



Miss Hispanic Lubbock Scholarship Pageant

Dear Applicant:

On behalf of the Miss Hispanic Lubbock Pageant Committee, I am pleased to welcome you to the 2008 Miss Hispanic Lubbock Scholarship Pageant. By completing, and returning this application you will receive the opportunity of a lifetime. Our goal is to provide you training and leadership development that will help you serve as an ambassador for the Hispanic Community, as well as a future leader of Lubbock.

The Miss Hispanic Lubbock Pageant is a tradition of the Lubbock community. The pageant, which is held in conjunction with the 16th of September celebration, also referred to as Mexican Independence Day, is a long time custom that instills culture, promotes education and celebrates the future of young women. Hispanic women from the Lubbock County and the surrounding areas are offered a chance to compete for this title.

As Miss Hispanic Lubbock, you will represent the Hispanic Community in various events in Lubbock. The coronation will also offer a college bound woman to receive a scholarship. In addition, other scholarships may be presented as well, depending on the amount of the total scholarship donation. Unfortunately, the pageant is not affiliated with the Miss Texas preliminary; however, we encourage candidates from our pageant to consider other competitions.

The pageant committee strongly believes that you will benefit from this experience. I wish you luck and can assure you that this will be an opportunity of a lifetime. Participants will be required to submit their type-written applications, a current school transcript and \$150 entry fee made payable to Fiestas del Llano, Inc. These items should be mailed to my attention at the address below by August 1, 2008. **Please note all applicants will be contacted and required to attend a MANDATORY orientation meeting.** Late entries will be accepted up to the orientation date along with a \$200 late entry fee.

Again, we are looking forward to meeting you, and helping you to open the door to your future.

Best wishes,

Rosa G. Salazar, Pageant Director
Miss Hispanic Lubbock Scholarship Pageant
P.O. Box 94814
Lubbock, Texas 79493



Miss Hispanic Lubbock Scholarship Pageant Guidelines

Qualifications and Guidelines:

1. Contestants must be of ages 17-25 (a graduating senior in high school or enrolled in a college or university).
2. Contestant must be single, never have been married, have no children, and must not be in a cohabitant relationship.
3. Contestant must be of Mexican –American or Latin-American descent.
4. Contestant must be available to attend public appearances as requested.
5. Contestant must attend all pageant preparation meetings (days and hours will vary). If a contestant is not able to attend a meeting it is her responsibility to contact the pageant chairperson or any other designated committee member, and have a legitimate excuse.
6. Contestants must be able to provide attire for talent, personal interview, and formal wear.
7. Each contestant must submit an entry fee of \$150. (Late entry fee is \$200) Family, friends, or a professional business may sponsor this fee.
8. Young women may participate in the Miss Hispanic Lubbock Pageant a maximum of five (5) times.
9. Contestants must reside within a 50 mile radius of Lubbock or be enrolled in a local college or university at the time of competition and/or throughout the year of her reign.
10. Recipients of any university scholarships must meet the entrance requirements of that university, otherwise will not be eligible for the appropriate scholarship funds.
11. Scholarships will not be available until the spring semester for contestants currently enrolled in a college or university, and in good academic standing, and the fall term after graduation from high school. Scholarship recipients must contact the scholarship coordinator, must complete and sign required paperwork immediately following the pageant and must enroll in a college or university by the end of the following two semesters or risk forfeiting the scholarship.
12. Following the pageant, the queen must attend and participate in activities supporting the festival, i.e. parade, “Grito de Dolores” ceremony. Please note that those not willing to participate in such activities will rescind their title and scholarship agreement.
13. Fiestas del Llano, Inc. May adopt or amend rules and regulations governing the procedures for dispersing awards.
14. Winner will be required to fulfill 100 hours in community service hours throughout her one-year reign.
15. By entering, each contestant acknowledges acceptance of the rules and guidelines and agrees to be bound to them.

Requirements for the Preliminary:

Each contestant will be required to prepare for and to attend the Preliminary Competition on **the date specified on the competition schedule**. No exceptions will be made. Alternate dates will not be available. The following items and presentations must be ready to submit and perform by this date:

1. **Write a 500-word essay about Personal Platform Issue.** Several years ago, the Miss Hispanic Lubbock Pageant Committee instituted the personal platform concept as part of the competition, with each contestant choosing an issue of importance to her and society. Contestants must research and prepare a 500-word essay on the platform. Concentrate on the most significant questions facing Lubbock today: strengthening families, promoting health and healing, AIDS awareness and prevention, the effect of domestic violence on society, ways to motivate children to obtain their education, and those related to your personal experiences. **Three (3) copies must be submitted on the date of the Preliminary Competition.**
2. Each contestant will give a 3-minute **speaking presentation** based on the essay and her personal platform issue. The presentation of the platform will be made at the **Preliminary Competition** to a panel of judges. Please bring any necessary props, and relevant handouts. PowerPoint equipment will not be available.
3. Each contestant will have a **personal interview** with a panel of judges at the **Preliminary Competition**. Judges will be given 3-5 minutes to interview each contestant. Wearing a suit is recommended for this portion of the competition.
4. Each contestant will perform her **talent** at the **Preliminary Competition** to a panel of judges. Please bring any small props, music and costume. Also note that each contestant must perform solo and the talent performed **may not exceed three minutes**. Time your talent or you will be asked to stop!
5. Contestants must present the evening gown which will be worn the night of the pageant to the Pageant Committee at the rehearsal specified. Please note each contestant should choose a tasteful, sleek, fitted gown. Heels should be lightweight with no big heels. Gloves are not recommended.

Categories for the FINAL Judging Process:

1. Personal Interview with the judges (approximately 5-10 minutes)
2. Opening presentation and platform description by the contestants
3. Talent theme and performance (contestant must perform solo, and the talent performance may not exceed three minutes).
4. Evening wear competition
5. On-stage interview

Miss Hispanic Lubbock Scholarship Candidate Application

(APPLICATIONS AND ALL MATERIALS SUBMITTED MUST BE TYPED)

- ◆ Name: _____
- ◆ Address: _____
- ◆ City: _____ Zip Code: _____
- ◆ Parent's Names: _____

- ◆ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____
- ◆ Home Phone Number: _____
- ◆ Cell Phone Number: _____
- ◆ E-mail address: _____
- ◆ Place of employment: _____
- ◆ College/University/School Attending: _____
- ◆ Major Area of Study: _____
- ◆ Sponsor(s): _____

- ◆ Role Models: _____
- ◆ Educational Goals: _____
- ◆ Career Goals: _____
- ◆ Personal Goals: _____

- ◆ List Organizational and Activity Involvement:

- ◆ Special Honors:

- ◆ Hobbies Include:

- ◆ Talent to be performed:
- ◆ How long have you been performing?
- ◆ What is your inspiration for doing this talent?

By signing this application I acknowledge that I accept the rules and guidelines of the pageant and entrance requirements of any university scholarship given, and agree to be bound to them.

◆ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return your typed application, a current school transcript and **\$150 entry fee (made payable to Fiestas del Llano, Inc.)** to the pageant director at **ATTN: Rosa G. Salazar, MHL Pageant, PO Box 94814, Lubbock, TX 79493.** **Please note that all participants are required to attend the MANDATORY Orientation.** Late entries will be accepted until the orientation date along with \$200 late entry fee.

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Entry Fee: Paid Not Paid

Other Details (For committee use) :