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Welcome to the show

Dearest Contestants, Family & Friends,

To our Delegates – What a journey we've had this year! We have been so inspired working with each of you. We stand in awe of your amazing hearts. This day is your day! We are so proud of you and know you will shine like the stars you are.

To the communities of wonderful people supporting their Queens – None of our Queens are here by accident. They set their intentions and worked hard towards this moment. They could not be here without your love and support. Thank you for being a light to this group of outstanding women.

To our guests in the audience – We are proud to be producing this pageant for another year here in Maryland and DC. We are immensely grateful to you for being here and we cannot wait for you to witness these phenomenal women who are the epitome of all the beautiful things in our State. Each delegate is already worthy of their crown. They are all deserving and we know you will see that on stage tonight.

To our sponsors – this pageant would not be possible without you! Thank you for your kindness, generosity and support!

With deepest affection,

Laurett, Drew and Laura

Laurett Ellsworth Arenz

Laurett Ellsworth Arenz has been directing the Mrs. Maryland America Pageant since 2004. She is tremendously grateful for the enthusiastic support she receives from the former Mrs. Maryland titleholders and all pageants. Laurett fell in love with the Mrs. America organization when she was crowned Mrs. Virginia America 2001 and Mrs. America 2002. She had the honor of judging the Mrs. World Pageant twice: once in Las Vegas in 2003 and again in December 2017 in South Africa.

Laurett is the author of the best-selling and award-winning book, *The RAFT Strategy: Your Retirement Approach Free of Tax and Other Safe Investing Secrets*. She and her husband David own HERO'S Strategies, a financial services company that serves thousands of clients through numerous affiliate advisers throughout the country. Together they host a weekly radio show, which airs nationally. The show can also be heard from their website, WeBuildYourWealth.com.

As a Certified Life Coach and former Mrs. America, Laurett loves to help and watch others achieve their goals and realize their potential. "I am always inspired by the Mrs. Maryland contestants and Queens because they live lives of integrity and serve their communities. They stand as stellar role models." She says, "Thank you for promoting the magic of the Mrs. Maryland America crown and for the gift of your friendship. I feel blessed to be a part of your lives." Laurett and Dave reside in Cape Coral Florida. They are the proud parents of seven and grandparents of 17. Their children live in are spread-out between Maryland, Florida, Washington, Illinois, Utah, Arizona, and Guam.





Drew Vanlandingham

Drew Vanlandingham is a native of Arkansas. He is a co-owner of Van Saint Group with Rachel St Amour. Drew holds degrees in Vocal Performance—Opera, Counseling, Floral and Master's Degrees in Floral and Vocal Performance from The Peabody Conservatory of Music.

Drew began his Career at the age of 16. He has performed his two career roles Nationally and Internationally. One Career is that of a Counter Tenor Baritone and the other being a Celebrity Event Designer. He has performed some of his greatest roles Musically in Le Nozze Di Figaro, Tales of Hoffman, Big River, and

The Music Man just to name a few.

His Role as an Event Designer has been published in All Local Publications as well as featured on all Maryland/DC Television, TLCs "Say Yes to the Dress", and "Curvy Brides". His Client List go all the way from The Baltimore Ravens, Fashion Designer Steve Madden, Under Amours own Kevin Plank to many more. His work has been published in several Local Publications and in 2009 being named Event Planner of the Year by Unforgettable Weddings. Drew has had the honor of speaking for the Association of Bridal Consultants in 2011, Virginia Bridal Consultants in 2012, NACE National Design Experience in 2014, Speaking Privately all over the US for "Devils and the Details" in 2015 to present and many more.

You can find him designing away in the Van Saint Group studios preparing to do more great things with finding new trends and working with color for a fabulous Soiree.

Laura Everngam-Price

Laura Everngam-Price is a native Marylander and grew up in Talbot County. She was Mrs. Maryland America 2005. She also held the titles of America's Fit Mrs in 2006 and Mrs. Delaware United States in 2007.

