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MISS GEORGIA SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION: SECOND NIGHT PRELIMINARY RESULTS

History Made Tonight on the Miss Georgia Stage

COLUMBUS, GA (JUNE 16, 2022) – The following Miss Georgia Scholarship Competition candidates earned preliminary awards on the second night of the event:

Miss Georgia's Outstanding Teen

Evening Wear/On-Stage Question (\$100 Scholarship) – Miss Gwinnett's Outstanding Teen, Rebecca Zhang of Johns Creek, Ga.

Newcomer Talent Preliminary (\$100 Scholarship)— Miss Greater Columbus' Outstanding Teen, Riley Wolfe Rach of Columbus, Ga.

Talent (\$200 Scholarship) - Miss Atlanta's Outstanding Teen, Mary-Margaret Waddell of Americus, Ga.

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Betty Cantrell Preliminary On-Stage Interview/Social Impact Pitch (\$300 Scholarship) - Miss Rome, Taylor Burrell of Tyrone, Ga.

Newcomer Talent Preliminary (\$250 Scholarship sponsored by Shelby and Wanda Amos Foundation) - Miss Macon, Tara Schiphof of Duluth, Ga.

Talent (\$500 Scholarship sponsored by Georgia and Vickie Corrodino Fund) - Miss Gwinnett, A'Leah Burrell of Tyrone, Ga.

There were two significant moments of the night. History was made as it is the first time during the 21st century that two sisters both won preliminary awards on the same night – Taylor and A'Leah Burrell – both of Tyrone, Ga. And, Gwinnett County had a double-win tonight with Miss Gwinnett's Outstanding Teen Rebecca Zhang and Miss Gwinnett, A'Leah Burrell both winning a preliminary award.

The Miss Georgia Competition will resume on Friday. A limited number of remaining tickets are available for purchase in the box office for the RiverCenter of the Performing Arts.

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Notes to editors:

For a list of titles and hometowns of the 91 candidates from across Georgia: CLICK HERE

Photos:

Nightly Winners Images (Photo Credit Matt Boyd): <u>CLICK HERE</u> See group identification below.

Second Night Preliminary Results

Group Photo Miss Competition (left to right): Tara Schipohf, Karson Pennington (2021 Miss Georgia), Taylor Burrell, A'Leah Burrell

First Night Preliminary Results

Group Photo Outstanding Teen (left to right): Anna Kate Robinson, Megan Wright (2021 Miss Georgia's Outstanding Teen), Charlie Key, Mary Margaret McNeil

Group Photo Miss (left to right): Kelsey Hollis, Hannah McGarity, Karson Pennington (2021 Miss Georgia), Taylor Burrell

Miss Georgia Candidate Headshots: CLICK HERE

Miss Georgia's Outstanding Teen Headshots: CLICK HERE

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- 2) if you need a Columbus freelance photographer to capture images/video/interviews.

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Additional information:

Per the Miss America Organization, please use the following nomenclature for this event:

It is a "competition" (versus "pageant").

Participants are "candidates" (versus "contestants").

There is a "panel" (versus "judges").

Candidates are "earning a job" (versus "winning a title").

They are "at the podium" (versus "on a pedestal").

They are a "public servant" (versus a "queen").

The candidate selected will have "a year of service" (versus a "reign").

Your assistance in using these words is appreciated. If you have questions, please feel free to ask.

About the Miss Georgia Scholarship Competition

The Miss Georgia Scholarship Competition is part of the Miss America Organization, a 501(c)(3) and one of the most recognizable household names in America working to empower young women through education and service. The Miss Georgia Scholarship Competition is a non-profit organization that awards scholarships to outstanding young women to help advance them academically and professionally. The young lady who is crowned Miss Georgia continues to represent the state of Georgia at the Miss America Competition. Participants have gone on to achieve major success in diverse fields, including medicine, law, business, broadcast journalism, theater, politics, literature and more. For more information, visit www.missgeorgia.net, or follow MGSC on social media at @missgacompetition. The

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