

# ANNOUNCING THE 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

*SPONSORED BY THE CAROLINA DOGWOOD FESTIVAL COMMITTEE*

## **DIVISIONS INCLUDE:**

**BABY MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES BIRTH to 18 MONTHS (no on stage question)**

**TODDLER MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES 19 to 35 MONTHS (no on stage question)**

**MINIATURE MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES 3 to 4 YEARS**

**TINY MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES 5 to 6 YEARS**

**LITTLE MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES 7 to 9 YEARS**

**JUNIOR MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES 10 to 12 YEARS**

**TEEN MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES 13 to 17 YEARS**

**MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS – AGES 18 to 24 YEARS**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018**

**West Iredell High School**

**213 Warrior Dr., Statesville, NC 28625**

**(Registration is 9-9:30 am / Pageant begins at 10:30 am)**

**Admission to the pageant is \$5.00 under age 3 is free**

ALL CONTESTANTS WILL BE JUDGED ON BEAUTY, POISE, AND ON-STAGE PRESENCE

INCLUDING A RESPONSE TO “What do you like most about Christmas?”

REQUIRED ATTIRE IS AN AGE-APPROPRIATE “HOLIDAY WEAR OF CHOICE”

PHOTOGENIC COMPETITION IS AN OPTIONAL CATEGORY

WINNERS WILL RECEIVE A CROWN, MONOGRAMMED SASH AND TROPHY

\*Contestants are asked to bring a new unwrapped toy to donate to Hurricane Florence flood victims\*

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS: Friday, Nov. 9, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.**

**ENRTY FEE IS \$40.00; Entry Fee received after the deadline will be \$50.00**

**OPTIONAL PHOTOGENIC ENTRY FEE IS \$10.00 PER PHOTO (2 maximum)**

Email application to: [carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com](mailto:carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com)

Fees accepted via PayPal to [carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com](mailto:carolinadogwoodfestival@yahoo.com)

or certified check or money order made payable to:

Carolina Dogwood Festival

PO BOX 653

Statesville, NC 28687

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## COMPETITION GUIDELINES:

1. All contestants in all divisions must have been born female and be Citizens of the United States of America.
2. Contestants in the Teen and Miss Divisions must be single, never married, and have no children.
3. School requirements (if enrolled): must be in good academic standing, have good attendance, and no major discipline incidents. Students may attend public, private, church-affiliated, or home schools. Miss contestants may be enrolled in 4-year college/university, community college, or be employed.
4. No current Carolina Dogwood Festival Queens (Pink sash) are eligible to compete.
5. As a sanctioned preliminary, the Miss Merry Christmas Queens/participants are eligible to compete at the state level in the Little Miss and Teen Miss North Carolina Pageant if they wish to do so.

There will be one winner crowned in each age division with a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up in each division. The winner will be the contestant with the highest points considering on-stage presence, beauty, poise, attire, and response to on-stage question. Runners-up will receive a trophy.

Most Photogenic will be selected in each division for those who choose to enter. This competition will be scored separately and will NOT be included in the overall scores for each contestant. Recommendations are for a natural looking head shot of the contestant. Photos will be judged on beauty, expression, and personality as well as quality of the photograph. Please turn in an 8X10" color or black and white photograph at registration. Label your photo with name and age. You may enter a maximum of 2 photographs. The photos will be available for return after the pageant, photos not picked up will not be mailed. This is an optional category. Photogenic award winners will receive a trophy.

Schedule for Competition: Registration for all contestants will be from 9:00 - 9:30 am. The pageant will begin at 10:30 am. Please come dressed for competition since dressing room space is limited. The stage will be open prior to the pageant for a brief rehearsal of the walking pattern. Each contestant is allowed 1 person to assist them backstage prior to the pageant – they will receive a complimentary admission wristband.

# MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS PAGEANT APPLICATION

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

First

Middle

Last

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Age (day of Pageant): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Division I am competing in:

<input type="checkbox"/> BABY (BIRTH-18 MONTHS)	<input type="checkbox"/> TODDLER (19-35 MONTHS)
<input type="checkbox"/> MINIATURE (3-4 y/o)	<input type="checkbox"/> TINY (5-6 y/o)
<input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR (10-12 y/o)	<input type="checkbox"/> LITTLE (7-9 y/o)
<input type="checkbox"/> TEEN (13-16 y/o)	<input type="checkbox"/> MISS (17-24 y/o)

Photogenic Competition:  YES Number of Photos: \_\_\_\_\_  NO  
(\$10 Per Photo)

Total Fees Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method: \_\_\_\_\_ PayPal \_\_\_\_\_ Certified check/money order \_\_\_\_\_ Cash  
(payment due with application)

# *Miss Merry Christmas Pageant*

## **EMCEE INFORMATION SHEET**

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*(please print legibly or type – this will be read onstage)*

*Contestant Name*

Favorite Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Favorite Movie: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Activity/Game: \_\_\_\_\_ Favorite Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Book: \_\_\_\_\_ Favorite Food: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite TV Show: \_\_\_\_\_ Favorite Song: \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies/Interests:

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Interesting Facts About Yourself:

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Special Training in: (list any training in music, drama, dance, art, voice, etc.)

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My ambition is to become:

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# RULES AND REGULATIONS AND WAIVER FOR MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:

I give my child permission to participate in the Miss Merry Christmas Pageant sponsored by The Carolina Dogwood Festival Committee. I understand and agree to abide by all the rules and regulations set forth by the pageant committee.

The Directors, associates, committee members, and the facility where the pageant is being held are not responsible for any damages, accident(s), or losses that occur before, during, or after the pageant. The Carolina Dogwood Festival Committee reserves the right to cancel, limit, or split age groups based upon participation numbers. I understand that the Judges' decision is final. I also understand that score sheets **will not** be released and are property of the sponsoring organization.

I, the parent, understand that poor sportsmanship by the contestant, parents, relatives/friends will result in disqualification and all fees will be forfeited.

I also understand that if my child is awarded a title that I am responsible for all fees associated with travel or appearances. I also understand that from time to time, my child will be required to participate in appearances, along with other titleholders of the community. My child will be asked to attend the annual Troutman and Statesville Christmas Parades and the Miss Merry Christmas Pageant held in November 2019 to crown the successor.

The Miss Merry Christmas Pageant is an officially sanctioned preliminary pageant for the Little Miss and Teen Miss North Carolina Pageant. As a participant and/or titleholder I understand that I may be contacted by that organization and that competition in that state pageant is optional.

I give the Carolina Dogwood Festival permission to use my child's name, photo, likeness, etc. during the pageant and in pageant publicity (i.e. Newspaper and website).

Personal checks will not be accepted. All fees must be paid via Paypal, Money Order or Certified Check and application and fees must be received no later than Friday, November 9, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

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Parent or Guardian Signature (if under age 18)      Date

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Contestant Signature (if over age 18)      Date