Laura entered the political arena in 2010, running for and winning a seat on the Talbot County Council and was re-elected for a third and final term in November 2018. She also served as an Executive Officer on the Maryland Association of Counties Board of Directors for 8 years and was the President of the organization in 2022. She credits her pageant background and experience in helping achieve this position and devoted herself to public service and serving the citizens of Talbot County and the State of Maryland.

She was a featured dancer in the movie, "The Wedding Crashers" and also a former national level Figure Skater and soloist with the Ice Capades in Japan. She is the proud parent of two boys, Nicholas, a graduate of William & Mary and currently working in the Biology field, and Justin, a graduate of Elon University, working in the Data Analytics field.

Laura was a small business owner of Ship and Print Place for twenty years and loves to vacation in the Caribbean, dance, and spend quality time with her children.



Our Mrs & Miss Maryland Family



Julia Chang 2021



Aisha Hinton 2021



Aziza Howard 2021



Keisha Ruiz 2020



Hysha Nesmith 2020



Anna Belcher 2020



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Deveney Shea 2019



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Jaime Trevillian 2017



Chelsea Mitchell 2016



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Our Mrs. Maryland Family



Zereana
Jess Huff **2014**



Heather
Ziehl **2013**



Teresa
Scanlon **2012**



April
Proudfoot **2011**



Raquel
Thomas **2010**



Carrie
Yorkis **2009**



Siobhan
Davenport **2008**



Adrienne
Carver **2007**



Patty
Markos **2006**



Laura
Everngam-Price **2005**



Nikki
Karl **2004**



Heather
Ablondi **2003**

This Evening's Emcee - Victory Ram



Victory Ram (Ram, like BAM) is a 15-year pageant veteran who has captured numerous awards, including countless interview, talent, spokesmodel, and acting awards, in addition to state and national titles across various systems.

Passionate about about pageantry and what it can do for young women, Victory has helped to prepare her clients for over 135+ local, state, national, and international title and award wins through her company, Be Victorious Prep. In addition, her clients have gone on to compete international events, like the World Championships of Performing Arts, bringing home gold medals and honorable mentions in the modeling, acting, and talent competitions, which are judged by agents from around the world.

For five years, Victory served as the the Director of Education at the Barbizon School of Modeling, Acting, and Personal Development in Baltimore, Maryland. Using her 15 years of experience in the pageant, modeling, acting, and talent worlds, Victory was able to share her expertise with her students to help prepare them for success in the industry. In fact, many of her students have been featured in magazines, Atlantic City Fashion Week, Baltimore Fashion Week, commercials, and more.

Victory also has experience all across the entertainment industry, having been a promotional model for Almay Cosmetics, featured in the movie "Step Up", within the pages of I Am Modern magazine, and on the cover of Supermodels Unlimited Magazine. She is also a certified makeup artist with MAC makeup and she owns The Bravado Boutique. You can also catch her on various episodes of local TV, as she was the host for School Court TV on Fox Baltimore and has been on HBO's VEEP.

Expanding her horizons, in 2015, she launched the International Empowerment Academy and became the proud author of "Why People Fail and How You Can Learn to Succeed," which is available on Amazon. She is also a sought after public speaker on confidence, dressing for success, branding, and personal development. Most recently, she became the Director of the Baltimore Small Business Meetup Group. Victory is currently the Business Director of the Miss Baltimore, Miss Annapolis, and Miss Anne Arundel County Scholarship Pageants, which are official local preliminaries of the Miss America Organization. She also serves as an advisor for the Miss Eastern Shore and Miss Ocean City Scholarship Pageants and for the Miss Globe United States Pageant, where she serves as the Assistant National Director.

With a Bachelors degree in Political Science and a Masters in Communications and Public Relations, Victory is leading the pageant and personal development industries, by helping others 'be victorious' in ALL that they do.

DANIELA PEELER

MRS. MARYLAND
AMERICA 2022

Dear friends, family, & supporters,

As my reign as Mrs. Maryland comes to a close, I am filled with gratitude for the incredible journey that I have experienced over the past year. It has been an honor to serve as an ambassador for the great state of Maryland and to advocate for causes that are close to my heart.

