

Contestant Handbook

Dear Contestant,

Welcome to Erotic Pageants and Welcome to the family. We are thrilled that you have decided to compete in our pageant. So let's get right into it. You will find all you need to know in this packet. Should you have any questions feel free to give us a call at 619-961-9112. Best of Luck to you!

Robert Casillas

Rules and Regulations

1. For Miss Estrella Latina, contestants must be born male, at least 21 years of age and able to provide valid identification. If you do not have a government issued ID you will not be allowed to enter.
2. Judges will use the standard USofA comparative scoring system. Any ties will be broken by the contestant with the highest talent score.
3. Contestants will only be judged in the following categories:
 - a. On Stage Question (20%)
 - b. Fashion - Evening Gown (20%)
 - c. Fashion - Aztec (20%)
 - d. Talent (40%)
4. Talent presentations will be limited to seven (7) minutes. Prop setup and knock down time will be limited to 5 minutes total. Talent presentation will be limited at rehearsals. Presentations over 7 minutes will have administrative points deducted.
5. Any type of talent type is acceptable, except those which may cause injury to the audience or any other person (including yourself). NO GLITTER! NO FIRE OF ANY KIND! NO WATER OR LIQUIDS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING PAINT)! NO CONFETTI (OR CONFETTI CANNONS)! May be used in any talent presentations. Talent presentations that include racial slurs, or excessively vulgar, obscene or insulting language should be avoided. The judges will consider the contents of the talent presentations when scoring them. Submission of media for talent must be emailed to the DJ. If you can not email them for any reason you must let the stage manager know so that you can work out an alternate way to submit it.
6. The use of, or dispensing of illegal drugs will not be tolerated. If you are found to have broken this rule throughout anytime that you are considered a contestant of this pageant you will be immediately disqualified.
7. Any contestant that is not in the appointed place at the appointed time will lose administrative points.

8. Any contestant, contestants, dancers, helpers, etc...who is caught in the act of stealing or tampering with another contestant's possessions will be immediately disqualified and removed from the premises.
9. Miss Estrella Latina will be required to sign a contract with Erotic Pageants before any prize money is paid or any prizes are received. Failure to sign the contract will mean forfeiture of the title. The contract is enclosed, please read it so that you are familiar with it.
10. Any contestant in the Top 3 (including Miss Congeniality) that does not stay on stage for the entire crowning and picture taking will forfeit their placement and prize money.
11. Any contestant who has qualified to attend Nationals and does not attend may not compete in any USofA Pageants Preliminary until they have paid back all prizes and a \$250 fine to the promoter and waited for at least one year.
12. Any contestant that loses the preliminary and spreads rumors of the competition being fixed or anything of that nature will not be allowed to compete the following year.

Register to Compete

Please download a copy of the application. You can also pay your \$50 fee through Cashapp (\$lionsden81) or Zelle (6198618112). If you need to pay cash you must make prior arrangements by contacting westcoast@usofa.org. Any contestant missing the deadline of October 2, 2024 to register will still be allowed to register up until November 2, 2024 but will be fined a \$25 late registration fee bringing the price up to \$75.

Admissions

Contestants do not have to pay for admission All Dressing Room Assistants, Dressers, Dancers, Prop Personnel, managers, lovers, etc MUST PAY admission at full price. The price for admission will be \$10

At the registration for Miss Estrella Latina on Saturday November 2, 2024. there will be a Dancers Pass available for \$5. These passes will ONLY be sold at the registration. You may only purchase one for your dresser/backstage assistant and for each dancer as indicated on your application.

We will ONLY accept cash for these passes. NO REFUNDS!

Prize Package

1st Place - \$500 in cash and an estimated value of \$700 in prizes all of which include (but not limited to): Jewelry, Crown, Photoshoot, Wig and set of nails, 5 bookings, website and a spot in Nationals

2nd Place - \$200 in cash

Meetings and Rehearsals

Every contestant is required to attend all scheduled meetings and rehearsals. Those not present will lose administrative points. Please see the schedule of events in this handbook for the times of those rehearsals.

Presentation of Contestants

Theme- Mexican Flag

This category celebrates the vibrant colors and rich history of Mexico through the art of fashion.* Contestants will design and showcase an outfit inspired by the Mexican flag, paying homage to its iconic symbols and colors:

Red: Representing the blood shed for independence and the passion of the Mexican people.

White: Symbolizing purity, hope, and peace.

Green: Representing the fertile land of Mexico and its rich natural resources.

Creativity is key! Contestants can interpret the theme in countless ways, incorporating traditional Mexican elements like:

Embroidery: Intricate designs and floral motifs.

