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**MS. WHEELCHAIR MARYLAND CROWNED**

Brittany Rieman of Waldorf MD was crowned Ms. Wheelchair Maryland 2021 on November 7, 2020

Brittany became Ms. Wheelchair Maryland after a full day of workshops, private interviews, and a platform speech. She will now serve as Maryland's state titleholder for one year and will prepare to represent the state of Maryland and compete in the Ms. Wheelchair America 2021 pageant in Michigan.

The Ms. Wheelchair Maryland and Ms. Wheelchair America organizations do not judge beauty. Instead, the Ms. Wheelchair Maryland and Ms. Wheelchair America organizations focus on advocacy and recognizing the free spirit and accomplishments of women who use wheelchairs.

Throughout her reign, Brittany will serve as a spokeswoman throughout the state where she can discuss awareness, acceptance and the overall understanding of disabilities with the general public. She will have the opportunity to travel across the state, visit advocacy groups, make public appearances, including possible parade appearances, and is available to conduct interviews.

Brittany will also use her year as Ms. Wheelchair Maryland 2021 to share her platform: Bringing Awareness to Substance abuse. With her platform, she plans to encourage and foster open communication between individuals with and without disabilities. Ultimately, she hopes to highlight and raise awareness about the dangers of prescription medications, Alcohol and overcoming addictions. She believes in using her life story to encourage others not to make the same mistakes and also how to overcome the challenges that she has encountered.

Brittany uses a wheelchair for mobility due to a car accident in March of 2018. She was driving under the influence of prescription medications and alcohol. Brittany took this very horrific incident and made it her main goal to turn her life around. Brittany lives life to the fullest being clean and sober, and aims to shine a positive light on being in recovery and not letting her disability deter her. Through advocacy and education, she sets an example for other individuals who also use wheelchairs for mobility.

Brittany is a loving mother to 3 beautiful children, an advocate in her community sharing her story to rehabilitation centers, institutions and hospitals. She is a board member for a non-profit organization that is working on opening a 12 step recovery lounge in the Charles County area. Brittany currently works for Accessible Resources of Independence as a Transition Specialist, helping those with disabilities in nursing facilities able to leave and become independent. Brittany has learned to embrace the challenges in her life and will use her new title as a way to continue to raise awareness about disabilities. She is excited about her reign and is available for appearances.

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If you would like more information about Ms. Wheelchair Maryland or to schedule an interview with Brittany Rieman please contact her by phone at 540.877.0253 or email at [Brittanyrieman87@gmail.com](mailto:Brittanyrieman87@gmail.com)