yearbook. You may send in your sponsorship fee and Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> spaces at the same time BUT be sure to make clear which are Sponsors and which are Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> Contributors.





#### **National Cover Miss Titles**

**Princess:** Selene Ferdinand Pre-Teen: Callie Parker Jr. Teen: Madison Tayes Teen: Nikita Dave

#### **National Cover Model Titles**

**Princess:** Kaitlyn Holovacs Jr. Pre-Teen: Gabriella Rovaldi Pre-Teen: Rayne Donahue Jr. Teen: Aryana Flores, Andrea-Rose Oates

#### **National Cover Girl Titles**

Princess: Tynique Devers, Mia Bella Wilson

Jr. Pre-Teen: Iness Aliyah Chaires, Emma Chouinard, Abigail Hauser, Dorian Solimano, Jaime White

#### Pre-Teen:

Teagan Davis, Macy Cline, Rebecca Fischer, LaResa Gopurala, Jr. Teen: Allison Blatter, Kendra McGough, Rayonna Webb Jr. Teen: Mackenzie LaCroix,

Kate Sanchez, Caroline Wells, Lauren Zycband

Miss: Cheyenne Churchwell

### **National Ambassador Titles**

Jr. Pre-Teen: Janae Boone, Jazel Bella Johnson. Kellee Kraft, Corie Mason, Kennedy Waselenchuk, Zyaire Wright

Pre-Teen: Makayla Thompson,

Vegas Turner

Faith Bourland

Teen: Morgan-Star England, Princess Fuailelagi Walker

**NEWS!** If you participate in the Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> for your State Yearbook and you attend the National Pageant, your Spotlight Contest spaces count toward these National Titles!



## YOU CAN EARN AN OFFICIAL TROPHY, CROWN, AND BANNER, AS WELL AS CASH, DISNEY TRIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND MANY OTHER EXCITING PRIZES AND AWARDS!

How do I become the State Cover Girl? Complete three full Spotlight Contest™ pages and you are eligible for the "Cover Girl" state title! The State Cover Girl is a prestigious title awarded to the girl in each age group who has completed the most Spotlight Contest™ spaces (minimum of \$2,250 or three full pages) for her state.

She will receive the official state Cover Girl Crown, Banner, Award, and flowers, and will represent her state for the year of her service. She will be featured on a special page in the State Pageant Yearbook and will receive all of the awards for which she has qualified. She will be crowned live, on stage, at her State Pageant!

How do I become a National Cover Girl? All State Finalists who complete at least seven full Spotlight Contest™ pages for their State or National Pageant Yearbooks and who attend the National Pageant are guaranteed to become a National Cover Girl. She will be featured in over 30,000 State Yearbooks and inside the National Pageant Yearbook. These Yearbooks will be distributed nationwide during the next pageant year.

## Can You Imagine?

YOU MAY EVEN WIN YOUR STATE'S COVER GIRL TITLE!





## Set your goals!

## YOU CAN HAVE ONE PHOTO OF YOUR CHOICE

### ON EACH FULL SPOTLIGHT CONTEST\* PAGE!



Every year we hear our State Finalists and their parents say how sorry they were that they didn't take the time to get family, friends, and local supporters to send their congratulations in the form of a Spotlight Contest™ space. Take this opportunity to get your photo on as many pages in the State Yearbook as possible! **You'll be happy you did!** 

Girls from towns of just 500 to more than 500,000 in population have completed more than 10 pages for their Pageant Yearbooks. Others have even completed more than 20 pages of Spotlight Contest™spaces. One girl completed seven Spotlight Contest™pages in ONE DAY! She received permission to set up a booth in her hometown shopping mall. She decorated it and

put up signs asking everyone to help her **WIN A TRIP TO DISNEYLAND®** ...and they did! She earned a trip to Nationals!

Girls often ask their friends to help them earn money for "Congratulations" Spotlight Contest™ spaces by having car washes, bake sales, garage sales, etc., then list their friends' names on the Spotlight Contest™page.

Your State Yearbook will be a lifelong keepsake. It will have your photo on every full Spotlight Contest™ page. The names of your family, friends, and contributors will be in it...and you will be earning cash, awards, and prizes for your hard work!



