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## Ka`aliyah McKim Diamond Miss Gay USofA at Large 2015



### Miss Gay USofA at Large 2015 Results

**Interview**  
 Lady Ivana  
**Talent**  
 Ka'aliyah McKim Diamond  
**Gown**  
 Adriana Fuentes

**4th Alternate**  
 Jocelyn Summers  
**3rd Alternate**  
 Maria Garrison  
**2nd Alternate**  
 Tanisha Cassadine

**1st Alternate**  
 Sasha Adams  
**WINNER**  
 Ka`aliyah McKim Diamond



Mari Jane - Miss Gay USofA Newcomer, Zayer York - Mr. Gay USofA at Large, Ka`aliyah McKim Diamond - Miss Gay USofA at Large, Papa Cherry-Matrix - Mister USofA MI, Bella Nicole Harlow - Miss DIVA USofA, Mokha Montrese - Miss Gay USofA and Danielle DeLong - Miss Gay USofA at Large 2014



# Again 5, 6, 7, 8 Again

Mokha Montrese

Miss Gay USofA 2015

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you did whatever you had to do to survive. I pray that the heavenly Father Almighty continue to bless me and also my enemies.

In Jesus name - Amen.

I would again like to say how grateful I am to be Miss Gay USofA 2015.

My journey was many, many years in the making and giving up was never an option. I am not a perfect person nor would I ever claim to be because of my many struggles to get to this point. I am proud to have peace in my life and can say I did it on my own and on my own terms. Never conforming to anyone else's vision on who Mokha Montrese should be. So whatever I have done in my life to get to this place where I have turned the bad into good and laid my past to rest should be no concern of others. However, I

know that is only a dream because haters will hate and you will never be able to please everyone. I will continue to hold my head up



and share my gifts and love with others. So, for those who smile in my face and stab me in my back at the same time I can only pray for you. This is my prayer:

May the Blood of Jesus remove the bitterness from your heart and soul. The next time - before you throw stones - may God STOP you in your tracks and show you the time or times in your life when

Remember to support, love and encourage your fellow brothers and sisters. We only have one life to live so live it to the fullest. Judge and not be JUDGED.

Forever yours

Mokha Montrese  
Miss Gay USofA

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Admission: \$10 at door  
Table reservation at [www.dragdepot.com](http://www.dragdepot.com)

Saturday:  
7:30pm-Montage open to the public  
8:00pm-Pageant

Sunday:  
7:30pm-Montage open to the public  
8:00pm-Pageant

Mokha Montrese Miss Gay USofA 2015

Harmony Breeze Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA 2015

Emcees: DuWanna Moore & Kelli Jo Klein

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# From the Hart

Roxie Hart  
Miss Gay USofA Classic 2015  
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September seemed like Fall – quiet, peaceful and just rolling along.

I opened the season with Oklahoma City Ballet and it is off to a great start.

A big congratulation to your newly crowned Ka'aliyah McKim Diamond, Miss Gay USofA at Large.

October starts the “Classic” dream and here are some of your upcoming options - October 16<sup>th</sup> Miss Gay Maryland USofA Classic; November 14<sup>th</sup> Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA Classic; November 22<sup>nd</sup> Miss Gay Gulf Coast USofA Classic. I hope to see many of you at one of these preliminaries.

I am so excited to get started on this journey and meet contestants, promoters and all the fans of the USofA system. It's amazing when you get to see dreams, hopes and visions come true. You always dream of what it will be like to win, travel and represent. If my journey continuous the way it has been I am in for one incredible year.



Love,

Roxie Hart.  
Miss Gay USofA Classic

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**NOV. 14, 2015**  
8:00p

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*Kimberly Michaels*  
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USofA CLASSIC 2015

*Roxie Hart*  
MISS GAY USofA  
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INTERVIEW: 6P

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 CREATIVE EVENING WEAR  
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 9:00 PM  
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## Judges Corner Randal Kinnear

I would like to introduce myself to you and would love to be considered when you are choosing judges for your preliminary pageant or contest.