As someone who cares deeply about the well-being of others, one of the platforms that was most important to me was human trafficking. This is a deeply troubling issue that affects millions of people around the world, including right here in Maryland. Throughout my reign, I worked tirelessly to raise awareness about human trafficking and to support organizations that are working to combat this issue. I visited schools, community organizations, and hospitals to talk about warning signs, prevention, and to support victims of trafficking. Through my platform as Mrs. Maryland, I was able to reach a broader audience and bring attention to this issue in a meaningful way.

As my reign comes to an end, I look forward to spending more time with my loved ones and cherishing the memories we have made together. They are the ones who have inspired me, motivated me, and kept me grounded throughout this incredible journey. I am grateful for the love, encouragement, and sacrifice that my family has shown me throughout my reign. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for your love and support. To my husband, children, parents, family and friends- thank you for always believing in me and encouraging me to pursue my dreams. I could not have done this without you.

Thank you once again for allowing me to serve as Mrs. Maryland, it has been a privilege and an honor.



Daniela Peeler

Megan Myers

Being crowned as Mrs. Maryland American 2022 has been one of the most incredible experiences of my life. I have had the opportunity to represent my community, and my state, and it has been an absolute privilege to serve as an icon of empowerment, grace, and intelligence.

This past year, I have grown in ways I never thought possible. I have become more confident, more compassionate, and more committed to making a positive difference in the world. I have met so many amazing people, gained a few sisters, learned valuable lessons, and made so many memories that I will cherish for the rest of my life.

I would like to thank my husband, Brent, and my wonderful children for always being there for me, cheering me on, and reminding me of what truly matters in life. To my directors and sister Queens who supported and motivated me to be the best version of myself, thank you for believing in me and making this an incredible journey. I hope to conclude my reign leading with hope, inspiration, and encouragement to go after your dreams.

What truly matters is the impact we make on the world around us. I have been blessed to be among the most powerful, beautiful women in the country. Whether we are raising awareness for a cause, or simply showing kindness and compassion to those we meet, we all have the power to make a difference. Watch out world, you have not seen the last of Megan Myers, Mrs. Maryland American 2022.



Mrs. Maryland American 2022

GABBY RICHMOND

MISS MARYLAND FOR AMERICA STRONG 22'

This past year as your *2022 Miss for America Strong* has been nothing short of an honor. I've learned a wealth of invaluable lessons that I will treasure for a lifetime. Who would have known my "yes" to pageantry would unlock my femininity, propel me into my modeling/acting career and last but not least, bless me with sister-queens?

Furthermore, pageantry has catapulted me into my purpose that God has set upon my life. Infertility is my chosen platform. Prior to now, I've always been passionate about infertility. I learned an unfortunate truth that women have been historically suffering in silence when it comes to infertility. I am excited to announce my podcast titled, "She Is Heard," will launch the same week my amazing reign comes to an end.

"Our mission is to give women a space to be heard in the areas of infertility, maternal health, and the birth experience."

Thank you pageantry for being a catalyst for me to make an impact in the world. This is not goodbye, just a see you soon. It's only the beginning and you all will forever be apart of my story. If you would like to follow me on my next journey, tune into my podcast by scanning the QR code below.



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Judy Kinnie

Judy and her husband Jason share five children, and two beautiful grandsons, ages one and two. She is a Wellness Ambassador with UPMC Western Maryland Hospital and raises awareness for diabetes prevention throughout the state. Judy is a published author of Dining with Diabetics and donated the book to a state chapter of Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). She has been a national spokesperson for diabetes program for over 20 years and meets with newly diagnosed type 1 diabetic children and their families to assist them with getting acclimated to a new life of living with diabetes.



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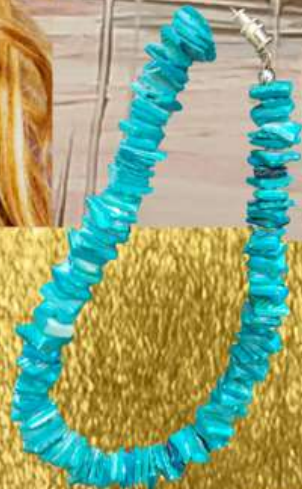
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