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## Message from the Director Stephanie Ryan



#### Welcome to the 2022 Ms. America® Pageant!

We are thrilled tonight to crown the next Ms. America®, Ms. International®, Ms. International Beauty®, USA International®, Mrs. International Beauty™ and a new division for women size 14 and up Classic America® 2022. There are 32 beautiful and accomplished women from across the country vying for the coveted titles and the chance to make a difference in their personal causes. And with power of the crown, the sky is the limit!,

I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize our outgoing titleholders, Joanna, Sierra, Latresa, Darlene, Kimberly, Wendy, Adri, Kimberly and Kennedy. Each of you have left your own mark, having used your title to its fullest extent. You all leave behind big heels for your successors to fill! I am so proud of each of you and wish you continued successes. Luckily there are no good-byes, as you're forever now part of the Ms. America® Pageant Family.

Thank you to the staff, volunteers, production crew and our C.E.O. Susan Jeske Irvine, for all of your energy, dedication and countless hours spent making this growth opportunity available for women.

Lastly, congratulations to our contestants for representing your states and regions proudly through the volunteer service you have completed as the Class of 2022! Good luck to each of you and enjoy your moment to shine in the spotlight this evening.

Sincerely,

Dr. Stephanie Foisy Mills Ms. America 2014-15 Director, Ms. America® Pageant Inc.



## A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO - 2022 SUSAN JESKE IRVINE

On behalf of the Ms. America® Pageant, I would like to welcome the Class of 2022 outstanding state and regional titleholders and thank them for joining us in this exciting event at the Curtis Theater in Brea, California.

The Ms. America® Pageant was founded in 1997 and was created to promote, honor, and advance the status of women, celebrate their accomplishments, encourage involvement in community service, and use the "Crown for a Purpose" to make a difference.

As the CEO of the Ms. America Pageant Inc., I have the opportunity to meet and work with many of the incredible women who participate in our system every year. I have been able to watch our titleholders and contestants accomplish things that they only dreamed possible. It is undoubtedly true that each of these women inspires others to pursue their personal and professional goals by making an impact not only in their own communities but also around the world. As leaders and role models in their communities, our titleholders work hard to affect positive change on issues they care about. It is our mission to help provide women with opportunities to achieve success and truly change the world. It is my wish that each of them will leave with great memories, strong friendships, and an enriching experience.

We would like to extend a sincere "thank you" to Sierra Scott – MS. AMERICA® ELITE 2019-22, Joanna Hairabedian - MS. AMERICA® 2019-21, LaTresa Doleman, - MS. AMERICA® INTERNATIONAL 2019-21, Adri Maisonet Morales – MS. INTERNATIONAL® 2019-20 for continuing to hold their titles and make appearances throughout the pandemic. Thank you to Kennedy Garcia – MRS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY™ 2021, Wendy Goetschel - USA INTERNATIONAL® 2021, Kimberly Root – MS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY® 2021, and Darlene Quinn – MS. INTERNATIONAL® 2021. These 9 national titleholders are excellent role models for their peers, and we appreciate their dedication and commitment to using the "Crown for a Purpose." Collectively they volunteered over 2000 hours to various charities, which has made these national titleholders an inspiration to women everywhere.

The Ms. America® Pageant would like to thank all the volunteers, staff, and sponsors whose efforts before, during, and after the pageant made this event a reality and will remain a vital part of its success. Applause – appreciation – and much love is extended to the Judges, Kristine Watson, Ms. Asmi, DeeDe Cringler, Jamie Rios, Ron Garrett, Mark Jeske, Daniel Pham, Scott Stewart, Stephanie Ryan, Jessica Winfield, and my husband James Irvine. Thank you to our sponsors Alert the Globe, Episkinz, New Beginnings Cosmetics, Apollo Printing, Claire's Collection, Cynthia Bui Collection, and the law firms Orrick.com and James Shlesinger.

Six women will become National Titleholders and for the next year, they will hold the most coveted titles for women 26 years of age and up in the United States! As MS. AMERICA®, MS. INTERNATIONAL®, MS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY®, MRS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY® and USA INTERNATIONAL® and CLASSIC AMERICA®, their year can be filled with travel and opportunities where they will be able to advance humanitarian projects, meet notable, accomplished people and celebrities and use the "Crown for a Purpose" to make a difference. This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and I look forward to witnessing them reap all the benefits as I did when I was MS. AMERICA® 1997.

With continued support, I will do my best to improve and expand the Ms. America® Pageant Inc. to continue to celebrate and "Empower Women Across the Nation and Around the World!"

Warmest Regards,



Susan Jeske Irvine CEO – Ms. America® Pageant SusanJeske.com Facebook.com/SusanRJeske



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**Scott Stewart** has been entertaining audiences since the age of 12 when he was cast on the televisions show Quincy with Jack Klugman. As a host, actor and singer Scott has appeared in numerous television shows, movies, commercials and music videos including Melrose Place, Executive Decision, Chicago Hope, The Singing Bee, Flavor of Love 3 and was picked to perform on The Oprah Winfrey's Stars of Tomorrow Show. You may have also seen some of his commercials for Big Lots, Mitsubishi, Big 5, Cash 411 and public service announcements for Adopt a Pet. Over the years his many hosting and musical performances include The Academy of Country Music Association, Bob Hope's USO

Show, Disneyland, Mrs. California and Mrs. Nevada pageants and just recently hosted the annual Karaoke Scene Magazine's Crème de la King and Crème de la Kids Competitions. Scott is currently the host and producer of the TV show "What's Up Orange County" that airs on KDOC, Time Warner and Cox Communications.



Dr. Stephanie Mills is a Doctor of Chiropractic and former Ms. America 2015. Stephanie has been in the pageant industry for almost thirty years as a contestant, choreographer, judge and director. As Miss New Hampshire 1995 Stephanie represented her state at the 75th anniversary Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City. Dr. Mills is a Presidential Scholar and Summa cum Laude graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic and is the founder of Crossroads Chiropractic. Stephanie recently co-authored her first book, Adjust Your Life: A Guide to Chiropractic. Dr. Mills has been the host of a local television health talk show and currently hosts a radio

show on WTPL 107.7 FM. Stephanie is "Mom" to two beautiful daughters, Brooke (23) and Emilee (20) who also have enjoyed many successes in pageantry.

MS. AMERICA PROGRAM AGENDA - PRODUCTION STAFF MS. AMERICA PROGRAM AGENDA

OPENING PRODUCTION NUMBER INTRODUCTION OF NATIONAL TITLEHOLDERS INTRODUCTION OF HOSTS PARADE OF CONTESTANTS MS. AMERICA 2019-21 - Joanna Hairabedian MS. AMERICA ELITE 2019-22 - Sierra Scott MS. AMERICA INTERNATIONAL 2019-22 - LaTresa Doleman JAMIE RIOS - Presidential Award MISS INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY 2022-23 TEEN INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY 2022-23 SPORTSWEAR COMPETITION INTRODUCTION OF JUDGES DANIEL PHAM & DIANA THAI - Presidential Award MRS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY 2021 - Kennedy Garcia MS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY 2021 - Kimberly Horikoshi MS. INTERNATIONAL 2021 - Darlene Quinn USA INTERNATIONAL MS. 2021 - Wendy Goetschel Azevedo EVENING GOWN COMPETITION ON-STAGE QUESTION SPECIAL AWARDS AMERICA MS. AWARD 2022 MS. FOR AMERICA AWARD 2022

#### INTERMISSION

Photo session on stage with Contestants & National Titleholders.

FAREWELL TO NATIONAL TITLEHOLDERS PEOPLES CHOICE AWARD WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW TITLE: CLASSIC AMERICA 2022 – Lisa Tallarigo. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MRS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY 2022-23. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY 2022-23 ANNOUNCEMENT OF USA INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY 2022-23 ANNOUNCEMENT OF MS. INTERNATIONAL 2022-23 FAREWELL TO MS. AMERICA 2019-21 - Joanna Hairabedian ANNOUNCEMENT OF TOP 5 FINALISTS FINAL LOOK AT TOP 5 FINALISTS ANNOUNCEMENT OF RUNNER-UPS ANNOUNCEMENT OF MS. AMERICA 2022-23 \* On-Stage Photo Session

\* No one else is permitted on stage at this time.

