



WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION OF KLAMATH COUNTY

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The Women's Scholarship Foundation of Klamath County is pleased to announce our sponsorship of the Miss Southern Gem Pageant, a new regional Miss Oregon preliminary competition. The pageant will be held on Sunday, April 9, 2017 at Mills Auditorium in Klamath Falls. In 2017 we will only be crowning a Miss Southern Gem and Miss Southern Jewel (if we have a minimum of 8 contestants).

REQUIREMENTS/INFORMATION:

- ❖ Never Married.
- ❖ Never pregnant nor the adoptive parent of any child.
- ❖ Live, work or go to school in the counties of Coos, Curry, Douglas, Josephine, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Deschutes, Crook, Harney or Malheur (hereinafter referred to as the "geographical area"). Prospective contestants from Coos, Douglas, Jackson and Crook must compete in their local pageant in the same year they compete for Miss Southern Gem. Contestants in counties without locals may compete for Miss Southern Gem without having to compete in a local pageant before competing for Miss Southern Gem.
- ❖ Be a bonafide resident of the geographical area for at least six months prior to the local; or
- ❖ Be a registered full-time student in the geographical area; or
- ❖ Be employed full-time (minimum of 32 hours per week) in the geographical area for at least 6 months prior to the competition.
- ❖ A citizen of the United States of America.
- ❖ Able to meet the Personal Characteristics as outlined in the official contestant contract.
- ❖ Raise \$100 in donations for the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals by April 9, 2017 by 7:00 AM.
- ❖ Submit fully executed and notarized Local Contestant Contract by April 3, 2017 to the Miss Southern Gem Pageant, c/o Cindy Owens, Co-Executive Director 8280 Hill Rd., Klamath Falls, OR 97603.
- ❖ Submit a Contestant Resume and Platform Statement by April 3, 2017 to the Miss Southern Gem Pageant, c/o Cindy Owens, Co-Executive Director 8280 Hill Rd., Klamath Falls, OR 97603.
- ❖ Submit a photocopy of your birth certificate, medical & dental insurance cards and proof of eligibility (drivers license, official transcripts, etc.) by April 3, 2017 to the Miss Southern Gem Pageant, Cindy Owens, Co-Executive Director 8280 Hill Rd., Klamath Falls, OR 97603.
- ❖ Submit a full-color headshot (JPEG format only) to mkcmcos.directors@gmail.com by April 3, 2017 (please include a written release from the photographer for the picture to be used for advertising, promotional and other pageant-related purposes).
- ❖ Submit \$25 non-refundable paperwork fee by April 3, 2017 to the Miss Southern Gem Pageant Cindy Owens, Co-Executive Director 8280 Hill Rd., Klamath Falls, OR 97603.
- ❖ The competition will be held on Sunday, April 9, 2017. Interviews will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Klamath Falls City School District 1336 Avalon Street, Klamath Falls (located behind Fred Meyer). Talent and on-stage rehearsals will be held immediately following your interview at Mills Elementary School 520 East Main Street, Klamath Falls.
- ❖ The pageant will begin at 1:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2017-miss-klamath-county-miss-city-of-sunshine-scholarship-pageant-4817-miss-southern-gem-miss-tickets-32605965320> or at the door.

MISS SOUTHERN GEM WILL RECEIVE:

- ❖ \$300 college scholarship
- ❖ Official crown
- ❖ Official banner
- ❖ Training/preparation assistance for the Miss Oregon Pageant

MISS SOUTHERN GEM RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Miss Southern Gem program has been conceived quite simply to give two additional young women the opportunity to compete for the title of Miss Oregon. Consequently the winner/family of this title will be responsible for the following:

- ❖ Providing /purchasing her competition wardrobe (i.e. interview outfit, swimsuit, evening gown, talent outfit, opening production outfit, etc.). Miss Southern Gem will have access to our wardrobe closet and may borrow (contestant must sign a rental agreement and pay a deposit) anything she so desires for competition.
- ❖ Paying the \$200 Miss Oregon Pageant Camp workshop fee. At least one parent is also required to attend this workshop, the fee for which is \$95.00. The dates are May 19-21, 2017 in Seaside.

- ❖ Providing her own lodging, transportation, etc. for both the Miss Oregon Pageant Camp and Miss Oregon Pageant week.