



WHAT ARE JUDGES LOOKING FOR IN A MISS GAY AMERICA?



This is the most frequently asked question to a panel of judges.

Words to describe what the judges might look for in Miss Gay America include: professionalism, character, dependability, honesty, integrity, talent, glamour, sophistication, poise, grace, elegance, tasteful, compassion, charm, wit, detail oriented, sincere and most importantly a consistent and well rounded individual.

While the above mentioned characteristics may describe what the judges look for, there are others as well. (ex: clothing). Judges are asked to consider what the contestant wears, and how they wear it. Is it appropriate for that individual? Are the accessories (jewelry, hair and make-up) consistent with the look or the performance? Is the contestant talented? Is the talent entertaining? Can the contestant effectively and intellectually communicate? Were the competition rules and regulations followed?

In review of the categories of competition for Miss Gay America, we are of opinion that each category is strategically designed to validate each of the characteristics that the judges are required to observe. The contestants can review each of the videos from previous Miss Gay America pageants and discover that, while the winner of the Official Miss Gay America Pageant may not always be your particular “choice” as winner, each newly crowned “Symbol of Excellence” was consistent in each category. This competition is designed to adjudicate each contestant on an individual basis, per the specifications of each category.

Male Interview and On-Stage Question categories are designed to ensure professional communication and the ability to display personality in both the male and female persona. Talent and Solo Talent categories are both designed to showcase stage presence and the ability to entertain. Evening Gown competition will validate beauty, style, grace and elegance. Contestants are strongly encouraged to constantly review the category descriptions in order to strengthen your presentation to the utmost.

The panel of judges is asked to search for a talented contestant who has the ability to communicate in the world of both fashion and entertainment. If each presentation is carefully constructed per the category requirements, then the contestant should score well. If not, the contestant will most likely not be a consistent scorer. Attention to detail in every category is crucial to determining if the contestant is ready to be our next Miss Gay America. The judges are required to observe with an unbiased eye and ensure that no flaw will go unnoticed, but also to ensure that every strength of the contestant’s category competition is considered.

Competition will only make the contestant to be a better entertainer. As a contestant, we wish you the very best of luck in your quest to become the next Miss Gay America.

Sincerely,

Larry Tyger and Terry Eason

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