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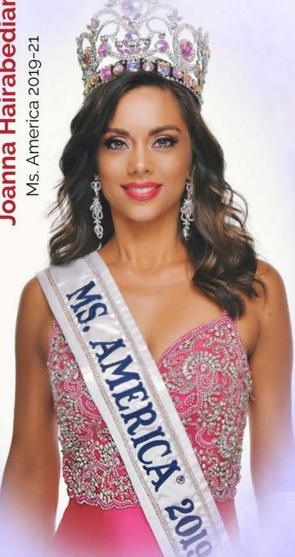




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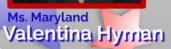


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Ms. Michigan Stephanie Probert



Ms. New Jersey Irene Williams



Ms. Midwest America Nicole Mellecker



Ms. North Florida **Judy Irwin** 

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## SUSAN JESKE IRVINE

#### THE QUEEN BEHIND THE MS. AMERICA PAGEANT







### PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

Susan Jeske Irvine has been involved in the pageant and entertainment industry for over 36 years and is

currently the CEO of the Ms. America Pageant. She has traveled to 26 countries as a goodwill ambassador and Presidential envoy for the United States and has been a spokesperson for Fortune 500 Companies. An advocate for volunteerism she has received many awards and in 2004, she received the "Lifetime Achievement Award" from the President of the United States for the thousands of hours she has donated through the years to all kinds of causes and charities in the United States and world-wide.



She has been involved in pageantry since she was 17 years of age as a competitor, judge, pageant producer, director and owner. She has held many local, state, national and international pageant titles and in 1997 at the Luxor Hotel in Las Vegas representing Colorado, Susan bested 50 other contestants and was crowned MS. AMERICA® winning \$75,000 in cash and prizes. During her reign, Susan used her "Crown for a Purpose" and created the "Student's Against Violence" one-hour assembly program where she traveled to high schools across the nation speaking to students about non-violence in schools. For her program she received more than 30 Awards, 15 Keys to the City and Proclamations for her presentation, including a personal letter from the President of the United States. During her reign she was invited by The Knights Templar in the UK and was

flown to Scotland where she was "Knighted" by Prince Michael at Sterling Castle for her numerous charity services throughout the world.



### TRADEMARK PLAQUE

In 1999, Susan purchased the Ms. America Pageant from founder Richard Simon of Houston, Texas and received the registered federal trademark from the USPTO in Washington DC in February 2000. The mission of the pageant is to "Empower Women across the Nation and around the World." The titleholder is to use her "Crown for a Purpose" that

would make an impact on the world in a positive way.

Her world-wide pageant connections have enabled Susan to send contestants to International pageant competitions all over the world since the 1980's. These have included Miss International held in Japan, Miss World - UK. Miss Asia Pacific International - China, Miss All Nations - Thailand, Miss Progress International – Italy, Miss Tourism - Sri Lanka, Miss Globe International - Albania, Miss Banana Queen - Ecuador, Miss Intercontinental-Panama and Model or the World - Panama. She supported the Miss Earth Pageant from its debut by sending contestants to the pageant for the first 5 years. Currently Susan receives an invitation from the Government of Mexico to travel with a gueen to Mazatlán for a week of events and parades, culture, history and ending with the Queen of the Pacific Pageant.

These connections were made after Susan moved to California in 1984 to live with Debbie Maffett, Miss America 1983 and Faye Smith who was the State Director for the Miss California USA Pageant. By the 3rd week of living in California she was chosen to model and perform in the Miss United Nations Goodwill Tour in Thailand, Thru invitations from the Government of different countries, she was invited to compete in pageants all over the world as a Goodwill Ambassador for the United States and was often invited to return and perform for various Charities and events for the country.

In an age before Email, Internet and the fax machine Susan was able to pick up the hard wired phone and use her title and reputation to access the people and put together various projects and accomplish her goals.











In 1992, Susan was invited by the Thai Arts and Cultural Committee in Thailand to organize a delegation of 12 National and International Beauty Queens to travel to Thailand for the Queens of Thailand's 60th Birthday Celebration. The delegation included Miss World, Miss USA, Miss International, Miss International USA, Miss Flower Queen, Miss All Nations, Star Search Model Winner, Miss California and Miss Teen USA. During their 2 week stay they made over 42 scheduled appearances, featured in 50 newspapers, 10 national TV shows and was on the cover of 3 magazines. The delegation raised \$92,000 for the Queens favorite charity – a poor children's hospital in Bangkok, Thailand. Susan served as a Presidential Envoy for Presidents Clinton and Reagan delivering personal birthday greetings from the two Presidents during a private meeting with Her Majesty Queen Sirikit.



A professional singer, Susan has performed at more than 1500 events before audiences that include 7 United States Presidents, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, the Queen of Thailand, Opening of the Ronald Reagan Library, the STS 102 Space Shuttle Discovery Launch of March 2001, President George W. Bush Inauguration, Denver Broncos Televised Super Bowl Victory Party, LA Angels playoffs, several Prime Ministers and Ambassadors all over the world. In 1985, as Miss California American Beauty, she was invited to entertain the troops on a USO Tour to Turkey,

Italy, Greece and Spain. The USO troop was flown on C-30 planes to all the military bases and on several aircraft carriers including the ships the Saratoga, SS San Diego and Coronado.



#### **GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS**

In 1993 Susan, set the World Record, published in the Guinness
Book of World Records for singing the National Anthem at the most events
in a 24 hour period raising \$93,000 for children charities. Her world record
was featured in 8 Guinness Book of World Records and to this day no one
has been able to break her World Record although there have been 7 attempts.









A professional model and spokesperson she was invited twice on a 10 city-wide tour in Mexico with reigning Miss USA and Miss Universe 1984 Mai Shanley and Yvonne Ryding as a model and spokesperson for Le Petit Jean Shoes. They traveled in a private jet to events and promotions for the Beverly Hills shoe line. The following year she was chosen as the new Spokesperson with a four year contract for Hyundai Motor America where she traveled to 14 cities per years making appearances at car shows and promotional events. In addition, Susan was also a spokesperson for Norelco, Mazak, Panasonic, Proctor & Gamble, True Elements Skin Care and many other companies. In the 1980's and 90's she appeared regularly on daytime Soap Operas "Days of our Lives," "Young and

the Restless," "Bold and the Beautiful," and is seen in movies and television commercials.

In her career as an independent image, beauty and etiquette consultant, Susan has advised corporate executives, political and community leaders. She has written for newspapers and magazines as a columnist, and appeared on radio and television. Known as "The Queen Maker" Susan is acclaimed as one of the best and most sought after pageant coaches in the world and has worked with many girls who have gone on to win many state, national and international beauty titles. A licensed Esthetician and pioneer for Safe Cosmetics, she campaigned for 3 years and helped introduce the Personal Care Products Safety Act of 2015 which asks for full ingredient

disclosure for professional salon products and web-based sales of cosmetic products and directing the FDA to assess a safety of a minimum of 5 cosmetic chemicals a year. Currently the bill is being introduced to the House of Senate by Senator Feinstein and Susan Collins.

Other Awards Have Included: "Governor and First Lady Award" from California State Governor, "Woman of the Year Award" from the Leukemia Society, "Commanding Generals Award" from the U.S. Marine Corp, "Congressional Community Service Award" from the California Legislature Assembly Resolution, "Constellation Patriot Award" from the National Flag Foundation, "Priority One Award" from Kiwanis International and "Ambassador Award" from Guard A Heart Foundation.

