

# Miss Indian Lawton 2006 Application

## Applicant Eligibility:

1. Must be a female between the ages of 17-25.
2. Must be Native American and have proof of tribal enrollment or descendency. (Combine tribal blood quantum but only represent one tribe during competition). (For those without CDIB provide descendency).
3. Must never have been married or birthed any children
4. Must have a 2.0 GPA for the last semester of school
5. Must live within a 25 mile radius of Lawton

## Application Material Checklist

- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Miss Indian Lawton Application
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal Identification or Descendency
- \_\_\_\_\_ Signed Miss Indian Lawton Pageant Rules and Regulations
- \_\_\_\_\_ A one page typed essay on  
"Who Should Be Role Models for Native American Youth Today"
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Letter of Recommendation from a non-family member
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2 photographs, one full length, one headshot

\*Note: All materials become the property of the Lawton Inter-Tribal Women's League and will not be returned.

**Application Deadline: March 31, 2006**

Submit completed application and all materials to:

Miss Indian Lawton Pageant 2006

c/o Gwen Stone

PO Box 386

Cache, OK 73527

or Call Lucinda Poahway @ (580) 429-8485

# **Miss Indian Lawton Competition Categories**

## **100 Points Total**

- **Private Interview (30%)**

Prior to the competition, contestants will participate in a private interview session with the judges. Each session will last approximately 5 to 10 minutes. Questions will focus on Native American issues, education, and/or current events.

- **Essay (15%)**

On a separate piece of paper, provide a typed 1-2 page essay. The topic of the essay should focus on this year's pageant theme "Who Should Be Role Models For Native American Youth Today." Relate it to your experience and expectations as a Native American, your family, professional goals, and other aspects you feel are relevant. Remember your essay is part of the competition and will be assessed points by the judges based on content, writing skills (grammar, analytical thinking), clarity, and overall presentation. Please put your name on the right hand corner of the first page.

- **Evening Gown (15%)**

Contestants will model an evening gown of their choice. Contestants shall provide a description of the attire and significance (i.e. made by a family member, brand, etc.) and the name of her escort on the application.

- **Introduction (5%)**

Each contestant will be evaluated on her verbal communication skills. After each contestant models her evening gown, she will introduce herself, provide a brief biography, statement of career goals and aspirations, and any other relevant information she wishes to share.

- **Traditional or Contemporary Talent (20%)**

Contestants will present a traditional talent from their respective tribe(s) or perform a contemporary talent. The talent presentation should be between 3-5 minutes in length. Contestants shall provide a brief description of the talent and significance on the application. Changes of presentations will not be allowed once application has been submitted. *Note: Length of presentation may vary depending on number of contestants.*

- **Traditional Dress (10%)**

Contestants will model traditional attire from their respective tribe(s). Contestants shall provide a description of the dress and significance on the application.

- **Impromptu Question (5%)**

Contestants will randomly select a question and answer it while on stage. The question will focus on Native American issues, education, and/or current events. The contestant may ask to have the question repeated once and will then answer it to the best of her ability.

