



# Miss San Juan PAGEANT

## 2018 Miss San Juan Pageant Official Application Packet

Thank you for your interest in participating in the 2018 Miss San Juan pageant. There are three categories available, Little Miss San Juan, Teen Miss San Juan, Jr. Miss San Juan and Miss San Juan, each with different requirements. Please read through the entire application carefully before completing and submitting it. Type or print legibly. A non-refundable deposit of \$75 will be required upon submission of application. Applications will not be accepted without a deposit. The deposit will be applied towards the entry fee. Please submit all applications and entry fee to J. Nava Studios in person or by U.S. Mail at 318 S. Texas Blvd Weslaco, Texas 78596 by no later than 6 p.m CST, on September 15, 2017. Kindly make all checks payable to J. Nava Studios. Should you find yourself in need of clarification on any of the requirements and or specifications found within this packet, please don't hesitate to call and ask at 956-648-9068.

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# I.

## Miss San Juan 2018 Official Application

Please circle one: (Requirements for participants are detailed on the next page)

- ❖ **Little Miss San Juan:** 1st Grade
- ❖ **Teen Miss San Juan:** 6th/ 7th/ 8th grade
- ❖ **Jr. Miss San Juan:** (high school) Freshman / Sophomore / Junior
- ❖ **Miss San Juan:** High School Senior / High School Graduate (age 17-22)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Gmail: \_\_\_\_\_@[gmail.com](mailto:)

(if you do not have one, please create one. It will be necessary throughout the pageant.)

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor/Club representing: \_\_\_\_\_

***\*Please attach a copy of your most current report card  
AND current proof of San Juan Residency.***

I understand that if I am selected winner of the Miss San Juan Pageant, I am expected to abide by the rules and regulations (see Rules and Regulations of Pageant attached) of the Miss San Juan Pageant Contest. I further understand that I will participate in various events to help promote the City of San Juan and will be held accountable to the San Juan Community Lion's Club. I am providing proof of age, grade and residency. A copy of the report card issued by the school is sufficient for proof of grade, a water bill is sufficient for proof of residency, and a valid Texas ID or school ID is sufficient proof of age.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Contestant Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent Signature)

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

## II.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS

*Proof of each of these requirements is necessary.*

- ❑ **Little Miss San Juan:** In order to be eligible to compete in this category the contestant must 1.) be in 1st grade, and 2.) reside in San Juan.
- ❑ **Miss Teen San Juan:** In order to be eligible to compete in this category the contestant must 1.) be a 6th, 7th or an 8th grader in junior high school, and 2.) reside in San Juan.
- ❑ **Jr. Miss San Juan:** In order to be eligible to compete in this category the contestant must 1.) be a sophomore or a junior in high school, and 2.) reside in San Juan.
- ❑ **Miss San Juan:** In order to be eligible to compete in this category the contestant must 1.) be a high school senior or, 2.) have graduated from high school (or equivalent), and 3.) reside in San Juan, and 4.) be of age 17-22 on the day of the competition.

### AREAS OF COMPETITION

**Preliminary Competition** includes the personal interview, the evening wear portion, and the contestant-created fish bowl question for all contestants. The list of fish bowl questions will be available by **September 20, 2017**. Based on the scores, either the top 8 or the top half, the greater of the two will advance to the semi finalist round.

**Semi Finalist Competition (On Stage Question):** The contestant will receive a list of topics to study (not questions). The three contestants in the Jr. and Miss divisions with highest scores will advance to the final round. The three contestants with the highest scores in the Little Miss division will be awarded accordingly.

**Top 3 Final Question:** At this point, all prior scores are wiped, where the finalists will be ranked by the judges solely based on their answer to the final question. Each contestant will be asked the same question. All contestants will receive the list of topics to prepare for this round of competition at orientation. The contestant with the highest score will be crowned Miss/Ms San Juan. All decisions are final. Top 3 Final Question does not apply to the Little Miss division.

