



# 2019 AQHYA World Championship Show Impromptu Speech Contest Registration Form

**DUE JUNE 15**

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Registration form and fee (\$25 per contestant) are due at AQHA June 15, 2019. Please submit only one registration form per contestant.
- If four entries for the impromptu speech contest have not been received by the deadline, June 15, 2019, the impromptu speech contest will be cancelled. In the event of contest cancellation all contestants will be notified and registration fee(s) refunded.
- Withdrawal from the contest after the registration deadline will result in forfeiture of the registration fee.

Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ AQHYA I.D. #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(registration not accepted without AQHYA I.D. #)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

State or Affiliate: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

### Method of Payment

**\$25 per entry**

MasterCard     Visa     American Express     Money Order     Check (# \_\_\_\_\_)

CC#: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete form and return to the AQHA Youth Department, P.O. Box 200, Amarillo, TX 79168.

If you have any questions, please contact the AQHAYouth Department.

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## Impromptu Speech Contest Information

**Registration:** PDF available online

**Registration deadline:** June 15

**Registration fee:** \$25 per contestant, due at time of registration

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**Location:** Sales Pavilion

**Date:** Tuesday, August 6

**Time:** The Impromptu Speech Contest will be immediately following the Prepared Speech Contest, approximately at 10:00 a.m. Please contact the AQHA Youth Department after the close of entries for an exact time.

### Impromptu Speech Contest Rules

1. All contestants must be AQHYA members in good standing.
2. Contestants may enter all divisions of the speech contests (prepared and impromptu) but may not enter a division he or she has previously won.
3. Contestants should dress in proper attire. (Dresses or slacks and blouses for girls, slacks and jackets for boys.)

### Impromptu Speech Contest Process

Objective: The impromptu speech contest is designed to assist in the development of skills in organization, impromptu thinking and effective communication. This contest gives the participant experience in speaking before a group, formulating clear thoughts and delivering those thoughts to an audience in an effective manner.

1. Topics for the contest will be furnished by AQHYA. Topics, will vary and will be announced at the contest. Topics will be designed to include subjects familiar to youth. Examples of topics are:
  - a. Ideas for membership recruitment.
  - b. Ways to use technology in the horse industry.
  - c. Topics related to the current AQHYA theme, "Rise to the Challenge."
2. Speaking order will be determined prior to the contest by random drawing.
3. The process for the impromptu speech contest is as follows:
  - a. Contestants will be called one at a time according to their arranged speaking order.
  - b. Each contestant will draw three topics, select one, and return the remaining two to the contest supervisor.
  - c. Each contestant will be given five minutes to prepare immediately prior to delivering his or her speech. Notes may not be used during the speech.
4. The maximum time limit for each impromptu speech is five minutes; there is no time minimum.
  - a. Three points will be deducted from the total score for every minute or fraction of a minute over five minutes. Time point deductions are as follows:
    - i. 5:01 – 6:00 = -3 points
    - ii. 6:01 – 7:00 = -6 points
    - iii. 7:01 – 8:00 = -9 points
5. Judges will consider questions listed under each section of the attached score sheet.

- a. Each judge may award a contestant up to 100 points based on the rubric. The three judges' scores will be added together with the contestant receiving the highest cumulative score winning first place.
- b. Ties between contestants will be broken by (1) the cumulative delivery score, (2) the cumulative organization score or (3) the cumulative overall score.

**AQHVA World Championship Show  
Impromptu Speech Rubric**

Contestant:

Affiliate:

Elapsed Time:

Penalty Time:

Evaluator:

Evaluate the contestant according to the value indicated by each criterion. Do not score higher than indicated. The contest supervisor will apply penalty points.

| CATEGORY  | SCORE/100                                | Judge's Comments |
|---|--|------------------|
| <b>I. PRESENTATION AND DELIVERY</b><br>1. Appearance, posture, poise, confidence.<br>2. Smooth delivery, pauses for variety and emphasis.<br>3. Eye contact, expressiveness, audience connection.<br>4. Clarity, enunciation, inflection. | ____/10<br>____/10<br>____/10<br>____/10 |                  |
| <b>II. CONTENT</b><br>1. Sufficiently answers the question or addresses the topic.<br>2. Creativity.<br>3. Data and supportive facts / examples.<br>4. Showcases the American Quarter Horse.  | ____/10<br>____/10<br>____/10<br>____/10 |                  |
| <b>III. ORGANIZATION</b><br>1. Opening and closing statements.<br>2. Transitions.   | ____/10<br>____/10                       |                  |
| <b>Subtotal</b>   |  |                  |
| Time Penalty  |  |                  |
| <b>FINAL SCORE</b>  |  |                  |