

**Updates on the 2011 Crowned Prince & Princess Charm Pageant**

The 2011 Crowned Prince & Princess Charm Pageant is two weeks away. I am looking forward to meeting all of our new contestants as well as seeing our returning ones. I have some general housekeeping items for your review.

If you wish to add any optionals or if you have not yet selected them, please do so as soon as possible by April 23, 2011 so that I can get your emcee cards prepared accordingly. If after reviewing this material you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (859) 492-3025 or [karen@distinct-impressions.net](mailto:karen@distinct-impressions.net).

**PAGEANT UPDATES-Picture for Souvenir Program due by Wednesday, April 20, 2011**

If you have not done so already, I will need your picture for the official Crowned Prince & Princess Charm souvenir program. I have most of them, but if you have not submitted one, you must do so by Wednesday, April 20, 2011. If not, there will be white space in the brochure that reads: Photo Not Available. However, the following will be listed:

**1)Contestants Name**

**2) Daughter/Son of \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, IN**

**3) Hometown**

**Studio Primetime Information**

As we approach the 2011 Crowned Prince & Princess Charm Pageant, I would like to let you know that Afif and Sara Cherif of Studio Primetime out of Atlanta , Georgia have once again been selected as the official photographers of the 2011 Crowned Prince & Princess Charm Pageant. No photographs or video is allowed in the ballroom other than Studio Primetime. They have several different packages available if you are interested. You may contact them at (404)314-1994 or log onto [www.studioprime.com](http://www.studioprime.com) . They are the official photographers and videographers for several pageants throughout the south. Please feel free to contact them at your earliest convenience.

**Pageant Registration- Friday, April 29, and Saturday April 30 Assembly Ballroom Foyer**

Registration will be open from 5:30p.m. -7:30p.m. on Friday, April 29, 2011. If you are attending the rehearsal and wish to register early you can. Registration will resume on Saturday at 8:00a.mEveryone must be registered and paperwork must be picked up at that time.

In order to expedite the registration process, please register in the following timeframes by child's last name, this will make it easier on everyone:

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| <i>A-G</i> | <i>5:00p.m.-5:30p.m.</i> |
| <i>H-N</i> | <i>5:30p.m.-6:00p.m.</i> |
| <i>O-S</i> | <i>6:30p.m.-7:00p.m.</i> |
| <i>T-Z</i> | <i>7:00p.m.-7:30p.m.</i> |

If you miss one of the scheduled timeframes , you may register on Saturday beginning at 8:00a.m.

You will receive your official contestant number, interview time and agenda upon check-in with the pageant office. Any remaining balances will be due at that time. I will be working on updating invoices. Please be advised at registration, only cash is accepted. However, you may pay by check or credit card up until the pageant date of April 29, 2011. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

**Hotel Reservations** At my last check, the hotel still had rooms available. If you are interested in staying on the property , please contact Marie Murray at (502)227-5100 or when calling the front desk, you must state that you are attending the Crowned Prince & Princess Charm pageant to receive the group rate , if still available.

**Tickets**-Everyone must purchase a ticket other than a contestant. In your packets, you received prepaid tickets. If tickets are prepaid they are \$10.00 each and if they are sold at the door they are \$12.00 each per day. The doors will open for seating 30 minutes before the event starts.

**Pageant Rehearsal- Friday, April 29, 2011 at 7:30p.m. Eastern Standard Time-**

**Assembly Ballroom** This year, Crowned Prince & Princess Charm Pageants will have implemented a pageant rehearsal. The rehearsal will take place on Friday night at 7:30p.m. This is not mandatory, but recommended. We will go over the flow of the competition. In addition, the emcee will read your bio so you can get a feel for the stage and the ballroom. It is not a dress rehearsal, so no need to wear your pageant clothes, but you might want to wear your shoes that you will be walking in your attire. You will receive contestant numbers at that time. We will have adhesive badges to use for your contestant numbers

**Pageant workshop- Saturday, April 30, 2011 at 9:30a.m. Eastern Standard Time-**

**Assembly Ballroom** There will be a pageant workshop conducted on Saturday, April 30, 2011, at 9:30a.m. For those attending, please let me know by April 23 if there are any specific topics that you would like to address. Tips for modeling, stage presence and clothing will be addressed just to name a few. Cost is \$30.00 per person and does include handouts;

**Parent/ Child Orientation- Assembly Ballroom , 1<sup>st</sup> Floor** If you cannot make it to rehearsal, or you need some additional clarification, the orientation is the place to be. Pageant staff will answer any questions, concerns that you may have. We will go over the order of optionals and the general flow of the pageant. I will have helpers backstage to help you get lined up. A parent is welcome backstage to assist their children.

