

# **SA's First MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026**

## **Terms and Conditions**

### **1. About Us**

The organiser of MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026, South Africa's First, national pageant of grandeur, is MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd;  
Registration number 2026 /148906 / 07.

#### **1.1 Theme**

'Style with Purpose, Change with Impact'

Celebrating SA's vibrant cultural heritage and unique individual fashion style, showcasing how Matric Glamour drives change and self - expression.

#### **1.2 Slogan**

'Be bold, Be present, Be the change'

1. This pageant is not only about glamour.
2. Contestants showcase their unique cultural identities through their dazzling Matric Glamour fashion style and personal values.
3. Igniting change through fashion styles, embracing proudly SA fabrics, empowering the next generation, style icons, future cultural ambassadors and entrepreneurs.
4. Fashion meets social impact - contestants share stories of change with their sustainable, eco-friendly creations.

### **2. Eligibility to Enter**

1. The MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 is open to Grade 12 learners enrolled at a high school in South Africa.
2. The contestant must be enrolled in a mainstream program at a high school in South Africa.
3. Contestants may enter ONE category ONLY: Male or Female.
4. All matriculants can enter, regardless of 2026 Matric farewell event dates.
5. The contestant must be 17 - 19 years old, male or female.

6. **IMPORTANT:** Contestants under 18 require Parent/Legal Guardian consent to enter (clause 4.2.2(1)). MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026. Breach of this requirement will result in disqualification (refer clause 11.1(4)).

7. MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd reserves the right to request identification (certified copy of ID or passport) to confirm contestant eligibility.

## 2.1 Matric Glamour Style Categories

Participate in **(8)** Matric Glamour Style categories:

1. **Proudly SA Designer Couture:** Gowns and tuxedos by South African designers.
2. **Cultural Heritage:** Traditional attire embodying cultural identity.
3. **Emerging Designers:** Non-designer, dressmaker creations.
4. **Innovation:** Sustainable, eco-friendly homemade attire, crafted by the contestant from recycled materials.
5. **Retail Excellence:** Best Ladies Fashion, Men's Store, or SA-inspired boutique.
6. **E-commerce:** Online fashion dress or suit store.
7. **Hire & Occasion Wear:** Dress or tuxedo/suit hire service.
8. **Cultural Fusion:** Glamour styles blending SA fabrics with international elements.

## 3. Registration Fee

The registration fee to enter MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 is R250.

## 4. How to Register

1. Complete the online registration questionnaire via HOWLER event page for MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.
2. Upload a clear photo of yourself in your 2026 Matric Glamour Attire via HOWLER to complete Registration to MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.

### **NOTE:**

No photo + No payment = Invalid entry

3. Pay the R250 Registration fee via HOWLER

1. **Online** via HOWLER secure payment gateway

2. **OR In-store:** If selected, you will receive a Reference number to pay at **MONEY MARKET counters nationwide at Shoprite, Checkers, SPAR, Pick 'n Pay, Boxer, Ackermans, PEP, Makro, Game, and Builders.**

**NOTE:** (additional service fees apply).

#### **4.1 Contestant's Requirements:**

1. **Attire:** Contestants advancing to the finale must participate in the Matric Glamour Attire matching the photo submitted during registration.

#### **2. Social Media:**

Contestants must have active Instagram, Facebook, and TikTok and WhatsApp accounts; accounts of contestants under 18 must be managed by a Parent/Legal Guardian.

#### **4.2 Acceptance of Terms & Conditions**

##### **4.2.1 Contestant 18 and Older:**

Payment of the R250 Registration fee constitutes acceptance of MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026, Terms and Conditions. Contestants confirm they have read, understood, and agree to abide by the MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 rules.

##### **4.2.2 Parent/Legal Guardian on behalf of Contestants under 18:**

#### **1. IMPORTANT:**

Contestants under 18 require Parent/Legal Guardian consent to enter MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026. Breach of this requirement will result in disqualification (refer clause 11.1(4)).

2. Payment of the R250 registration fee constitutes a Parent/Legal Guardian's acceptance of MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026, Terms and Conditions on behalf of the contestant under 18.

3. The Parent/Legal Guardian confirms they have read, understood, and agree to abide by the MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 rules.

#### **4.3 Communication**

1. Contestants 18 and older will be the primary contact for all correspondence regarding their participation in MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.

2. The Parent/Legal Guardian (for contestants under 18) will be the primary point of contact for all correspondence regarding the contestant's participation in the MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.

3. **WhatsApp Groups:** By registering for MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026: The Contestant 18+ years and Parent/Legal Guardian (on behalf of contestants under 18) consent to being added to a WhatsApp Group for instant communication regarding important updates.

4. Parent/Legal Guardian (of Contestants under 18) consent to being added to a separate WhatsApp group for relevant instant updates (on behalf of contestants under 18).

