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We are so excited that you have chosen to participate in the annual Thomasville's Rose Queen Pageant! We hope you will find it a fun, rewarding experience.

Following are important details about the process as well as a list of documents attached to this letter.

The pageant date is **Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012** at the Thomasville Municipal Auditorium; a detailed itinerary will be distributed to contestants. The newly crowned queen will make her first appearance as Thomasville's Rose Queen at the Rose Show festivities, April 26, 27 & 28, 2012.

Attached you will find the following:

- Contestant Checklist
- Thomasville's Rose Queen Application
- Thomasville's Rose Queen Agreement
- Instructions for writing your essay about Thomasville/Thomas County
- Tentative Appearance Schedule for required Rose Festival Events and other possible appearance opportunities

For planning purposes, we ask that you complete your **Contestant Application** and turn it in **as soon as possible and no later than January 20, 2012**. All other required information must be turned in by **Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 p.m.** You may either mail your completed applications or drop them off.

**Please mail your completed applications and information to:**

Laura Beggs  
Downtown Thomasville  
P O Box 1540  
Thomasville GA 31799

**Or you may drop them off at:**

Downtown Thomasville Main Street Office  
Thomasville Municipal Building  
(corner of Crawford and E. Jackson Streets-across from Commercial Bank)  
144 East Jackson Street  
Attn: Laura Beggs

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call: Karen Smith or Laura Beggs, Downtown Thomasville at 227-7020 ([karens@thomasville.org](mailto:karens@thomasville.org) or [laurab@thomasville.org](mailto:laurab@thomasville.org)).

Sincerely,

**Rose Queen Committee**

# Thomasville's Rose Queen

## 2012 CONTESTANT CHECKLIST

Item	Number needed
<b>2012 Contestant Application with signatures</b>	<b>1 Original (Make a copy for yourself)</b>  <b>Please complete both pages and turn in as soon as possible and no later than January 20, 2012</b>
<b>Contestant Agreement with signatures.</b>	<b>1 Original (Make a copy for yourself)</b>  <b>Please complete and turn in as soon as possible and no later than January 20, 2012</b>
<b>Transcript</b>	<b>1 official from your school</b>  <b>Due by February 3, 2012</b>
<b>Copy of your Driver's License</b>	<b>1 copy</b>  <b>Due by February 3, 2012</b>
<b>Birth Certificate</b>	<b>1 Certified Copy (we will return this if requested)</b> <b>Due by February 3, 2012</b>
<b>Thomasville's Rose Queen Essay</b>	<b>1 Copy</b> <b>See attached directions</b>  <b>Due by February 3, 2012</b>
<b>OTHER NOTES:</b>	
Interview Attire	This is your job interview for Thomasville's Rose Queen. This will be the first time you meet the judges and will also be the outfit you will wear for the opening number in the pageant. Dress as you would to interview for a job or as a spokesperson for a company or event. Remember to dress fashionably, and wear age appropriate attire.
Fitness Attire	This attire will be provided by the Pageant.
Evening Gown Attire	Remember to dress fashionably, in good taste and with age appropriateness in mind. This dress does not have to be new; many girls have worn their prom dress for this area of competition.
Shoes	If you are purchasing new shoes, please plan to wear them often prior to pageant night to break them in. It is a requirement to bring all shoes to all practices.

# Thomasville Rose Queen

## 2012 CONTESTANT APPLICATION

Please complete and return as soon as possible and no later than: **January 20, 2012.**  
Please note all other materials are due no later than **February 3, 2012.**

Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Middle) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Name to be used for On-Stage Introduction: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (ST) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Parents or Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Numbers:**

Contestant Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Father Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home or Other #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:**

Contestant: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

**(This must be a working email that you check regularly as we will communicate primarily by email.)**

**EDUCATION**

**High School Attending:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade as of April 1, 2012:** \_\_\_\_\_

**INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT YOU: This is a very important section.** *Please be detailed and specific. This information will be given to the judges to discuss with you during your personal interview. If needed, please attach additional sheet.*

**School sponsored sports you participate in:**

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**School sponsored club memberships:**

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**Honors or Awards you have received in your high school career:**

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**Church or Community groups in which you are an active member:**

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**Volunteer or Community Service organizations you are active in:**

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**Hobbies:**

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**Accomplishments outside of school:**

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**Future plans or goals:**

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**Other Interesting facts about yourself:**

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**Contestant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parental or Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION  
THOMASVILLE ROSE QUEEN PAGEANT**

Thomasville's Rose Queen pageant is an event of the Rose Show & Festival. Thomasville's Rose Queen will promote Thomasville and Thomas County by serving as an ambassador participating in the Rose Show & Festival as well as various civic, social and charity events. Thomasville's Rose Queen will reign over all official Rose Festival Activities.

This pageant will provide an avenue for participants to serve as role models for their community, gain self-awareness, self-confidence, and individual pride as well as develop a greater awareness about the community in which they live.

**AWARDS:**

Thomasville's Rose Queen will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to further her education upon graduation from high school.

The first runner-up will receive a \$750 scholarship to further her education upon graduation from high school.

The second runner-up will receive a \$500 scholarship to further her education upon graduation from high school.

The third runner-up will receive a \$350 scholarship to further her education upon graduation from high school.

The fourth runner-up will receive a \$250 scholarship to further her education upon graduation from high school.

