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American Model & Pageant Magazine continues to witness all around success not only of our publication but also the models and contributors with whom we've been associated.

Several models featured in American Model & Pageant Magazine traveled to the sunny Caribbean and for the Passport to Discovery model cruise. These young women are now weighing their options as to what top agencies they wish to work with and to further their modeling and acting careers. Be sure to check out the feature in this issue to truly understand the success these ladies are experiencing. Additionally, American Model & Pageant Magazine was named a Top 3 Finalist for the 2015 Prestige Pageantry Awards which were presented in South Florida at the Trump International Beach Resort the first of November. Thank you to our models, industry contacts, and our readers for your nominations and votes for this prestigious award.

So many exciting things are on the horizon for the end of 2015 and the beginning of 2016! We look forward to our publication goals as well as creating dreams and helping our models/ readers to achieve them! Look for our magazine staff to be LIVE from Miss Universe in December, as well as other top industry events! Wishing you all the BEST!

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Model: Tausha C.

Model: Regan K.



Model: Juliana J.

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Model: Jenny G.



Model: Victoria W.

PASSPORT TO DISCOVERY

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MODELS SET SAIL FOR A TRIP OF A LIFETIME WITH OVER 100 TOP MODELING & ENTERTAINMENT AGENTS

Models scouted by staff for American Model & Pageant magazine were offered the opportunity of a lifetime in October. Carefully hand selected and trained by Marc Tuscher, international fashion modeling agent. Each of the selected models were able to audition in front of top booking agents on various phases of competition, as well as enjoy relaxation time with their families aboard Carnival Cruise, while touring Cayman Islands and Cozumel for a trip of a lifetime. Origins Models had the highest callback numbers on the entire ship for our group! A very small select group of 14 models were offered this opportunity to train with the very best and experience Passport to Discovery. These ladies received 298 Callbacks, in which we are thrilled to say each potential model in the Origins group received a 100% callback rate! For more information in being considered for this prestigious opportunity please email our American Model Scout



Sophie Schilling

Top 10 Honorable Mention TV Competition
Top 5 Honorable Mention Jeans Competition
Top 10 Honorable Mention Swimwear Competition
Top 10 Honorable Mention Cold Read Competition
21 callbacks

- **How were you discovered?** I was scouted by Marc Tuscher and Megan Wettach during a photo shoot for American Model Magazine in Kansas City
- **What training did you have to prepare?** Skype sessions with Marc
- **How long have you wanted to be a model/actress?** I wanted to model/act since the age of 5
- **What was the best memory of Passport to Discovery?** Swimming with stingrays at Grand Caymen
- **Favorite competition during the week?** Swimsuit
- **Favorite workshop or activity?** Acting workshop

'PTD is amazing and an experience of a lifetime...if the opportunity arises to attend PTD, do it!!'- Sophie Schilling

"Definitely take advantage of it and have fun. Meet a lot of new friends and go on excursions. We even got to swim with sting ray and snorkel with sea turtles. It is a chance of a lifetime and one that you don't want to miss. Marc Tuscher is a great ambassador and I felt we were very well prepared and we did very well." - Rylee White

Rylee White

Top 10 Honorable Mention Swimwear Competition
Top 10 Honorable Mention Improv Competition
Top 10 Honorable Mention Commercial Competition
Top 10 Honorable Mention Runway Competition
28 callbacks

- **How were you discovered?** Marc Tuscher was at America's U.S. Miss Nationals in Tampa Florida.
- **What training did you have to prepare?** Marc was our Ambassador and scheduled practice sessions through Skype video chat. He sent links to choose monologues and commercials and also helped choose wardrobe for each event. We had a phone conference with another Ambassador from Florida that covered all questions we had as well.
- **How long have you wanted to be a model/actress?** I have wanted to be an Actress ever since I was 5 when I wanted to be in an American Girl Doll movie.
- **What was the best memory of Passport to Discovery?** There are so many. I made many new friends, I loved being onstage doing my stand up comedy act, and talking with the agents that gave me a callback just to name a few.
- **Favorite competition during the week?** Stand up was my first event and my favorite. I love to tell jokes and I was the youngest person competing. All of the other contestants thought I set the bar high for them and gave me "high 5's" all around. I loved it!!!





