

LOCAL YOUTH TO COMPETE IN FORD AQHYA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

AMARILLO, Texas – American Quarter Horse exhibitor [exhibitor's name] of [city] will be competing in the 2009 Ford American Quarter Horse Youth Association World Championship Show in Oklahoma City, July 31 – August 8.

[last name] will be among nearly 2,000 youths, ages 18 and under, from the United States, Canada and other countries participating in the show. [He or She] will compete with [his/her] American Quarter Horse [horse's name], a [horse's age]-year-old [horse's color] [gelding/mare] in [class(es) name(s)].

The Ford AQHYA World Championship Show is an invitational event that showcases top American Quarter Horse youth exhibitors, so the competition promises to be intense and exciting. Youth will compete for 33 world championship titles, as well as prizes from American Quarter Horse Association sponsors. Exhibitors must have earned a predetermined number of points at American Quarter Horse Association-approved shows between May 1, 2008, and April 30, 2009, or be one of four entries in each event selected to represent each affiliate American Quarter Horse Youth association.

The 2009 Ford AQHYA World Championship Show is sponsored by Bayer, B&W Hitches, Featherlite, Ford, John Deere, Justin Boots, Markel Insurance, Montana Silversmiths, Nutrena, Professional's Choice, SmartPak, WeatherBeeta and Wrangler. Additional sponsors include Cripple Creek Outerwear, Kiser Arena Specialists, *The American Quarter Horse Journal* and Metro Golf Cars.

Additional events taking place at the Ford Youth World include award presentations for year-end high-point winners and the AQHYA Speech, Horse Judging and Horse Bowl contests.

The American Quarter Horse Journal will provide online coverage of the Ford Youth World Show, including special feature stories, interviews and photos of world champions. Visit www.aqha.com for up-to-date results and to watch the show via the Fort Dodge Webcam.

[Last name] is the [age]-year-old [son/daughter] of [parent's names] and is a [grade level] at [school]. [Include additional information about exhibitor such as hobbies and community involvement.]