

Department V

Miss Altamont Fair Pageant

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The Altamont Fair invites you to enter the 2021 Miss Altamont Fair Pageant! The competition will be held at the Northrup Stage near Gate Three. An application form is attached (**Pages 3 & 5 are most important!!!**)

ABOUT THE PAGEANT

Purpose

The purpose of the Pageant is to give the contestants an opportunity to serve their community by showcasing their personality, displaying their confidence, speaking ability in a public environment, enhancing their personal and professional skills in order to achieve their educational and professional goals; and becoming a positive representative of the Altamont Fair and the surrounding capital region communities.

Residency Requirements

Applicants must be residents of Albany, Schenectady or Greene Counties.

Categories/Age Requirements

Mrs. Altamont Fair	18+ married
Ms. Altamont Fair	26+ unmarried
Miss Altamont Fair	18-25 years old(Unmarried)
Junior Miss Altamont Fair	14-17 years old
Tween Miss Altamont Fair	11-13 years old
Young Miss Altamont Fair	8-10 years old
Little Miss Altamont Fair	5-7 years old

Eligibility Requirements

Candidates must meet the minimum age of their respective categories on or before August 1, 2021.

Former first place winner of a division cannot compete again for the same title. However, a contestant may compete in the next age division if she meets the minimum age requirement.

Areas of Competition

Personal Interview 60%

The judges will interview each contestant one-on-one starting with Little Miss, right up to Mrs. We will do the Little Miss, Young Miss and Tween Miss first followed by stage rehearsal directly after interview. The Jr. Miss, Miss, Ms. and Mrs. will then have their interviews followed by their rehearsal.

Interviews/Rehearsal will be held on:

Saturday August 14th 2021 in a designated area near the Northrup Stage.

Once we have a final count of contestants you will be contacted with your arrival time. Please plan on being available most of the day on Saturday August 14th and all day on Tuesday August 17th 2021.

Tickets will be given, at the rehearsal, to contestants who will need them for entrance to the fair.

Apparel:

The apparel you choose should fit properly, enhance your appearance and be appropriate to your age.

Hobbies and Activities -Little and Young Miss 20%

Proper attire for the competition includes clothing depicting your hobby or activity. It may also include sundresses, short-sleeved, and/or sports uniforms/attire. Props may be used if easily carried on and off the stage. **THIS IS NOT A TALENT PORTION. ABSOLUTELY NO CHOREOGRAPHED ROUTINES.** Just a walk on the stage wearing your outfit.

Hobbies and Activities -Tween, Jr., Miss, Ms., Mrs. 20%

Proper attire for the competition includes clothing depicting your hobby or activity. It may also include sundresses, short-sleeved, and/or sports uniforms/attire. Props may be used if easily carried on and off the stage. **THIS IS NOT A TALENT PORTION. ABSOLUTELY NO CHOREOGRAPHED ROUTINES.** Just a walk on the stage wearing your outfit.

Party Dress-Little Miss and Young Miss (Evening Wear) 20%

Proper attire for the competition should be a formal party dress.

Eveningwear- Tween through Mrs. 20%

Evening gowns may be floor length or tea length. Prom dresses are commonly worn in these divisions, but any formal dress is accepted.

Awards

All finalists will receive a certificate of participation and 2 passes for free admission into the Fair on Tuesday, August 17th.

The winner of each division will receive a rhinestone tiara, sash, bouquet of flowers, trophy, additional awards (to be determined) and a portrait will be taken of each winner and alternates in each group right after the pageant.

First and second alternates from each division will receive a trophy, sashes and tiara comb. Other prizes may be available at the awards ceremony. Awards are subject to change. All winners will be admitted to the 2021 Fair at no cost by wearing their crowns and sashes.

Additional Awards

The following title will be awarded to the contestants who receive the highest score in the Ms., Miss and Junior Miss divisions:

Miss Congeniality (contestants will vote after rehearsal on Saturday, August 14th) This award is chosen by the contestants themselves. It reflects the respect and admiration of the contestants' peer, who voted for her as the most congenial, charismatic, and inspirational participant. The winner will receive an award certificate, trophy, and flowers.

