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The 2017 Arabian Professional & Amateur Horseman's Association Award Winners Announced

(27-FEB-2018) AURORA, COLO. — Congratulations to the [Arabian Professional & Amateur Horseman's Association](#) (APAHA) 2017 Award Winners. The APAHA Awards recognize individuals and horses in the Arabian horse industry.

People Awards:

HORSEMAN OF THE YEAR

Rob Bick

HORSEWOMAN OF THE YEAR

Caralyn Schroter

BREEDER OF THE YEAR

Tim & Marty Shea

AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Michelle Pease Paulsen

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Pepper Proffit

INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Jessica Bein

PROFESSIONAL WORKING WESTERN

Jill Mitchell

AMATEUR WORKING WESTERN

Cotton McNutt

YOUTH WORKING WESTERN

Wyatt Potts

PROFESSIONAL WESTERN

Rob Bick

AMATEUR WESTERN

Rod Powell

YOUTH WESTERN

Tabitha Bell

PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH

Jessica Clinton DeSoto

AMATEUR ENGLISH

Lara Ames

YOUTH ENGLISH

Rex White

PROFESSIONAL HUNTER/SHOW HACK

Liz Bentley

AMATEUR HUNTER/SHOW HACK

Peggy Weems

YOUTH HUNTER/SHOW HACK

Peyton Randle

RISING STAR

Josh Shino

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PROFESSIONAL HALTER

Grant Krohn

HALF-ARABIAN WESTERN HORSE OF THE YEAR

Caliente Virtuoso – owned by Robin Porter

YOUTH/ADULT AMATEUR HALTER

Lara Ames

PUREBRED SPECIALTY HORSE OF THE YEAR

(Driving, Side Saddle, Show Hack, Native Costume)

Noble at Midnight – owned by Burrline LLC

Horse Awards

OVERALL LEADING SIRE OF THE YEAR

Sundance Kid V – owned by James Frank and Sara Chisholm

HALF-ARABIAN SPECIALTY HORSE OF THE YEAR

(Driving, Side Saddle, Show Hack, Native Costume)

Nutcracker Sweet PF – owned by Juliette Dell

PUREBRED HALTER HORSE OF THE YEAR

Hariy Al Shaqab – owned by Al Shaqab

PUREBRED WORKING WESTERN HORSE OF THE YEAR

TA Khalil – owned by Buckshot Farms

HALF-ARABIAN HALTER HORSE OF THE YEAR

VSH Dominic – owned by Texie Lowery

HALF-ARABIAN WORKING WESTERN HORSE OF THE YEAR

Whoa Dam It – owned by Myranda or Athena North

PUREBRED SADDLE SEAT HORSE OF THE YEAR

Inception – owned by Maroon Fire Arabians, Inc.

HALF-ARABIAN SADDLE SEAT HORSE OF THE YEAR

CF Jimmy Neutron – owned by Burrline LLC

PUREBRED HUNTER HORSE OF THE YEAR

TS Virtuoso – owned by Terra Sano Ventures LLC

HALF-ARABIAN HUNTER HORSE OF THE YEAR

Lightning McQueen – owned by Katie and Joe Russell

PUREBRED WESTERN HORSE OF THE YEAR

Diesel Smoke CBA – owned by Timberidge Family LLP

According to the APAHA website, it is an organization that is “committed to expanding the popularity of our breed by broadening the public’s awareness and appreciation of the Arabian horse, and to bring new enthusiasts to the sport of owning and showing Arabian horses. Our efforts are driven by the desire

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to make our breed known as the pinnacle of the horse show world, and our championship events premier public entertainment that reward participants and spectators in every way.”

To view the APAHA nomination criteria and process or to learn more about the organization, please visit apaha.com.

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AHA is a major equine association serving 84,000 Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horse owners across North America. AHA registers and maintains a database of more than one million Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horses. AHA produces championship events, recognizes over 400 Arabian horse shows and distance rides and provides activities, education, and programs that promote breeding and ownership.

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