**Etiquette Form:** Through the duration of the orientation and up until the night of the event, etiquette, punctuality and behavior among contestants and their families towards the pageant staff, the event itself, and the contestants will be observed. Each contestant will start with 50 points and points will be deducted from final scores if standards are not met.

## FEES

A non-refundable deposit of \$75 will be required upon submission of application. Applications will not be accepted without a deposit. This deposit will be applied towards the entry fee. There will be a \$350 entry fee which must be paid in full by 6:00 p.m. CST, **September 15, 2017**. All checks are to be made payable to J. Nava Studios. You may have a business or school sponsor your entry fee. *If you are in need of a sponsor, scholarships may be available.* Please contact us for further information.

## BIOS

During the evening wear portion of this contest, the emcee will read a short bio of each contestant. Please email your bio to **info@jnavacom**. It should include your name, parents' names, and sponsor in the first sentence. Other details may include activities, awards, organizations affiliated with, and fun details about yourself. Please keep this between 75-100 words. This is an opportunity for you to tell the viewers of the pageant -including the judges- a little bit about yourself, while simultaneously giving them some added incentive to crown you the winner. Your bio should emphasize the positive qualities of your personal background and attitude, highlighting accomplishments that can be universally recognized as positive or beneficial. This requires thoughtful composition, careful proofreading and thorough editing. Bios will be due no later than 6 p.m. CST on **September 27, 2017**. **Points will be deducted from your total score off of the etiquette form if it is submitted after 6 p.m. BIOS WILL BE READ AS SUBMITTED.**

*Sample Bio: Our next contestant is Beckie Rodriguez. She can be found behind a camera everywhere she goes. Beckie aspires to be a photographer. Her mom, Teresa Garza, is her sponsor tonight and vows to be her first customer when Beckie opens her own photo studio. When not being a shutterbug, Beckie is a 5th grade AP Top Reader at Carmen Anaya Elementary. Next year, she will play the flute in her school band. Beckie has been playing the flute and singing in her church's children's choir for two years. Ladies and gentlemen, a star on the rise, Beckie Rodriguez.*

## OPENING NUMBER OUTFIT

Each contestant is responsible for purchasing or making their opening number outfit. Opening Number Outfit will be an age appropriate dress. Dresses must not be too short or form-fitting from the waist down. Please submit a photo of the outfit before purchasing to (956) 376-9464 with name of contestant in the message. **The director's approval is required.**

- **Little Miss:** White
- **Jr. Miss:** Light Pink
- **Miss Teen:** Red/Maroon
- **Miss:** Dark Blue/Navy Blue

## **DAD'S PRESENTATION**

Fathers or male figures as designated by the contestant and her family will be required to escort the contestant at the beginning of the evening gown portion of the competition. A tuxedo is required. His only role will be to escort the contestant to the front of the stage. No speaking from his behalf is required.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

Listed below are the types of special awards that will be awarded during the night of the pageant:

*Miss Hospitality:* This award goes toward the contestant that sells the most tickets and ad space on the program before the due date. Each dollar is equal to one point. (Overall)

*Miss Sweetheart:* This award goes towards the contestant that sells the most buttons and posters before and during the night of the event. Each contestant will have a jar where each \$1 donation will count as a vote. The jar donations will go towards the San Juan Community Lion's Club. (Overall)

*Miss Photogenic:* This award goes towards the contestant that the judges believe is most photogenic. This is based on the headshot of each contestant. (Per category)

*Miss Online's People's Choice:* This award goes towards the contestant who has the most votes on the Facebook application by the night before the pageant. Please look at important dates to see when the voting will start and end. (Per category)

*Miss Congeniality:* This award goes toward the contestant who was the most friendly and helpful throughout practice and on the day of the pageant. (Per category)

*Directors Choice:* This award goes towards the contestant who showed the most enthusiasm in preparing for the pageant. (Overall)

