

2021
 Miss Okefenokee Pageant
Saturday, September 11, 2021

PLEASE PRINT

Contestant Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

State _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Phone: (Cell) _____ (Home) _____

Age Day of Pageant: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age Division: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Pageant Location: Charlton County Annex Building Auditorium - 68 Kingsland Drive, Folkston, GA 31537

Entry & Deadlines: Entry fee includes the following categories: beauty, most photogenic, prettiest hair, prettiest smile, prettiest dress, and prettiest eyes. People's Choice participation is optional – votes are \$1 each the day of the pageant. You may also submit a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your package so that scores can be mailed to you two weeks after the pageant. Entry fee also covers admission of the contestant and one (1) adult. Incomplete packages will not be accepted.

- *Early bird* - \$70 if submitted by July 30, 2021
- *Regular entry* - \$80 if submitted by August 27, 2021
- *Late entry* - \$90 if submitted by September 3, 2021; contestants will not be included in program
- Sibling discount – 1st child is normal price (depending on date of submission); additional children \$10 less
- **Absolutely NO entries will be accepted after 4:00 pm Friday, September 3, 2021. No exceptions. Mailed entries must be post marked by August 30, 2021.**

Prizes: Miss Okefenokee will receive a \$500 scholarship at the end of her reign, medal, sash, and crown. Division Queens will receive a \$50 cash award, medal, sash, and crown.

Submission: You may submit your complete package electronically *or* by mail.

- Electronically – email registration form, emcee sheet, and photograph (no small file sizes) to missokefenokee@yahoo.com. Venmo total fees to @missokefenokee and include participants name & division in comments; envelope (optional) can be turned in the day of the pageant.
- By Mail (post marked by August 30) – mail registration form, emcee sheet, envelope (optional), photograph, and check for total fees to Okefenokee Chamber of Commerce, ATTN: Okefenokee Pageant, 3795 Main Street, PO Box 756, Folkston, GA 31537.

Checklist: All the following must be submitted together. **Incomplete packages will not be accepted.**

- Registration Form
- Emcee Sheet
- \$ _____ Total Fees (checks payable to Okefenokee Chamber of Commerce or Venmo payment)
- Self-addressed, stamped envelope for scores to be returned (optional)
- Photograph – for Most Photogenic & the program; you may use the same photo for both or submit separate photos (4x6, 5x7, or 8x10 only – no frames). Contestant name & age division must be on back of photo.

I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THE OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE MISS OKEFENOKEE PAGEANT. I WILL COMPLY WITH THEM IN EVERY WAY. THE PERSONAL DATA THAT I HAVE SUBMITTED IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Contestant Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

