



Dear Collegiate Judging Coaches and Students,

Keeping in line with all of our competitive events and contests, this year we're asking all competitors in the AQHA World Championship Show Judging Contest to be current members of the Association. We're offering a deeply discounted annual membership fee of \$20 for judging team members - half the price of the regular membership fee.

AQHA is making a commitment to you as future judges for the horse industry by offering opportunities to pursue your judging career, starting with your participation in this contest. You can continue to foster your interest and skills by attending AQHA judging schools and applying to be a progressive judge when you turn 21. By investing in an AQHA membership you are able to take advantage of these and many other educational resources offered by AQHA.

Membership in AQHA also enables us to communicate with you about new educational resources and benefits. Additionally, you will receive *America's Horse* magazine and stay up to date with the world of Quarter Horses with *America's Horse Daily Newsletter*, which you can customize based on your area of interest.

We welcome you to AQHA, and good luck to each of you as you embark on your judging career.

All the Best!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ward A. Stutz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ward A. Stutz
Director of Education

AMERICAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: COLLEGIATE HORSE JUDGING COACHES

FROM: WARD STUTZ

DATE: AUGUST 12, 2009

SUBJECT: AQHA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP COLLEGIATE HORSE JUDGING CONTEST

The World Championship title is up for grabs at the American Quarter Horse World Championship Show. It's your chance to have your judging team take home the gold!

When: November 17 Coaches Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
18 Contest – 7:30 a.m.
19 Awards Breakfast – 8:30 a.m.

Where: Oklahoma State Fairgrounds, Oklahoma City, OK

Who: Junior (2yr) College teams of 3 or 4
Senior (4yr) College teams of 4 or 5

Deadline: October 10th (*no late entries accepted*)

Not only the title of the “World Champion Collegiate Horse Judging Team” but also thousands of dollars in scholarships will be awarded to the top three teams in each division!

Here are some additional points to remember:

- * A current AQHA Membership is now required to compete in the contest. We are offering a discounted annual membership fee of \$20 for all contestants who need to purchase a membership. Please see attached form.
- * Only complete entry forms will be accepted. Last minute changes can be made at the coaches meeting.
- * Entry fee for contest is \$125 per team.
- * Entry fee for an individual is \$50
- * You may fax your entries **by October 10th** to (806) 378-4757 Attn: Sarah.
- * Pick up your admission packet at the Horse Show Office which will include badges for team members and coaches who pre-registered (additional badges can be purchased at the Horse Show Office). The Horse Show Office is located in the Superbarn, next to the “Gateway of Champions.”

Enclosed you will find information concerning team eligibility, entries, lodging, awards and a tentative schedule. If you have any questions at all, please contact Ward Stutz at wstutz@aqha.org. We look forward to seeing you in Oklahoma City!!

2009 AQHA World Championship
Collegiate Horse Judging Contest
November 17, 18, & 19, 2009

Eligibility

- A. Participants must be full-time undergraduate students in good standing as determined by their school requirements. A minimum grade point average of 2.5/4.0 (ct.) is recommended. Participants may not be an approved judge of any national horse association.
- B. Any two-year junior or four-year senior college or university may participate in the contest. There will be separate divisions for junior and senior colleges/universities.
- C. Contestants may only participate once in their lifetime in the junior college division and once in the senior college division.
- D. Participants must be current members of the American Quarter Horse Association. The AQHA Membership number for each team member must be provided on the contest entry form. If you have team members who are not current AQHA members, a new membership or renewal must be purchased at time of entry (\$20) and submitted on the form provided with the entry packet. This is not an online offer.
- E. **Junior College Division**
 - 1. Each school may enter two teams.
 - 2. Teams will consist of no more than four (4) members and not less than three (3) members.
 - 3. Four-member teams will have an alternate option with the lowest score in each division (performance, halter, reasons, and overall) being discarded. However, the alternate is eligible for individual awards. Three-member teams will not have an alternate option.
- F. **Senior College Division**
 - 1. Each school may enter two teams.
 - 2. Team will consist of no more than five (5) members and not less than four (4) members.
 - 3. Five-member teams will have an alternate option with the lowest score in each division (performance, halter, reasons and overall) being discarded. However, the alternate is eligible for individual awards. Four-member teams will not have an alternate option.
- G. Individuals may judge and are eligible for individual awards; however, they must be enrolled in and be accompanied by a school with a full team.
- H. Any inquiries as to the eligibility of a team member or members should be directed to the National Horse Judging Team Coaches Association at info@nhjtca.org.