Elizabeth Smaza

Top 10 Honorable Mention Jeans Competition
Top 10 Overall for division 8 (100 girls) Scholarship to New York film Academy (Los Angeles, CA)
25% off scholarship for 12 week course
12 callbacks

Don't miss the chance to go on this amazing experience of a lifetime. Be yourself! Don't change to please everyone! Be confident in you! There is an agency, manager and/or scout who will love you for who you are! These people are the ones you will connect with; are the ones who will believe in you and present you in the best way possible. If you don't try, you will never know what potential you have within yourself! And most of all, have fun. I cannot stress this enough, I mean, you are on a cruise ship, so take the opportunity and make the most of it! – Elizabeth Smaza

- **How were you discovered?** America's US Miss Director, Megan Wettach, introduced me to Marc Tuscher, of Revolution Management, at Nationals. My mom and Marc kept in touch until they thought I was ready to take Passport to Discovery by storm.
- **What training did you have to prepare?** Acting: I had never acted before so Marc worked with me, through Skype, for several months, prior to going to Passport to Discovery. I also performed my skits to my friends and had fun with it. Runway: I utilized my pageant skills to help me take command of the stage. I work with my pageant coach, and close friend, Emma Rofkar. She helps me work on my walk, confidence, interview and every other aspect of pageantry.
- **How long have you wanted to be a model/actress?** Pretty much all of my life!
- **What was the best memory of Passport to Discovery?** Personally, I loved being able to relax at the end of each day. The slight rocking of the boat helped me go to sleep. Also, on our last night at PTD, my friends and I were walking around the lido deck when my one buddy accidentally walked right into the glass sliding door! I would say that she took it well and laughed with us because it really was one of the funniest moments!
- **Favorite competition during the week?** I am a huge fan of modeling competitions, so I would have to say either the Jeans or swimsuit was my favorite.
- **Favorite workshop or activity?** I really enjoyed the White Party. It was a blast! In the end, I ended up obtaining tons of glow sticks.

Be confident!! Have fun and go in to everything with a smile on your face. Take the advice that the agents give you. Don't give up and most of all, have fun!

- Gracie Ekdorn

Gracie Ekdorn

Overall Division Winner Jeans Competition
2nd Runner-Up Division Runway Competition (100 girls)
Top 10 Honorable Mention TV Commercial Competition
Top 10 Honorable Mention Swimwear Competition
Award winner from Terrie Snell - Talent Ink – Career Consultation from Top LA Talent Manager
20 Callbacks



- **How were you discovered?** I competed in America's US Miss Nationals in Clearwater Beach Florida in July and Marc Tuscher, with Revolution Management was there to scout candidates.
- **What training did you have to prepare?** I have been doing pageants for the past couple of years and my pageant coach, Kelly Brown has trained me how to walk in modeling and runway. Marc Tuscher gave me the training that I needed to compete in the acting competitions.
- **How long have you wanted to be a model?** I really started pursuing modeling in the past year and a half or so.
- **What was the best memory of Passport to Discovery?** Meeting all the new girls that I met, in the group of girls that Marc brought with him on Passport to Discovery. I have lots of new amazing friends that I will keep in touch with and can't wait to hear about all the amazing things they are doing in the future. The ports of call were also gorgeous and I had just an all-around amazing experience.
- **Favorite Competition?** Runway or jeans. It is where I feel the most confident and comfortable. I was really proud of winning the Jeans competition in my division and placing top 3 in Runway.
- **Favorite Workshop?** Runway Training Workshop where we got to meet famous models. My favorite activity was the White Deck party and the swimming with stingrays in the Grand Caymans.

Pageants are a good way to learn how to be comfortable up on stage and in front of others. Learn all you can. If you're nervous, don't be. If you did something wrong you can learn from your mistakes. And Marc tells us to stop and breathe before you start any of the competitions.- Kalista Volland

Kalista Volland

Top 5 Honorable Mention Cold Read Competition (120 girls)
Top 10 Honorable Mention Monologue Competition
13 callbacks