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#### MS. AMERICA®



Joanna Hairabedian 2019-21



**Brittany Wagner** 2018



Oksana Vovk 2017



Julie Harman 2016



Stephanie Mills 2014-15



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LaTresa Doleman 2019



**Kimberly Jones** 2018



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#### MISS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY®



Raven Solar 2022-23



Trinity Ortega 2021



Dalva Rico 2020



Janice Jimenez 2019



Jacqueline Dang 2018



Emilee Mills 2017

#### TEEN INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY®



Jamie Lusung 2022-23



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Miss International Beauty® and Teen International Beauty® are registered federal trademarks with the United States Patent and Trademark in Washington DC. The Miss International Beauty® was first used in commerce in 1970 and founded by Louise Madlin. Susan Jeske Irvine and Louise have been friends or over 35 years and when she passed away in 2018, she asked Susan to carry on her 40-year-pageant-legacy which includes the pageant titles: Miss International Beauty®, and USA International®. In 2021, Susan Jeske Irvine became the founder of the pageant and trademark Teen International Beauty®. Follow the pageant at: InternationalBeautyPageants.com

Raven Solar was crowned Miss International Beauty® 2022 on September 24, 2022, at the Sturges Theater for the Performing Arts. She is 18 years old and is a senior at San Bernardino High School in California. Her career goal is to be a child law advocate and plans to go to college to study child development and law. Raven enjoys singing in choir, water polo, track and swim and has been in Girl Scouts for over 13 years and BSA for 15 years.

Raven Solar



Trinity Ortega 💧 Emi



Emilee Mills

Miss International Beauty\* 2011



Jacqueline Dang



Janice Jimenez



Dalva Rico

Miss International Beauty 2021



Jamie Lusung

Jamie Lusung was crowned Teen International Beauty® 2022 on September 24, 2022, at the Sturges Theater for the Performing Arts. She is 17 years old and is a Senior at San Bernardino High School in California. She is involved in theater, ASB, varsity basketball, and is the Choir President. Her hobbies include singing, writing, and playing the guitar.



Ashley Torres



Emilee Mills
Teen International Beauty 202

#### MS. AMERICA® 2019-2021





"Courage starts with showing up and letting ourselves be seen"

- Brené Brown

Suspense was building in the audience as the top 15 contestants for the 2019 Ms.

America pageant were on stage. "Ms. West Coast, please come forward for your onstage question". The MC held the mike and asked, "What is your greatest accomplishment?"

My mind spun, as I wondered how to answer the question.

In a moment of clarity, I said, "My greatest accomplishment is overcoming my extreme fear of speaking in public. Taking steps to overcome it has helped me impact the lives of others and brought me to this moment." It felt like an eternity passed before I heard the words, "And the new Ms. America 2019 is Ms. West Coast, Joanna Hairabedian!" This began my remarkable Ms. America journey...

Fabulous doors of opportunity opened because of the Ms. America title. A once in a lifetime opportunity happened at the 2019 NAMM Show. Out of all the famous musicians who attended, I was the only one allowed to play the beautiful, futuristic looking, Roland piano prototype. As a musician, it was an incredible honor.

During my reign I had the privilege of traveling the nation, from red carpet glam to Emmy award gifting suites. I've shared uplifting messages at various groups and conferences, Human Options meetings, Assisteen and Kiwanis Clubs. I've been on radio and TV broadcasts sharing the importance of self-confidence and had the privilege to hug our Senior Citizens. I've fed our Veterans and the homeless, encouraged our youth in foster care and helped raise money for children with terminal cancer. I've supported local businesses in various states and attended golf tournament fundraisers for special needs. It's been a diverse, life-changing experience for me, as well as for those who were impacted by my service.

One of the most touching moments in my reign came from a young lady who had been severely abused. At the Ms. America meet n' greet after my speech this young lady, with tears flowing from her eyes said, "Thank you Ms. America, for telling me I'm beautiful, strong and courageous. I never felt like that. If someone like you is saying this, then it must be true. You told us not to give up and I promise not to."

Thank you to the Ms. America® Corporation and Mrs. Susan Jeske for this incredible opportunity. Thank you, Susan, for all the support and encouragement. Thank you to my wonderful sponsors, friends, family and amazing husband for the ways that you have supported my journey.

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Joanna Hairabedian





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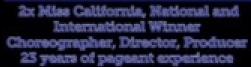
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## DARLENE QUINN Ms. International® 2021/2022

Last December 2021, I was blessed to have been crowned Ms. International ® 2021. This weekend marks a milestone in the incredible year that being Ms. International ® has bestowed to me. What an incredible honor it has been to be your 2021 Queen. This adventurous and memorable year was nonstop with opportunities, experiences, connections, open doors, blessings and possibilities.

When I turned 50, I woke up to the idea of saying "yes" to every opportunity. God puts in front of me paths to which, if not for a "yes", I would not know the gifts and blessings down that path. The "yes" to participate in pageantry has expanded my life in unfathomable ways. I encourage all women to have no hesitation when presented with possibilities. When one is open to new possibilities, we are opening ourselves to incredible journeys and fulfilling adventures. Our lives are bettered when we accept ourselves for who we are, put ourselves out there, and proudly stand up for women just like us. The ripple effect is tremendous.

Thank you to Susan Jeske-Irvine for the care, love, and encouragement you have given me since day one. I appreciate being an integral part of your Ms. America ® family, and a part of your vision. You give our community of women an unbelievable platform to speak of our journey, serve our charity platforms and embrace the women we are. I love your dedication to not only the pageant world, but your ability to encourage each woman you cross paths with to shine. Susan, I love the mentor in you, the huge

heart you have, and the drive in your soul to celebrate every woman in our global community. I am so blessed to have you in my life.

Thank you to the 2021 Ms. International ® Pageant Judges for seeing in me a passion, drive, care, and work ethic that gifted me this priceless journey of being Ms. International ® 2021. Your belief in me has changed my life forever. My gratitude will always live within me, as I cherish this gift and its memories for a lifetime.

Thank you to my two beautiful adult children, Ryan and Alyssa, for always being my biggest cheerleaders and showing me unconditional love. I cherish every smile, hug and "I love you." Thank you to my parents, Paul and Jane. You have watched and guided my transformation from your little girl to one of your greatest feelings of pride. I don't take for granted your unwavering support and deep joy for me. Thank you also to my friends who embrace me at every one of life's turns. I love you and appreciate you more than you could ever know.

To my successor, enjoy every element of this incredible title. Embrace all of the moments presented to you and don't forget to let your true self shine. This will surely be a journey you will never forget.

In my future, I plan to stay connected to the Ms. America ® sisterhood, and the good fortune of my diligent service work in the community. I look forward to continuing to be a part of something that continues to make me a better person. Rather than closing the book on one of the most beautiful chapters in my life, I am blessed to continue inspiring women around me, and giving back to those in need.

With great love,

Darlene Quinn

Ms. International ® 2021





#### DARLENE QUINN

#### Ms. International® 2021/2022





#### MY YEAR IN SERVICE

October 28-29, 2022 -October 13-20, 2022 -October 9, 2022 -October 6, 2022 -October 1, 2022 -September 28, 2022 -September 24, 2022 -September 22, 2022 -

September 9-11,2022 September 8, 2022 -

August 29, 2022 -August 13, 2022 -

August 11, 2022 -August 1, 2022 -

July 30, 2022 -

July 20, 2022 -

July 4, 2022 -

June 25, 2022 -

June 12, 2022 -

June 11, 2022 -June 7, 2022 -June 1, 2022 -

May 27, 2022 -May 21, 2022 -

May 14, 2022 -May 2, 2022 -

May 1, 2022 -

April 22, 2022 -April 15, 2022 -

April 3, 2022 -March 19, 2022 March 17, 2022

January 27, 2022

ed Ms. International 2018 at the Lake Forest Performing Arts Center in Lake Forest, California.

