Being Beautiful Is



### Handbook Belongs to:

Workshops held year round
Every other Thursday
6:00pm – 8:00pm
At The William "Hicks" Anderson Center
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#### Our Mission

Blackbutterfly Enterprises Inc. established Being Beautiful Is Being Me Female Empowerment Workshops for Teens and Scholarship Pageant in 2010. BBM targets Young Women ages 13 -18. BBM workshops are held twice a month at the William Hicks Anderson Center in Wilmington, Delaware. The BBM Scholarship Pageant, an extension of the BBM Female Empowerment Program allows young women of all backgrounds, shapes, sizes and complexions to reveal to the world the true spirit of BEAUTY. "Defining Beauty from the Inside Out" is our motto and as each student of BBM shares in our unique Rites of Passage, they will be adorned with confidence, integrity, respect, and love for themselves and others.

Our BBM principles were developed by our workshop coordinator Mary Monica Porter and her INNERSIGHT Wisdom philosophy which emphasis is on creating a loving relation within oneself and God.

Our BBM workshops are hosted by a group of dedicated professional women focused on teaching fundamental life lessons and tools for life in the following areas;



## <u>BBM Staff</u>

Dee Cephas Executive Director

Mary Monica Porter Workshop Host Coordinator

2011 Miss North America Essence Melanie Haynes Pageant Coordinator

Additional Host and Volunteers
Vic Parker
Franchon Roberts-Beeks
Dr. Carol Henderson-Belton
Totiyana Evans

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Did is a word of achievement,
Won't is a word of retreat,
Might is a word of bereavement,
Can't is a word of defeat,
Ought is a word of duty,
Try is a word of each hour,
Will is a word of beauty,
Can is a word of DOWE!

Author unknown

#### Workshop Eligibility Requirements

- Must be born Female
- Must be between the ages of 13-19 years of age
- Must reside in the state of Delaware.
- Must be registered, attending or a graduate of an accredited school.(home school is acceptable w/proof)
- Must have parent(s) or guardian(s) permission if under the age of eighteen

\*NOTE: See BBM Contestant Handbook for pageant entry requirements.

#### Members Agreement

As a member of Being Beautiful Is Being Me Female Empowerment Workshop for Teens, I agree to the following:

- Attend all workshops (unless an alternative agreement has been made with the BBM director)
- Participate in all BBM fundraisers
- Provide BBM with a copy of all report cards and interims
- Provide list of all social media pages (must include BBM as friend)
- Complete a 500 word essay (topic to be selected by BBM)

\*NOTE: Participation in BBM does not secure your participation in a state or national level beauty pageant.

#### Code of Conduct

- I. Maintain a self respecting image at all times including on all web social networking pages
- II. Always respect BBM staff
- III. Respect the opinions of others; agree to disagree
- IV. Absolutely no fighting, profanity or lude conducts.
- V. Excessively low cut or extremely short clothing will not be permitted.

#### My BBM Promise

- Be Humble
- Be Kind
- Be Honest
- Be Compassionate
- Be Patient
- Be Tolerant
- Be Respectful
- Honor My Word
- Maintain Good Judgment
- Be True To Myself

#### Teen Assessment Packet

All BBM participants must complete a teen assessment packet upon registration and at the conclusion of the calendar year. Our assessment packet is designed to measure our participants' personal knowledge, self esteem, problem solving skills and personal points of view on various topics.

#### **2011 BBM Essay**

"Achieving Success in a World of Despair, A Teenagers Guide"

BBM 500 word essay will be due no later than September 1, 2012. Our 2012 BBM Essay winner will be awarded at our 2021 BBM Honors Luncheon.

#### Our Platform

BBM supports the fight against Breast Cancer and is committed to informing young women about breast health.

#### **BBM Community Service**

All BBM students are required to complete a minimum of 1.5hrs of community service per month. BBM will assist in providing community service options, however it is the sole responsibility of each student to obtain their own community service provider. At the end of each calendar year, BBM will provide each student with a certificate of completion for their hours of service completed throughout that year.

#### Junior Mentors (BBMJM)

Each year the BBM staff will select two BBM students, who have demonstrated the most success in applying the BBM principles into their daily lives and have achieved the most improvement. Junior mentors work as both administrative assistants and workshop assistants and receive gift incentives for recruiting future BBM students along with a letter of recommendation at the completion of the calendar.

## 2012 BBM Workshop Dates

January 26, 2012-Orientation Feb 2 Feb 23 Mar 8 Mar 22 Apr 5 (Pageant Coordinator Miss North America Essence Melanie Haynes) WED, Apr 18 (Pageant rehearsal tentative) Apr 20 (BBM Pageant @ Christina Cultural Arts all delegates must arrive by 4pm) May 5 May 17 May 31 June 14	Summer Break July 12 July 26 Aug 9 Aug 23 Sept 6 Sept 20 Oct 4 Oct 18 Nov 1 Nov 15 Nov 29 Dec 13 Winter Break Jan 10, 2013
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<sup>\*</sup>NOTE-Please check the BBM Facebook group page for cancelations due to inclement weather or call 302-981-4724 for updates.

Being Beautiful Is Being Me Workshop Agreement	
I	and my parent/guardian have read the Being Beautiful
Is Being Me Handbook in its entirety and fully unde	_
requirements and terms outlined by Being Beautiful	E
that the BBM workshops, community service and furorder to receive proof of participation. I also unders from participating in BBM workshops, BBM events Scholarship Pageant if I don't adhere to the terms of also my full responsibility to review all updates as it Blackbutterfly Enterprises, Inc., and Being Beautifut for any changes made with in the program or scholar that my participation in BBM does not secure my page Being Beautiful Is Being Me Scholarship Pageant.	stand that I may be removed s, field trips or BBM atlined in this handbook. It is t pertains to BBM removing I Is Being Me from all liability rship pageant. I am also aware
(Participant Signature)	
(Parent or Guardian Signature)	

## BBM Principles to Live By:

## The 4 Agreements