- **How were you discovered?** Photo shoot in Kansas City with Marc Tuscher for American Model Magazine.
- **What training did you have to prepare?** Coaching sessions through Skype for learning how to do a monologue and commercial. We also practiced how to do improvisational acting. Being in America's U.S. Miss helped a lot since I had experience talking with others through doing the 1:1 interviews, being able to quickly make a good first impression, and having the confidence to be up on stage in front of a large group of people.
- **How long have you wanted to be a model/actress?** 3-4 years
- **What was the best memory of Passport to Discovery?** Going on an excursion to the Turtle Farm where we were able to swim with the turtles was a lot of fun. It was great being able to spend time with the other girls from Origins. We had a blast! Nin(ja) from the boat staff also made me great towel shaped animals each night when we came back from events. The first night he made me my favorite animal—an elephant. But my best memory is getting to do my commercial 1:1 with one of the agents during a call-back. PTD even filmed me during my call-backs!
- **Favorite competition during the week?** Cold Read. I also was awarded honorable mention with landing in the top 3 of the contestants for my division.
- **What was the outcome of your trip?** We had a great time, I have lots of new friends, I've learned a lot about acting, and we're following up on next steps from my callbacks. I've been able to get to know some of my pageant sisters better too in this new context. We all were a great team—Team Origins is the best!



Morgan Dilley

Overall Division Winner for Swimwear,
Top 10 Honorable Mention Jeans Competition
First Runner-Up Overall in the division (100 girls)
15 callbacks

Take full advantage of the opportunity, if you get to go. It is your time to show yourself off and shine! - Morgan Dilley

- **How were you discovered?** I was discovered through the America's U.S. Miss Scholarship Program.
- **What training did you have to prepare?** I practiced and trained with Marc Tuscher through Skyping.
- **How long have you wanted to be a model/actress?** I have wanted to be a model and/or actress since I was in middle school.
- **What was the best memory of Passport to Discovery?** My best memory was meeting aspiring models and actors from all across the United States and making new friends.
- **Favorite competition during the week?** My favorite competition was the jeans wear competition.
- **Favorite workshop or activity?** My favorite activity I did during the trip was swimming with sting rays at Grand Cayman.
- **What was the outcome of your trip?** I was first runner-up in my division, which involved runway and commercial acting, received first place in swimwear, and got honorable mention in jeans wear.
- **Any future agency plans to pursue or follow up?** I received several call backs from places such as CA and NY and even other countries, which I am following up on.

Hannah Martin

Talent Showcase Top 25 Finalist in Singing (150 competitors)
Overall Division Winner Cold Read Competition
Top 10 Honorable Mention Monologue Competition
Top 10 Overall for division 1 (120 girls)
Award winner from Discover Management – How to Succeed Manuscript
28 callbacks

- **How were you discovered?** I was discovered by Marc Tuscher with Origins Model and Talent at the America's US Miss Pageant in Clearwater, Florida.
- **What training did you have to prepare?** I worked with my PTD Ambassador to select and practice a TV Commercial, Monologue and talent. The Ambassador guided me on wardrobe selections and my portfolio.
- **How long have you wanted to be a model/actress?** I started walking the runway at five years old. My passion for acting began a few years ago when I took a theatre workshop and acting class.
- **What was the best memory of Passport to Discovery?** Being selected to perform in the talent showcase was the highlight of the trip. It was so exciting to sing on the cruise ship for the agents and fellow passengers. This was truly a once in a lifetime experience I will always remember.
- **Favorite competition during the week?** My favorite competition is walking the runway. It is always fun to wear a cute outfit and model on stage!!
- **Favorite workshop or activity?** All the activities and workshops were fun. My favorite thing about PTD was dressing up for the different theme dinners, especially island night.
- **What was the outcome of your trip?** I learned a lot about advancing my acting and modeling career to the next level. Also, the trip to Grand Cayman and Cozumel were amazing!!! I wish I could do it all over again.
- **Any future agency plans to pursue or follow up?** I was very excited to receive 28 agent callbacks from across the US to include New York, Hollywood, and Tampa. I'm very proud of my results. A lot of hard work and determination paid off.



Be yourself because the agents want to see you. You just need to work hard and never give up. Always follow your dreams and don't stop dreaming!! -Hannah Martin



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First Thoughts about being a cover model? What an honor! And a dream come true!

Favorite memory from your cover shoot? It was a beautiful morning on the beach, and my favorite memory was getting to spend time shooting, laughing, and enjoying the location with Amanda Ferguson & Beau Bergmann.

