

**HELIO CASTRONEVES, CONNIE CHUNG, ISABELI FONTANA, VIVICA FOX, ADRIENNE MALOOF, LEA SALONGA AND AMELIA VEGA TO JUDGE THE 2011 MISS UNIVERSE® PAGEANT' ON SEPTEMBER 12 LIVE FROM SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL AT 9 PM ET ON NBC**

**BRAZILIAN MUSICAL ARTISTS BEBEL GILBERTO AND CLAUDIA LEITTE SET TO PERFORM WHILE STYLE NETWORK'S JEANNIE MAI AND MISS USA 2004 SHANDI FINNESSEY SERVE AS FASHION COMMENTATORS**

São Paulo, Brazil - September 7, 2011—NBC, **Donald J. Trump** and **Paula M. Shugart**, president of the Miss Universe Organization, announce today the celebrities and experts who will judge at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual "Miss Universe® Pageant," which will be broadcast live from **Credicard Hall** in **São Paulo, Brazil** on **Monday, September 12 at 9 p.m. ET**. A live Spanish simulcast will air on Telemundo Network.

The list of judges includes:

- **Helios Castroneves**, Three-time Winner of the Indianapolis 500
- **Connie Chung**, U.S. Broadcast Legend
- **Isabeli Fontana**, Brazilian Supermodel
- **Vivica Fox**, Actress & Television Producer
- **Adrienne Maloof**, From Bravo's hit series "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills"
- **Lea Salonga**, Tony Award Winner and Actress
- **Amelia Vega**, Miss Universe 2003

Grammy-nominated singer/songwriter **Bebel Gilberto**, daughter of Brazilian legend Joao Gilberto, will perform her electronic bossa nova single "Close Your Eyes" during the evening gown portion of the competition. Meanwhile, Brazilian native pop singer **Claudia Lette** will turn the heat up when she performs her new single "Locomotion" during the swimsuit competition.

As previously announced, **Andy Cohen**, host of Bravo's "Watch What Happens: Live," and **Natalie Morales**, news anchor of NBC's "Today" will host the "2011 Miss Universe® Pageant." Joining them will be host of Style Network's "How Do I Look" **Jeannie Mai** and **Shandi Finnessey**, Miss USA 2004, who will provide skybox fashion commentary throughout the LIVE telecast.

For the first time ever, fans in represented countries have been able to vote for their favorite contestant for an automatic spot into the semifinals at the 2011 Miss Universe® Competition. Fans can vote online at [www.missuniverse.com](http://www.missuniverse.com) or [www.NBC.com](http://www.NBC.com). Online voting is taking place now through September 11 (9 p.m. ET).

The 2011 MISS UNIVERSE® Pageant kicks off a series of worldwide events hosted by Brazil. In addition to this global beauty event, Brazil is host to the 2014 World Cup and the 2016 Summer Olympic Games. With the city of São Paulo at center stage, the pageant will take place at Credicard Hall, a prominent music theater for the city.

The two-hour television event, comprised of contestants representing approximately 90 countries around the world, will compete in three categories: swimsuit, evening gown and interview. In past years, worldwide distribution of the competition has topped nearly 190 countries and territories.

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