Pageants and Contests I have judged - Miss Gay Mid America, Miss Gay Oklahoma America, Miss Gay Southern Elegance America, Miss Gay Texas America, Miss Gay Tennessee America, Miss Gay Oklahoma USofA, Miss Gay Southern States USofA, Miss Gay Universe, Miss Gay American National, Mr. Gay All American. I have also judged various preliminary pageants for the Miss America Scholarship Pageants in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and Kansas and the Mrs. Oklahoma America and Mrs. Texas America Pageants.

I owned the International Leather Sir, Leather boy and Community Boot Black Contests for 5 years. Produced 35 Leather related contests as well as gay and straight female pageants. I am currently working on developing a new contest to be launched next year.

Titles I have held include Mr. Gay American National 1996, International Leather Sir 2006 and my only female impersonation title - Miss Trashbag 1999.

The Haus of Jane & USofA Pageants Present:  
**Miss CA Diva USofA Pageant Lady in Red**  
 Winner:  
 \$500 Cash, Crown, Sash, Entry & Lodging at Nationals + Additional Prizes  
 1st Alternate:  
 \$250 Cash, Sash, Entry & Lodging at Nationals + Additional Prizes  
 Bella Nicole Harlow  
 Miss Diva USofA 2015  
 Contestant Categories:  
 Personal Interview  
 Presentation (Not Judged)  
 Talent  
 Evening Wear  
 Monday, October 26, 2015 \* 8pm  
 www.facebook.com/causofa  
 California@usofa.org  
 Hosted By:  
 Justice Paige Counce  
 Ms. Sweetheart Regal 2015

I am a former owner of the Dallas Eagle, served as Secretary of the Dallas Tavern Guild and served as the Interim Secretary of the United Court of the Lone Star Empire.

Feel free to get in contact with me when you are looking for judges for your preliminary pageant or contest

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# Kickin' it with KBootz Part 2

**Ka'aliah McKim Diamond**  
**Miss Gay USofA at Large 2015**  
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Hello to All,

Wow! I didn't think I would be writing a column again so soon. I am more than excited about my win in Ohio.

It still feels unreal but I am more than happy. I want to thank my team for helping me and being there for me. Without my team I wouldn't be me. All the crying, fighting, stoning and practicing, has paid off. I told my brother Matthew (a/k/a Big Daddy) "this year will be the test of all test, to see if I learned anything over the years". I told him "winning" will be passing the test. I guess I passed - LOL



I am looking forward to this year and working with all the girls and promoters. Jeremy Burnette and Darryl Kent - I know we will have an amazing year! It has started off on a high note. Thank you to everyone who had a hand in helping me on my journey. I would list names but there would be so many. Be on the look out for many new and exciting things through out the year.

With Love and Respect,

**Ka'aliah Mckim Diamond**  
**Miss Gay USofA at Large**



Danielle DeLong - Miss Gay USofA at Large 2014;  
Ka'aliah McKim Diamond - Miss Gay USofA at Large and Mokha Montrese - Miss Gay USofA

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USofA & USofA NEWCOMER

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Miss Gay Diamond of the Desert  
USofA Newcomer 2015

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**MOKHA MONTRESE** Miss Gay USofA 2015  
**MARI JANE** Miss Gay USofA Newcomer 2015

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Contestants from ANY Division of USofA Pageants  
Please forward the following to the e-mail address below

- Contestant Name**
- Personal or Drag Bio**
- Contact Info (you want released on the website)**
- Facebook link**
- Twitter link**
- Competition History (titles and years)**
- Photos (from competition or during your reigns)**
- Scoresheets**

**Any or all of the above information would be greatly appreciated  
as we work on the History Section of the website**

### **PROMOTERS**

- Any score sheets from any year for any pageant/contest within any division of USofA Pageants
- Any posters from any year for any pageant/contest within any division of USofA Pageants
- List of judges from any year for any pageant/contest within any division of USofA Pageants

## **Forward to [sburk@usofa.org](mailto:sburk@usofa.org)**

Anticipated Completion Date - December 2015

## Mari's Minutes

Mari Jane

Miss Gay USofA Newcomer 2015

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Hey everyone!

