



**“TODAY’S” NATALIE MORALES AND MSNBC’S THOMAS ROBERTS  
TO HOST “THE 63<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MISS UNIVERSE® PAGEANT”  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 25 ON NBC (8-11 P.M. ET)**

***IMG SIGNED ON AS EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS***

**NEW YORK — December 16, 2014** — NBC, Donald J. Trump and Paula M. Shugart, president of the Miss Universe Organization, announced today that “TODAY’s” Natalie Morales and MSNBC’s Thomas Roberts will host the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual MISS UNIVERSE® Pageant airing Sunday, January 25 (8-11 p.m. ET) on NBC. The Miss Universe contestants will be hosted in Doral-Miami, Florida and the pageant will air live from the FIU Arena. IMG will be the executive producers of the three-hour event, which will simulcast in Spanish on Telemundo.

Natalie Morales and Thomas Roberts will take the stage together for the first time as co-hosts of the competition. Natalie Morales is the news anchor of NBC’s “TODAY” show, and co-anchor of the show’s third hour. Morales previously co-hosted the MISS UNIVERSE Pageant in 2010 and 2011. Roberts hosts MSNBC’s “Way Too Early” and is a contributor to “Morning Joe.” He returns to co-host the MISS UNIVERSE Pageant for a second time in a row. Roberts also previously hosted the 2014 MISS USA® Pageant this past June.

The Miss Universe Organization has brought on IMG, a global leader in sports, fashion and media, as the executive producers of this year’s pageant. For more than 40 years, IMG’s productions team has produced some of the most memorable original entertainment on television across all genres and media platforms including reality programs, scripted entertainment, documentaries, network specials, live events and world feeds. Steve Mayer will be the Executive Producer.

The 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual MISS UNIVERSE® Pageant will feature nearly 90 contestants from across the globe. They will be judged in three categories: swimsuit, evening gown and interview. Gabriela Isler, Miss Universe 2013 will crown her successor at the conclusion of the three-hour telecast. The MISS UNIVERSE beauty pageant is distributed to approximately 190 countries and territories.

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## **ABOUT MISS UNIVERSE**

The Miss Universe Organization (MUO) is a Donald J. Trump and NBCUniversal joint venture which uses its global grassroots reach to empower women to be self-confident and strive to be their personal best. MUO believes that every woman should be “Confidently Beautiful.” The MISS UNIVERSE<sup>®</sup>, MISS USA<sup>®</sup>, and MISS TEEN USA<sup>®</sup> beauty pageants provide an international platform through dedicated partnerships with charities, sponsors, and brands around the world. During their reign, our winners are given the tools to personally and professionally enrich others by providing humanitarian efforts to affect positive change, all while developing their personal career goals. For more information, and to learn more about Miss Universe’s official cause to raise awareness for HIV/AIDS education and prevention around the world, please visit: [www.missuniverse.com](http://www.missuniverse.com).

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## **ABOUT IMG**

IMG is a global leader in sports, fashion and media operating in more than 25 countries around the world. IMG’s businesses include Events & Media, College, Golf, Tennis, Performance and IMG Academy, Fashion, Models, Clients, Consulting, Licensing, Joint Ventures, and creative management agency Art + Commerce. In 2014, IMG was acquired by WME, the world’s leading entertainment and media agency. Together, the companies offer an unparalleled client roster; strategic partnerships with sponsors and brands; and marquee assets across sports, entertainment, events, music and fashion.

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