**Contestant Interviews- Glass Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor** Contestant Interviews will take place in the Glass room. When you register onsite at the hotel for the pageant, in your packet you will be given an approximate interview time. Contestants are instructed to be downstairs at the Glass Room foyer no later than 10 minutes before their scheduled interview time. **Interviews** for children 3 years of age or the Tiny Tot division are 3 minutes instead of the 5 minute timeframe allotted for Young Miss through Teen Divisions.

**Contestant Changing Room- Seminar Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor** There will be a contestant changing room located in the Seminar room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Room will be available starting one hour before the competition starts- Saturday, April 30, 2011- it will be open at 5:30p.m. and Sunday, May 1, 2011 it will be open at 8:30a.m.

**Optional- Saturday, April 30, 2011 at 6:30p.m., Assembly Ballroom, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor** The optional categories are a great way to showcase your style and flair. Contestants must enter at least one optional as part of their competition. Optionals will be in a certain order and I will advise when it gets closer to time. If you are not competing in any optional that requires a wardrobe change—i.e. prettiest hair, prettiest eyes, prettiest smile, it is recommended that you keep your interview attire on. Physical attribute optionals will be judged by a line-up in each age division. The optionals that require the outfit changes will go first, you are to remain in your last outfit change (except 1980's wear) and are ready for onstage line-up of physical attributes awards, and speech competition. The 1980's wear will be last as that requires a little more wildness, as those of us that grew up in that era know. **\* You are allowed to have props in optionals this year!**

**New to Optionals- Contestants Outfit of Choice-** Anything of the contestant's choice that they would like to wear. You will be asked why you selected it on the emcee card.

**\*\* Please note at the hotel, you will receive a card and must write your outfit description on the card for the emcee to read—this will also be the case for casual wear.**

**NEW! Mommy , Me & Pageantry & Daddy, Me & Pageantry**-A new competition this year, allows the parents to get onstage with their children and showcase their flair for the stage. Contestants will be judged on originality and overall appearance. Prizes will be awarded. This is scheduled on Saturday, April 30, 2011 during the optionals after 1950's Wear and before Patriotic Wear. If you are interested, please email me or let us know at registration so that we can add you to the list.

**Best Bio/ Resume** This is awarded in all divisions. It should be a one to two page overview of the contestants life. Interesting facts, accomplishments that go above and beyond what is asked in the application packet. These may be turned in at registration

**Most Pageant Referrals** This is awarded to the contestant that has made the most referrals in each age division. To be turned in at registration.

**Payments- We will only accept cash on the hotel property.**

**Do you have great decorating skills? The Crowned Prince & Princess Charm**

**Door Decorating Contest is for you!** During pageant weekend, you can participate in this fun competition if you are staying at the hotel. Simply, decorate the outside of your door with your best pageant and diva flair. The only catch is that you must use tape and you must remove the decorations from your door upon your departure. (Otherwise, the hotel may charge you a clean-up fee). Judging will take place on Saturday night and pageant staff will announce the winner at the Pizza Party. All you need to do is let us know at registration if you are participating in this event and your room number for judging.

**Pizza Party** If you have not done so and wish to register for the pizza party you can do that onsite at the hotel. Please do this when you register so that we can get an accurate count. Pizza party tickets are \$10.00 per person. The Door Decorating Contest winner will be announced at the party. In addition, the door decorating winner will be announced onstage at the pageant and will be featured in the next newsletter.

**Photogenic** You may turn in your photographs for the photogenic competition at the hotel. Please be advised you are allowed to submit one complimentary photo with your \$10.00 or \$15.00 entry fee. There will be an additional charge of \$10.00 for each additional photo submitted.

I would like to reiterate what I said earlier in my previous emails, you are wonderful to work with such a dedicated group of parents and contestants. I wish each contestant the best of luck this weekend. I know the drive, organization and discipline that you put forth to compete. Let's have a great pageant weekend!

Best Pageant Wishes,