1. As a contestant and potential winner of the Miss Indian Lawton title, we, the Lawton Inter- Tribal Women's League, ask that you read the following guidelines. If you feel that you will not be able to abide by any rule, we ask that you reconsider your status as a contestant.
2. Miss Indian Lawton must be a student at a high school or university during her entire reign.
3. Miss Indian Lawton shall serve as the Mistress of Ceremony at the pageant for the following year after her reign (this will not be the year she gives her title up).
4. The winner of the Miss Indian Lawton Pageant shall serve a term of one year and shall sign a contract.
5. Miss Indian Lawton will not be permitted to hold more than one title. If such a situation exists, she shall be required to relinquish one of her titles.
6. Miss Indian Lawton is a representative of the Indian people in the Lawton community as an Ambassador of Goodwill and is expected to conduct herself in a manner above reproach in all public places at all times.
7. Miss Indian Lawton is expected to uphold her title with respect, honor and dignity. If she is involved in any activity which brings dishonor to the title, she will be asked to explain her actions to the director of the pageant and the Lawton Inter-tribal Women's League, who will then decide if she can or cannot continue her reign.
8. If Miss Indian Lawton is asked by the pageant committee to relinquish her title, she is to return the crown and any other materials associated with the Miss Indian Lawton to the Director of the Pageant. If a monetary award was given, she will be asked to return an amount agreed upon by the Lawton Inter-Tribal Women's League and President.
9. In the event that Miss Indian Lawton is asked to relinquish her title, the First Runner Up will assume the responsibilities of Miss Indian Lawton for the remainder of the year.
10. **In the event there are no contestant applications, Miss Indian Lawton will be selected by the Board and Director of the Pageant and the decision will be final.**
11. Interviews, press releases and any publicity of the title of Miss Indian Lawton will be given only by the President or the Board of the Lawton Inter-Tribal Women's League
12. All decisions made by the Lawton Inter-tribal Women's League and Pageant Director are final.

13. Any grievances of the current reigning Miss Indian Lawton will be made in writing to the President who will present the grievance to the board.

I have read and understood the Rules and Regulations of the Miss Indian Lawton Pageant. Thus, concede my signature of acknowledgment.

Contestant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Indian Lawton Pageant  
2006

With this form, I hereby enter the Miss Indian Lawton Pageant and submit all the following information for publicity and review purposes. Please type or print clearly.

**Personal Information** Contestant #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Brothers/Sister:

\_\_\_\_\_  
May we recognize your parents/siblings at the pageant? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Tribe(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Enrollment Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Indian Name/Meaning: \_\_\_\_\_

Clanship (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

College Standing:    Freshman    Sophomore    Junior    Senior

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative G.P.A: \_\_\_\_\_

**HOBBIES (Please add paper to back of this page for all 3 items)**

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

**PERSONAL/PROFESSIONAL ASPIRATIONS AND GOALS**

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I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby submit this application and state the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Contestant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## *Contract for Miss Indian Lawton 2006*

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8. In the event that Miss Indian Lawton is asked to relinquish her title, the First Runner Up will assume title and the responsibilities of Miss Indian Lawton for the remainder of the year.
9. In the event Miss Indian Lawton becomes pregnant or married during her reign as Miss Indian Lawton she will immediately submit a letter of resignation to the committee stating personal reasons for her resignation.
10. No press releases or interviews or any publicity of the title Miss Indian Lawton will be given without the consent of the President or the board of the Lawton Inter-Tribal Women's League.
11. All decisions made by the Lawton Inter-Tribal Women's League and Pageant Director are final.
12. Any grievances of the current reigning Miss Indian Lawton will be made in writing to the President, Lucinda Poahway, who will present to the board for discussion.

I have read and understood the Rules and Regulations of Miss Indian Lawton. Thus, I concede my signature of acknowledgment.

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Miss Indian Lawton 2006

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_ Lucinda Poahway, President

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gwen Stone, Director 2006

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Miss Indian Lawton Pageant**  
**Letter of Recommendation**  
**Deadline March 31, 2006**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ am entering the Miss Indian Lawton Pageant and would like to request from you a letter of recommendation to be submitted with my application for consideration to be a contestant this year.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tribal Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

To the Lawton Inter-Tribal Women's League:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

*Please place in a sealed envelope and return to applicant for inclusion into the entry packet*

**Evening Gown 15%**

Please describe your evening gown clearly and explicitly. You can include the brand, cloth type, etc. If it was made by a family member or has any meaning/symbols, please describe. The MC will read the information provided verbatim as you walk out on stage. This description should be no more than two minutes. *You may use an additional sheet of paper if needed*

**Description of evening gown:**

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**Escort**

The Miss Indian Lawton Pageant allows you to choose an escort for the evening gown portion of the pageant. Family members are strongly encouraged (immediate, extended, and/or close friends).

Name of escort: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribe(s): \_\_\_\_\_







