



PACIFIC ISLANDER FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION

P.O. BOX 86046, SAN DIEGO CA 92138

2018 Miss Pacific Islander of San Diego Scholarship Pageant Application

DEADLINE: Application must be postmarked by March 3, 2018

Applicant's Full Name:		
Address:		City,State,Zip
Home Phone:		E-mail Address:
Date of Birth:	Social Security # :	Ethnicity (please see page 2 item #8):

Information

Your attendance is **MANDATORY** at the following:

Orientation Meeting: March 18, 2018

Contestant Workshops/Training: April 14, 2018, May 5 & 6, 2018, and May 20, 2018

PIFA Board of Director's Meeting: Introduction of Contestants – May 2, 2018

Pageant Main Event Rehearsal: 3rd week of June 2018 (Date TBA)

Pageant Main Event: 4th week of June 2018 (Date TBA)

PIFA Taste of the Pacific Islands: July/Aug 2018 (Date TBA)

24th Annual Pacific Islander Festival scheduled September 22 & 23, 2018

Contestant Qualifications

Applicant must be a female of Pacific Islander ethnicity from the areas of Melanesia, Micronesia or Polynesia. She must be a resident of San Diego. High School graduate or completed GED Testing program by June 15, 2018. Registered as a full-time student (12 units or more) within San Diego County or employed full time (minimum of twenty (20) hours per week) within San Diego County for at least six (6) months prior to the competition, or employed part-time (minimum sixteen (16) hours per week) and attend school part-time (minimum six (6) units). Be between the ages of 17 and 24 and a US Citizen. Unmarried or not have been previously married. Must not have given birth to a child or be pregnant. Not have posed unclothed in any photograph, video, or publication. Entrant must maintain the basis upon which she claims eligibility throughout the local competition and reign if awarded the title.

Required Enclosures (**ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN HARDCOPY)

1. Recent 5x7 head shot of yourself (**HARDCOPY & ON CD**)
2. Official High School (if a Senior at time of application) or College transcripts- most recent semester required
3. TWO letters of recommendations: One from a school teacher and/or counselor AND one from a community leader.
4. Essay (1-2 pages) stating why you want to win this title
5. Essay stating accomplishments, leadership or scholastic honors/awards, Pacific Islander and community involvement/service and goals for the future. Please follow the guidelines below to prepare your 2nd essay:

Category 1: High School Academics

- Strength of academic program, as evidence by the number of advanced placement or honors courses completed
 - Cumulative rank
 - College weighted grade point average
- Category 2: Community Service**
- Community service (e.g., tutoring, mentoring, volunteer work, fundraising, etc.)
 - Leadership skills (e.g., executive positions in any organization, leading youth groups, school or civic involvement)
 - Civic Involvement (e.g., participating in public/private partnerships, volunteering on behalf of city programs and services, addressing/advocating the city council on issues of interest to the community, etc.)

Category 3: Participation in promoting culture

- Cultural Arts or Dance Groups
- Community work within the Pacific Islander community

Category 4: Potential Goals to Contribute to Community of Pacific Islanders

- How applicant will give back to Pacific Islander community
- Native language skills
- Knowledge of your Pacific Islander ancestry

Category 5: Letters of recommendation

- Must have minimum of two letters of recommendation attached

- Applicant must be available for interview with Scholarship Review Committee, if requested. Application **MUST** be complete and have all required enclosures or it will not be accepted. Applicant may submit additional work, photos or video with the application requirements.
- Must provide a copy of California Driver’s License or Identification Card and proof of ethnicity. E.g. students, parents, or grandparents birth certificates.
- Self-addressed stamped envelope to PIFA, P.O. Box 86046, SD, CA 92138 Attn: Pageant Scholarship Program

For more information regarding additional guidelines and qualifications, please email misspifa@pifasandiego.com. A response will be sent out from the Pageant review committee by Sunday, March 11, 2018, to notify you of your eligibility to participate in the program.

Submit Your Completed Application

Submit your completed application to: PIFA, P.O. Box 86046, SD, CA 92138 Attn: Pageant Scholarship Program

Administrative Section

Date Application was received and complete: _____

Approved: _____, President Date: _____

Approved: _____, Director in Charge Date: _____

Approved: _____, Pageant Coordinator Date: _____