WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL

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A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING THE INTERESTS OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN IN WISCONSIN

Equine of the Year Award 2027

The Wisconsin Horse Council (WHC) has created this award to recognize the horses, ponies, donkeys, mules or any equine who have enriched the life of one or more humans or been cast into the spotlight because of outstanding acts, creating a positive image for equines. An Equine of the Year is chosen, and the award is presented to the owner of the equine. Each award is based on merit and voted on by the WHC Board of Directors.

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- Nominated equine must be a living resident of Wisconsin. The owner must be a resident of Wisconsin as well.
- Nominations must be received by the WHC Office as listed on or before **December 1, 2026** and include the following:
  - Completed WHC Equine of the Year Award Nomination Form
  - One (1) clear, color photo of the nominated equine (5x7 or 8x10)
  - Essay containing 250 words or less describing how the nominated equine has enriched the life of one or more people through outstanding training, contributions or accomplishments or been cast into the spotlight because of outstanding acts, creating a positive image for equines
- The Wisconsin Horse Council is not responsible for illegible, lost, late, incorrect, incomplete, stolen, misdirected, undelivered, or delayed nominations or for nominations not received by the specified deadline. Submissions, including photographs and essays, will NOT be returned under any circumstances, and will become the property of the Wisconsin Horse Council.
- The WHC office staff will send all materials to the WHC Awards Committee for review.
- The Wisconsin Horse Council Board of Directors will choose the statewide Equine of the Year. The voting will close on **December 31, 2026**.
- The equine chosen must be able to attend the Midwest Horse Fair® in 2026. The award is presented at the Wisconsin Horse Council Awards ceremony during Midwest Horse Fair®.
- The WHC District of the winning equine owner is responsible for paying the stabling cost at Midwest Horse Fair®.

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2027 Equine of the Year Award

Nomination Form

Sponsored by the Wisconsin Horse Council, the Equine of the Year Award is an annual award given to recognize the horses, ponies, donkeys, mules, or any equine who have enriched the life of one or more humans or been cast into the spotlight because of outstanding acts, creating a positive image for equines.

Equine's Registered Name (if applicable) _____

Nickname _____

Breed _____

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Name of Owner _____ Owner lives in District _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ County _____

Phone number _____ E-mail _____

Name & address of nominee's local newspaper (and e-mail, if known): _____

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Nominated by _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone number _____ E-mail _____

Relationship to Equine (i.e. owner, trainer) _____

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Return this nomination form, one (1) color photo (5 x7 or 8x10) of the nominated equine, and an essay (250 words or less) on or before **December 1, 2026,** to the WHC Office address listed below.

Wisconsin Horse Council
Attn: Annual Awards Committee
121 S. Ludington Street
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