This past month has been absolutely amazing. We confirmed a couple of new preliminaries, held our first preliminary and we crowned a new Miss Gay USofA at Large.

First this month we announced three new preliminaries for this year! The first is a preliminary that is coming back after a few years – Miss Gay Midwest USofA Newcomer and it is a regional that will be held in Dayton, OH at club masque on Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. The promoter is Cody Russell Kincaid. You can contact myself or Cody for information. The second preliminary is another returning preliminary – Miss Gay Indiana USofA Newcomer! The promoters are Michael Stoker and Aaron Hurley and the preliminary is scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup> in Evansville, IN. We have confirmed another new preliminary – Miss Gay West Virginia USofA Newcomer. The date and location are to be announced.

In September I got to experience my very first preliminary – Miss Gay Rhode Island USofA Newcomer and it was a complete success. Please congratulate your first Miss Gay Rhode Island USofA Newcomer - Jacqueline DiMera! A huge thank you to the promoters Payton St. James and Steve Morin., you guys were so amazing to Mocha, Darryl, me and everyone else who you had as guests. It was such an amazing time and I hope to see you guys real soon.

There are three preliminaries coming up in Novem-

ber. Miss Gay Illinois USofA Newcomer on November 7<sup>th</sup> in Springfield, IL Andy Lewis and Mahogany Knight are the promoters for this preliminary. On November 15<sup>th</sup> is the Miss Gay Diamond of the Desert USofA Newcomer pageant in Tucson, AZ and it is promoted by James Carden. Finally the Miss Gay Midwest USofA Newcomer Pageant will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup> in Dayton, OH.

The big event in September was the crowning of our new Miss Gay USofA at Large - Ka'aliyah



McKim Diamond! I want to congratulate Danielle DeLong on a beautiful reign and step down. I love you Sis and I can't wait to see what's next for you. I want to thank Jeremy Burnette and Darryl Kent for being so welcoming to myself and the entire court. It was such a blast

having my first national appearance in my hometown! Axis was fabulous and the crowd was everything! To Ka'Aliyah - you are the girl who stepped down my first year at Newcomer nationals and now two years later we are reigning together! I am so happy for you. You are truly an inspiration to the entire Newcomer system!

Well guys that's it for this month.

Love you all and see you at Mr. Gay USofA at Large and Mr. Gay USofA next month.

Mari Jane  
Miss Gay USofA Newcomer

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Mr Gay USofA 2014

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NOVEMBER 4-6

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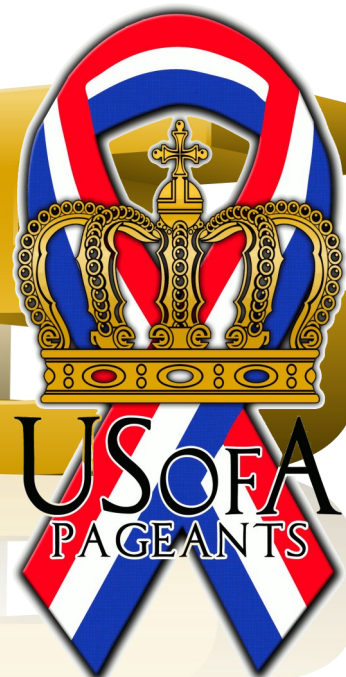
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# OCTOBER USofA EVENTS