Textiles: Vibrant fabrics like silk, velvet, and brocade.

Beadwork: Sparkling details and embellishments.

Accessories: Jewelry, headpieces, and footwear inspired by Mexican culture.

Judges will evaluate contestants based on:

Creativity and originality: How well does the design showcase the Mexican flag and its symbolism?

Craftsmanship: The quality of construction and attention to detail.

Stage presence: Confidence, poise, and charisma while showcasing the outfit.

This category is a wonderful opportunity for contestants to express their love for Mexico through fashion, showcasing their individual style and talent. Let the colors of the Mexican flag inspire your creativity and celebrate the beauty and diversity of Mexican culture!

On Stage Question

The On-Stage Question segment of our pageant is a pivotal moment for contestants to showcase their poise, critical thinking, and ability to articulate their thoughts under pressure. Each contestant will be randomly selected to answer a thought-provoking question posed by the panel of judges or the host, providing a unique opportunity to share their perspectives, values, and insights with the audience.

In this segment, contestants will demonstrate their confidence and communication skills as they explore diverse topics that may range from social issues to personal experiences. This is not just about the answer itself, but also about how the contestant engages with the question, conveying authenticity and passion. Contestants are encouraged to embrace this moment as a chance to express who they are beyond their beauty and talents—exemplifying intelligence, empathy, and leadership.

Judges will evaluate responses based on clarity of thought, creativity, depth of understanding, and overall delivery, all while considering how well the contestant embodies the core values of the pageant. The On-Stage Question is a celebration of each participant's uniqueness, allowing them to shine in an atmosphere that champions self-expression and personal growth. It is often a memorable highlight of the evening, as contestants seize the moment to connect with the audience and leave a lasting impression.

Fashion (Gown)

The Gown category of our pageant is a celebration of elegance, creativity, and personal expression through fashion. Contestants will showcase their unique style and grace as they adorn exquisite gowns that reflect their individuality and poise. Judges will be evaluating based on factors such as originality, fit, and the overall presentation of the gown, as well as how well each contestant carries themselves on stage.

Participants are encouraged to select gowns that resonate with their personality, whether that be through color, design, or embellishments. This category is not just about the garment itself but also about how it allows each contestant to tell her story and embody confidence. Gown presentations will be an enchanting display of glamour, artistry, and the diverse beauty of every contestant.

As contestants walk the runway, they will have the opportunity to shine in the spotlight, showcasing their gown with striking poses and captivating charisma, ensuring an unforgettable experience for both participants and audience alike. Join us for a night of inspiration and beauty as we celebrate the power of fashion in the Gown category!

Fashion (Dia De Los Muertos)

Celebrate the vibrant spirit of the Dia De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) in our stunning fashion category, where tradition meets creativity! Contestants are invited to showcase their unique interpretations of this deeply meaningful holiday through stunning attire that reflects the rich cultural heritage of Mexico. This category highlights the intricate artistry, colorful symbolism, and emotional depth associated with Dia De Los Muertos.

Participants are encouraged to design outfits that honor their ancestors while incorporating elements such as traditional fabrics, intricate embroidery, and iconic motifs like sugar skulls, marigolds, and papel picado. Contestants can draw inspiration from historical figures, beloved family members, or personal stories, allowing them to express their individuality while celebrating the essence of the holiday.

Judging criteria will focus on creativity, cultural authenticity, craftsmanship, and the ability to convey a narrative that resonates with the spirit of Dia De Los Muertos. Contestants will not only flaunt their fashion creations on stage but also share the stories behind their outfits, fostering a connection with the audience and enriching the overall experience.

Join us for a dazzling display of color, creativity, and heartfelt tribute as we honor the legacy of loved ones lost, all through the enchanting lens of fashion. This is more than just a showcase—it's a celebration of life, death, and the beautiful cycles of remembrance. Embrace this opportunity to shine and make your mark in a category that honors tradition while forging new paths in the world of fashion!

Talent

Talent presentations can be any type of entertainment as long as it does not create any danger or injury to either the contestant or any other person. Talent presentations are limited to seven (7) minutes. There is no restriction on the number

of persons who may be involved in this presentation just remember that your dancers and props are being scored as well and will play a factor in your overall score. The quality of your music will also be judged along with your choice of music. Another thing to remember is that this category can have a huge impact on who wins the competition being that it is 40% of your score

a. Talent Rehearsal

- i. Each contestant must attend the talent rehearsal this is where we will make sure your music for talent and crowning are at quality levels for the show

b. Dancers/Props

- i. All dancers must buy a ticket or purchase a dancers pass and must be accounted for on your application.

c. Stage Manager

- i. Patricia DeLeon

Contestant Coordinator

Miss Estrella Latina will be providing a contestant coordinator to assist you during the Pageant. His job is to help ensure that you have a positive and enjoyable time during the pageant. While at the pageant he will be your point of contact. He will be available to all contestants. If you have any questions, concerns or ideas, please direct them to him first.