2021 Miss Okefenokee Pageant - Rules & Regulations

1. The pageant will be conducted under the rules and regulations established by *The Miss Okefenokee Pageant* directors and contestants and/or parents/guardians agree to abide by these rules now in effect or announced thereafter. The decision of the judges will be final.
2. All contestants must be of good moral character, act in a ladylike manner, shall not have been convicted of any crimes and must have never been married or pregnant. All contestants must be female.
3. **This is a semi-natural pageant – not a glitz pageant.** Age appropriate pageant dresses are recommended. Make-up and hair style should be age appropriate. Please no flippers or hair pieces for participants 12 years or younger.
4. Contestants will compete in appropriate age division the day of the pageant. If disputed, a birth certificate must be provided.
5. Each age division must have at least 3 contestants or division may be combined or cancelled; money will be refunded if cancelled.
6. No refunds, under any circumstances, will be issued unless the pageant should be cancelled and **not** rescheduled.
7. **CONTESTANTS ONLY BACKSTAGE!** Exception: two (2) adults per contestant under four years old. All other age groups will be allowed one adult female (*a designated area for male escorts will be provided*). Pageant workers will supervise contestants until age division is complete and parents pick up their child. This will be strictly enforced.
8. Division Queens may not enter *The Miss Okefenokee Pageant* in the same age division again but may move to another age group if age requirements are met. They will not be allowed to crown and compete in the same year/division.
9. Most Photogenic competition photo and program book photo must be turned in with application and fees. Only 4x6, 5x7, or 8x10 pictures will be judged. Contestant name and division should be on the picture back. Photos will be returned at the People’s Choice Table the day of the pageant.
10. Should there be a problem of any kind during the pageant, or related events, the contestant is to go directly to a staff member and report the problem. Any unruly, unsportsmanlike, or unbecoming conduct by a contestant or any other member of her entourage, or any disregard for the rules and regulations of this pageant could result in immediate dismissal from competition without refund. Parents, due to liability issues you must have your child under control while on stage.
11. Miss Okefenokee (ages 17-21 yrs):
 - a. On-Stage Question: Miss Contestants will be emailed a list of random questions on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 to the email listed on the registration form above. The same questions will be included during the on-stage questioning portion of the Miss pageant in which contestants will be expected to introduce themselves, randomly select a question, and give a short answer. Judging will occur during this portion of the pageant.
 - b. must reside in Charlton, Camden, Brantley, Ware counties in Georgia or Baker, Nassau counties in Florida.
 - c. is expected to represent Charlton County and the Okefenokee Swamp at numerous community events and parades throughout her reign. She is also encouraged to assist/volunteer with the Charlton County Chamber of Commerce as much as possible.
 - d. must possess good moral character having never been convicted of any crime or have criminal charges pending against her. In addition, she must never have committed an act or engaged in any activity which is or could be characterized as dishonest, immoral, indecent, or in bad taste, either in person or on any form of social media.
 - e. will receive her scholarship at the end of her reign or at the discretion of the board, providing she has fulfilled all duties set forth by the Okefenokee Chamber of Commerce.
12. Teen Miss Okefenokee (13-16 yrs) Contestants will introduce themselves on stage, (name, age, grade, and school).
13. Division Queens will be expected to participate in local parades/festivals at the coordination of the Director.
14. Contestants agree to hold harmless *The Okefenokee Pageant, The Okefenokee Chamber of Commerce, pageant staff and facilities* from damages incurred through loss, theft or injury caused by or during her participation in the pageant or related activities.
15. Pageant Director has ultimate decision-making authority in the event of a discrepancy.

All proceeds from the Miss Okefenokee Pageant benefit the Okefenokee Chamber of Commerce’s mission to provide community leadership, achieve economic growth, improve the quality of community life, and represent Charlton County and the Okefenokee Swamp.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules and regulations stated above.

Contestant Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

2021 Miss Okefenokee Pageant – Additional Information

Schedule & Age Divisions

12:00 pm	Doors & registration opens
12:30 pm	Baby Miss (0-11 months) & Wee Miss (12-23 months)
2:00 pm	Petite Wee Miss (2-3 years) & Little Miss (4-6 years)
3:30 pm	Petite Miss (7-9 years) & Jr. Miss (10-12 years)
	- - Dinner Break - -
6:00 pm	Teen Miss (13-16 years)
7:15 pm	Miss Okefenokee (17-21 years)

- Check-in for each division will begin 30 minutes prior to the start of your division. In and get your number 30 minutes prior to your division start time. You must be dressed and ready to go on time; we will not wait for latecomers.
- Pageant times may vary slightly based on number of contestants in each division. Please be patient.
- If pageant times change due to the number of contestants registered for each division, you will be notified.
- A professional photographer will be available to take photos prior to, during and after the pageant. Packages will be available for purchase.
- Admission - Adult admission is \$6; Children (Pre-K through 12th grades) admission is \$2. Children under 3 are free. Admission of contestants and one (1) adult parent/guardian is free.
- There will not be a rehearsal. The pageant will follow a basic T pattern.
- Please ensure that the contestant's emcee sheet reads appropriately before turning it in. It will be read exactly as written.
- Contact the Pageant Director, Brandie Murrell, at 912.322.5601 with any questions, comments or concerns.

2021 Miss Okefenokee Pageant – Emcee Sheet for Teen Miss & Miss Okefenokee

_____ is the _____ year old daughter

Contestant's Name – First, Middle, Last

Age

of _____.

Parent/Guardian Names

_____ loves to spend time/is a member of _____

First Name

Circle One

_____.

Pick one: What do you do in your free time? Or what clubs, groups, teams are you a member of?

_____’s friends say her best quality is _____

First Name

_____. If she could meet

What's your best quality?

anyone in the world, she would choose _____

Living or not? Famous or ordinary? Who would it be?

because _____.

Why?

The audience might be surprised to know that _____

First Name

_____.

Tell us something interesting about you!

Her future includes _____

_____.

Future Plans – college, future endeavors, career plans

_____ says _____

First Name

_____ is the secret to success.

What's the secret to life?

Additional information to share: _____