- 1 - Mr. Gay Florida USofA
- 1 - Mr. Gay Florida USofA at Large
- 2 - Mr. Gay South Central States USofA
- 3 - Mister Missouri USofA MI
- 3 - Mister Missouri USofA MI Classic
- 3 - Miss Missouri DIVA USofA
- 4 - Mr. Gay Northeast USofA at Large
- 10 - 11 - Mister Arizona USofA MI
- 10 - 11 - Mister Arizona USofA MI Classic
- 10 - 11 - Miss Arizona DIVA USofA
- 16 - Miss Gay Maryland USofA
- 16 - Miss Gay Maryland USofA Classic
- 17 - 18 - Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA
- 25 - Mister California USofA MI
- 25 - Mister California USofA MI Classic
- 26 - Miss California DIVA USofA



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and click on the PEOPLE tab. A drop down box will appear. Then click on Suspended List and you will see all 9 divisions of USofA Pageants Suspended List. Please utilize this list as often as possible!

**Jettin' Around with Jeffrey**  
**Jeffrey Kelly**  
**Mr. Gay USofA 2014**  
**jkelly@usofa.org**



September is gone and I am turning the corner to the final month of my reign as Mr. Gay USofA. This has been one of the greatest years any titleholder could ask for. During October we will have my last preliminary and I do not know if I am happy or sad. You never realize how fast a year goes by until you have actually reigned.

I am very proud of everything I accomplished in a year, especially this being my first national title. I know I am new but I like to think that I was a great titleholder. Thanks everyone for all of the support and help you have given me. I want to say a special thanks to my partner, Alexis Mateo. People do not realize what a great individual he really is but I promise you everything I know I learned from him. And if he ever has the chance to reign as Miss Gay USofA he will be remembered as one of the best and would always be flawless. I know you will accomplish your dream one day because anyone would be crazy not to want you representing them.

This month was really good. I had some great preliminaries and the promoters have been amazing everywhere I go. The first Mr. Gay New York USofA was a success and the audience was so excited to see a USofA event in Manhattan. I performed at Miss Gay USofA at Large and that was another great pageant. Congrats to Ka`aliyah McKim Diamond on winning your second USofA title. Great job Jeremy Burnette and Darryl on producing a successful event. Danielle, I will miss you and I think you were amazing all year.

Unfortunately the venue for my step down has

has changed. It will now be held at the Heat but I am sure the contest will be fine still. I have worked really hard this year and I hope that everything works it in the end. Remember contestants - have a presentation and to make sure that you contact me if you need any help.



Remember to follow me on Instagram for updates @jeffreyykellyofficial or on my Facebook page.

Till next time I will see you all soon!

Mr. Gay USofA  
 Jeffrey Kelly

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HAMBURGER MARY'S & ERIC KELLEY PRESENT

**MR. GAY FLORIDA USofA & MR. GAY FLORIDA USofA AT LARGE**

HONORING: *Rexas Apollo*  
 MR. GAY FL USofA 2014

OFFICIAL PRELIMINARIES TO MR. GAY USofA & MR. GAY USofA AT LARGE IN SAN ANTONIO, TX

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1ST 7:30PM**

FEATURING  
*Jeffrey Kelly*  
 MR. GAY USofA

WITH PERFORMANCES BY:

ALEXIS MATEO MISS GAY SOUTHERN STATES USofA '15	ALICIA MARKSTONE MISS GAY USofA AT LARGE 2002	KENYA BLACK MISS GAY FL USofA NEWCOMER 2015

**CATEGORIES: INTERVIEW, CLUB WEAR & TALENT**

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## Here and There with Zayer

Zayer York

Mr. Gay USofA at Large 2014

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Hello to you all in USofA land. It's been another amazing month and it's very evident now that the END is near for me. I have been fortunate enough to have been able to do what I love and travel the US for prelims and/or bookings and got to meet so many people along the way.

