

# Miss New Bedford Pageant Seeks Contestants



*\$10,000 in scholarships to be awarded*

The Miss New Bedford pageant is seeking contestants from the Greater New Bedford area for its 63rd annual pageant.

This year's winner will receive a \$3,500 scholarship and

thousands in additional gifts and prizes. Runners-up and top scoring contestants will also receive scholarship prizes. Nearly \$10,000 in scholarship monies will be awarded at this year's pageant.

The young woman who wins the title will also fulfill a year-long reign serving New Bedford and its surrounding communities. She will also earn the opportunity to compete in the Miss Massachusetts pageant for additional scholarship monies.

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.

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 9th 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](mailto:info@missnewbedford.org) or call (508) 525-9972. You may also visit [www.MissNewBedford.org](http://www.MissNewBedford.org) or find Miss New Bedford on Facebook.

\*\*\*This year's pageant will be held on Saturday September 26th at 6:00PM at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School. A press release is forthcoming and will provide additional details.