## SAMPLE SPOTLIGHT CONTEST SIZES & PRICES

1/10 Page "Business Card" (1 space)	\$75
2/10 Page (2 spaces)	\$150
3/10 Page (3 spaces)	\$225
1/2 Page (5 spaces)	\$375
6/10 Page (6 spaces)	\$450
8/10 Page (8 spaces)	\$600
Full Page (10 spaces)	\$750

## Contact List!

## TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOAL, YOU SHOULD START NOW!

You should make a list of 20 to 50 people you can contact to offer Spotlight Contest™ spaces. **List everyone you can think of.** 

Remember to include your relatives and friends; don't forget those who live out of state or even out of the country. People at your church, your orthodontist, family

doctor, or chiropractor should be included. Check with your parents for people they may know who are business owners, managers, or business contacts.

Schedule specific times you will go out.
Fridays, Saturdays, and Mondays may not be good days for busy store owners and managers. Go to these businesses during non-peak hours. Do not try to offer Spotlight Contest™spaces by phone or by writing letters.



Visiting in person always works best!

## PEOPLE OR BUSINESSES TO CONTACT

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## Check out the PREMIUM PRIZES



## THE NATIONAL AMERICAN MISS YEARBOOK SPOTLIGHT CONTEST<sup>™</sup> IS BETTER THAN EVER!

It has never been so easy to win, and the prizes are absolutely fabulous! Once you have completed at least one full page of Spotlight Contest™ spaces, you can select your choice from among these **awesome prizes!** 

Imagine you've completed ONE Spotlight Contest™ page.

That's ten business card-sized Spotlight Contest™ spaces. In addition to your Premier Spotlight Award, and your Official Crown and Banner, you've also won a premium prize! So...choose your prize!

Would you like \$75 cash? That's one premium prize.

Would you like **an entry into your choice of Optional Contest** (excludes Top Model Search<sup>™</sup>)? *That's one premium prize*.

Now just imagine you've completed TWO Spotlight Contest™ pages.

Perhaps you would like a night's stay at the pageant host hotel!

Perhaps you would like \$75 cash and a \$150 shopping spree to the National American Miss boutique at your State Pageant (apparel, jewelry, and more)!

Maybe you would like **an entry into the Top Model Search™ Contest**, giving you a chance to work one-on-one with a professional photographer in front of a panel of judges. You'll even receive a digital copy of your photos!

Perhaps you would like an Optional Contest entry plus \$75 cash!





y completing just 7 pages of Spotlight Contest™ spaces at the state or national level, you could earn your choice of 8 Premium Prizes, OR \$1000 cash, OR the National Trip which includes:

- \$350 toward airfare to the national pageant
- 6 hotel nights at the official pageant host hotel
- Disnev® Tickets for 2
- Hollywood Tour Tickets for 2









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It has never been easier to win cash, awards, and prizes! Everyone wins through participation in the Yearbook Spotlight Contest<sup>5M</sup>!

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Complete **one** business card-size space and you'll receive a **Spotlight Award!** Each "business card" space costs \$75

#### Silver Level Award

Complete 1/2 page or five business card-size spaces and you'll receive a Premier Spotlight Award plus the Official Spotlight Contest™ Crown!

Complete just three business card-size spaces and you'll receive a fabulous Premier **Spotlight Award!** 

Complete one full page or ten business card-size spaces and you'll receive a Premier Spotlight Award plus the Official Spotlight Contest™ Crown and Banner plus One Premium Prize!



State Ambassador Award - Complete 2 Full Pages or 20 business card-size spaces and you'll earn a State Ambassador Title and receive the Official State Ambassador Crown, Banner, and Award plus receive an Invitation to the National Pageant and Two Premium Prizes! qualified to go to the National Pageant in Hollywood, CA!

Platinum Level Award - Complete 3 Full Pages or 30 business card-size spaces and you'll receive the Official State Ambassador Crown, Banner, Award, Invitation to the National Pageant plus Three Premium Prizes!

At 3 pages you automatically compete for the State Cover Girl title.\*

Platinum-Plus Level Award - Complete 4 Full Pages or 40 business card-size spaces and you'll receive the Official State Ambassador Crown, Banner, Award, Invitation to the National Pageant plus Five Premium Prizes!

Diamond Level Award - Complete 7 Full Pages or 70

business card-size spaces and you'll receive the Official State Ambassador Crown, Banner, Award, Invitation to the National Pageant plus your choice of either Eight Premium Prizes or a paid trip to the National Pageant in sunny California and a day of fun at Disneyland® or \$1,000 cash!

7 pages guarantees you **National Coyer Girl** status!

Diamond-Plus Level Award - Complete 8 Full Pages or 80 business card-size spaces and you'll receive the Official State Ambassador Crown, Banner, Award, Invitation to the National Pageant plus One Premium Prize. Also, your choice of either a paid trip to the National Pageant and a day at Disneyland® with \$100 spending cash or \$1,100 cash award or a \$1,500 college scholarship or a laptop computer!