This month I was able to visit the wonderful State of Oklahoma again and be a part of their state preliminary as a judge and special guest. I had an amazing time. I got to see my brother - former Mr. Gay USofA at Large O'dey Brooks capture the title and advance to nationals. As the reigning Mr. Gay USofA at Large I traveled to Miss Gay USofA at Large and was both a guest performer and I got to assist my VERY good friend Ka'aliyah McKim Diamond capture her dream. As I've traveled to different National Pageants every one of them meant the

end of my reign was getting closer and it made them all a bitter sweet moment for me. We were welcoming in the new family members and celebrating the memories and reigns of those that I got to call my brothers and sisters. Every opportunity that we are given to showcase our talents in any way is a true blessing and not every-



one gets the chance of a lifetime to do so. We should all be grateful. During September Mr. Gay Arizona USofA at Large took place and we qualified another amazing talented gentleman to nationals, congratulations to Jeremiah Daniels.

We often forget to step back take a breather and look at how far we've come because life is so fast pace at times and we want to do all that we can. I have been able to balance my full time job of 9½ years as well as travel the US with so many blessed moments that I will never forget. A lot of times you wonder how you ever did it all and wonder where am I or where am I going. The truth is that this reign is a REAL JOB in itself. You will never know the experience or task at hand until you are actually going through it! It's been everything and more and I want everyone to know that being a National Titleholder isn't easy. You are never truly 100% going to be ready to reign however your reign is what you make it - so make it the BEST!

Yours truly,

Zayer York  
Mr. Gay USofA at Large



Big Fee productions presents ...

### Mr. Gay Northeast USofA at Large 2015



*Zayer York*  
MR. GAY USofA AT LARGE '14

**Sunday, October 4th**  
10:00 pm tickets \$7.00

**bounce** 1616 W 25th Street  
Cleveland, OH

**Interview, Club Wear, Talent**  
registration @ 4pm Interview to follow  
Early Registration Fee by Sept 4 \$100  
Registration Fee \$125 after 9/4

Hosted By: Anthony Styles

Performances By:

Kevin Carlson  
Darrington Chilton

Silky Ganache  
Miss Unlimited Newcomer

Special Guest:  
Shari Turner



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**Promoter: Felix "Big Fee" Correa**  
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DARRYL NEUMANN & USOFA PAGEANTS PRESENT:

**FRIDAY OCT. 2<sup>ND</sup>**



STARRING JEFFREY KELLY  
MR. GAY SOUTH CENTRAL STATES USOFA 2014 & MR. GAY USOFA 2014  
AND OTHER SPECIAL GUESTS

**MR. GAY SOUTH CENTRAL STATES USOFA 2015**

**A DIRECT PRELIM TO MR. GAY USOFA 2015**

"RIO CARNIVAL"  
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REGISTRATION AT 3:00PM INTERVIEW IMMEDIATELY AFTER  
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Marco Del Gatto and USofA Pageants Present

**MISS ARKANSAS DIVA USOFA**


**THE GREAT GATSBY**

November 14th  
9 PM  
Trinity Nightclub  
1021 Jessie Rd  
Little Rock, AR  
72202

Categories Include:  
Interview  
Creative Evening Wear  
Talent

Registration at 12 PM  
\$100 before Oct. 1st  
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For more information:  
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Bella Nicole Harlow  
Miss Diva USofA

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**MISTER ARIZONA USOFA MI & MI CLASSIC**

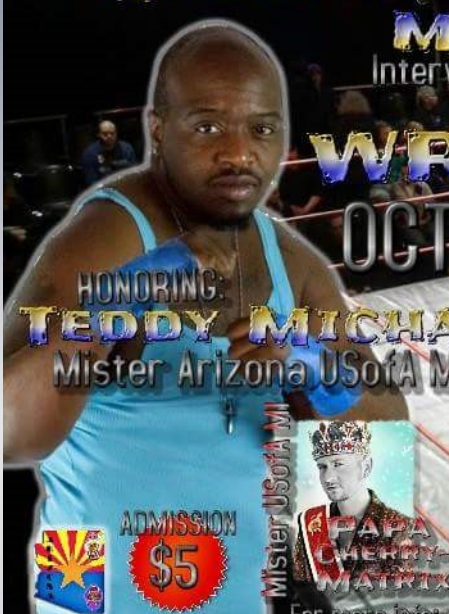



Interview - Creative Evening Wear - Talent

**WRESTLEMANIA**  
OCTOBER 11, 2015 7PM

HONORING:  
**TEDDY MICHAEL**  
Mister Arizona USofA MI

"LET'S GET READY TO RUMBLE"

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## Dancin' with D.C. D.C.