CLASSES

A. Four Halter Classes

B. Eight Performance Classes, which may include one or more of each of the following:

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| *Western Pleasure | *Trail |
| *Hunter Under Saddle | *Pleasure Driving |
| *Hunter Hack | Tie Down Calf Roping |
| *Western Riding | Team Roping (Heading) |
| *Reining | Team Roping (Heeling) |
| *Western Horsemanship | Hunt Seat Equitation |

C. Reasons will be given on two halter classes and four performance classes. Performance classes with an (*) are possible reasons classes, and all Halter classes are possible reasons classes.

Disqualifications

- A. Any communication between contestants during a contest will be sufficient cause to eliminate the contestants from the contest.
- B. Teams arriving after the contest has begun will be disqualified. No member substitutions may be made after the contest begins.
- C. Any assistance given to a team member from any source other than contest officials or assistants will be sufficient cause to eliminate the team from the contest.

Equipment

- A. All contestants will provide their own writing instruments. A number two pencil is required.
- B. Contestants may use clipboards and preprinted score sheets. However, both must be clean and free of any personal comments or marks.
- C. Contestants may use rulebooks during the contest. Questions regarding rules must be directed to the contest coordinator.

Awards

Awards will be given in each division, junior and senior as follows:

* Highpoint team	*Highpoint Individual
• Halter	• Halter
• Performance	• Performance
• Reasons	• Reasons
• Overall – 1 st through 5 th place	• Overall – 1 st through 10 th place

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The American Quarter Horse Association will provide scholarship funding to the college or university of the World Champion Team, Reserve World Champion Team and Third-place teams in the junior and senior college divisions at the AQHA World Championship Collegiate Judging Contest. The award amounts listed below are for each division:

World Champion Team	\$2,000.00
Reserve World Champion Team	\$1,250.00
Third-place team	\$750.00

The scholarships will be awarded to the school in the name of the winning judging teams. The only qualification for these scholarships is as follows:

Such scholarship funds will be awarded to the respective colleges and universities on the condition that these funds are used exclusively for the education of a student or students in your college or university's animal science department or equine-related fields which are selected by the college or university, its scholarship organization, its professional livestock or equine interest fraternity or association, or faculty advisor of such organization.

2009 AQHA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP COLLEGIATE HORSE JUDGING CONTEST TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 17-19, 2009

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

6:30 p.m. Judging Team Coaches Meeting
**Carriage Hall-Next to Trade Show in Travel &
Transportation Building**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

7:30 a.m. Check in Performance Arena (Formerly known as Barn 6)

8:00 a.m. Judging Performance Arena (Formerly known as Barn 6)

12:00 p.m. Lunch Centennial (KOA) Building (Courtesy of AQHA)

1:00 p.m. Oral Reasons

12:00 p.m. Announcement of official placings to coaches (Following the judging segment
in the stands in the Performance Arena)

7:30 p.m. AQHA World Championship Show

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH

8:30 a.m. Awards Program **Carriage Hall**

CLASSES

- 4 Halter Classes
- 8 Performance Classes
 - A. Performance and Halter classes to be announced at coaches meeting;
 - B. 6 sets of reasons total;
 - C. Reasons classes will be announced during contest.

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2009 COLLEGIATE HORSE JUDGING CONTEST

COACHES MEETING – NOVEMBER 17, 6:30 P.M.

CONTEST – NOVEMBER 18, 7:30 A.M.

AWARDS BREAKFAST – NOVEMBER 19, 8:30 A.M.

ENTRY DEADLINE – OCTOBER 10TH (IN OUR OFFICE)

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION BELOW.

NAME OF COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

CHECK ONE: JUNIOR SENIOR

TEAM A NAMES WITH AQHA ID#

TEAM B NAMES WITH AQHA ID#

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1. _____

2. _____

2. _____

3. _____

3. _____

4. _____

4. _____

5. _____

5. _____

COACH(ES) NAME: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

OFFICE PHONE: _____

OFFICE PHONE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

SIGNATURE _____

EMAIL: _____

EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF COACHES ATTENDING MEETING: _____

WILL YOU OR AN ASSISTANT BE AVAILABLE TO TAKE REASONS? YES NO

IF YES, PLEASE LIST NAMES _____

WILL YOU HAVE ANY NON-PARTICIPATING STUDENTS AVAILABLE FOR OTHER DUTIES? YES NO

IF YES, PLEASE LIST NAMES _____

Check

Money Order

Visa

MasterCard

American Express

Credit Card #

Exp. Date

Name On Card

Amt. to be Charged

Signature

Date

AQHA Membership Form
Include \$20 extra per membership
All contestants must be current members

Name _____ E-Mail Address _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Name _____ E-Mail Address _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Name _____ E-Mail Address _____

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