Where was your cover shoot location? Clearwater, Florida

Are you signed with an Agency? No

When did you start modeling? When I was 8

How were you discovered? At a movie theater

Best Advice for girls starting in the modeling world? Don't forget to have fun! Make friends with the models, photographers, etc

Good luck charm for every photoshoot? Starbucks

Dream Modeling Job? Victoria's Secret Angel

Career Ambition? Talk show host

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Traveling the world modeling and meeting new people

If you were stranded on an island what 3 things would you bring? A good book, some good music, & a chai latte

Favorite Food? Crepes

Favorite Ice Cream Flavor? Jamocha

Dream Destination? Venice

Hobbies and activities? Singing, dancing, snowboarding



Model: Nicole F

Styling: Crown Style Glam

THE BIZ

How to treat **MODELING** as your **BUSINESS**

By Bergmann Consulting



Photography: Amanda Ferguson

As with any business, modeling careers carry the baggage of expenses. As a young entrepreneur, it will be your responsibility to protect yourself by tracking these expenses. The reason it is so important to track your work related expenses is because they are tax deductible. You certainly would not want to pay Uncle Sam for money you really didn't make because it was spent to allow you to work. At the end of each year, you can review all work-related receipts and submit them as deductions from your income taxes. As a simple example, if you earn \$50,000 through the year but spend \$20,000 for work-related expenses, you should only have to pay taxes on about \$30,000. While there are further complicated tax questions which can be answered by any tax professional or attorney, the basic principle is that you can save money.

So what is considered a work related expense in the modeling industry? The answer is actually pretty open to interpretation. The simplest way to gain some understanding is to ask yourself, does this purchase/cost help me work? Purchasing items such as make-up, undergarments, shoes, hair and skin products, & business cards which you should have in model bag for use on photo shoots are tax deductible. Additionally, expenses such as meals and travel (airline tickets, gas, & lodging) are major expenses you can deduct. A good general rule to follow is to keep all receipts you could deduct as you can always decide not to use them later. Using this tool of business often makes a major difference between your modeling business being slightly profitable and very profitable.

It is alright if this seems scary as business can be scary for a lot of people. The important thing to remember is that there are many people you can turn to for help from your family to attorneys and tax professionals. If you are proactive in tracking your expenses by simply keeping receipts, it will be much easier to use all the advantages available to you.

Be sure to read our next issue for more tips on succeeding in the modeling industry.

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Josie Wagner

Current City/ State: Tucson, Arizona

Current Pageant Title? Mrs. Arizona – America's U.S. Miss

Are you currently signed with an agency? No

When did you start modeling? In college helping a friend with his clothing line.

How were you discovered? Through Pageantry

What is the best advice for girls to start in the modeling world? Do your research and always go to a professional in the industry

Good Luck charm for each photo shoot? My cross necklace which was given to me by my godmother.

Dream modeling job? Modeling in Paris or Milan

Career Ambition: Making my company, Desert Rose Designs, a successful and community oriented business.

Favorite family tradition: Decorating the Christmas tree with candy

Hobbies and Activities: Dancing, taking long walks with my dogs



Kailey Patykiewicz

Current City/ State: Overland Park, Kansas

Current Pageant Title? Miss Great Plains Jr. Tween - America's U.S. Miss

Are you currently signed with an agency? No

How were you discovered? America's U.S. Miss

Dream modeling job? I would love to be on the cover of a magazine

What's in your model bag? My favorite lip gloss TRU Pretty Please

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Going to the University of Texas and studying veterinary medicine.

Hobbies and Activities: Swim team, gymnastics, competing in pageants, golfing, and reading

Claire Libby

Current City/ State: Portland, Maine

Are you currently signed with an agency? Not yet.

How were you discovered? A pageant director talked to my mom and I went to more pageants and had more photographs taken.

What is the best advice for girls to start in the modeling world?
Start with pageants and learn from other girls.

Career Ambition: I want to be a doctor or work with my mom, a social worker.

Favorite Ice Cream flavor: Chocolate!

Are you a cat or a dog person? I love my cat, "Elsa". But I love my dogs too.

Favorite family tradition: Apple Picking in the Fall

Hobbies and Activities: Pageants, girl scouts, figure skating, cheering, dance swimming, arts and crafts and playing with my brothers





Charlie Smith

Current City/ State: Fairfax, Missouri

Current Pageant Title? National Jr. Tween 2014 – America's U.S. Miss

Are you currently signed with an agency? Moxie Talent

Good Luck charm for each photo shoot? I don't believe in luck, I believe in hard work and passion!

What's in your model bag? Curling iron, hair spray and candy!

Career Ambition: Being able to model and act for living would be a dream come true. I love performing!

If you were stranded on an island for 10 days, what three things would you bring? Blanket, food, and my bible.

Dream destination location to visit: Bahamas

Hobbies and Activities: Competitive Cheerleading and Horseback Riding

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