*Best Dress:* Judges will choose which of the contestant's dress represents their personality best, compliments both their body and image, and general appropriateness. (Per category)

## III.

### AD SPACE IN THE PAGEANT PROGRAM

Each contestants' photo will appear in the pageant program along with their name and sponsor. Contestants may purchase additional space by **September 30, 2017**. Ads may be paid for by sponsors/business or parents. Purchasing an AD will add points towards Miss Hospitality. You may use their headshot or schedule an additional photo shoot for the page on the program. Below are the prices for the pages:

-Full Page \$150      -Half Page \$95

### ADDITIONAL FEES AND SERVICES

Photo Sessions must be scheduled between September 18th -23rd. **The sitting fee for official headshots is \$50. All photos must be taken by J. Nava Studios. Absolutely no photos from any other studio or photographer will be accepted.**

There will be 2 posters and 3 buttons available on the night of the pageant to sell to the audience. If you need to purchase more, please order at J. Nava Studios by **September 25, 2017**. Purchasing buttons and posters will add points towards the Miss Sweetheart Award.

Additional tickets may be purchased at \$5 pre-sale price until studio doors close at 6:00 pm CST on **Friday, October 13, 2017**. Tickets will be sold for \$7 after the specified time or at the door.

Additional Pageant Programs (\$10) must be ordered before **September 30th**.

**\*\*Please refer to the Product sheet for a complete listing. All purchases made will count towards the Miss Sweetheart Award.**

We cheerfully accept check, cash and all major credit cards. There will be a \$30 fee for returned checks.

We will also be having a fashion show during intermission. If you would like to sign anyone up from ages 5 & up, please contact Selene Garcia at (956)-650-1413. The fee is \$50 per person OR sell 10 tickets to event.

**(These dates could change at the discretion of the pageant director/producer. Please ensure that you have the most up to date version of this packet. The updated packet will always be available at [www.jnava.com](http://www.jnava.com))**

# IV.

## Information for the Judges:

The following page is to be filled out for the judges. They will be used during the personal interview portion of the pageant. Please write legibly. The judges will be looking at your responses.

Contestant # \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle one:**

Little Miss San Juan - 1st Grade

Teen Miss San Juan - 6th/ 7th/ 8th

Jr. Miss San Juan - Freshman/ Sophomore / Junior

Miss San Juan - High School Senior /  
High School Graduate

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL INTERVIEW PORTION

List three hobbies, interests, activities or awards you consider to be outstanding.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain your best strengths and your weaknesses.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name a project or event that you would like to work on if you were crowned and why you chose that project.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## **FISHBOWL QUESTION**

Please include one [San Juan related](#) question to ask your fellow contestants. Try to be as original as possible. This question will be read aloud onstage with your name on it.

*(Ex: "Michelle Garcia, wants to know, What about San Juan do you find most special?")*

**PLEASE EMAIL YOUR FISHBOWL QUESTION TO [info@jnava.com](mailto:info@jnava.com)**

Do not forget to include your name, like in the example.

If more than one person ask the same question, I will be in contact with who submitted it last, about changing your fishbowl question.



# V.

## \*\*\*Important Dates\*\*\*

**Please add these important dates to your phone calendars/reminders**  
**(These dates could change at the discretion of the pageant director/producer. Please ensure that you have the most up to date version of this packet. The updated packet will always be available at [www.jnava.com](http://www.jnava.com))**

*Points will be deducted off of your etiquette form, if contestant is late to important dates*

