

**CONNECTICUT CONVENTION & SPORTS BUREAU (CTMEETINGS)
WELCOMES BACK MISS AMERICA ORGANIZATION TO MOHEGAN SUN
*Final Night Competition is this Thursday, December 15***

The Connecticut Convention & Sports Bureau (CTMEETINGS) welcomes back the Miss America Organization to Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, Conn. Many preliminary events are taking place this week, with the final night of the 2023 Miss America competition this Thursday, December 15 at 8:00 p.m. Fifty-one (51) competitors, representing all 50 U.S. States and the District of Columbia, are vying for the Miss America crown and \$50,000 in college scholarship for the winner.

“The Connecticut Convention & Sports Bureau has worked with the Miss America organization since it moved the competition to our state in 2019,” explains Robert Murdock, President of the Connecticut Convention & Sports Bureau (CTMEETINGS), the state’s official meetings and sports events sales and marketing organization. “Every year, our staff assists the leadership by generating volunteers who help during the week’s events and by expanding awareness about the competition among Connecticut businesses, civic groups and media.”

“We are thrilled to welcome Miss America back to Connecticut and invite all to enjoy the State’s winter beauty and attractions while here,” says Noëlle Stevenson, Director of the Connecticut Office of Tourism. “Best wishes for a great competition!”

Tickets and other purchases help support the Miss America candidates and their educational endeavors. The final night of the Miss America competition on Thursday, December 15 at 8 p.m. will be streamed live across all time zones at PageantsLive.com as well as on the Pageants Live app on Roku, Samsung TVs, and Apple TV. **For tickets or more information, go to www.missamerica.org.**

The Connecticut Convention & Sports Bureau (CTMEETINGS) is the state's official meetings and sports event sales and marketing organization. Working in partnership with businesses, institutions, nonprofit organizations and their surrounding communities, the Middletown, Conn.-based CTMEETINGS markets all of the state – convention and meeting venues, hotels and attractions, and sporting venues – as a premier destination for international, national, regional and statewide conferences, conventions, and major sports events. The Bureau is funded by private sector partnership support, and by its industry partner, the Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development’s (DECD) Connecticut Office of Tourism. **For more information, visit www.CTMEETINGS.org or call 860-728-6789.**

Since its founding in 1921, **The Miss America Organization** continues to be one of the most recognizable household names in America empowering young women through education, professional development, advocacy, and community service. The Organization awards more than five million dollars in cash scholarships and millions more in-kind per year through its Teen and College divisions at the local, state, and national levels. The Organization is made up of over 1,200 licensed local programs under its 50 state organizations and the District of Columbia. For more information, visit www.missamerica.org. Follow “The Miss America Organization” on social media.