

# **12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL 4-H STATE HORSE SHOW** **ART CONTEST**

***THIS YEAR, THE 12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL 4-H STATE HORSE SHOW ART CONTEST WILL AGAIN BE SPONSORED BY THE VIRGINIA HORSE COUNCIL.***

Please thank VHC members for providing the ribbons for our contest.

Entries must be turned in to the State 4-H Horse Show Office by **6 PM on Thursday, September 15, 2016.**

Competitors will be divided into Junior and Senior. *(A special area of the art contest display will be dedicated to our non-competing Cloverbud artists.)*

All entries will be on display in the upper level of the Waldron Arena. **Placings will be posted on the artwork by 10am Saturday September 17.** Exhibitors are then asked to pick up their ribbons at the ice cream social.

**Please do not pick up artwork until 5pm Saturday, September 17, 2016**

The following rules apply to ***all*** entries, regardless of age category:

SIZE: Minimum of 8 x 11 inches; Maximum of 16x20 inches. Includes framing and/or mat.

MEDIA: Pencil; pen/ink; colored pencils; crayons; watercolor; oils; acrylics; collage; stained glass

INFO: The form below must be copied and adhered to the back of the entry.

**DISPLAY: Only MATTED artwork will be accepted! NO FRAMES!**

The **CREATIVE CATEGORY** will be judged on the following criteria:

- ✓ Expression of emotional response relating to equine activity.
- ✓ Technique in which this expression is executed.
- ✓ Arrangement of elements.
- ✓ Use of space.

*PLEASE NOTE: Paint by numbers kits, Tracings and any form of pre-printed canvas/paper artwork submitted will not be judged and will not be considered for the competition. Such pieces submitted will be displayed in the same location as the competing artwork. This determination will be made by the judge during the judging process.*

## **Judging/Awards:**

Each entry in the Art Contest will be judged by a local recognized artist. Awards will be presented on Saturday at the Ice Cream Social. First through Tenth place ribbons will be awarded in the Junior division and in the Senior division. All entries will receive a participation ribbon. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded for the overall highest scores. Cloverbud entries will not be judged but will receive participation ribbons. The Champion entry will be used for the cover of the 2017 State Horse Show Program. *(The Show Committee respectfully requests the permission of the winning artists to use their artwork in this manner.)* The Virginia Equine Artists Association will sponsor a one-year membership in their organization for the winning artist each year.

**2016 ART CONTEST ENTRY FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age (As of September 30, 2016) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Artwork \_\_\_\_\_

# VIRGINIA STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW EQUINE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

*This year, the Photography Contest will be sponsored by the Virginia Horse Council.*

Please thank VHC members for providing the ribbons for our contest.

## Objective:

To foster and develop youth photography skills, and to provide a showcase of youth equine photography.

## Rules:

1. This contest is open to photographs taken by Virginia 4-H members. Participants do not have to be competing in the horse show in order to enter this contest.
2. Each participant may enter **only one** photograph in this contest.
3. Photographs must be received in the horse show office no later than **6:00 PM on Thursday evening, September 15, 2016**. If a member will not be attending the State 4-H Horse Show, but would like to enter the photography contest, photographs may be mailed no later than September 1, 2016 to: VCE-Fluvanna; Attn: Kim Mayo, P.O. Box 133, Palmyra, VA 22963
4. **Photographs entered in this contest must remain on display until Saturday at 5:00 PM. At that time, photographs may be picked up by the participant or a representative.** The State 4-H Horse Show committee will not be responsible for photographs on display during the horse show. Photographs not picked up will not be returned unless prior arrangements have been made with the contest manager.
5. Photographs entered in this contest become the property of the Virginia 4-H horse program and may be used for promotional materials for the Virginia 4-H horse program. Winning photographs may be displayed across the state of Virginia.

## Photograph Requirements:

- Photographs **may only be 8x10**, color or black and white prints, and must be matted.
- **No framed photographs will be accepted.** (The manner in which the photographs will be displayed does not permit us to safely handle glass.)
- Photographs may be taken with digital or 35mm (film) cameras and may be cropped; **however, no other manipulations are acceptable.**
- Photographs that display unsafe activities will not be displayed nor judged. The decision of the contest manager and judge will be final.
- Safety helmets must be properly worn in photographs where a person in the photograph is riding or driving, particularly in cases where the rider or driver appears to be under 18 years of age, regardless of the actual age of the subject. The judge and contest manager reserve the right to refuse to display or judge such photographs. If there is a question regarding whether or not the photograph will be accepted, please contact the contest manager prior to the state 4-H Horse Show to inquire. The decision of the contest manager and judge will be final.
- Each photograph submitted should have an equine as the clear subject of the photograph.
- Photographs of people only will not be accepted.
- No identifying information should appear on the front of the photograph.
- An official entry form must be attached to the back of the photograph. Copies of the entry form will be available in the show office.

**Categories:**

- **Junior Photography**- Open to any equine photograph taken by youth ages 9-13 as of September 30, 2016.
- **Senior Photography**- Open to any equine photograph taken by youth ages 14-19 as of September 30, 2016.
- **Cloverbud Exhibition**- Open to any equine photograph taken by a cloverbud 4-H member ages 5-8 as of September 30, 2016. Photographs will not be judged, and each cloverbud entry will receive a participation ribbon.

**Judging/Awards:**

Each entry in the Photography contest will be judged by a professional photographer. Awards will be presented on Saturday at the Ice Cream Social. First through Tenth place ribbons will be awarded in the Junior division and in the Senior division. All entries will receive a participation ribbon. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded for the overall highest scores. Cloverbud entries will not be judged but will receive participation ribbons.

*If you should have any questions, please contact Kim Mayo (434) 591-1950 or [kmayo@vt.edu](mailto:kmayo@vt.edu)*

**State 4-H Horse Show Equine Photography Contest Entry Form**

*Please complete all information. Incomplete entries may not be judged.*

Name of 4-Her taking the photograph: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Age as of September 30, 2015: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One:      Cloverbud                                  Junior                                  Senior

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Appearing in the Photograph (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

**Agreement:** I have read and understand the rules for entering this contest. I give permission for the Virginia 4-H Horse Program to use my photograph for promotional purposes which may include, but not limited to use on websites, in printed materials or other uses determined by the State 4-H Horse Show Committee.

4-Her Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature(if participant is under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_