Name: Ayla Diva's

Official Jeweler

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By Nova Starr

Scoring

Talent 2-16 points

Q & A 1- 8 points

Gown 1-8 points

Flag 1-8 points

TOTAL 40 points x 5 judges = 200 points

Schedule of Events

PLEASE BE ON TIME!!

| DATE | EVENT | TIME |
|---------|------------------------|---------|
| 11/2/24 | REGISTRATION & MEETING | 2:00 PM |
| | WALK REHEARSAL | 2:15 PM |
| | TALENT REHERSAL | 3:00 PM |
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| | DOORS OPEN | 7:00 PM |
| | CALL TIME | 8:00 PM |
| | SHOW TIME | 9:00 PM |

Fundraising

We recommend that ALL contestants engage in some type of fundraising to help with your costs. You are all responsible for your own fundraising. We are not able to help you girls out with this part but you may utilize the bar by contacting the owners directly.

Ticket Sales

Each contestant will be given 8 to 10 paper tickets upon registering that we would like for you to sell. It is not mandatory to do so and not selling the tickets will not disqualify you or affect your scores in any way HOWEVER the revenue brought in from these ticket sales can help pay for Prize Money, etc....

Sample Title Holders Contract

TITLEHOLDER AGREEMENT

MISS ESTRELLA LATINA

THIS AGREEMENT MADE BETWEEN EROTIC PAGEANTS (hereinafter referred to as Promoter) AND

(hereinafter referred to as Titleholder), whose personal mailing address is telephone number, e-mail address

Facebook _____,

hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. Titleholders obligations: Titleholder shall attend and participate in, as a representative of Miss Estrella Latina, all local pageants held during the year of Titleholders reign at such time and place as may be set forth by Erotic Pageants and the Promoter. All expenses of the titleholder, as set forth in the Promoters Rules and Regulations, shall be at the expense of the Local Promoter. These expenses are, but not limited to, titleholders transportation, lodging and performance fee of \$250.00 per night of entertaining. The Local Promoter is required to use the services of the titleholder only one night during their pageant.

2. Bookings: All entertaining and/or appearances of an official nature by titleholder shall be cleared and approved at least ten (10) business days in advance by Promoter whose approval shall not unreasonably be withheld. Entertaining and/or appearances of an official nature shall be construed as those, but not limited to those, in which the titleholder is appearing mainly due to their title and therefore is representing the Pageant, the Promoter and Erotic Pageants

3. Titleholders responsibilities: Titleholder agrees to hold the title, Erotic Pageants, the Erotic Pageants system, it's State and Regional Promoters, Local Promoters and franchisees in the highest esteem. Titleholder agrees that while appearing, entertaining or representing the title during the year of his reign to the following:

- a. Not to be drunk in a public place;
- b. Not to commit the acts of a sexual nature in a public place;
- c. Not to commit acts of a violent nature in a public place;
- d. Not to use illegal drugs;

- e. Not to commit the act of stealing;
- f. Not to have a sex change or gender reassignment surgery;
- g. Not to participate in malicious gossip;
- h. To attend and participate in the Miss Estrella Latina 2025 Pageant at such time and place as set forth by Erotic Pageants
- i. Not to be deemed guilty of any other unreasonable act that is considered demeaning to the title by the Promoter;
- j. To perform at least three (3) times during a State pageant unless otherwise instructed by that State Promoter;
- k. Titleholder agrees to provide a satisfactory publicity photograph with crown within thirty (30) days of assuming the title for use by the Promoter;
- l. Not to perform nude;
- m. Titleholder agrees to keep a valid cellular telephone number in service during the year of his reign;
- n. Titleholder agrees to have a valid email address and Facebook page (with crown photo) within seven (7) days of winning and keep it active during his entire reign;
- o. Titleholder agrees to receive permission from the Promoter before appearing at a pageant or contest in any other pageant system;
- p. Titleholders may not enter any pageant during their reign.
- q. Titleholders will not record video or stream live any pageant or contest that they are in attendance, regardless of whether they are there in an official capacity or not.

