

The Newcastle Showgirl Competition Explained

Overview

The Newcastle Showgirl Competition is the first stage of The Land Sydney Royal Showgirl Competition - the premier leadership program for young women in NSW. It identifies ambassadors for rural NSW and the Agricultural Show movement.

A Newcastle Showgirl is an ambassador for both the Newcastle Regional Show and the Newcastle Community. Her role involves formal and informal duties at the Newcastle Regional Show and associated events.

Judging criteria is based on personality, confidence, ambitions/goals, general knowledge, rural knowledge, personal presentation and volunteer/community participation. Entrants must also demonstrate knowledge of their local community and current affairs.

Success at the Local competition sees the Showgirl proceed to their Zone Final. At the Zone Finals, the Showgirls meet other passionate young women, gaining great insights and personal development from the experience. From the Zone Finals, judges select from one to three representatives for the State Final, held in conjunction with the Sydney Royal Easter Show.

Eligibility

The Newcastle Showgirl Competition has two sections. The Showgirl Section is open to young women aged from 18 years to less than 25 years as at 1 May in the year of the State Final. (I.e the year following being awarded the Newcastle Showgirl sash.) The Teen Showgirl Section is open to girls aged from 16 years to less than 18 years as at 1 May in the year following the winning of the sash. (Note - the age is standardised to complement the older section.)

Who Should Enter?

Young women with a passion for the Newcastle Regional Show, the Newcastle Community and Rural NSW.

Benefits of Being a Showgirl

Entering The Newcastle Showgirl Competition is an opportunity for personal development. In a supportive and encouraging environment entrants will make new friendships, expand networks and gain professional experiences.

Being a showgirl allows young women to raise issues they are passionate about. It provides a platform to inspire and encourage the younger generation to dream big and achieve things step by step within regional communities.

The Showgirl Competition also provides a better understanding of the way the Show and Show Society serve the community and how to become involved in the local community as a Rural Ambassador.