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2016 Arabian Horse Youth Judging Contest Results: Another Great Year for Youth Judging

(03-NOV-16) – AURORA, COLO. – The results are in for the 46th annual Arabian Horse Youth Judging Contest, sponsored by Awards Recognition Concepts, and hosted at the 2016 U.S. National Arabian and Half-Arabian Championship Horse Show.

This year at the contest in Tulsa, OK, 23 teams and over 94 individuals, from all over the country competed on October 28, 2016 for their chance at a National title. The youth were asked to judge six performance classes, four halter classes, including Half-Arabians and purebreds, and present four sets of oral reasons. The classes judged included Trail, Hunter Pleasure, Reining, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Country English Pleasure, Purebred Geldings, Half-Arabian Stock Hunter Geldings, Half-Arabian Stock Hunter Mares, and Purebred Mares.

Following are the results from each division:

4/H/FFA Division

High Individual Halter: Grayson Cottrell, Illinois 4-H
High Team Halter: Wyoming 4-H
High Individual Performance: Andrea Althoff, Illinois 4-H
High Team Performance: Illinois 4-H
High Individual Reasons: Calah Puryear, Virginia 4-H Team B
High Team Reasons: Virginia 4-H Team B
High Individual Overall: Grayson Cottrell, Illinois 4-H
High Team Overall: Illinois 4-H

Jr. AHA Division

High Individual Halter: Teaghan Weir, Jr. Colorado AHC
High Team Halter: Jr. Colorado AHC
High Individual Performance: Bridget Stanton, Illinois AHA
High Team Performance: Jr. Colorado AHC
High Individual Reasons: Bridget Stanton, Illinois AHA
High Team Reasons: Jr. Colorado AHC
High Individual Overall: Bridget Stanton, Illinois AHA
High Team Overall: Jr. Colorado AHC

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Sr. Division

High Individual Halter: Cody Roth, Colorado State University

High Team Halter: Minn-I-Kota

High Individual Performance: Stephanie Walker, William Woods University

High Team Performance: William Woods University

High Individual Reasons: Samantha Welu, Minn-I-Kota

High Team Reasons: Minn-I-Kota

High Individual Overall: Cody Roth, Colorado State University

High Team Overall: William Woods University

A special congratulations goes to our **High Individual Overall, Bridget Stanton** from Illinois AHA. Bridget was awarded an Outlaw trophy saddle and a scholarship to AHA's Judges and Stewards school. She also had the opportunity to judge the Arabian Western Pleasure Junior Horse Championship at U.S.Nationals from center ring.

AHA and the Arabian Horse Youth Association (AHYA) would also like to thank all of the U.S. National exhibitors who provided horses for the contest. Without them and their beautiful horses, this contest would cease to exist.

Congratulations to all of the teams and participants. Complete results can be found at <http://www.arabianhorses.org/youth/contests/judgingcontest.asp>.

AHA is a major equine association serving 85,600 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 and administers approximately \$3 million in annual prize money. AHA produces championship events, recognizes over 550 Arabian horse shows and distance rides and provides activities, education, and programs that promote breeding and ownership.

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