

Thank you for your interest in our 2024 America's Clogging Hall of Fame Pageant! Please read over this handbook as it has very important information regarding the pageant and will likely answer most of your questions!

Location:

Shackford Hall

Lake Junaluska 91 North Lakeshore Drive Lake Junaluska, NC 28745

Eligibility to Compete:

Dancers are eligible to compete in the Miss ACHF Pageant as long as they are competing for a new title unless the dancer won Miss ACHF or Mr ACHF. For example, if a dancer wins the crown for her age division one year, she can compete the following year and attempt to win Miss Traditional, Miss Contemporary, Miss ACHF or she can compete if she moves up an age division. If she does not move up an age division but is solely hoping to crown as Miss Traditional, Miss Contemporary or Miss ACHF she cannot crown in the age division she won the previous year.

Age Divisions:

Princess	Prince	6 & under		
Sweetheart	Mini Mister	7-10	No Backstage Interview Jr Miss/Mister ACHF	Jr Miss/Mister
Pre Teen	Pre Teen Mister	11-12		
Teen	Teen Mister	13-15		
Senior	Senior Mister	16-29	Backstage Interview	
Senior Elite	Senior Elite Mister	30-49		Miss/Mister
Mrs	Mr	Married		ACHF
Elite	Elite Mister	50+		

Awards for each Age Division:

2nd Runner Up 1st Runner Up Division Winner

Clogging & Pageant Requirements:

All dancers are required to do a choreographed solo, with the exception of the Princess/Prince (6 & under) and Elite (50+) Divisions. ALL contestants are required to do at least one freestyle of choice. ALL Contestants wishing to compete for the titles of Jr Miss, Jr Mister, Miss, or Mr must compete a choreographed solo and BOTH freestyle solos.

Please note: While we support other clogging organizations and their Royal Court, no current title holder from another clogging pageant may compete in the Mr. & Miss. ACHF Pageant during their reign. This is to respect their agreement to represent that particular clogging organization. This rule also applies to any of our title holders. If you crown in our pageant, you may not compete in another clogging pageant during your reign. Doing so will result in losing your title.

Top 3 Finalists/Requirements:

To be eligible as one of the Top 3 Finalists for Miss/Mister titles, dancers must compete in a choreographed solo <u>and</u> **BOTH** contemporary and traditional freestyles. Top 3 Finalists will also be asked 1 of the 3 On-Stage Questions down below.

- Miss Traditional
- Miss Contemporary
- Miss/Mister ACHF

On Stage Questions:

- What is your favorite clogging memory?
- Why do you want to be Miss/Mister ACHF?
- What does clogging mean to you?

Other Awards:

- Photogenic: All photos will be judged prior to the pageant and posted in the lobby during the pageant
- People's Choice: Voting will be online through our website and based on the amount of money paid through PayPal. Each vote will cost \$1.00 - all contestants will submit headshots and be entered in the People's Choice competition
- Evening Gown/Formal Wear: This will be judged during the pageant
- Congeniality: Contestants will vote and choose the winner of this award

ACHF Court Titles:

Miss ACHF			
Mister ACHF			
Miss Traditional			
Miss Contemporary			
Jr Miss ACHF			
Jr Mister ACHF			
Princess/Prince			
Sweetheart/Mini Mister			
Pre Teen Miss/Mister			
Teen Miss/Mister			
Senior Miss/Mister			
Mrs/Mr			
Elite Miss/Mr			

Scoring Breakdown:

Choreographed Solo	40%	Required to compete for Miss/Mister ACHF
Freestyle Solo (Trad/Cont)	20%	Both required to compete for Miss/Mister ACHF
Interview/On-Stage Chat	30%	3 Miss/Mister Finalists will each have an on-stage question
Evening Gown/Formal Wear	10%	

Contestants ages 15 & under will not compete in private backstage interviews. Interview scores for those contestants will come from an on-stage conversation during the evening gown/formal wear portion of the competition. Their question will come from their answers provided on their application paperwork or information sheet. If a contestant competes in both freestyle solo categories, the highest score from the two will be used towards their final score.

Registration Includes:

- Choreographed Solo
- Both Contemporary and Traditional Freestyles
- 2 Photogenic Entries (not required)
- Event T-shirt
- Personalized Sash
- Evening Gown Entry
- Contestant Pizza Party on Friday
- People's Choice Competition Entry

Royal Court:

- Continental Breakfast Sunday Morning
- Sash & Pin
- Court T-shirt for the year (will be provided at Nationals)
- Crown
- Crown Box

Tentative Schedule:

Friday

6:00pm-7:00pm

Check in

7:00pm-8:00pm

Pizza/PJ Party for contestants, families are on their own for dinner. Contestants will meet their rotational group members, play ice breaker activities, participate in a t-shirt swap activity and meet their weekend buddy.

Saturday

8:00am-1:00pm

ROTATION: 90 minute rotation with two 15 minute breaks. Must wear interview attire and be interview ready when you arrive to start rotation.

Group A Interviews

Group B Rehearsal (pageant walk/practice talking into microphone/write good luck notes for weekend buddy)

Group C Craft (ACHF themed friendship bracelet, foam picture frame,etc)

1:00pm-2:00pm

EVERYONE LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

2:00pm-3:15pm

Opening number rehearsal/Inspiration from Miss North Carolina.

3:15pm-5:00pm

Get ready for solos (hair/makeup/rest)

5:15pm-5:30pm

Return to Shackford Hall

5:30pm-7:00pm

Contestants Clogging opening number and introductions Solos (emceed by Miss NC and Quinn Stansell) Special Awards Reigning Royal Court Dance

7:00pm-10:00pm

Formal Wear/Onstage question/Crowning

Sunday

10:00am-11:30am

Reception/Photos and breakfast

- presentation of expectations for the coming year; including activities for the year
 Dress code is Cocktail for contestants and families
- photos can include families

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out by email to Ally Snuggs (allysnuggs@gmail.com) or Sarah Campbell (dancersarah98@gmail.com). Thank you for your continued support and we cannot wait to see everyone in September!

Sincerely, Ally & Sarah