- Orientation: 11:00 AM CST on Saturday, **September 16th** at Carman Elementary School cafeteria
- Contestant orders will be drawn at Orientation
- Headshots: All official headshots must be scheduled and taken between Monday September 18 and Saturday, September 23. Studio hours are Monday-Friday 12-6pm and Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. J. Nava Studios is located at 318 S. Texas Blvd, Weslaco
- Online People's Choice - 12 AM CST **Sunday, October 8th to 11:59 PM CST Friday, Sunday, October 15th.**
- Opening Number Rehearsal: 7 PM CST **TBA, Thursday October 12**
- Second Rehearsal: 7 PM CST **Allure Danz Studio 802 W. Del Oro Lane, Pharr, Texas, Friday October 13th**
- Onstage Rehearsal: Time TBA **Saturday, October 14th, 2017 @ PSJA High School Auditorium**
- Personal Interview: Saturday October 14, 2017 at 5 PM CST at **Carman Elementary**
- Pageant: Sunday October 15, 2017 at 3 PM CST **PSJA High School Auditorium**

## \*\*\*Due Dates\*\*\*

*Points will be deducted from your total score of the etiquette form, if LATE on due dates*

Applications and Entry fees are due - **6 PM CST Monday, September 15, 2017.**

Bios – **6 PM CST Wednesday, September 27th** emailed to [info@jnava.com](mailto:info@jnava.com) or uploaded on registration form

Last day for Program Photo Shoots - **September 30th**

Sponsor page Ad money & artwork due - **September 30th**

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**Joel Nava**  
Executive Producer  
[joel@jnava.com](mailto:joel@jnava.com)

# VI.

## Rules and Regulations of Pageant

Instructions: Please initial by each line and submit to pageant director along with the registration.

THE PAGEANT DIRECTOR AND PRODUCER RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CHANGE THE RULES AND GUIDELINES AS DEEMED NECESSARY AND WITHOUT NOTICE.

Applications are available at J. Nava Studios, located at 308 South Texas Blvd

Applications must be submitted by 6:00pm **Friday, September 15, 2017.**

All sales are final. All decisions are final.

Application are available for download at [www.jnava.com](http://www.jnava.com)

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility & Acceptance:**

The contestant must have never been married or never given birth to a child as of the date of the event. She must reside in San Juan and be of age or grade level specified at the time of the event. Pregnancy during the reign is grounds for disqualification.

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:** The contestant must be naturally born female.

**X \_\_\_\_\_** The production may consist of an opening number segment (not judged), an interview competition segment, an onstage presentation, a fashion wear competition, an evening wear competition, a fishbowl question and final questions.

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Interview Competition (50 points)**

The contestant must carry herself with dignity, grace, poise and confidence. Judges will ask questions based off of written responses provided by the contestant.

Judging criteria: *Communication skills, Composure, Attire, Eye contact & Facial expression, Personality and Etiquette*

**X \_\_\_\_\_ On-stage Presentation (not judged)**

The contestant must be able to verbally express herself with confidence. The on-stage presentation must include age, school of attendance and contestants name.

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Gown (50 points)**

The contestant must carry herself with dignity, grace, poise and elegance. The judges will not be evaluating the cost or designer label of the gown, but rather how well it suits the contestant (e.g., fit, color, style) as well as contestant's on-stage presentation.

Judging criteria: *Choice of Gown/Hair/ Makeup, Modeling skills, Grace and Poise, Eye Contact, Onstage Presence.* Evening gown must be floor length and age appropriate.

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Fishbowl Questions, Semi and Final Questions (50 points each segment).**

The contestant must be able to verbally express herself with confidence. The fishbowl questions will be provided to all contestant within a week from the pageant. Semi and final question topics will also be provided. Semi question competition is chosen from either the half of the size of the competition or the top 8. The maximum points for semi finalist to reach is 150. The Top 3 will continue to the Final Question Round. At this point, all scores for the Top 3 will be wiped. Finalists will respond to one final question on-stage.

Judging criteria: *Articulation, Communication Skills, Composure, Intelligence, and Eye Contact*

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Etiquette Form (50 points)**

An etiquette form will be judged off of the actions and compliance from the contestant and family members towards both the pageant staff and other contestants. If the criteria is not met, points be deducted from their etiquette form.