Mister USofA MI Classic 2015  
DC @usofa.org

Hey Guys!

Hope everyone is doing great and ready for preliminary season! I know I am ready to get things started!

For me it seems like just yesterday that I was getting ready for my Florida preliminary. I was very nervous and super excited all at the same time! A lot of years had passed since I was on the competition side of things. Win or lose all I wanted was to do the best I could and hopefully make it to Nationals.

With several years of being a Promoter I knew what I was supposed to do to get my ticket. It was actually getting out there and executing it to the best of my ability that was the challenge!

I have been getting some questions regarding advice and overcoming nerves. The advice I have been giving to my Classic contestants regarding the categories:

**Interview** is hard to prepare for because you just never know what questions the judges will be asking. Always remember to be honest. Don't tell them what you think they want to hear, answer the question honestly. This is a job interview. Make sure you handle it as you would a professional interview. The judges want to get to know you. Be yourself. I always try to make the judges laugh. That seemed to make me less nervous when I hear them laugh.



As far as **Talent** goes give them the **WHOLE** package. Your look, your costuming, your stage presence, your lip sync and your energy should be elevated to the highest level that you have in you! Hit that stage with confidence and show the judges what a Classic MI can do!

**Creative Evening Wear** has always been difficult for me because you want to be over the top but absolutely not a costume! The look, the fit, the walk, the music and the design have to be all about you and who **YOU** are! You have to sell the look so make sure it's **YOUR** look! When you are comfortable with your whole look it will show!

I am so excited to hit the road to see my brothers and meet my new Classic Brothers! Of course after my classic nap ..

Until I see you, stay safe and take care!!

DC  
Mister USofA MI Classic



**"I was Classic when Classic wasn't Cool"**



**Mister USofA  
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March 12, 2016  
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# Playin' with Papa

Papa Cherry-Matrix  
 Mister USofA MI 2015  
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What an amazing month it has been!

I had my first preliminary of the year - Mister Oklahoma USofA MI and it was absolutely incredible! It was quite a mix of emotions since it was also my State step down but I am so happy to welcome D'Angelo as our new Mister Oklahoma USofA MI. I also had the pleasure of crowning our first Mister Oklahoma USofA MI Classic, Valentino Rios! I'm so proud of both of them and I know they will do an amazing job this year.

I'm currently getting ready to travel to Miss Gay USofA at Large to represent and I'm so excited. I can't wait to see all of the girls work it out and be there to congratulate the winner. It's been a pleasure getting to know our reigning, Danielle Delong. She is absolutely amazing and has had a wonderful reign.



This year has been so incredible and as the preliminary season has officially kicked off I can't wait to reunite with all of my Brothers and help each of them prepare for State and Nationals. Although it's getting busy I'm enjoying every second of the ride and I'm learning so much along the way. I will cherish everything I've learned for the rest of my life.

Papa Cherry-Matrix  
 Mister USofA MI

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## Blurring the Lines with Bella

Bella Nicole Harlow  
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Hello everyone!

Greetings from the road! I am current writing this on the final day of Miss Gay USofA At Large and there are so many thoughts and feelings swirling around my head, it is hard to distill them down into just a few words on a computer screen. First off, congrats to Danielle DeLong for an incredible reign and show of contestants. You are such a magical performer and have accomplished so much in your division, and it really shows. 30 beautiful and talented contestants have been battling it out on the stage, leaving their hearts and dreams out in the open to be judged by some of the industry's best. I don't envy that judging panel one bit, but I do know that whoever rises to claim the crown will be more than worthy to carry on the traditions and progress that has already been made.

