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<u>Gracious and Glowing, 54th Anniversary Miss Black America, Gabrielle Wilson is</u>
<u>Crowned by Pageant's Founder, J. Morris Anderson and Kathleen Bradley - Redd, Miss Black America California 1971</u>.

After numerous reschedules resulting from Covid19 and Venue Difficulties coming out of Covid19, the Historic Miss Black America Pageant continued its theme of "Lighting the Path Home to Africa". The Elaborate Production includes Choreographed Protests on the Streets of Philadelphia which overtake the Theater and Stage where aspects of the 54th Anniversary Miss Black America Pageant were scheduled.

Co-Host, **Miss Black America 1985**, **Amina Fakir initiated t**he Pageant's Cultural Swimsuit and Candlelight Ceremony which lights a path home to Africa. This was amazingly presented, over the top, and populated by hundreds during a clear starlit night shoot at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

The Finalists also sparkled from around the country. They were cloaked in the fabrics of Africa by **Clyopatra Couture** during this unique Swimsuit Ceremony.

Other Hosts included: *Miss Black America 2017, (Political Analyst) Brittney Lewis, MC Chelci B, TV Host Contributor of E!, TMZ, and Revolt, Miss Black America, NJ of 2014, Shyneika Taylor and Iconic Impersonator, Miss Black America, Washington, DC 1973, Sylvia Traymore Morrison.*

The Swimsuit, Talent and Projection Competitions took place at Sea with designer **Michelle Collins Windle of MCW Originals** at the **Fashion Helm**. The Prestigious Judges Panel included Iconic Actress, Author, Producer and Miss Black America California 1971, **Kathleen Bradley - Redd**, Singer, Songwriter, Producer, Serial Entrepreneur and Heir to SOLAR Records, **Carolyn Griffey** also, Creator, Producer, Philanthropist, Entertainment Lawyer and Counsel to the National Black Chamber of Commerce, **Ronald Gregg, Esquire.**

A Final Question Culminated the Scores and the <u>Radiant Gabrielle Wilson of Los Angeles</u>, <u>California</u>, <u>was Crowned the 54th Anniversary Miss Black America</u> in Freeport of the Bahamas.

Then, even more! There is a Heartfelt Welcome Home from Ghana, West Africa to the Miss Black America Pageant which is produced by **Jahzara! Fashion Alchemy**. Despite a Challenging tour of difficulties many productions have experienced since 2020, the Miss Black America Pageant achieved its Best Possible Outcome from Philadelphia to the Bahamas in Bimini and Freeport and to Mother Africa! What a Destination Event By Land and by Sea. Stay tuned to the Miss Black America Website for Air Dates. www.MissBlackAmerica.com

<u>Gabrielle Wilson of Los Angeles, California was Crowned 54th Anniversary Miss Black</u> <u>America;</u>

First Runner Up to Miss Black America is Alicia Blanks, Miss Black America New Jersey;

Second Runner Up is Diamond Glover, Diamond Represents Washington, DC. She also represents her Sponsor and local pageant producer, the Jefferson Foundation.

People's Choice for Miss Black America, (an electronic popularity contest), is Miss Black America Pennsylvania, Jaelyn Monroe.

Miss Positivity and People's Choice for Miss Black America Queen of Community Service is Miss Black America Tennessee, Makayla Walker.

People's Choice for Miss Black America Queen of Social Media is Miss Black America North Carolina, Raven Gibbs.

Khadijah Abdul-Azeez is Miss Black America Georgia. Of the Muslim Faith, Khadijah wore a Burkini during the Cultural Swimsuit Competition.

Prizes include a Cash Career Award, Exotic Vacation Package, Freshwater Jewelry from the Bimini Board of Tourism, Bikes built by Philadelphia Youth and Drexel Hill Cycles, Wake Up to Make Up by Erika's Glam Team, also, Fun Furs by Zinman Furs.



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