#### **4.4 Contact Details**

Contestants 18+ (or Parent/Legal Guardian on behalf Contestants under 18) must provide accurate contact details (email, phone number /or WhatsApp number) for all communication regarding the pageant. Please refer to Disclaimer (23.1(1)) regarding liability for incorrect contact details.

### **5. Awards**

#### **5.1 MS MATRIC GLAM SA 2026 and MR MATRIC GLAM SA 2026:**

1. Be crowned SA's first MS MATRIC GLAM SA 2026 and MR MATRIC GLAM SA 2026, the ultimate MATRIC QUEEN and KING of GLAM - fashion trendsetters and style icons setting new benchmarks in style nationwide.

#### **5.2 Be The Change AWARD #bethechange:**

1. The prestigious Be the Change AWARD (#bethechange) recognises innovation, sustainability, and driving positive change in South Africa.
2. Recipient receives a study award towards a degree in Fashion Design, honouring innovation, sustainable practice's and creativity.

#### **5.3 Best Traditional Innovation (Male & Female)**

Prize awarded for outstanding Matric Attire representing a fusion of textiles reflecting the 'Ubuntu' legacy.

### **6. Complimentary Entry Competition**

#### **6.1 Social Media Campaign**

WIN FREE ENTRY! We are giving away 20 entries to matriculants (10 males,10 females).

Here's how to enter:

1. Follow us on Instagram, Facebook, and TikTok @matricglamsa
2. Tag a photo of yourself in your Matric Glamour Attire to @matricglamsa on Instagram, Facebook and TikTok.

3. Share the post and include 'Be bold, Be present, Be the change' #matricglamsa #bethechange
4. Engage with our pages to boost your chances to win a free entry!
5. **Social Media Campaign Dates:** 1 June - 1 August 2026 @23:00.
6. Winners will be announced on our social media platforms (Instagram, Facebook, TikTok), on 15 August 2026.
7. Complimentary entry winners must register via the HOWLER event page for MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026). Organisers will email instructions to each winner.
8. Winners of the 'Free entry' must meet eligibility criteria (Clause 2 & 2.1) AND follow instructions to enter (clause 4). If under 18, comply with (clause 4.2.2). By accepting the Complimentary Entry, the winner(s) accept the full Terms and Conditions of MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.

## **7. Refund Policy**

1. Non-refundable registration fee applies.
2. If a contestant withdraws due to misconduct or submits incorrect/false registration information (resulting in disqualification), no refund will be issued.

## **8. Event Postponement/Cancellation**

Postponement or cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances (natural disasters, force majeure, etc.),

1. The pageant will be rescheduled.
2. Contestants will be entered into the rescheduled pageant and notified of the new date via email and social media (Instagram, Facebook and TikTok).

## **9. Registration Dates**

28 May - 28 August 2026

## **10. Rules and Code of Conduct**

The MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 is a safe space, promoting positivity and respect.

1. We enforce a zero-tolerance policy on violence, racism, hate speech, harassment, drug use, and bullying.

2. All contestants are welcome, regardless of background or identity. Let's celebrate diversity, inclusivity, and empowerment.
3. Contestants must adhere to MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026, rules and South African laws.
4. Uphold the public image of MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT's brand at all times.
5. Contestants must conduct themselves with professionalism and respect in public and on social media (Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, etc.).

## **11. Disqualification & Exclusions**

The organisers reserve the right to disqualify contestants for;

### **11.1 Grounds for Disqualification:**

1. Breaching rules
2. Misconduct
3. Not meeting Eligibility to enter (clause 2) AND Submitting false information during Registration (clause 4.1.2(1)).
4. Under 18 Contestant whose Parent/Legal Guardian did not provide consent to enter.
5. Failure to present themselves in the Finale Pageant in their Matric Glam Attire (as per photo submitted during registration) to MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.
6. Reputational damage to the 'Brand' MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 and it's affiliated entities, including MATRIC PAGEANT SA PAGEANT Pty.Ltd.

Decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

### **11.2 Exclusions:**

Direct family members of the Organisers, Sponsors or Partner affiliates are not eligible to enter MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.

## **12. Judging Criteria**

The MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 will be judged in two separate divisions: Male and Female categories.

Judges will be looking for:

1. **Inspiration:** What inspired your Matric Glamour style?
2. **Creativity & Originality:** How unique and innovative is your Matric Glamour style?
3. **SA Fabrics & Sustainability:** Does your Matric Glamour look represent an eco-friendly or sustainable element?
4. **Cultural Relevance:** Does your Matric Glamour tell a story, or represent a cultural fusion element reflecting the Ubuntu legacy?
5. **Impact:** How does your Matric Glamour style impact social dynamics, environmental sustainability, and economic growth (like promoting SA fabrics) through your unique fashion style.
6. **Red-Carpet Presence:** How boldly and confidently do you command the red-carpet?
7. **Lasting Impression:** Does your Matric Glamour style create a photogenic presence?

