

Miss New Bedford Pageant Seeks Contestants Winner To Receive a \$3,500 Scholarship

The Miss New Bedford pageant is seeking contestants from the Greater New Bedford area for its 64th annual pageant. This year's winner will receive a \$3,500 scholarship and thousands in additional gifts and prizes. Plus, an estimated \$10,000 in additional scholarship monies will be awarded among the remaining contestants.

The young woman who wins the title will not only win scholarship money, but the year of a lifetime. She will fulfill a year-long reign serving New Bedford and its surrounding communities, plus enjoy:

- A \$3,500 scholarship plus thousands of dollars in redeemable prizes at businesses throughout the community. This includes personal trainers, makeup artistry, wardrobe allowances, hair/nail services, and more.
- The chance to develop confidence, poise, leadership skills, network and build relationships, engage with area officials and issues, and develop an incredible resume
- A year devoted to a personal platform/ issue of her choice. Past Miss New Bedford's have dedicated their time to violence prevention, cancer awareness, literacy, reducing the dropout rate, arts programming for youth, and more
- The incredible opportunity to represent New Bedford at the Miss Massachusetts pageant and compete for additional scholarship monies. Should she win, she will compete for the title of Miss America.

Contestants must be between the ages of 17 and 24 and must

live, work, or attend school in New Bedford, Acushnet, Assonet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Freetown, Lakeville, Mattapoisett, Rochester, Wareham, and/or Westport. *No experience necessary. We help all to succeed!

The Miss New Bedford pageant is an official preliminary to the Miss Massachusetts and Miss America pageants. The Miss New Bedford pageant is an outstanding leadership development program for all who compete and is the premier provider of scholarships for young women in the area.

An information session will be held on Sunday, August 14th at 10:00am at the Cheryl McCormack Academy of Dance located at 731 Tarkiln Hill Road, New Bedford. Interested contestants and those seeking more information are urged to attend. If this date does not work, organizers are available to discuss a secondary date. To reserve a seat for Sunday's information session, email info@missnewbedford.org or call (508) 525-9972. You may also visit www.MissNewBedford.org or find Miss New Bedford on Facebook.

***This year's pageant will be held on Saturday, October 1 st at 6:00PM at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School. A press release is forthcoming and will provide additional details.