Cover Girl- This award is open to all contestants in all divisions. There is a **minimum of 3 paid sponsors to qualify.** This award is given to the contestant who received the most paid sponsorships. Sponsorships may be a business, friend or relative. All paid sponsorships will be advertised in the Pageant Program Booklet. Each paid sponsor will receive a copy of the booklet. The winners will receive a prize, and flowers.

Responsibilities of the Contestants

The completed application, questionnaire, sponsor sheets, entrance and sponsorship fee must be submitted to the Altamont Fair office no later than 2pm on Tuesday August 9th 2021.

Each contestant is responsible for the actions of her parents/family/guests. It is important that the spirit of good sportsmanship be maintained throughout the entire Miss Altamont Fair Pageant.

A mandatory stage rehearsal for all Altamont Fair contestants will be held at the Northrup Stage immediately following the personal interviews. Contestant may want to bring shoes/heels they plan to wear the day of the pageant to practice in.

Pageant Rules

Each contestant must meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

If, in the opinion of Pageant Officials, the winner is unable to meet the Winner's Responsibilities as noted above, the title may be forfeited and awarded to the runner-up.

All photos taken during the Pageant by Fair or Pageant Officials may be used for publicity and become the property of the Altamont Fair.

One female helper may accompany each contestant backstage and in the dressing room.

Responsibilities of winners

Appearances during the Fair (August 17-22, 2021) will be required and will be announced.

Winners and alternates in each division may be asked to make appearances on behalf of the Fair during the year (2021-2022).

Crowns and sashes are to be worn for all public appearances.

Winners will be required to attend the 2022 Miss Altamont Fair Pageant to crown successor and present awards. Winners and alternates will be required to have a photo taken immediately after pageant. Transportation to the fair and any events scheduled during the year is the responsibility of the winner and/or family members. (Winners, 1st and 2nd alternates 5-17 are required to have one responsible adult chaperone (weekly passes will be made available after completion of pageant.)

Each contestant or parent (under 18) will have to read and sign a contract (including a social media portion) agreeing to abide by the rules set by the Miss Altamont Fair Pageant. If, in the opinion of Pageant officials, the winner is unable to meet the Winner's Responsibilities as noted, the title may be forfeited and awarded to the Alternate.

Selection Process

This is a "natural" and amateur community service title competition, no pageant professionals. **LIGHT MAKE UP ONLY!** The judges will be looking for applicants who have natural inner beauty and a willingness to represent the Altamont

Fair during the year and throughout the year in various community events. All contestants will be judged on their own performances and not against other contestants.

Contestants will be judged on poise, personality, ability to follow directions, on-stage presence and appearance and the ability to communicate with the public.

Responsibilities of the Judges

Judges may not be influenced by the Fair, pageant coordinators or representatives of the contestants in any way.

Judges may not have personal contact outside the pageant with any contestant.

Judges are required to be fair and impartial at all times.

The judges' decisions are final.

Pageant Program

Program books will be available for no charge at the competition. Family, friends and local organizations are invited to purchase space in the program book for advertisements or good luck wishes. Ad sales must be completed and submitted to the Fair office by 2pm on Tuesday August 9th 2021. A sponsor sheet has been included with application. A questioner is also included and this and the sponsor sheet need to be in the office by 2pm on Tuesday August 9th, 2021. The black and white, 8½ x 5¼ program book will accommodate ads for the following rates:

AD SIZE	COST
Full-page	\$75
Half-page	\$50
Quarter-page/Business card size	\$30

Application & Entry Fee

All contestants are required to complete the attached application, and submit it along with a non-refundable sponsorship fee of \$27. Please make sure your information is clearly printed so we are able to contact you with times and additional information.

