

**Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women**  
**MISS INDIAN OKLAHOMA (MIO) – Oklahoma City, OK, May 12, 2012**  
“Remembering Our Native Mothers: Their Spirit, Strength, and Beauty”

**ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINE**

OFIW has adopted the following requirements for the 2012 Miss Indian Oklahoma Competition.

All candidates must meet the following requirements:

1. Be between the ages of 18 and 24 inclusive, must be 18 years of age before the pageant
2. Be one-fourth (1/4) or more degree of documented American Indian blood (Federally Recognized Tribe)
3. Be a legal resident of the State of Oklahoma
4. Be in high school or a high school graduate with at least a 2.0 grade point average (GPA), If enrolled in higher education, maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average
5. Must be of good character and not involved with the law (the seriousness of the offense will be considered), no tobacco use of any kind, never been married, cohabited, or conceived a child.
6. Identify a current issues platform to be the focus of the candidates reign, if selected as MIO.
7. Resign from any tribal or organizational princess titles, if selected as MIO.
8. Pay registration fee of \$125 in full by 4/27/12. Insufficient fund check will disqualify candidate. CASH OR MONEY ORDER ONLY. WE DO NOT ACCEPT PERSONAL CHECKS.
9. Agree to sign and abide by the MIO contract, if selected as MIO.

**COMPETITION GUIDELINES**

1. The application form must be completely filled out, the required fee paid, and all documentation received by **April 27, 2012**.
2. Required documentation must be original or notarized photocopy.
3. Submit two letters of recommendation with the application packet.
4. MIO will reign from one pageant to the next pageant.
5. The MIO silver crown and cedar box are the property of the Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women and are to be returned by MIO at the end of her reign.
6. Authentic tribal dress is required to be worn during the competition. Candidates who are a descendant of more than one tribe must choose one tribe that will be represented during the competition.
7. Official chaperones will accompany the candidates at all times.
8. Candidates will not have any contact with family or friends once arriving at the competition. Emergency messages will be given to an official chaperone only to be relayed to the candidate. Any candidates leaving the location without an official chaperone or having unauthorized outside contact will be disqualified from the pageant. Contestants may not bring cell phones, laptops or any device with the capabilities of communication.
9. Candidates will be prepared to participate in all phases of the competition.
10. The candidates will vote upon the Miss Congeniality Award. All other awards will be determined by the vote of judges to be selected by OFIW. The decision of the judges will be final. Ballots will be collected and tabulated. The results will be given to the OFIW President and the winner will be announced during the evening program.

**Categories – Preliminary competition**

- Written essay (Topic will be given to the candidates).
- Interviews (Candidates will be interviewed by judges regarding tribal and non-tribal current event issues, and issues regarding cultural heritage).

**Categories – Stage production**

- Opening ceremony (Traditional dress) Candidates will each select an escort and will be responsible for introducing both themselves and their selected escort. Candidates will introduce themselves in their tribal language and English and give a description of their tribal dress
- Talent (Traditional or Modern) (3 min. limit, will be timed)
- Platform Presentation (in Contemporary dress) (2 min. limit, will be timed)
- Impromptu Question (in Traditional Dress)

**Awards to be presented**

- Miss Congeniality Award (voted on by the contestants)
- Advertisement Award (most advertisements sold for the pageant program by April 27, 2012)
- Scholastic Achievement Award (determined by grade point average)
- Best Tribal Greeting
- Best Description of Tribal Dress and Best Talent
- 1st Runner-up
- Miss Indian Oklahoma

Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women  
Miss Indian Oklahoma/ Jr. Miss Indian Oklahoma Application

Please print.

