



Miss Sri Lanka

Voting for Miss Sunday Observer begins today



Chamupa Godage

Chamupa Godage has aspired to be a model since her childhood. She is following her undergraduate degree in Accounting & Finance in Singapore where she participated in her debut catwalk for a charitable cause. She has not looked back since. The tableau social perceptions of modelling has made Chamupa hit a rock or two but the girl has not let such minor matters distance her from her dream.

She feels that our social culture puts modelling in a bad light and very few try to correct this misconception. "People think modelling is not a good field, but I am trying to prove that it is so. The modelling industry has great appeal in Singapore and given our similarities in culture, we too must have a positive outlook regarding modelling."

"This pageant is the safest platform I can venture into considering what I want to do. It is not about being beautiful, it is about using your beauty for a cause and I am very glad we have a pageant like this to train us to fit into the local and global audience" Chamupa said.



Charitha Waidyasiri

With many reputable modelling assignments in her kitty and previous experience of working with many big names in the industry under her belt, Charitha Waidyasiri oozes with confidence and is ever daring to go. The former student of Anula Vidyalaya, Nugegoda, says winning this contest is a challenge. "I wanted to wait until I was ready for the pageant again since I participated in 2008, I took three long years and worked on it", she said.

"I respect myself and I would love to see every girl do that because it is one of the most important things we have control over. Having an opportunity to represent the country at the world pageant is an experience I will treasure. I am aware that all the girls are extremely talented and we all have the same objective. This pageant has been tough, it requires professional discipline and I have developed that skill over the years", the determined Charitha said.

"We must know what we want in life and then channel all our energy towards getting it, that is exactly why I decided to take part in the pageant and I will give it my all" a confident Charitha said.

by Omar Rajarathnam

Thotupala resort in Piliyandala is defeating tinsel town these days, thanks to the exuberant twelve girls who are constantly turning the heat on as they take part in one mini pageant after another to win the Derana Veet

Miss Sri Lanka crown and represent the country at the Miss World 2011. The mini pageant for Best Hair was held on March 18 and was adjudged by, Actress Nehara Pieris, Head of CG Hair

Dressing Cheryl Gunaratne, and Mahes Perera from the Sunday Observer. The pageant for Best Legs was held on March 25. A tete-a-tete with all the

girls proved that walking the ramp is certainly not a walk in the park. More interviews next week.

Shimalka Bodaragama



Shimalka Bodaragama entered modelling in 2006 shortly after her A/L's by participating in The Models Of The New Generation where she bagged the title for Oriflame Look of the year. She then joined Sri Lankan Airlines as a flight attendant and pursued her higher education in Fashion designing. With a reputed title, experience of overseas travel and an academic achievement to her credit, Shimalka embarked on a business venture creating her own shirt brand.

God blesses everyone with something and I have been blessed with beauty, she perseveres. "I want to achieve something big for the country and so I decided to participate in this pageant. I have always wanted to be attached to this industry and have believed in balancing beauty with compassion".

Shimalka says that cricket is often associated with the path which has earned Sri Lanka global acclaim and that she wants beauty contest winners from the country to also join the bandwagon to improve the country's popularity on a global platform.

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