Your Initial Sponsor will be the person paying for the entry fee; all additional sponsors are to be put on the Additional Sponsor Sheet provided with application: all additional sponsorships must be a minimum of \$30.00. Prize donations are also accepted. (Gift cards, merchandise...etc)

Bring your completed application and entry fee of \$27.00 to the Fair office at the fairgrounds or mail to with your

\$27.00 entry fee: (By 2pm on Tuesday August 9th 2021)

Altamont Fair
Miss Altamont Fair Pageant
PO Box 506
Altamont, NY 12009

**2021 MISS ALTAMONT FAIR PAGEANT
OFFICIAL APPLICATION
COMPLETE & RETURN WITH \$27.00 ENTRY FEE
BY AUGUST 9, 2021**

DIVISION (Please select one):

Little Miss Altamont Fair (5-7) Jr. Miss Altamont Fair (14-17) Ms. Altamont Fair(unmarried 26+)
 Young Miss Altamont Fair (8-10) Miss Altamont Fair (18-25) Mrs. Altamont Fair(Married 18+)
 Tween Miss Altamont Fair (11-13)

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

COUNTY: _____ **BIRTHDATE:** ____/____/____ **AGE:** _____

SCHOOL / EMPLOYER: _____

GRADE LEVEL / CURRENT OCCUPATION: _____

INITIAL SPONSOR: _____

(Parent, self or business)

3 references are needed for the Jr., Miss, Ms.; and Mrs. divisions. Please use accompanying form and copy it for the other two references. These must be submitted with application.

I understand that I am required to attend the Miss Altamont Fair Pageant Rehearsal on Saturday, August 14, 2021. If I fail to do so, I understand that I am not eligible to compete in the Miss Altamont Fair Pageant to be held on Tuesday August 17, 2021. No refunds will be granted.

I understand that the Altamont Fair will be allowed to use all photographs, names and likenesses from the Pageant for advertising and promotion and that the contestants will receive no compensation for the same from the Altamont Fair.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the 2021 Miss Altamont Fair Pageant and I agree to abide by said rules. I further understand that Fair and Pageant Officials are not liable for personal injury incurred while traveling to or from the Pageant or for any loss or damage to personal property incurred during the Pageant or official appearances after the competition.

Finally, I promise to remain sportsman like at all times during and after the competition.

SIGNATURE OF CONTESTANT OR PARENT (if under 18): _____

DATE: ____/____/____

Contestants Name: _____

Additional Sponsors Sheet

Contestants' name
COMPANY &

NAME

ADDRESS

Ad. Size & Amt.

NAME	ADDRESS	Ad. Size & Amt.

- *A special prize will be awarded to the contestant who has the most Ads.
- *Please attach design(s) or Business cards and form of payment to sheet.
- * All Ads. must be to the Fair office no later than 2pm on Tuesday Aug. 9th 2021.

Contestant Introduction Sheet

Please complete and return with application if possible.

Please complete the following information. It will be used as a guideline to introduce you on-stage during the pageant.

Category – LM – YM – JM – MISS – MS -MRS circle one

Name_____

AGE_____ Town_____

Hair Color_____ Eye Color_____

Three words that describe yourself.

Hobbies/Activities (List 3)_____

Future Goals (List 3)_____

What do you like about the Altamont Fair?_____

What is your reason for entering the Altamont Fair Pageant?

What is it about you that would make you a good Little/Young/Jr./Miss/Ms./ Mrs. Miss Altamont Fair Queen? (10 words or less.) _____

Letter of Reference

Contestant Name: _____ Division: _____

(circle one) Junior Miss Miss Ms. Mrs. The Miss Altamont Fair Pageant looks for the inner beauty in the person, as well as the ability to speak in public. We are looking for someone that is out-going and professional. Someone to be a positive representative of not only the Altamont Fair but the communities in which the fair represents.

1. Would you recommend this applicant? Yes _____ No _____.

2. Is this applicant of good moral character?

3. Do you feel this above applicant has the qualities necessary to be a representative of the Altamont Fair?

4. How long have you known this individual?

5. Have you any other comments about this contestant?

Name: _____
Print Name Signature

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Miss Altamont Fair Pageant P.O Box 506 Altamont, NY 12009

