

# ENA 2008 CULTURAL PAGEANT WINNER



## **Nekpen Osuan Profile**

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**Nekpen Osuan** is from Houston, Texas and is a graduate of Baylor University, where she studied Economics and Leadership. As an undergraduate, she served in the Baylor Student Government as Student Body Electoral Commissioner and served as President of the Baylor collegiate chapter of the NAACP. The first graduate of the Baylor Academy for Leadership Development and Civic-Engagement Fellows Program, Nekpen considers herself a life-long learner. Her personal goals are to master the non-profit sector, the art of organizational leadership, and being a change agent in improving community dialogue. She has interned with the City of Waco Public Health Department, the U.S. Navy, the Drum Major Institute for Public Policy in New York, and the NAACP Washington Bureau in D.C.

Nekpen is a member of Edo Youth Movement. She has been actively involved with planning Edo youth events such as the ENA convention Youth Program in Boston, fundraising for the X-Mas program in Benin for the orphanage homes this December. Within 30 minutes of winning the Cultural Pageant, Nekpen also won a Pentium 5 lap top as a door price during the convention. Nekpen is currently the Treasurer for the promising organization Having won the Edo National Association Cultural Pageant at the 2008 ENA National Conference, Nekpen continues to raise awareness of the Edo Youth Movement with the aim of bridging the gap between her ancestral elders and peers in Diaspora. she looks forward to traveling across the country to celebrate “the joy and privilege of being a daughter of Edo state.” Her efforts so far have impacted events including the Nigerian Independence Day celebration in New York City and the University of Pennsylvania’s *Iyare* historical exhibition. She plans to attend graduate school to study economic and education policy at Columbia University in the Fall of 2009, and may be reached via email at [nekpen.osuan@gmail.com](mailto:nekpen.osuan@gmail.com).







**NEKPEN (2008 ENA QUEEN) AND HER NEW LAP TOP.  
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