I also had the honor and pleasure of being on the judging panel for the Mister Oklahoma USofA MI and MI Classic division this past week. Let me tell you that these boys really left their hearts on the stage! Congrats to everyone, including newly crowned Mister Oklahoma USofA MI D'Angelo, First Alternate Shire Paige, Second Alternate Wulf von Monroe, as well as Mister Oklahoma USofA MI Classic Valentino Rios on their wins and tickets to Nationals! Wonderful job!



*Bella Nicole Harlow*  
Miss Diva USofA 2015

When I get the opportunity to judge, I find that I learn so much about each category and I want to share a few tips and guidelines with you ladies who will be competing for Miss Diva USofA this year.

**Interview:** Treat this category like a job interview. Make sure you dress to impress! I love to show my personality through my clothes and accessories, but make sure it isn't distracting. Your hair should compliment the outfit as well as your shoes. Make sure your hair is clean and doesn't have "fly aways". I am

a big fan of wearing my own hair up and away from my face therefore the judges can read my expressions. When you come into the room, make sure you greet each individual judge with kindness and respect. Remember, the title you are vying for is more than just looking pretty and performing, it's about making vital connections and showing the panel just what it is that you can bring to the role of titleholder as both an administrator as well as showcasing your unique personality. The way I think of it is: Who would I want to be stuck with on the side of the road with a flat tire in the middle of the night? Interview should reflect

you as both your own self and your drag persona, so let your light shine!

**Creative Evening Wear:** This category should be reflective of your style and taste, kicked up to the next level. Think Met Gala, the Oscars, and the Emmys. Outfits should still be functional but creative, always with excellent crafting and clean lines. Your modeling music will also be to your choosing, so make sure it reflects your look as well. I like to think of my evening wear as a total package from head to toe, from the tip of my wig topper down to the soles of my heels.

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**Talent:** Make sure you ALWAYS have extra copies of your CDs. Even though everyone has the best intentions, CDs are easily scratched or systems can have trouble at the last minute, so bring backups to your backups. In my opinion, the best talents tell a story and are reflective of YOU and your best talent. If dancing isn't your thing, but something else is, please by all means DO IT! There is no right or wrong talent, as long as it is your best! Never try to do something you aren't comfortable with doing just because "everyone else is doing it." Build in a cushion of time, since there is a strict time limit. So make sure you don't lose any points by not paying attention to how long you will be out on that stage.

**Presentation of Theme:** This category is not judged but it is the first opportunity for the audience at the pageant to see you! This is your chance to really take risks and have a great time with the theme. This is your time to win people over to cheer for you and to give you that extra little push you might need to make it to the top. Have fun with it!

These are just my opinions of course, but please make sure that no matter what you do, do the obvious. Check for loose strings, stones, poor fit and flyaway wigs. When you get the little details right, it allows for more success within your categories. The USofA system is about consistency and detail, so just take the time to make everything super clean. You will thank me in the long run!

As I go into my first preliminary in Iowa, I want to say that I am so delighted to be your reigning Diva USofA. It is my honor and pleasure to represent Divas in the community. I am here for everyone, from the seasoned performer to the new girls setting foot on stage for the very first time. I include my contact information at the bottom of every article. Please do not hesitate to contact me for anything. That's my job to help you and my absolute pleasure to do so! I look forward to meeting you all on the road! As always - Dare to DIVA

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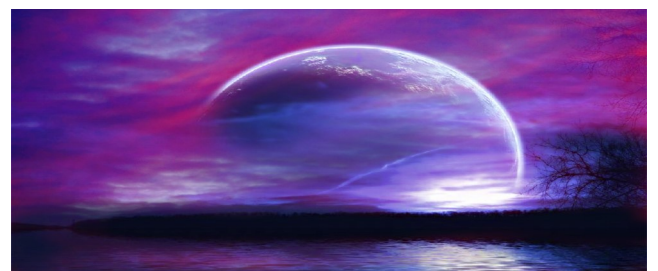
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