

1990 Miss Black Teenage World

Currently in Winston Salem, N.C. Debelah Morgan is the reigning Miss Black Teenage World, a national pageant sponsored by founder Ron Charity and Dudley Products. The pageant provides scholarships for all its participants. Out of the 5 categories (Sportswear, Creative Expression, Talent, Personal Projection and Evening Wear) Morgan won Top Awards in two: one in talent and the other is personal projection.

Debelah Morgan is 16 years old and a freshman in College. She began her music career at the age of 3, started formal training at the age of 8 and at 12 enrolled in Tucson High, magnet school for fine arts.

Tucson's Miss Juneteenth 1988-89 and Miss Black Teen Arizona 1989-90, 1st Place Winner of the 1990 Show Time West Coast Theatre Vocal Soloist at the Hollywood Palladium, 1990 NAACP ACT-SO Tucson - 1st Place Vocal Classical and 1st Place Drama allowing her to participate in nationals at the L.A. Convention Center and winning a Silver Medal in the vocal Classical presented by Robert Guillaume and winner of the 1990-1991 Miss Black Teenage World, Morgan devoted her spare time to organizing and producing the First Annual Soul Fest '89, an event she is determined to make an international celebration of unity.



Debelah Morgan - Miss Black Teenage World

Producer of Soul Fest '90, Morgan brought together 48 artists from Arizona, California and New Orleans. This program commemorated the works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and other freedom-fighters gave to society. This year's focus is to bring attention to the oppression policies of apartheid in South Africa and the political turmoil of South America. Debelah says, "Soul Fest is an event designed to bring everyone (all races) together with music."

In the talent competition for Miss Teenage World, Debelah overwhelmed the audience and judges alike when she sang a stirring soulful rendition of Patti

LaBelle's "There's a Winner In You." She received a standing ovation and a thunderous continuous applause, prompting the pageant officials to halt the applause in order to continue with the program. By the evening's end, Debelah Morgan was crowned Miss Black Teenage World. As a result of winning, she received two full scholarships to Hampton and Grambling University. She plans to continue her education and major in music. Debelah has also been chosen as the National Spokesperson for Captain Drugbuster C.A.D. (Children Against Drugs).

Be sure to keep an eye out for this talented teen as she

releases her debut single "I Love You," definitely the first of many from this beautiful singing sensation!! For further information regarding the pageant, contact: Mr. & Mrs. Black Teenage World Scholarship Program, Inc., 1724 1st Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001 (202)387-1809.



When you think of flower petals, cool breezes and a good meal you can imagine the talents of Capitol recording artist, Angela Bofill, because her style is soft, her voice is refreshing and while listening to her you get full on an enjoyable performance. A native New Yorker, Angela was exposed to a wide variety of music in her household. Being brought up in Harlem, the daughter of a Cuban father, and a Puerto Rican mother, Angela's roots in music go pretty deep. Singing professionally since she was 15, and studying at the Hartford Conservatory and at the Manhattan School of Music, it's not hard to believe that she is talented enough to accomplish any musical feat, be it classical, pop, or jazz. You can witness the beauty of Angela Bofill at Calamity's Concert House, Thursday, October 18 at 10 p.m.

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Jack "The Rapper"

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