



Georgia's
Miss Irish Arts
Pageant

HANDBOOK

DATE: Winter 2018

LOCATION: Metro Atlanta/ North Fulton TBA

\$25 Holds your spot. Opens October 5st!

A Benefit Pageant for The Atlanta Irish Music School

www.AtlantaIrishMusicSchool.com

About: Georgia's Miss Irish Arts Pageant promotes Irish Arts in Georgia. A modern pageant, Georgia's Miss Irish Miss additionally promotes public speaking skills, personal appearance, stage presence and stage confidence. Open to all girls and young women regardless of residency-- ages 4 to 21 years by pageant date. **Limit: Only 10 girls per division**

Personal Presentation Wear: This is a natural pageant. No wigs, hair pieces, flippers (fake teeth), no glitz. No mid drift showing or low cut wear for Personal Presentation **or** Talent Wear. No Irish dance dresses as personal presentation wear. Failure to follow the above will disqualify you without refund.

Attire ages 4 to 6 years: Very minimal make up. *Holiday dresses:* Knee or Tea Length Holiday, Party dresses with white/ metallic mary-jane style shoes and ruffle socks. No cupcake dresses. Satin, Silk, Sequins, Glitter are good.

Attire ages 7 to 12 years: Light make up. *Dresses:* Knee or Tea Length Holiday, Party or Semi-formal dresses. Tanned legs/ nude hose, closed toe flats or heels/ dress shoes of any color. Satin, Silk, Sequins are good.

Attire ages 13 and up: Knee length or long prom, formal or homecoming dresses.

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Awards and Gifts:

- All division Queens receive full circle crown; deluxe parade sash and tall diamond trophy. Mandatory: All Queens are will ride in the Atlanta St. Patrick's Day parade to represent Irish arts and culture in Georgia.
- First and Second Runners up receive sash and trophy.
- All crown pageant! All participants shall be named, 'princesses' on the Queens court and will receive a tiara. All Princesses are invited to walk in the Atlanta St. Patrick's Day Parade and wear their crown and sash to promote Irish Arts.
- All Outstanding Talent (highest talent in age division) winners will receive a silver cup trophy. Outstanding Essay winners will receive a silver cup trophy and one winner will receive a \$100 Arts Scholarship.
- All participants must ride The Atlanta St. Patrick's Day 2018 parade to represent Irish arts and culture in Georgia!
- Miss Irish Arts Queen receives \$250 Scholarship and additional prizes.

Awards & Groups: **must be the age of entry based on date of pageant.*

- 3&4 YRS: Little Miss Irish Rose: Personal Presentation 100%
- 5&6 YRS: Miss Irish Rosebud: Personal Presentation 100%
- 7&8 YRS: Miss Petite Irish Rose: Personal Presentation 60% Talent 40%
- 9&10 YRS: Miss Sweet Colleen: Personal Presentation 60% Talent 40%
- 11&12 YRS: Miss Irish Colleen: Personal Presentation 60% Talent 40%
- 13&14 YRS: Miss Irish Grace: Personal Presentation 60% Talent 40%
- 15& 16 YRS: Miss Irish Swan: Personal Presentation 60% Talent 40%
- 17 to 18 YRS: (High School) Miss Irish Rose: Personal Presentation 60% Talent 40%
- 18 to 21 YRS: (College or/ High School graduate) Georgia's Irish Miss: Personal Presentation 60% Talent 40%

1. Personal Presentation: Personal presentation consists of stage walk, introduction and a question for ages 13 years and up.

Personal Presentation Walk: The personal walk gives judges the opportunity to observe stage presence, confidence, grace, poise and personal appearance.

Stage Introduction: **30 sec. max.** Longer will count off your score. Stage announcer will assist in prompting ages 6 and under if needed. You must tell us your name, where you are from and your talent sponsor (if you have one). Please be creative! *Basic Example:* "Hello, I am **state your name**, from **where you are from**. I am sponsored by **your sponsor**. I would like to be Georgia's Irish _____ (insert division title) because _____." Be sure to have good posture, smile and speak slowly. This will be part of Personal Presentation.

Stage Question: Ages 13 and up. You will receive your question at Registration. Answer max 20 sec. *Example Questions:* What does St. Patrick's Day mean to you? Why do you think you should be Georgia's Miss Irish Arts? What can St. Patrick teach us today?