Brea, Ca. - Ms. America 2022 Pageant - Last Walk and Crowning Newport Beach, Ca. - Volunteering & Personal Appearances, Newport Beach Film Festival Events. Irvine, Ca. - Charitable Fundraising Event Host - Breast Cancer Awareness Month - Bingo for Boobies Irvine, Ca. - Orangewood Foster Youth - Backpack drive & School Supply Packing Event for Foster Kids Newport Beach, Ca. - Personal appearance - Pacific Food & Wine Classic Event

Newport Beach, Ca. - Daughters of the American Revolution Volunteer Meeting Miss/Mr. Cardinal Scholarship Pageant - Official Judge Irvine, Ca. - 44 Women for Orangewood Foster Youth Support - Official Volunteer Orientation

New York - Modeling in four high end fashion show, in New York Fashion Week New York - Photo shoot in Manhattan

Newport Beach, Ca. - Newport Beach Film Festival Volunteer Orientation for donated time volunteerism. Anaheim, Ca. - Personal appearance - Angels Stadium in Luxury Suite - Angels/Yankees MLB Game. Irvine. Ca. - OC Animal Allies - "Pets Are Wonderful Support" virtual event participation.

Anaheim, Ca. - Charity event attendance & contributor for Night of Champions Fundraiser Event. Los Angeles, Ca. - Modeling opportunity & photoshoot for fashion brand.

Global - Release of Crowns Magazine - Inside feature and article. La Jolla, Ca. - Official Award Presenter on Stage at International La Jolla Fashion in Film Awards.

Las Vegas, Nv. - Attended the Ms/Mrs. Classic Universe Pageant. m Hills. Ca. - Independence Day Parade. Park City, Ut. - Personal appearance - Savor The Summit

Global - Release of Beauty Queens Magazine with Cover & Inside Feature.
Anaheim, Ca. - Flag Day Parade.

Newport Beach, Ca. - Community Art Show Volunteering.
Global - Release of American Royalty Magazine with Cover & inside Magazine Feature. Newport Beach, Ca. - Orangewood Foster Care Scholarship Benefit Fundraising Luncheon. l - Release of Queens of California Magazine with Cover & inside Magazine Feature. Oceanside, Ca. - "Billionaire's Ball" Fundraiser for Veterans Center Gala Event.

Irvine, Ca. - Webcast Interview Live on the 'Chat with Dan Show'.
Fountain Valley, Ca. - Daughter's of the American Revolution Fundraising Luncheon.
Newport Beach, Ca. - Personal Appearance at Fashion Event.
Irvine, Ca. - Hoag Breast Cancer Center to present Hope Kit Care Packages, breast cancer victims.

Irvine, Ca. - Hope Kit Packing Party Event - packing care packages for cancer victims.

Irvine, Ca. - Meeting w/ National Breast Cancer Foundation Official Ambassador Check-in & update.

Santa Ana, Ca. - Mayflower Society personal appearance for their Veteran's Fundraising Event.

Yorba Linda, Ca. - Picked up blankets to donate to Hoag Cancer Center.

Global - Release of Crowns Magazine & Cover plus Inside Feature.

Scottsdale, AZ. - Personal Appearance, "Cloth & Flame" Fashion Event & Fundraiser

Anaheim, Ca. - Charity Event, NEGU Gala, Celebration of Courageous Smiles, Childhood Cancer Victims.

Newport Beach, CA. - New Directions for Women "Circle of Life Fundraising Breakfast"

Pomona, Ca. - Personal Appearance at the NHRA Car Show and Races.
Newport Beach, Ca. - Volunteer service at St. Michael's Church.
Global - Release of Pageantry Magazine & inside Magazine Feature.
Park City, Utah - National Ability Center, personal appearance & monetary contribution drop off.

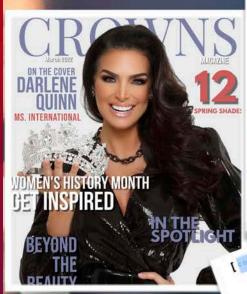
Las Vegas, NV. - Attended the Mrs. World Pageant Finals. Las Vegas, NV. - Attended the Mrs. World Pageant Preliminary Competition. Westminster, Ca. - Laid wreaths on Veteran's Graves at Westminster Memorial Park & Veterans Burial.



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#### Ms. International® 2021/2022

#### **MAGAZINE FEATURES 2021/2022**















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## Wendy Goetschel

#### **USA INTERNATIONAL® 2021**

Wendy Goetschel was crowned USA INTERNATIONAL® 2021 on December 12, 2021, at the Lake Forest Performing Arts Center in Lake Forest, California. A couple of highlights during her reign were volunteering, and cleaning the local beaches, and she was thrilled to see herself up in lights at Macy's flagship store in Times Square!

In 2019, Wendy entered her first pageant with the Ms. America® Pageant system, where she was Ms. Southern California 2019, winning the "Best of Pageantry Award" and also the "Best Evening Gown Award."

As a mother to a child with special needs, she has a passion for Advocating for Special Needs Inclusion and appreciates how this system was a great way to promote her passion. Through the opportunities that come with being a titleholder, she was selected to be the board chair for Best Buddies of Orange County.

From Southern California, Wendy Goetschel - USA INTERNATIONAL® 2021 is a newlywed to her Prince Charming Jeff and is a mother of 2 children and a stepmother to 3 bonus children! She graduated Summa Cum Laude in Psychology and enjoys creating memories with her family boating, wakeboarding, water, and snow skiing.

She is so grateful to the director of the Ms. America® Pageant, Susan Jeske for all the time, and support she gives to all contestants, but most importantly for giving women the opportunity to follow their passions, regardless of age! She is a true inspiration, and this experience is a great way to grow oneself and help others at the same time.





### Sierra Scott Ms. America® Elite 2019-22

















Oct. 22, 2022 - Emcee, Knock Out Thymic Carcinoma, Kansas City, Missouri

Oct. 6, 2022 - Volunteer, Junior League Holiday Galleria, Wichita, KS

Sept. 23-28, 2022 - Emcee, Cars & Colors Car Show, Telluride, Colorado

Aug. 25, 2022 - Introduce Mike Huckabee, Wichita, KS

July 24, 2022 - Starred in television sitcom "Wichita Madhouse"

July 22, 2022 - The Art of Wine & Food, Fayetteville, Arkansas

July 21, 2022 - Introduction, Kansas Music Hall of Fame, Beloit, KS

June 23, 2022 - Moderator, Leadership Kansas Panel, Wichita, KS

June 14-19, 2022 - Emcee, 53rd annual Miss Missouri Pageant, Mexico, Missouri

June 7, 2022 - Sworn in, FAA Airport Authority Board, Topeka, KS

June 5, 2022 - Emcee, AIWF 30th Anniversary Decant ICT, Colwich, KS

June 4, 2022 - Featured Guest, Bartlett Arboretum, Belle Plaine, KS

June 3, 2022 - Host, KPTS Kansas Public TV Pledge Drive

May 23, 2022 - Sworn In, City Council District VI Advisory Board, Wichita, KS

May 22, 2022 - Judge, Miss Butler Community College Pageant, El Dorado, KS

May 14, 2022 - Play by Play, Miracle League Special Needs T-ball Sedgwick, KS

May 7, 2022 - Judge, Kentucky Derby Hat Contest, Derby, KS

May 5, 2022 - Student Mentor/Teacher, Goddard, KS

May 3, 2022 - Model, Mother's Day Ad Campaign for Aida Stenholm Shoes

Apr. 30, 2022 - Samantha Mumma Glioblastoma Auction Colwich, KS

Mar. 28, 2022 - Give Newscast, Downtown Rotary Club, Wichita, KS

Mar. 25, 2022 - Gamma Zeta/ Alpha Chi Omega 75th Anniversary, Manhattan, KS

Mar. 6, 2022 - Judge, Princess of America Oklahoma Pageant, Miami, Oklahoma

Mar. 5, 2022 - Prepare Dictionaries for all 3rd graders in USD 259

Feb. 3, 2022 - Emcee, AIWF Robert Hall wine dinner, Inman, KS

Dec. 11, 2021 - Celebrity Server, Red Stocking Breakfast, Wichita, KS

Dec. 5, 2021 - Narrated, "The Night Before Christmas" Wichita, KS

Nov. 13, 2021 - Parade, Veteran's Day, Garden City, KS

Nov. 6, 2021 - Emcee, Veteran's Coming Home Awards dinner, Wichita, KS

Nov. 5, 2021 - Sing, Act, Dance to benefit the Lord's Diner, Andover KS

Nov. 4, 2021 - Principal Actor, Bob Mills Furniture Infomercial

Nov. 3, 2021 - Guest of Honor, KPTS-TV "Green Room Naming Party" Wichita, KS

## Sierra Scott Ms. America® Elite 2019-22



I'm not the same person I was just 3 short years ago. The past 38 months have taken me places and given me experiences I never dreamed possible.