4. Promoters Responsibilities: Promoters responsibilities to the Titleholder shall be:

- a. To permit the titleholder the booking rights as stated in Articles 1 and 2;
- b. To provide titleholder with all necessary information on a timely basis, as available, concerning all local pageants;

- c. To pay all monies, awards and prizes as long as the titleholder is not in default under this agreement as follows;
 - d. \$250.00 and other awards as listed in the contestants application for pageant upon winning the title, and;
 - e. \$250..00 upon completion of final night of the Miss Estralla Latina 2025 Pageant.
5. Certain Rights Reserved by Titleholder: As long as the titleholder is not in default under this agreement he shall have the following rights;
- a. To enjoy the rights and privileges of said title;
 - b. To be allowed bookings, subject to Articles 1, 2 and 6 contained herein, and for such fees as stated for Local Pageants. Other private bookings, approved by the Promoter, shall be for whatever fee as the Titleholder feels is justified, and;
 - c. Move freely throughout the United States.
6. Certain Rights Reserved to Promoter: The following rights are reserved to the Promoter:
- a. To have and retain paramount title to the Title at all times;
 - b. To change the title of Miss Estrella Latina at any time.
 - c. To approve all bookings, subject to Articles 1, 2 and 5 contained herein, of Titleholder;
 - d. To reasonably set forth Rules and Regulations concerning the conduct of holders of the title;
 - e. To set the dates, times and location of all future Miss Estrella Latina Pageants and to make reasonable bookings for Titleholder. Said bookings will be confirmed with the Titleholder at least ten (10) days prior to said bookings and said bookings shall be made in a manner as to not cause conflict with the Titleholders schedule.
7. Promoters Remedies: If Titleholder defaults under this agreement, Promoter may treat any one or more of the foregoing occurrences as a breach of

this agreement and thereupon at its option may, without notice or demand of any kind (which Titleholder hereby expressly waives), to Titleholder or any other person, have, but not limited to, any or all of the following remedies.

- a. Revoke the title from the Titleholder;
 - b. Demand the return of all prizes, monies and awards given to Titleholder;
 - c. Refuse entry into any of Promoters franchised pageants or contests;
 - d. Pass the title to the 1st Runner-up or any other person felt to be qualified by Promoter;
 - e. Refuse bookings of an official nature to Titleholder;
 - f. Assess fines for breach of any part of this agreement. Said fines shall not exceed the amount of \$500.00 per offense, but may be at a lower amount as set forth and determined by the Promoter.
8. Notices: All notices to be given by one party to the other under this agreement shall be in writing, mailed or hand delivered as follows:

If to Promoter

ROBERT CASILLAS

Or to such other person at such other address designated by notice to the Titleholder

If to Titleholder

At the address stated above.

Mailed notices shall be sent by United States Postal Service, Certified or Registered mail, postage prepaid. Such notices shall be deemed to have been given upon posting in the United States mail.

9. Miscellaneous:
- a. All rights and remedies of Promoter under this agreement shall be cumulative and none shall exclude any other rights and remedies by law.

b. The word "Promoter" shall be construed to mean Promoters in all cases where there is more than one promoter and necessary grammatical changes required to make the provisions hereof apply to corporations or individuals, or men, or women, shall be assumed as though in each case fully expressed.

c. The word "Pageant" or "pageant" shall be construed to mean both pageants and contest.

10. Release:

Titleholder agrees to release and hold harmless Erotic Pageants, Promoter and the official Miss Estrella Latina Pageant, their agents, servants, employees and licensees from any liability, and/or responsibility whatsoever, resulting from, associated with or arising out of Titleholders participation in the Erotic Pageants System, in any duly franchised Erotic Pageants/Contests, and/or the title. Including, but not limited to, personal injury or loss of or damage to any personal property, regardless of whether the loss of or injury to occurs before, during or after the Miss Estrella Latina Pageant, duly franchised Preliminary Pageants/Contests or any related activity including but not limited to any Erotic Pageants Pageants/Contests, State or Regional Pageants/Contests, local preliminaries and their related activities.

Titleholder also hereby releases themselves from any and all rights to any video taping (sound and/or video), photography, recording, still camera or motion picture of the Miss Estrella Latina Pageant, any Erotic Pageants Pageants/Contests or any franchised Erotic Pageants Preliminary Pageant/Contest. Titleholder also understands that they have or will have no rights to any of the recordings arising out of said pageants/contests that Titleholder may appear in or on, or the future sales thereof.

REGISTRATION FORM

Legal Name:

Stage Name:

DOB:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

Facebook URL: <https://www.facebook.com/>_____

IG URL: <https://www.instagram.com/>_____

Talent Type:

Will you have dancers?

If yes how many?

Name of your backstage helper:

Signature:

Date:

PLEASE E-MAIL THIS TO eroticpageants@gmail.com