Title applied for:  Miss Indian Oklahoma  Jr. Miss Indian Oklahoma

The information listed below will appear in the pageant program. Please email a full color photograph to [harjofaith@oru.edu](mailto:harjofaith@oru.edu) or [andrea.kihega@yahoo.com](mailto:andrea.kihega@yahoo.com)

Full legal name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Street number City State Zip  
Contestant Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parents/legal guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_ Work telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal affiliation(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Tribe representing: \_\_\_\_\_

Form of proof (please attach a notarized copy): Tribal membership card Letter CDIB

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and location of school: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School activities: \_\_\_\_\_

(Add additional sheet, if necessary)

Hobbies & interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Native American activities: \_\_\_\_\_

Honors & awards received: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been involved with the law? \_\_\_\_\_ Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that I have read and understand and agree with the terms and conditions of the attached guidelines governing this pageant as set forth by the Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women. My signature verifies that all of the information contained in this application is true and accurate and I give my permission for the contestant's name and photo to be used in pageant promotion.**

Signature of candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent/legal guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Mail to: Andrea Kihega, P.O. Box 6454 Norman, OK 73070

If you have any questions please contact; Faith Harjo 918-804-8433, or Andrea Kihega, 405-226-9258

Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women Miss Indian Oklahoma 2012 School Enrollment Verification Form

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_, a declared candidate for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title Competing)

is currently enrolled in school and at this date, has at least a 2.0 GPA

**Eligibility Guidelines**

OFIW has adopted the following requirements for the 2011 Miss Indian Oklahoma Competition. All candidates must meet the following educational requirements:

- (1) Be a high school or college graduate, or be enrolled and attend high school, and/or enrolled in higher education and maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale.
- (2) Please attach official school transcript or 2.0 grade point average,

\_\_\_\_\_ has graduated from our school with at least a 2.0 grade point average,

Or \_\_\_\_\_ is currently enrolled in our college or university and, as this date, has at least a 2.0 grade point average.

School/university: City/state: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorizing signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Please return form to:

Andrea Kihega, P.O. Box 6454 Norman, OK 73070

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Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women Miss Indian Oklahoma Pageant Miscellaneous Information  
RETURN WITH APPLICATION

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

Platform Topic: \_\_\_\_\_  
PowerPoint may not be used during platform

Talent presentation: \_\_\_\_\_

Description:

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AV equipment needed: CD Player ( ) Cassette Player ( ) Powerpoint Presentation ( ) Other:

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List any props you will have: \_\_\_\_\_

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Only the contestant will be allowed on stage during the talent presentation.

Contemporary Dress Description:

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Dress Descriptions may be emailed to [harjofaith@oru.edu](mailto:harjofaith@oru.edu) by May 4, 2012

Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women Miss Indian Oklahoma Pageant  
Praising Ads Deadline: April 27, 2012

The placement of praise advertisements in the 2012 Miss Indian Oklahoma and Junior Miss Indian Oklahoma program booklet are a good opportunity to promote and support your favorite candidate. The main focus of the advertisement is to be the contest. The audience usually attracts a wide variety of people, which include: Indian educators, tribal administrators, tribal leaders, tribal organizations and families of the competitors. The program booklet is of high quality and will be a keepsake for those attending the pageant. Placement of an advertisement will help local and statewide efforts in sponsoring this event.

AD RATES [ ] Full Page (8.5" x 11") \$100 [ ] Half Page (8.5" x 5.5") \$75.00 [ ] Business Card ("2 x 3.5") \$30.00

Advertising Guidelines

1. Ads will be accepted on a first-come, first serve basis.
2. All ads must be emailed camera ready. (Email jpeg, pdf, or tiff document to [OFIW.Org@gmail.com](mailto:OFIW.Org@gmail.com))
3. If an ad is emailed and not in camera ready format the organization/ individual will be charged an additional \$50.00.
4. Ads will be Black and white unless otherwise indicated (add 10.00 for color)
5. All ads should have boxed borders and be in the dimensions indicated above.
6. OFIW reserves the right to refuse inappropriate ads.
7. Payment must accompany the ad application form.
8. Cashiers Check, check or money orders only no credit cards please.

Please make payments payable to: Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women (OFIW)

Send your ad by deadline of April 27, 2012

Please return form to: Andrea Kihega, P.O. Box 6454 Norman, OK 73070