This crown opens doors! Having a big shiny thing on your head allows you to do things you'd never be able to do any other way. I knew this opportunity had an expiration date, so I tried to use my days to their fullest potential, making appearances both domestically and internationally. I've attended the First Lady's Luncheon in Washington, DC, been featured in a lead role in a television sitcom, appeared in a music video, walked the runway in New York Fashion Week, appeared in 6 television commercials, was seen at the EMMYs, was photographed for a shoe catalog, served as Mistress of Ceremonies of the Telluride Cars and Colors Car Show, and even took part in a mid-air refueling mission aboard a KC-135. While in Vietnam my favorite memory is helping elementary school children practice their English.

In all, I made over 243 charity appearances and attended events in 8 states and 3 countries helping raise more than 2 million dollars for various charity organizations. One event I hosted raised \$600,000 in just one night.

Of all the appearances I made, visiting children's hospitals across the country was the most meaningful. Seeing a child's eyes light up when you enter their cancer treatment room is an experience you never forget. One young girl who hadn't left her hospital bed in over a week was overheard saying "Mom, a REAL queen came to visit me!" Experiences like that bring tears to your eyes and help you realize the power this crown really has.

How grateful I am to Susan Jeske and the Ms. America Pageant Inc for giving me this amazing opportunity! This pageant system changes lives. I know because it definitely changed mine. Susan loves her queens and treats them like family. Susan, thank you for the countless midnight phone calls and for being such a wonderful sounding board. Knowing you has definitely made me a better person. You are truly THE BEST pageant director on the planet.







I would NEVER have been here without the support of my extremely patient fiancé and always supportive mother. I honestly could NOT have done it without your endless energy and latenight food runs. You both helped carry gowns, took pictures, drove thousands of miles to get me to my destinations, and made sure my crown was on straight. (Future queen hint: This is a bigger problem than you might think!)

This is more than a just crown. It is a gift from God. To those of you who walk away with a crown tonight... use it carefully and thoughtfully. This year will be over before you know it... so make the most of it.

Sierra Scott

Ms. America Elite 2019-22

#### SIERRA SCOTT

MS. AMERICA® ELITE 2019-22











#### HIGHLIGHTS Of My Reign

Oct. 8, 2021 - Attended, First Lady's Luncheon with Jill Biden, Washington, DC Sept. 17, 2021 - Signed autographs, Shadow Buddies, Kansas City, Missouri

June 19, 2021 - Emceed, Pride Day Talent Show, Salina, KS

June 18, 2021 - Celebrity Guest, Wichita Open Golf Tournament, Wichita, KS

May 22, 2021 - Game Show Hostess, The Price is Right, Crown Uptown

Apr. 30, 2021 - Appeared in Infomercial for Cambridge Family Dentistry

Apr. 5, 2021 - Recorded Podcast for "50 Plus is Fabulous"

Mar. 29, 2021 - Appeared in TV commercial for El Agave Mexican Restaurant

Feb. 9, 2021 - TV Interview, "Your Hour with Sheryl Nutt" for KCTU-TV Ch. 5

Feb. 4, 2021 - Wichita Eagle Newspaper Interview with Denise Neil

Jan. 14, 2021 - Starred in commercial for Beau Monde West

Jan. 2021 - Featured in Splurge Magazine Vol. 13 No. 1

Dec. 22, 2020 - Influencer Video for holiday shopping at Dillard's

May 28, 2020 - Appeared in TV commercial for "Smart Tan" for FOX-TV 5

Feb. 8, 2020 - Walked the runway in New York Fashion Week show for "HiTechMODA" New York

Oct. 26, 2019 - Taught English to students, Hanoi, Vietnam

Sep. 6, 2019 - Article in the Wichita Business Journal Vol. 34 No. 36

Sep. 1, 2019 - Photo & Feature Article in the Wichita Eagle Newspaper

Sep. 2019 - Featured in Splurge! Magazine Vol. 12 No. 9

Aug. 2019 - Cover & Feature Article, The San Clemente News

Aug. 24, 2019 - Photoshoot, Daniel Pham Photography, California

Aug. 24, 2019 - Interview, Scott Steward of What's Up Orange County





## Adri Morales

#### MS. INTERNATIONAL® 2019-20

Adri Maisonet Morales from North Carolina was crowned Ms. International® 2019-20 on Saturday, August 24, 2019-21 at the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California. She was also the People's Choice Award winner and walked away with \$12,888.00.

Morales is an executive for a multi-billion-dollar healthcare company, an entrepreneur and a national award-winning thought-leader and speaker. She volunteers more than 100 hours annually with various charities and advocates for the Body Positivity Imperative. She says that the draw for her to enter this pageant system is the recognition that women are beautiful and valuable no matter what stage of life they are in. One of the highlights of her reign was being on the cover of True Self Magazine.

Her motto is "I can do all things through He that gives me strength." Adri says, "My faith is my north star and guides me through everything that I do. Understanding where my strength comes from, I am able to concur my fears and doubts to achieve the extraordinary while inspiring others to do the same."

The Ms. International® title is part of the Ms. America® Pageant Inc. and is for women 26 years of age and up who are single, divorced, married, widowed, with or without children. The winner of the Ms. International® 2019-21 is based on her ability to do consistently well throughout all areas of the pageant; judges competition scores, ads sold in the program book and Popple's Chairs thru Internat Voting





#### Kimberly (Root) Horikoshi Ms. International Beauty® 2021

#### My year of service and appearances...

December 14, 2021 - Shop with a Cop Christmas Event Chaperone, Alameda, CA

December 15, 2021- Wrestle Like a Girl Fundraiser Campaign raising \$2500, Nationwide Social Media Campaign

December 18, 2021 - 20th Annual Castro Valley Girls Wrestling Classic, Castro Valley, CA

December 27, 2021- Interview by InterMat and The Quoter via Rokfin "Talking about Sanctioning Girls' Wrestling in Ohio and Beyond", Castro Valley, CA

December 31, 2021- Parade of Roses Float Construction for Medically Home Group Float, Pasadena, CA

January 1, 2022- Parade of Roses Interview by Telemundo, Pasadena, CA

January 1, 2022- 108th Rose Bowl, Ohio State Buckeyes vs Utah Utes, Pasadena, CA

January 15, 2022 - Livermore Barnburner Wrestling Tournament, Livermore, CA

January 15, 2022 - 6th Annual NorCal C.O.P.S. Black & Blue Gala, Sacramento, CA

January 22, 2022- San Ramon Valley Wrestling Tournament, San Ramon, CA

February 5, 2022 - North Coast Sectionals Wrestling Duals Pleasanton, CA

February 6, 2022 - Official Photo Shoot with Syracuse Image Photography, Sacramento CA

February 12, 2022 - East Bay Athletic League Wrestling Championships, San Ramon, CA

February 19, 2022- North Coast Sectionals Wrestling Tournament, Albany, CA

February 26, 2022 - Summit Symposium, Livermore, CA

March 6, 2022- Congratulation video for two South Carolina female wrestling champions

March 13, 2022 - Issue 8 of World Class Queens of North America Magazine Feature

March 19, 2022 - American Cancer Society Relay for Life, San Ramon, CA

March 22, 2022 - Dougherty Valley High School Wrestling Banquet, San Ramon, CA

March 26-27, 2022- Ohio Athletic Committee Grade School Championship, Youngstown, OH

April 11, 2022 - Gunstock Ranch Hawaiian Legacy Reforestation Program Tree Planting, Kahuku, HI

April 14, 2022- Sacramento State Out of the Darkness Walk, Sacramento, CA

April 19, 2022- InterMat article feature "Sanction Ohio and the Race for Four"

