

Laurel Miller, The 2023 Official Fiesta Teen Queen of The Woman's Club of San Antonio. I am a senior in high school and a Girl Scout of twelve years. I have earned my bronze and silver awards and I'm currently working on my gold award. While serving on my school Community Service Council, we were honored with the Red Cross Young Philanthropist Award for our contributions to the community. I plan on attending a University in the Fall 2023, pursuing a degree in Biomechanical Engineering.

The Woman's Club of San Antonio, organized in 1898, is celebrating its 125th year. The organization is housed in the beautiful Woodward Mansion at 1717 San Pedro. I have spent many a day and night at the Woodward Mansion with my family gaining a deeper understanding of the hard work that goes into maintaining and operating a mansion just about to turn 120 years old. I am honored to make my grand entrance at The Woodward Mansion celebrating the 125th anniversary of the club as "The Woman's Club of San Antonio 2023 Fiesta Teen Queen".

I take great pride in volunteering and representing the Woman's Club in various events as an Ingenue, a junior member of the organization. The WC has a long history participating and hosting Official Fiesta events such as Battle of Flowers, River Parade, WCSA Fiesta Flower Show, and The Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation celebrating San Antonians and our freedom, since the late 1800s. As part of the Ingenue community outreach, I have attended and worked many Fiesta events like the WCSA Fiesta Hat Luncheon, Fiesta Especial, Fiesta Fiesta, The Pilgrimage to the Alamo and many more. My most favorite event of Fiesta 2022 was participating in the WCSA Fiesta Flower Show and earning the First Place award in the Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts.

I love being involved with the WCSA with my mother and grandmother. We get to spend time together helping our community with other members. I greatly appreciate our members that have shown me not only kindness, but understanding. The members of the WCSA have taught me to hold myself in high regard and to seek a higher standard, have faith in myself and believe that as a woman I am good enough. I want other young women to know that self confidence is found within yourself, and not by likes on social media. I share my own story of a caterpillar to a butterfly by the power of the love and support of the WCSA members at every opportunity. I will be promoting the core values and mission of the WCSA "For mutual improvement and cooperation in all charitable and educational undertakings that pertain to the greater good of humanity". San Antonio is full of exceptional women. We are an organization of women (and one man) here to support other women. The 2023 Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation of The Woman's Club of San Antonio, for our 125th anniversary year, will be held on March 5th, 2023. This event is FREE to the general public. Please see the Fiesta Commission Calendar for more details on the coronation and other Woman's Club Fiesta Events. VIVA FIESTA!