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# Mr. & Miss Punjabi American Talent Contest

## At the 16th Punjabi American Festival

This competition is open to individuals under the age of 25, who have lived in the USA for more than two years. Please note that this competition is based on a talent. This is not a beauty pageant.

### Qualification criteria:

All participants need to submit a DVD or video (can be posted on youtube.com) which shall be no more than 6 minutes in length (3 minutes for Talent and 3 for speech).

A talent may be: Singing Music, Dancing, Comedy, Martial art, Mimicker or anything else you think is creative and artistic. All participants are limited to one category.

The speech component topic is **"Why I am proud of my roots!"**

All DVDs must be received by PAHS before May 15th, 2010 or post marked no later than May 13th, 2010. Your DVD must be accompanied by your name, copy of a photo id (DMV or School ID), cell phone number and email address that will be used to notify you about your selection. By submitting an entry, participant agrees to and understands that the program and content will be recorded and televised.



### Selection criteria:

Our selection committee will review all applicants and narrow it down to 16 entries for the semi-final round. The 16 entries will include 8 females and 8 males. Selected individuals will be notified one week before they compete on May 29th before a panel of judges. These 16 will then be narrowed down to a selection of 4 males and 4 females who will be chosen to present themselves for the final round during the Mela the following day on May 30th.

The individuals chosen will repeat their 3 minutes speech item (30 points), Perform their talent/art live before the judges (50 points) in Punjabi attire (10 points). Participant will be asked the following question (10 points):

How do you plan to contribute to your community in the future? (10 bonus points awarded if you answer in Punjabi)

The final round selection criteria will be similar to the pattern above. In the final round, judges will assign 60 points. The final 40 points will be based on audience response.

**This competition is jointly organized by Punjabi American Heritage Society and PTC Punjabi TV Network, USA.**

The final competition will be aired on PTC Punjabi TV Network and Crossings TV in major cities of USA and Canada also locally (Yuba City) on Apna Punjab. Mr. & Miss Punjabi American winners will be awarded a \$1000 scholarship award and Runners up will receive a \$500 award each. All 16 semifinal participants will receive medals of participation. All entries will receive a certificate and one mela admission ticket.

Please mail your DVD to:  
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Entrees or questions can be emailed to: [Punjabiamerican@gmail.com](mailto:Punjabiamerican@gmail.com)