May-July 2022- Deputy Sheriff's Athletic League Wrestling Program Social Media Manager

May 16, 2022- San Francisco Giants at Denver Rockies Game, Denver, CO

May 21, 2022- Historical Landmarks Tour of Lanterman Mill, Youngstown, OH

May 22, 2022 - Soldiers and Sailors Museum and Memorial Hall, Pittsburgh, PA

May 23, 2022- Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, Cleveland, OH

June 2022- Summit Perspective Summer 2022 Newsletter Feature

June 25, 2022- Victory in the Bay – Victoria Anthony Seminar, Castro Valley, CA

July 11, 2022- San Francisco Giants Law Enforcement Appreciation Game

July 26, 2022- Pleasanton Young Professionals – Girls Soccer Worldwide Fundraiser at Row House Pleasanton, CA

August 6-7, 2022 - Wilber Czech Days Parade and Festival, Wilber, NE

August 6-7, 2022 - Miss Czech Slovak US Pageant Judge, Wilber, NE

August 13, 2022- Obon Japanese Festival 2022, Union City, CA

August 26-27, 2022- 10th Annual Top Cop Challenge Veteran & First Responder Benefit, Amador County, CA

September 2022- One virtual card/day for St. Jude's Children Hospital Patients

September 3, 2022- Ohio State Buckeye Home Opener Celebration Columbus, OH

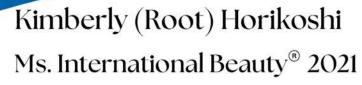
September 11-12, 2022- SWAT Fitness Challenge Fundraiser, Dublin, CA

September 17, 2022- Alameda County Sheriff's Office Task Force BBQ Fundraiser, Dublin, CA

October 8, 2022- Day of Czech Culture Festival, Orinda, CA

October 15, 2022- House of Czech and Slovak Republic Lawn Program at Balboa Park, San Diego, CA





I was beyond honored to be crowned Ms. International Beauty® 2021 one day after my 36 birthday. There is something very special about competing in pageantry as we start maturing. We get to show the world that we can follow our dreams at any age and can encourage others to do the same. We get to be leaders, share our experiences, and connect with others on a deep level. Pageantry gives us the stage to be seen and heard by a much larger audience and I cannot thank the Ms. America® Pageant and Susan Jeske enough for allow my message to be heard. I would also like to thank the judges that heard my message and believed in it... and me!

As a former wrestler and a wrestling coach, my biggest dream is to help girls in the sport get the opportunities that I did not have almost 20 years ago. High school wrestling is one of the fastest growing sports for girls, yet there are still states that do not sanction the sport for girls. In these states, girls do not have their own official state tournament to compete in. Rather, their only option is to compete against their male counterparts. When I competed in the pageant in December 2021, only 32 states sanctioned girls wrestling. The 18 states that did not included my home state of Ohio, despite over 800 female high school wrestlers competing there. My mission was to elevate these girls' voices and to talk to anyone who would listen. With the help of hundreds of California high school female wrestlers, we made a video for the Ohio High School Athletic Association urging them to sanction Ohio and we beat the drum of the group leading the movement, #SanctionOH. Several weeks later, Ohio became the 33rd state to sanction girls wrestling, soon followed by Iowa, North Carolina, and Wyoming. I will not rest until girls in the remaining 14 states are given the same opportunities as well. I support a leader in the sanctioning movement, Wrestle Like a Girl, a nonprofit organization that empowers girls and women through the sport of wrestling to become leaders in life.

Not only am I supporting these young women, but through pageantry and my platform I am a physical representation that as women, we do not have to put ourselves in a box. We do not have to be just one thing. We can be beautiful, and we can be tough. We can be and ARE all things!



I am incredibly blessed to have my husband, Kevin, support me on this road and helped me balance my year of reign with planning our wedding that took place in May. I could not have asked for a better partner to support me, travel with me and on more than one occasion hold my things while I took photos. He may have even been behind the camera a time or two. I love you and my new last name! Thank you to all my family and friends for helping me become my best self. I love you all so much!

I'm grateful to have met my pageant sisters, Darlene Quinn, Kennedy Garcia and Wendy Goetschel. It has been a pleasure reigning with you and I'm so excited to see what the future holds for all of us. Special thanks to the Mrs. to my Ms., Kennedy Garcia, who has helped guide me through this journey. Your advice and kindness has been paramount and I'm so glad that I have found such an awesome friend!

To Ms. International Beauty® 2022, it is your time to shine like the diamond that you are! You were born to be great so show the world who you are! Enjoy every minute because it goes by quickly. You got this!

- Kimberly Horikoshi

## Or. Kennedy Garcia +

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On a mission to #InfluenceHER through addressing root causes leading to hopelessness and self harm by helping girls imagine and access all they can become through mentorship focused on optimizing their potential while also advocating & providing resources that positions them for success because I believe with the right influence in her life, a girl can thrive! While being crowned Mrs. International Beauty 2021 I have done the following:

December 2021, Gingerbread House Building for Kids w/Habitat for Humanity

December 2021, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Mentorship Session

December 2021, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER UC Davis College Campus Tour

January 2022, C.O.P.S Gala, supporting survivors of Law Enforcement loss

January 2022, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Mentorship Session

January 2022, International Bridal Expo Model

February 2022, Miss Sacramento County (MAO) Competition Judge

February 2022, Miss NCAL Teen & Miss USA Pageant

February 2022, Advocacy 101 virtual facilitator American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)

February 2022, Motivational Speaker - Judge for California International Pageant

February 2022, United States of America's Pageant in Las Vegas, Nevada

February 2022, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Mentorship Session

March 2022, Miss & Teen Oklahoma USA Pageant

March 2022, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Mentorship Session

March 2022, Mental Health Day at the California Capitol with American Foundaton for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)

April 2022, San Francisco Shores Clean-up for Earth Day with Mayor Breed

April 2022, Miss Fire Safety Charity Pageant Judge

April 2022, Sacramento State University Out of The Darkness Walk Team Leader for American

Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)

April 2022, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Mentorship Session

May 2022, The Global Beauty Awards in Bellvue Washington

May 2022, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER vision board session in Tempe Arizona

May 2022, Field Advocate training facilitator for American Foundaton for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)

May 2022. The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Arizona State University campus tour

June 2022, National Imperial Miss Pageant in Atlanta Georgia

June 2022, Placer County Scholarship Pageant

June 2022, Miss West Coast Pageant in Southern California

June 2022, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Scholarship Application Assistance

July 2022, Jr. High/High School/Collegiate America Pageant in Little Rock Arkansas

July 2022, Princess America Pageant in Orlando

July 2022, USA & World Ambassador Motivational Speaker & Final Show Emcee

July 2022, Hi-Tech Moda Fashion Week in Orlando

July 2022, Backpack school supply drive drop off in Toronto Canada

June 2022, The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Scholarship Application Assistance

August 2022. The Dream Academy #InfluenceHER Career Development Mentor Session

August 2022, 13th Annual Advocacy Forum with American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)











## Or. Kennedy Garcia

MRS. INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY (1987) 2021

I wish I could tell you that I was cool, calm and collected when I heard my name but I was completely shocked. There were four crowns sitting there and to be totally transparent, as a proud married woman that shares a life with her husband and family, I only wanted the Mrs. International Beauty title. Not only did God allow me to mark "Amazing International Pageant" off of my bucket list, He also blessed me with the desire of my heart, the Mrs. International Beauty title. Almost a whole year later, and there are still no words to accurately depict the deep level of appreciation that I have for this unbelievable opportunity

While holding the title of Mrs. International Beauty I have been an extremely busy woman! Every third Wednesday I attended the Win With Women Femwinism female empowerment events. I organized multiple teams and led 4 Out of the Darkness Walks to raise awareness and funds to end suicide. My favorite appearances have been traveling across the United States inspiring women and girls in person as a keynote speaker carrying the message to audiences of 100+ that everyone has seeds of greatness inside and helping them build 'success roadmaps' for their life and career. I spoke at the California State capitol on Suicide Prevention and traveled to Washington DC & Toronto. Canada to discuss the connection between mentorship and better health outcomes for teens. I attended various pageants throughout the United States to support contestants and raise awareness for the Ms. America system. This Queen is elated to have touched many lives of people who have become very special to me as I spent my reign making an impact through my platform #influenceHER. I utilized my superpower everyday as a mentor to hundreds of girls at my very own non-profit organization. The Dream Academy by Spiritual Boss Chick. I awarded \$25K in scholarships for Dream Academy Ambassadors that were also graduating seniors planning to attend 4yr Universities. Additionally I participated in various organizations across the country like; Girls Inc., Femwinism, Big Brother Big Sister, Drug Free World and the Tori Burch Foundation to directly equip girls with positive life skills and partner to create solutions that position them for success.