### **13. Selection Criteria for Semi -Finalists**

1. The judging panel will select 80 male and 80 female contestants, (10 of each category) received from the national entries.
2. Nomination will be based on Eligibility to Enter, (clauses 2 & 2.1) and Judging Criteria, (clause 12.1)
3. The 80 male and 80 female Semi-finalists will undergo additional verification prior to public announcement.
4. All Semi-finalists will be notified via email or telephonic communication upon nomination.
5. Semi-finalists will be announced publicly 1 week after the registration closing date (28 August 2026).

### **14. Wild Cards**

1. A 'Wild Card' is a contestant who advances to the finals despite not automatically qualifying through the selection process.
2. It is often a 'last chance' or 'special selection' that allows a Semi-finalist to advance straight to the finals, adding excitement to the pageant.
3. MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd, the organisers reserves the right to add a final contestant 'Wild Card' in both male and female categories from the remaining Semi-finalists.
4. Wild card nominees (Contestants) must meet eligibility criteria (Clause 2 & 2.1) AND follow instructions to enter (clause 4). If under 18, comply with (clause 4.2.2). By accepting the

nomination, the nominees accept the full Terms and Conditions of MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.

#### **14.1 Judges' choice:**

The judges may select a Semi-finalist who impressed them but didn't fit into the highest - scored category.(T&C's apply).

#### **14.2 Public Vote:**

May be determined by public voting, allowing fans to save a Semi-finalist who impressed them, but didn't fit into the highest - scored category.(T&C's apply).

#### **14.3 Selection Process:**

Judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

### **15. Public Voting, Pricing**

1. Public voting will follow after the announcement of the 80 Semi-finalists (80 male and 80 female).
2. All contestants will be entered into the voting system, via HOWLER as a separate event, allowing the public to participate.
3. Voting starts on 7 September (11 am) and ends on 1 October (11 pm) via HOWLER.
4. The HOWLER link will be shared via our social media platforms: Instagram, Facebook and TikTok @matricglamsa or visit the HOWLER event page.

#### **15.1 Voting Bundle Prices:**

1. R2.00 per vote.
2. Voting bundles can be purchased:
  1. **Online** via HOWLER secure payment gateway.
  1. **Or In-store:** If selected, you'll receive a Reference number to settle payment at **MONEY MARKET counters nationwide at Shoprite, Checkers, SPAR, Pick 'n Pay, Boxer, Ackermans, PEP, Makro, Game, and Builders.**

**NOTE:** (additional service fees apply).

3. Votes will be allocated to the nominated Semi-finalist you are voting for.

## **15.2 Announcement of Finalists:**

The top 60 finalists (30 males and 30 females), selected through public voting, will be announced on 9 October 2026 at 11 am on our social media platforms (@matricglamsa on Instagram, Facebook, and TikTok).

## **16. Finale Judging of Finalists**

The final contestants will start with new score cards for the finale judging.

1. Judges' will evaluate Matric Glamour Attire based on:
  - a) Adherence to entry rules criteria and rules.
  - b) Originality and creativity of Matric Glamour Attire as per the judging criteria, (clause 12).
  - c) Matric Glamour Attire and presentation standards.
2. The judges' and organisers decision is final. No correspondence will be entered into.
3. Contestants are expected to conduct themselves professionally and respectfully.
4. All contestants are required to attend all scheduled workshops and rehearsals at the finale venue
5. Finalists will be judged in separate male and female categories, concurrently on the same platform.
6. Finalists will participate in a Q&A sessions during pre-judging sessions, which may be conducted online and/or at the finale event.
7. Penalties apply for exceeding time limits.
8. The organisers, MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd, will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to contestants' property during the event.
9. Contestants participate at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety and belongings.

## **17. Empowerment and Mentoring**

1. Finalists will attend pre-finale empowerment sessions and receive mentorship through a partnering organisation, online and/or at finale event.
2. Industry-specific organisations, (fashion, textile, environmental, and other relevant sectors) may be nominated to provide ongoing mentorship, subject to change.

3. The mentoring will focus on sustainable practises, repurposing materials, eco-friendly design, and entrepreneurial development for South African youth.

## **18. Media and Image Rights**

1. Contestants grant MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd. exclusive rights to use their photos, voice, and likeness for promotional purposes, public appearances, television, radio interviews, voice overs, photoshoots, video content, and digital print media without compensation.

2. For Contestants under 18, Parent/Legal Guardian grant MATRIC GLAM SA Pty. Ltd exclusive rights to use the contestant's photos, voice, and likeness for promotional purposes, including radio, TV interviews, public appearances, photoshoots, video content, and digital print media without compensation.

