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Arabian Horses Return to Nampa for the 2018 Sport Horse National Show

(5-September-18) AURORA, COLO. – The <u>Arabian Horse Association</u> (AHA) is headed back to Nampa, Idaho for the 2018 <u>Sport Horse National Arabian and Half-Arabian Championship Horse Show</u> from September 18-22 at the <u>Ford Idaho Center</u>. Check out these exciting new events, T.A.I.L. Tours and many other activities for exhibitors to participate in:

September 17

Come out to the Sport Horse Nationals Annual Exhibitor Dinner on Monday, September 17 at 6 p.m. in the Ford Idaho Center.

September 18

Stop by the Ford Sports Center right before the start of the evening session for the First Time Exhibitor Ceremony.

September 19

Enjoy some ice cream at the ice cream social, sponsored by Region 4 and the Bickfords on Wednesday, September 19 at 2 p.m. at the AHYA booth.

September 20

Join us for Open Barn Night, which is now combined with the Dressage Horse Perspective on Thursday, September 20 at 6 p.m. This event will be on the west side of the Ford Sports Center. Each barn can bring a table and serve food and drinks!

September 21

Come make final bids at the silent auction and enjoy some wine and cheese! The <u>Markel Insurance</u> Wine & Cheese Party will begin on Wednesday, September 21 at 5 p.m. in the commercial exhibit area.

Come place bids on all kinds of cool items, including a pair of Luke Bryan tickets for the show in Boise on September 20 at the silent auction! With the exception of the tickets, all bidding will close on Friday, September 21 at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds from the auction will benefit the <u>Arabian Horsemen's Distress Fund</u> (AHDF) and the Boys and Girls Club of Nampa.





The Dressage Awards Party will be taking place every night in the Ford Idaho Center from 5-6 p.m., except for September 21. Come enjoy some wine and cheer on fellow exhibitors in their accolades.

Total Arabian Interaction & Learning (T.A.I.L.) Tours will be held on the grounds this year at Sport Horse. T.A.I.L. Tours give an insider perspective of the Arabian breed and a behind-the-scenes look at the show. If you would like to sign up as a T.A.I.L. barn, contact youth@arabianhorses.org.

Raffle tickets can also be purchased at the show for a chance to win a <u>Trails</u> <u>West</u> trailer. The cost is \$50 per ticket, or, five for \$200 and there are only 300 tickets available. All proceeds will go to benefit the <u>Arabian Horse Youth Association</u> (AHYA) and the trailer drawing will happen in October at U.S. Nationals in Tulsa, Okla. You do not need to be present to win!

Keep a sharp eye out for golden horseshoes hidden throughout the grounds every day of the show. Find one, bring it back to the AHYA booth and claim your prize!

Take a tour of the mini museum exhibit, a Tour of Arabian Horse Legends, open during commercial exhibit hours every day of the show (from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.). Take a walk back in time and explore past Arabian horse trainers, breeders, organizations and horses of yesterday.



Download the official Sport Horse Nationals show app by visiting my.yapp.us/AHASHN. A live feed is also available for the show. Sign up and don't miss a class by visiting arabianhorses.org/SHNStreaming.

For more information about this year's events visit <u>arabianhorses.org</u>.

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