Reflecting upon my journey as Mrs. International Beauty 2021, there is only one word that comes to mind, gratitude Towe everything to God, the incredible people who have supported me and the hundreds of mentees I serve for you are all my inspiration

Susan Jeske: Thank you for your direction and partnership during this journey. You have poured so much love into this organization and have been so supportive through it all. You are truly an inspiration and a walking, breathing, living pageant historian. I will forever love our long thought provoking conversations and appreciate your guidance.

To all of my sister queens: You are a phenomenal group of women and I am honored to have shared our crowning moments and reign together. I have never been surrounded by so many ambitious, dedicated and passionate women in my life. I feel so lucky to know you all and cannot wait to see what the future holds for every single one of you

Kimberly Root: What can I say? God gifted me with an amazing Ms. I am forever grateful for your friendship. We have shared some of my favorite moments of this year with one another and this sisterhood is like no other. You hold a special place in my heart, and I am so blessed to have you in my life.

To Yasmine, Denise & all of my #BTCGirls: Thank you for believing in me and being the best cheerleading crew a Queen could ever ask for 1 don't know if you'll ever understand the full impact of your love and support but it has truly meant the world to me and I will cherish it forever

Gabriel, Shane, family & friends - My Heartbeats: Thank you for believing in my potential to become something I have always dreamt of You have mastered the art of demonstrating unconditional and unselfish love in the way you support every single thing I want to achieve. There is no better love that what I receive from you and I am eternally grateful. Because of you, I can stand on these two feet knowing I can take on the world and someone has my back while I am doing it. I walk through every journey in my life knowing I am not alone. My years of service are not mine, they are always ours for I wouldn't be me, without you.



#### Ms. America® International 2019 - 2022

#### "A crown worn on the head will last a year, but a crown worn on the heart will last a lifetime." — Unknown

Three years ago, I was blessed with my dream job and was crowned Ms. America International. My mission is to bring awareness to brain cancer and brain tumors, and I am doing just that. During my reign I founded a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, Go Gray for a Cure, Inc., in memory of my beloved husband Chris; I completed over 250 appearances across the nation; and raised and donated thousands of dollars towards life-saving brain cancer research.

My reign has had highs and lows. I went and am going through the most difficult time in my life when my beloved husband passed away from brain cancer and my world was forever changed. To everyone who reached out to me and prayed for me during this tough time, thank you from the bottom of my heart! I appreciate you all more than you know!

To my Lord and Savior, thank you God for Blessing me with this wonderful opportunity! To my hubby, Chris, in heaven. My Mr. America International. You are the love of my life, the man of my dreams, you are my EVERYTHING! Thank you for being my biggest cheerleader and always supporting me in everything I do! I always knew that I could accomplish anything with you by my side. Thank you for being the absolute best husband in the world and for showing me true unconditional love every day. You are my biggest blessing outside of eternal life and I cherish every moment spent with you. I am grateful that you live in my heart forever and I know that you are with me every day. The color of the dress I am wearing tonight was picked by you along with my nail color. You are a part of everything I do, and I live my life to please God and to continue to make you proud of me! They say there is no such thing as perfect, but you are my perfect and are perfect for me. There are no words to describe just how much I miss you and love you. I miss you so very much Bay-Bay! I love you and am in love with you forever! Rest in peace, Rest in paradise and Rest in love my Love!

To my family and friends, thank you for your love and support! Thank you to my Director Susan Jeske Irvine and the Ms. America Pageant, my coach Tracey Rodgers, Ikonic Entertainment and my sponsors, CleverLyon, Sir Algernon, Graphics in Atlanta, and Tameka Pero Photography. To my sister queens Joana, Sierra, and Adri, it has been an honor reigning with you! To the judges who believed in me, thank you again. I hope I made you proud.

As my time as Ms. America International comes to an end. I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity and for the incredible people I met during my reign. As I embark on the next part of my journey, I do so knowing that I am blessed to be a blessing to others. After tonight I no longer wear a crown on my head but wear one on my heart as I have so much work to do to help cure brain cancer and help make this world a better place.

I cannot say THANK YOU enough! THANK YOU, America! It has been an absolute honor to serve!

Remember to smile and spread love because love is always the answer.

With love and gratitude,

LaTresa Doleman

Ms. America® International 2019 – 2022

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#### Over 250 appearances completed. Here are some of them:

September 12, 2022- Celebrity Golfer at Otis Nixon Celebrity Golf Tournament in Atlanta, GA

August 4, 2022- Private Visit to Aultman's New Timken Family Cancer Center in Canton, OH

August 4, 2022- Hospital Visit to Aultman Hospital in Canton, OH

July 20, 2022- Go Gray for a Cure Glioblastoma Awareness Day Event

May 31, 2022- Go Gray for a Cure Virtual 5K Run/Walk

May 1, 2022- Go Gray Bracelet Fundraiser for Go Gray for a Cure, Inc.

**December 20, 2021**- Hospital Visit to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Hospital to Drop Off Toys from My Nonprofit Organization Making a Better Me, Inc.'s Christmas Toy Drive

November 20, 2021- Produced Turkey & Trimmings Giveaway with My Nonprofit

Organization Making a Better Me, Inc. in Partnership with Friendship Baptist Church Feeding 100 Families

October 30, 2021- Guest Speaker to Middle Tennessee Women's Volleyball Team

October 30, 2021- Middle Tennessee Homecoming Parade

September 21, 2021- Celebrity Golfer at Pro Football Hall of Famer Charles Haley's Foundation Tackle Tomorrow's Charity Golf Tournament at Cowboys Golf Club in Grapevine. TX

**September 20, 2021**- Host/Emcee for A Night with Legends Charity Dinner for Pro Football Hall of Famer Charles Haley's Foundation Tackle Tomorrow in Frisco, TX

September 13, 2021- Celebrity Golfer at Otis Nixon Celebrity Golf Tournament in Atlanta, GA September 13, 2021- 8 Page Feature in Prolific Quarterly Magazine's PRINTEMPS ÉTÉ Spring/Summer 2021 Edition

August 8, 2021 - Hospital Visit to Aultman Hospital in Canton, OH

**August 5, 2021**- Panelist on the Women Empowering Women Panel at our Pro Football Hall of Fame Wives Partnering with the YWCA of Canton Event

July 26, 2021- Free Code Camp for Youth with My Nonprofit Organization Making a Better Me, Inc.

July 21, 2021- Hospital Visit to Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit, MI

July 21, 2021- Featured in the National Brain Tumor Society's Glioblastoma Awareness Event

July 14, 2021- Guest Speaker at America's Big Sisters Foundation

May 2, 2021 - Guest Speaker at Corners Outreach Student Celebration

May 1, 2021- Go Gray Bracelet Fundraiser for My Nonprofit Organization Go Gray for a Cure, Inc.