### **18.1 Marketing and Advertising:**

This includes use of photos, video content, reels, behind-the-scenes content, and other related materials across social media, print, TV and other media platforms.

### **18.2 Contestants or Parent/Legal Guardian Media Consent:**

Contestants (18+ years) or Parent/ Legal Guardian grant permission to use contestant content as per (clauses 18, 18.1 and 18.2.)).

### **18.3 Usage Rights**

MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd reserves the right to use the contestant's content for future marketing initiatives, campaigns, and promotions.

## **19. Data Protection and POPIA Compliance**

1. MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd is committed to complying with the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) (Act 4 of 2013) in the collection, storage, and processing of contestants' personal information, including photos.

2. MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty. Ltd has implemented appropriate data security measures to protect, store and collect personal information, as required by the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) (Act 4 of 2013).

3. Contestants 18+ years (or a Parent/Legal Guardian if the contestant is under 18) consent to the collection, storage, and processing of their personal information including photos as set out in these Terms and Conditions.

4. Registration and fee payments are processed through HOWLER, a POPIA-compliant platform, ensuring the secure collection, storage, and processing of personal information in accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) (Act 4 of 2013).

## **20. The Finale Pageant**

### **20.1 Hosting details:**

The MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 finale will be hosted in Cape Town, Western Cape, with the exact venue and date to be confirmed (TBC). The event is scheduled for December 2026, post-matric exams. Stay tuned for updates!

### **20.2 Contestant's Responsibilities:**

Each finalist is responsible for:

1. Attending the finale in Cape Town, Western Cape.
2. Arranging travel to and from the venue.
3. Own accommodation and ensuring a safe stay.
4. Planning ahead for availability, affordability, and budgeting for event attendance.
5. Attending scheduled rehearsals for the finale pageant.
6. Covering additional costs related to preparation (e.g., grooming, styling, etc.).
7. Notifying the organisers of any changes or issues regarding participation.

### **20.3 Contestants under 18**

1. Final contestants under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
2. Notifying the organisers of any changes or issues regarding the under 18 Contestant's participation.

### **20.4 Matric Glamour Attire**

Each contestant must ensure their Matric Glamour Attire for the finale pageant matches the 'photo submitted' during registration. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification from the finale pageant, refer to (clause 11.1.4).

## **21. General Terms and Conditions**

### **21.1 Amendments:**

The organisation reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions at any time. Changes will be communicated via email and/or correspondence posted on @matricglamsa social media platforms.

## **21.2 Governing Law**

These Terms and Conditions are governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of South Africa.

## **21.3 General Rules**

1. MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 is a public event with social media presence via Instagram, Facebook, and TikTok (@matricglamsa).
2. Changes to the schedule or rules will be communicated to contestants via email and (@matricglamsa social media platforms).
3. Organisers reserve the right to cancel or alter the format of any activity or pageant.
4. Judges' and organisers' decision are final. No correspondence will be entered into.

## **21.4 Zero-Tolerance Policy**

We enforce a zero-tolerance policy on:

1. Violence, racism, hate speech, drug use, bullying, harassment, illegal substances, and misconduct.
2. Any behaviour contradicting the values of MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 of positivity and respect.
3. Reputational damage to the 'Brand' MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 and it's affiliated entities, including MATRIC PAGEANT SA PAGEANT Pty Ltd.

## **21.5 Consequences of Breach**

1. Providing false Registration information and not meeting Eligibility entry requirements to enter MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 will result in immediate disqualification (clause 11.1.)).
2. Failure to attend scheduled rehearsals will result in disqualification from the finale pageant (clause 11.1(5)).
3. Reputational damage to the 'Brand' MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026 and it's affiliated entities, including MATRIC PAGEANT SA PAGEANT Pty Ltd (clauses 21.4 and 11.1(6)).

## **22. Finale Event: Tickets, Postponement & Cancellation**

1. Ticket sales via HOWLER start once the venue is confirmed. We will announce on @matricglamsa on Instagram, Facebook and TikTok.
- (2) Tickets are non-refundable, and may not be resold.
- (3) If the event is postponed or cancelled (due to unforeseen circumstances, including natural disasters or force majeure), the finale will be rescheduled.

## **23. Disclaimer**

The organiser, MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT Pty.Ltd, is not responsible for:

1. Incomplete Registration, including but not limited to Matric Glamour Attire photos or incorrect contact details provided by Contestants 18+ (or Parent/Legal Guardian if Contestant under 18) to finalise their entry to the pageant.
2. Unverified Matric Glamour Attire 'photos': Invalid registration.
3. Contestants declined due to inappropriate content presented on submitted images (alcohol, drugs, nudity etc.).
4. Late submissions of Matric Glamour Attire photos, unpaid Registration fees or any documentation requested by the organisers received after the closing date.
5. Any losses, damages, or injuries arising from participation in MATRIC GLAM SA PAGEANT 2026.

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