**CONTESTANTS WILL COMPETE IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

<b>Interview</b>	<b>30 Points</b>
<b>Essay</b>	<b>15 Points</b>
<b>Evening Gown &amp; Poise</b>	<b>30 Points</b>
<b>Fitness &amp; Choreography</b>	<b>25 Points</b>

**AGREEMENT**  
**THOMASVILLE ROSE QUEEN PAGEANT**

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Contestants must be a high school Junior and at least 16 years of age by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

Contestants must reside in and attend school in Thomas County or be home schooled.

Holding another title does not hinder an otherwise eligible applicant from participating, providing:

- that applicant understands that if chosen as Thomasville Rose Queen, the commitments and expectations for Thomasville Rose Queen takes precedence over other obligations, AND
- if chosen there is no conflict with the other agency she currently holds a title with, AND
- applicant understands Thomasville Rose Queen is an exclusive title and use. The pageant does not recognize a "co-titlist" designation. For instance, when Thomasville Rose Queen is participating in an event as Thomasville Rose Queen, the other title she holds will not be recognized.

**Personal Characteristics:**

I understand that in order to be eligible to compete in the Thomasville's Rose Queen pageant, I hereby certify to the Personal Characteristics set forth in this section:

Gender: I am a female.

Marital Status: I am not now and I have never been married.

Parental Status: I am not now pregnant, and I have never been pregnant. I am not the adoptive parent of any child.

Criminal Record: I have never been convicted of any criminal offense and there are no criminal charges presently pending against me.

Prior Conduct: I have never performed any act or engaged in any activity or employment that is or could be reasonably characterized as dishonest, immoral or indecent.

Health: I am, to the best of my knowledge, in good health.

Substance Abuse: I do not use or consume any illegal controlled dangerous substances, alcohol or other dangerous substances.

**CHANGES IN CIRCUMSTANCES:**

I understand and agree that if, at any time during my reign as Thomasville's Rose Queen, any of the facts stated in my Application or this Agreement should change, I have the obligation to report any such change in writing immediately. I also understand that if I fail to do so, Thomasville's Rose Queen Committee may, at their sole discretion, determine to terminate my title as Thomasville's Rose Queen.

**SELECTION AS RUNNER-UP:**

If I am selected at the competition as 1st runner-up for the title of Thomasville's Rose Queen, I agree to remain available to assume all of the rights, obligations and commitments of Thomasville's Rose Queen in the event that Thomasville's Rose Queen Committee appoints me to do so by the reason of the inability or ineligibility of the contestant who was selected as Thomasville's Rose Queen.

**COMMITMENTS AS THOMASVILLE'S ROSE QUEEN:**

If I am selected as Thomasville's Rose Queen, I will serve until my successor is selected or appointed. The duties and obligations of my service as Thomasville's Rose Queen have been described to me and I understand and accept them.

I agree to make myself available for such personal appearances, interviews, testimonials, endorsements and other various commitments and events during my reign as Thomasville's Rose Queen.

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS:**

I agree and understand that the scholarship funds awarded to Thomasville's Rose Queen, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> runners-up are paid after my high school graduation and after a letter of acceptance to further my education has been presented to the Thomasville Main Street Office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Legal Guardian Signature

## **Essay Guidelines and Instructions**

**This is your opportunity to express to the judges what you love about your hometown. You can share with them how your community, the attractions, the history and heritage has influenced your life. It gives the judges an insight to your ability to identify and share what is important to you.**

**During your individual interview, they will talk with you about your essay and what you wrote about. This essay should be unique and a clear reflection of you. The judges will receive exactly what you submit.**

**As Thomasville Rose Queen, you will promote the City of Thomasville and Thomas County and serve as an official ambassador. Therefore, you should be very familiar with all the general facts about Thomasville and Thomas County. You will be provided general information about the history and historic sites in Thomasville and Thomas County. We encourage you to visit the Thomas County Museum of History and feel free to stop by the Visitors Center at the Municipal Building for additional information.**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR TYPING ESSAY**

**The following format must be used when typing the Thomasville's Rose Queen Essay.**

**The essay should be a one (1) page, single-spaced document.**

**Set the top, bottom, left and right margins for 1 inch. The font style may not be any smaller than 10" and no larger than 12" point type. Use the Times New Roman font style.**

**In bold at the top of the page, set the justification to "center" and type the following:**

**Thomasville's Rose Queen Essay  
(type your name under the above)**

**Double space down and begin to write your essay.**

# Thomasville's Rose Queen Tentative Appearance Schedule

## Rose Festival Weekend Events:

April 26, 2012 .....Rose Bud Parade  
April 27, 2011..... Rose Show Ribbon Cutting  
April 27, 2011..... Dignitaries Reception  
April 27, 2011..... Rose Parade  
April 28, 2011..... Civic Garden Club Flower Show Opening at Art in the Park

## Other Tentative Ambassador Opportunities:

### **Various City sponsored/organized events such as Ribbon Cuttings, etc.:**

July 4, 2012 ..... CNS Fireworks Celebration  
November 26, 2012 ..... Thomasville's Christmas Parade  
December 13 & 15, 2012 ..... Victorian Christmas  
January, 2013 ..... Speak to High School Junior Ladies about Pageant  
March 2013 ..... Crown New Thomasville's Rose Queen

### **Other Events held in Thomasville:**

January ..... Annual Camellia Show Opening  
March..... Heritage Walk/Run  
March..... Annual Standard Flower Show Opening  
April ..... Rose City Run and Walk