May 1, 2021- Launched My Nonprofit Organization Go Gray for a Cure, Inc. to Raise Awareness and Funds for Life-Saving Brain Cancer Research

April 8, 2021- Judge for the Jason Taylor Foundation, Omari Hardwick and Blu Apple Poetry "Louder than a Bomb Florida" Coaches Slam poetry competition

March 12, 2021- Virtual Class Visit with Audelia Creek Elementary School

February 4, 2021 - Interview with FUBU Radio

February 1, 2021 - Keynote Speaker and Ambassador for Women of Color Golf Tournament in Tampa, FL

January 31, 2021 - NFL Alumni Tampa Bay Chapter Pairings Party in Tampa, FL

December 23, 2020- Community Spotlight Featured Guest on Real Talk Sports Show

October 16, 2020- Featured in the Florida Sentinel

September 24, 2020- Featured in the African American Golfer's Digest

**September 12, 2020**- NFL Alumni Tampa Bay Chapter "Bowl with the Pros" Fundraiser in Tampa, FL

September 11, 2020- Girls Inc. Pinellas Guest Speaker and site visit in Tampa, FL

August 7, 2020- America's Big Sisters Foundation Guest Speaker

July 22, 2020- Featured in the National Brain Tumor Society's Glioblastoma Awareness Day Virtual Event

June 18, 2020- Honey Shine Inc. Camp Honey Shine Guest Speaker

June 10, 2020- Code Fever Miami Career Jam & Entrepreneurship Virtual Workshop Guest Speaker

May 31, 2020- Ms. America International's Go Gray in May for Brain Cancer Fundraiser

May 17, 2020- Balling for Lupus Luvs Foundation Virtual Guest on Insta-A-Thon Fundraiser March 30, 2020- Judge for the Jason Taylor Foundation, Omari Hardwick and Blu Apple

March 30, 2020- Judge for the Jason Laylor Foundation, Omari Hardwick and Blu Apple Poetry "Louder than a Bomb Florida" competition

September 20, 2019- Randall McDaniel's Celebrity Charity Golf Tournament in Victoria, MN

September 19, 2019- Hospital Visit to Children's Minnesota in St. Paul, MN

September 12, 2019- Joe Namath Celebrity Golf Tournament at Bethpage in NY

September 11, 2019- The Joe Namath Foundation Benefit Dinner in Long Island, NY

"I do not give back because I have a crown. I have a crown because I give back." – LaTresa Doleman























## La Tresa Doleman Ms. America International 2019-2022

Founder & President of:

#### GO GRAY FOR A CURE



#### Mission

To fund life-saving brain cancer research, educate and increase awareness, and improve the quality of life for those living with brain cancer.

#### Vision

Eradicating brain cancer today - tomorrow - FOREVER!

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Go Gray for a Cure, Inc. was founded in memory of my beloved husband, Chris Doleman, Pro Football Hall of Famer and two year brain cancer survivor.

Founder & President of:



#### Mission

Uplifting, empowering and building self-esteem in our youth through mentoring, sports, education, and volunteerism.

#### Vision

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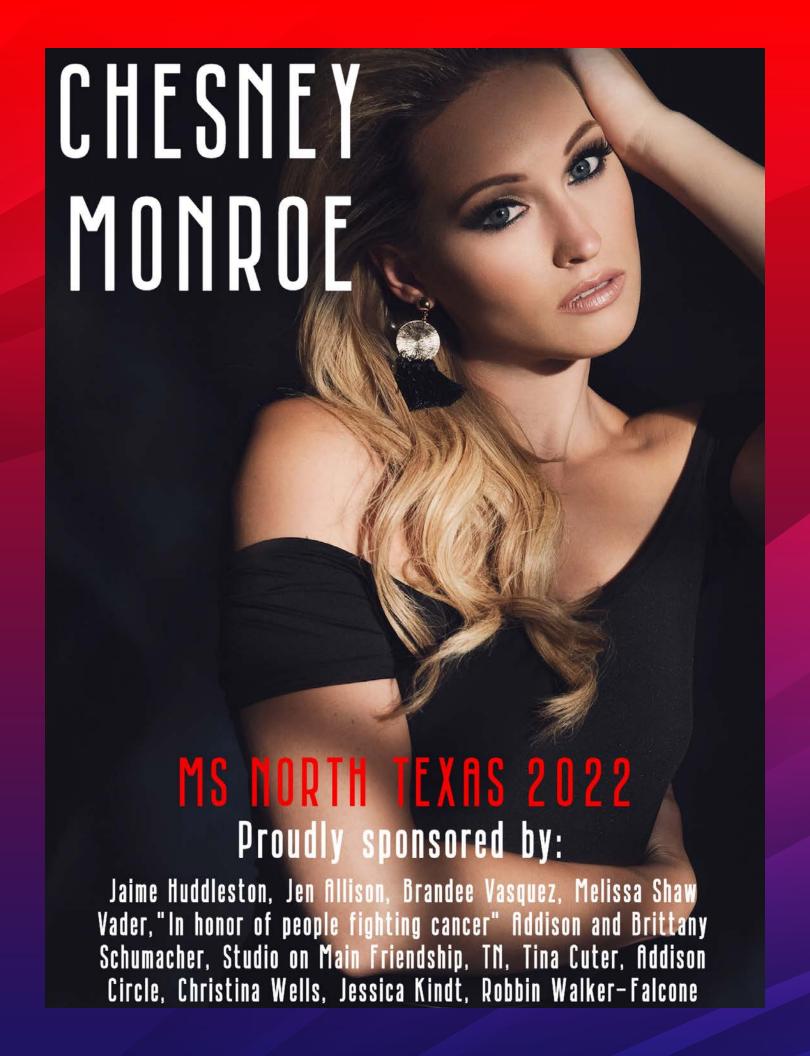


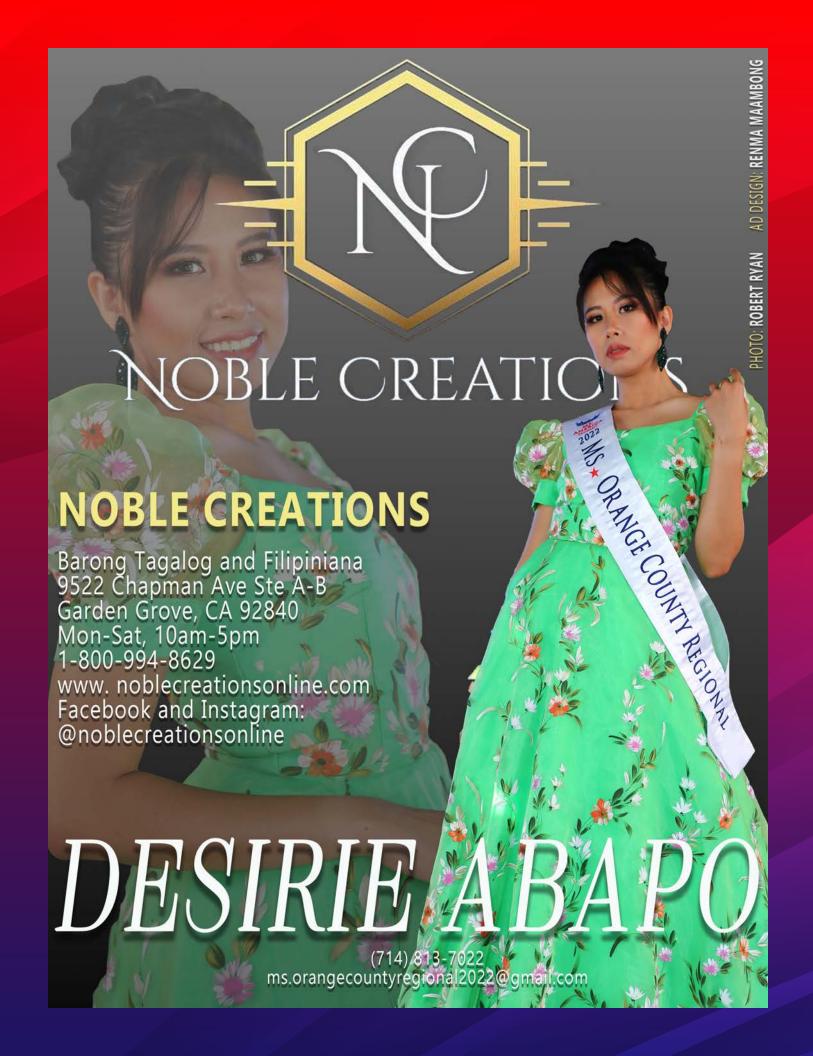




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