2. Talent: **120 seconds max** Talent **must** invoke the spirit of Ireland. Example of acceptable talent entries: Irish dance, Irish music – instrumental or song, classical dance (ballet, jazz, etc) with Irish theme/ costume, tumbling/ cheer with Irish costume/ music, Irish poetry recitation, Irish blessing recitation, recitation in Irish language. If you need suggestions based on age for talent, please contact our pageant chair; mp3's are accepted for dance, song as well as Live accompaniment. One microphone will be available.

Fees:

Entry: \$90 Mandatory. Full payment due January 5th, 2018. No refunds for deposit or entry for any reason. Payment Includes: Personal Presentation and Talent.

Essay: (only open to ages 9 and up) \$15; Min 100 words/ Maximum 500 words. Please use the quote: “If you have the words, there is always the chance that you’ll find the way” by Seamus Heaney, Irish Author and Poet. \$100 prize and cup trophy.

Tee Shirt: \$15 Mandatory. All participants should purchase a tee shirt to wear for publicity photos. Parents, friends can order tee shirts as well! No shirts will be sold at the door.

Pageant Entry: Arm band: \$5; 6yrs and Under free Entry and Fee payment is completely online at: www.AtlantaIrishMusicSchool.com

Pageant I: 9am to 12pm Ages 3 to 12. Crowning ages 3 to 6. Then completeing Talent portion for ages 7 to 13 years. Crowning 7 to 13 at 11:30am. Lunch at Noon.

Pageant II: 1pm to 5pm. Ages 13 to 21. Crowing at 4:3 0pm.

**A full schedule will be posted closer to the date.*

Pageant Contact Information: Katherine Irwin Thomas, School Director.

Additional questions? Join our Facebook Group: *coming soon!*

Email: AJCBOffice@gmail.com Call: 770-712-9334

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Registration Form Due Jan. 5th With Full Payment

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Parents Name: _____ Ph1: _____ Ph2: _____

Parent Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

1. Check One Age Division:

- 3&4 YRS
- 5&6 YRS
- 7&8 YRS
- 9&10 YRS
- 11&12 YRS
- 13&14 YRS
- 15& 16 YRS
- 17 t&18 YRS: (High School)
- 18 to 21 YRS: (College or/
High School graduate)

2. Describe your talent and any stage needs:

3. Tell us about yourself:

a) Where do you go to school?

b) What are your favorite school subjects?

c) What are your hobbies?

d) What do you want to be when you grow up?

e) What do you like about doing your special talent?

f) What do you like most about St. Patrick's Day?

g) Tell us some facts you know about Ireland or anything you think we should know about you:

4. **Tee Shirt \$15.** Mandatory for contestant. Please note how many sizes your need of each. Friends and family can order shirts as well. Shirts will not be sold at the door.

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5. Important Notes. Read and sign .

- I give my permission for my child to be participate in the Miss Irish Arts Pageant 2018.
- I give permission and understand that my child's photo/ video will be used for publicity purposes.
- I understand there is no refund for deposits or entry fees if my child can not participate.
- I understand that my child is expected to ride on the Miss Irish Arts Queens float at The Atlanta St. Patrick's Day Parade 2018.
- I understand that the deposit of \$30 holds my child's spot. \$90 full payment must be received on Jan 5th along with Optional Essay contest (\$15). Any payments not received on Jan 5th will not be refunded, and the spot will be opened to the waiting list.
- Any inappropriate conduct at the competition or unbecoming to the title of Miss Irish Arts Queen will result in action such as removal or title or dismissal from the pageant system.
- Miss Irish Arts Pageant is a private system and has the right the refuse entry based on past inappropriate conduct.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

18 and Over Signature: _____ Date _____

Please calculate your entry Fees:

1. \$90 Entry Fee: _____
2. # ___ Tee Shirt Fee at \$15 each: _____
3. *Optional:* \$15 Essay Fee: _____

Total: _____ Must be paid via Paypal.

Please scan and mail to: AJCBOffice@gmail.com Please contact the school if you need to mail in your entry paperwork.

Thank you for joining us Georgia's Miss Irish Arts Pageant 2018!

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