



## 2025 Miss Little Italy

**SUNDAY August 17, 2025**

The Miss Little Italy is a family-oriented festival pageant. Contestants DO NOT need to be of Italian heritage or reside in the city of Pittsburgh.

Event Fee: \$35.00. Includes a goody gift bag for all.

Miss Little Italy Winners receive a tiara crown, sash & flowers.

**Payment: Check/Venmo payable to Marianne Rieg**

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Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Division/Age Group Circle Correct Age Division	Sunday 8/17/2025 Bloomfield: TIME 11:00am First Commonwealth Stage	Pageant Fee Deadline: 8/15/2024
Baby Miss Little Italy (1-3yrs)	Report by 10:45am	<b>\$35.00</b>
Princess Miss Little Italy (4-6yrs)	No Dressing Rooms	<b>First Child</b>
Junior Miss Little Italy (7-9yrs)	Outdoor Event on Stage	\$25.00 Second Child
Pre-Teen Miss Little Italy (10-12yrs)	Arrive Dressed for Pageant	Not Refundable
Teen Miss Little Italy (13-15yrs)	Outdoor Porta-Johns	for any reason
Senior Miss Little Italy (16-19yrs)		

The Judge's Decision is Final. I agree to give Marianne Rieg and Bloomfield Little Italy Days, permission to use photos of my child for the purpose of event recognition on social media, newspaper, local news.

### **HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT FOR PARTICIPATION:**

I understand that Marianne Rieg, event staff, official festival, will NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for PERSONAL INJURY, Personal Property Damage, Lost or Stolen Items. My child is participating at their own risk. My family and guests are viewing at their own risk. This event takes place on an outdoor stage and the contestant line up is on a public sidewalk. Pageant is not responsible for falls or damaged gowns that might drag on the ground. EVERY CONTESTANT MUST HAVE AN ADULT TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR CHILD. Pageant volunteers are not responsible for contestants during any part of the program, including line-up/exit of stage. I agree with the statements above and give permission for my child to participate at their own risk and take all responsibility for any incidents.

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

**2025 MISS LITTLE ITALY PAGEANT Information and Instructions**

**Day: SUNDAY AUGUST 17, 2025 PAGEANT START TIME: 11:00am Report: 10:45am**

**All contestants will arrive by 10:45am. Come Dressed & Ready to Go.**

Please do not arrive too early, the stage is being set up in the morning prior to our event.

**PAGEANT LOCATION:** Bloomfield – Corner of Liberty Avenue & Gross Street. We are on the First Commonwealth Stage one block from West Penn Hospital. (End of the festival booths on the West Penn Hospital Side) (Close to 5001 Liberty Ave) **PARKING** Available on side streets. (West Penn Hospital Lot)

**PAGEANT REQUIREMENTS:** Showmanship, personality, confidence, and a spirit for Little Italy Days. Contestants complete a stage model, a personal introduction & a 2 question interview.

**DRESS: ANY STYLE OF DRESS or FASHION OUTFIT.** Contestant's choice, Examples of attire: (flower girl dress, Sunday best, party, pageant, prom, homecoming attire)

**STAGE EVENT:** contestants will introduce themselves, "Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_"

1. **MODEL/STAGE WALK:** Contestants will do a graceful, slow walk on stage, adding turns and any poses of their choice for on-stage modeling portion.(VIDEO EXAMPLE WILL BE POSTED ON THE MISS LITTLE ITALY FB PAGE)
2. **ON STAGE QUESTIONS:** Marianne will attempt to make every child feel comfortable. Marianne is available to chat by phone with contestants and/or parents prior to event.

**ON STAGE: 1-3yr**

1. **ONE ADULT: can escort child on stage to model and share their name and why they are unique and want to be Miss Baby Little Italy.**

**INTERVIEW 4-6yrs. 7-9yrs. 10-12yrs. 13-15yrs. & 16-19yrs.**

1. **What makes you unique?**
2. **Why do you want to be Miss Little Italy?**

**OUTDOOR EVENT:** Free to Watch. Every family takes care of their own child. Please bring whatever is necessary to wait in the sun. Umbrella, sunscreen, hats, bottled water. There is almost no shade and minimal space. **SEATING:** Seating is limited. **Please bring a CHAIR if concerned.**

**ORDER OF EVENTS:** We will start with the youngest divisions and keep moving quickly to complete all divisions. We cannot give designated times of appearance due to the strict window of stage time. If a contestant **ARRIVES TOO LATE** or a **NO SHOW**, there are **NO REFUNDS**. We cannot allow onstage appearance if the age division is complete. Score sheets have already been tabulated.

**CODE OF CONDUCT for Contestants, family & friends:** This event is not a place to show negative resentment in any way. This is based on a brief interaction, little criteria and human opinion. Please do not approach our judges or director. Judges' results are final. It is always so close. Every year, the judges say the same thing: They wish they could pick everyone! The pageant will **NOT** accept or acknowledge negativity. We are trying to celebrate family, heritage, and the small businesses and vendors.

**CHANGE:** (We allowed back-to-back entries for winners due to the Covid cancellation) Last year it was switched back to our original rules below. **WINNERS ARE NO LONGER ALLOWED TO ENTER THE SAME AGE DIVISION DURING THE YEAR OF THEIR WIN. Will need to wait one full year. WINNERS CAN enter if moving up in an age division.**

Thank you so much for your interest! understanding. Sincerely, Marianne Rieg