Judging criteria: *Punctuality, Etiquette, Responsibility, Respectful, Social Media Manners*

**X \_\_\_\_\_ JUDGING.**

Reasonable efforts are made to secure a culturally and professionally diverse panel of judges. All decisions are final. Contestant or their families may not approach the judges or engage in conversation with judges prior to or during the competition. A contestant observed approaching a judge or engaged in conversation with a judge beyond a brief greeting, risks immediate disqualification at the discretion of the pageant director and or pageant producer.

**The decision of the judges is final.**

**X \_\_\_\_\_ Tie Breakers:**

If there are ties for Semi-Finalists positions, then the higher of the Final Question, Onstage Fish Bowl and Evening Wear will be used to break the tie. Judges are allowed to have a meeting to discuss and make decision for the Final question.

# VII.

## CODE OF CONDUCT / WINNER'S CONTRACT

The winner and members of the court affirm that each contestant is and will continue to be a person of good moral character; that she has not committed and will not commit any act inconsistent with the highest standards of public morals and conventions or that will reflect unfavorably on the pageant, its representatives, sponsors and the San Juan Community Lion's Club; that she has not appeared in nude or provocative photographs for any film or publication prior to, during the pageant, or during her reign, as those are means for disqualification. Pregnancy is basis for disqualification. The winner and member of the court will conduct themselves in a courteous, professional manner at all times during the pageant and while representing the San Juan Community Lions Club. The winners will not slander or libel other contestants, judges, staff or anyone else involved with or connected to the production. Defamatory verbal and/or written remarks against and the pageant, San Juan Community Lions Club and J.Nava Studio will result in immediate disqualification, forfeiture of any and all prizes and awards. Winners found publicly posting slanderous remarks on public forums will be immediately disqualified. Good sportsmanship is expected at all times. Disruptive behavior before, during, or after the pageant may result in disqualification, removal from the premises, and/or legal charges. Winners and members of the court agree to sign the Code of Conduct statement indicating agreement to abide by the terms specified here. Failure to sign the Code of Conduct statement does not in any way release the winners from the responsibility to abide by the Code of Conduct stated here. All issues related to the Code of Conduct and consequences for violation thereof shall be determined solely and exclusively by the pageant director.

Winners are expected to be on time and to represent the city and the San Juan Community Lion's Club in good favor at all times at all events. The San Juan Community Lion's Club must approve and have knowledge of all public and private events attended as a representative of Miss San Juan.

If the winner is unwilling to sign the contract and/or unable or unwilling to fulfill the obligations, the title and all prizes will be awarded to the first runner up. The reign of the winner's title will commence immediately after crowning and will end immediately following the crowning of her successor the following year. The winner agrees to make monthly contact with San Juan Community Lions Club by phone, letter, social media or e-mail. The winner is expected to give her time and energy to this title during her year's reign. The winner agrees to attend the next year's pageant to crown her successor.

Contestant's Signature:

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Contestant's Name (PRINT):

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Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Merchant;

Thank you for your interest in the Miss San Juan pageant. By sponsoring a contestant, you are encouraging local youth and teaching young ladies to compete in a healthy competition of grace, poise, interview skills with their peers and most importantly increase self-esteem.

The entry fee for this contest is \$350. Sponsors may choose to pay the contestant's entry fee, supporting her financially and emotionally every step of the way. In addition to helping this contestant to win the Miss Hospitality Award, you can purchase a full page advertisement costing \$150 and a half page at \$95. This advertisement will appear on the program book the night of the pageant and shows your support for her and all youth in the pageant. Your contribution is a valid business expense.

Thank you again for your interest. Please contact Michelle Garcia at (956)-648-9068 with any further questions.

Best wishes,

Michelle Garcia, Pageant Director

Yes! Here is my contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the entry fee.

Yes! Here is my contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the page advertisement.

(Check is made payable to J. Nava Studios)

Advertisement Information: (You may email artwork to [info@jnava.com](mailto:info@jnava.com) with subject or attach business card to form)

BusinessName: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_