- \* The State Finalist who completes the most Spotlight Contest™ spaces (at least 3 full pages or more) for each age division will receive the State Cover Girl Title.
- \*\* Note: National Titles are awarded at the National Pageant. To receive a National Title, you will need to attend Nationals.



## Spotlight Contest Info

## FOR YOUR STATE YEARBOOK

A full page is  $7" \times 10"$ . It is centered on an  $8.5" \times 11"$  page.

### Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> Copy:

State Finalists completing Spotlight Contest\*\* spaces are asked to obtain a business card, logo, letterhead, or camera-ready copy from contributors to enable the printer to produce each space neatly and clearly.

### Spotlight Contest™ Layout:

You may lay out your own Spotlight Contest\*\* pages or send a rough sketch showing how you want your Spotlight Contest\*\* spaces arranged on the Spotlight Contest\*\* Layout Sheet (page 14). Most people just send a rough sketch, which is perfectly fine. However, please print the names legibly. You may photocopy the page if you need extras. Using the elements you send in, the printer will use his or her best discretion in arranging and preparing your space. See pages 10-12 of this magazine for examples of a rough sketch layout and an example of the final copy, which the printer will create. Indicate on each check, business card, or Spotlight Contest\*\* Record Sheet the size and amount of money paid.

### Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> Photos:

One photo of the state finalist may be included free of charge on each full page of spaces completed. The photo must be sent with your Layout Sheet. For multiple pages, you may want to send photos of yourself in different settings and poses so each page will look unique. Your name and address must be on the back of

each photo. Only ONE photo per FULL Spotlight Contest<sup>®</sup> PAGE will appear in the Yearbook.

### Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> Record Sheet:

On the back cover of this Spotlight Contest\* magazine you will find a Spotlight Contest\* Record Sheet. You may photocopy the page if you need extras. If you do not send a completed Spotlight Contest\* Record Sheet with your checks, responsibility for mistakes or deletions will not be accepted by the printer or State Pageant Office. Do not hold checks more than 30 days. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.

### Spotlight Contest<sup>™</sup> Deadlines:

All Spotlight Contest™ Layout Sheets, money, and Record Sheets must reach your State Director's office on or before your Spotlight Contest™ Deadline. Your deadline will be given to you by your State Director's office. Your Spotlight Contest™ contributors may use a check, money order, debit card, or any major credit card for payment. You may duplicate the white credit card form you receive as part of your payment forms from your State Director. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.

Additional copies of the Spotlight Contest Layout and Record Sheets are available on myNAMiss.com.

Remember, only ONE photo of the state finalist per each full page. Check out the next few pages for some great Spotlight Contest™ page ideas!



3110 Page

\$225

**\$**15

**\$15** 

\$750

\$375

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Photo

Full Page

\$375

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## ADD A PERSONAL TOUCH TO YOUR STATE YEARBOOK!

Just like for a school yearbook, ask family members and friends to write greetings that can be printed around your photo on your Spotlight Contest™ page! Ask them to contribute what they can (\$10, \$25, \$50, etc.) to help you fill a full Spotlight Contest™ page. **One full page is** \$750 total.

Start with a blank, white piece of paper. Draw out a circle, oval, square, or rectangle where your state finalist photo will go. When friends and family write their greetings on your paper, please have them use a black or dark ink pen.





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Hunter, Good luck!

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Please place photo of Hunter Here



Love, family & friends





Circle your age group: Princess Jr. Pre-Teen Pre-Teen Jr. Teen Name: \_\_ \_State:\_ \_City: \_\_ 1/10 Page 1/10 Page **Business Card Size Business Card Size** 3.5" x 2" 3.5" x 2" \$75 \$75 LAYOUT SHEET 1/10 Page 1/10 Page **Business Card Size Business Card Size** 3.5" x 2" 3.5" x 2" \$75 \$75

Additional copies of the Spotlight Contest<sup>sss</sup> Layout and Spotlight Contest<sup>sss</sup> Record Sheets are available on our website, myNAMiss.com. You may photocopy or cut out this page and use it to lay out Spotlight Contest\* spaces. Affix Spotlight Contest\* copy to layout sheet the way you want it to appear.

## Spotlight Contest Record Sheet

See your "Action-Packed Summary" for your Spotlight Contest™ Deadline Date.

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MAIL TO: Your State Director's Office

If you don't know the address, go to <u>namiss.com/dates</u> and select "your state."