

HORSE PAINTING CONTEST

OBJECTIVE

1. To encourage youth to apply their artistic talent to the horse and pony.
2. To increase knowledge and skill in equine-related painting.
3. To learn the value of developing visual exhibits in areas of specific interest.
4. To increase awareness of the horse (less) project through the use of painting.

IOWA CONTEST RULES

1. **All Equine Extravaganza entries are to be made online by March 1, 11:59 PM.**
2. **Exhibits must be delivered to the Equestrian Center at Ellsworth College, Iowa Falls between 8-8:30 a.m. Saturday and picked up after awards ceremony on Saturday.**
3. Age Divisions: Beginner grades 3-5, Junior grades 6-8; Senior grades 9-12.
4. Two entries per exhibitor are permitted. All exhibits are to be original works of the exhibitor and relate to the equine. Entries must have been completed in the current project year. No pre-printed media allowed.
5. Size: minimum 9" x 12" and maximum 18" x 24" for painting category. This indicated finished matted size.
6. Media used: watercolor, acrylic or oil.
7. Presentation: All watercolors must be matted with a suitable matting board, with a maximum 3" border. All oil and acrylic must have a suitable frame for hanging the work (stretcher frames are acceptable). Recommended matting boards: Crescent, Alpha mat and Bainbridge brand name matting board. No glass allowed (Plexiglas or some other protective covering may be used).
8. All items must include on the back: name, address, county, grade and category.
9. All entries must have the [evaluation form](#) attached that includes the exhibitors goals.
10. Entries failing to meet the contest rules will be disqualified, i.e.: incorrect size, lack of goals on evaluation form, missing label, etc.
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12. An opportunity for conference judging may be available. Please indicate this on your entry form. Conference judging is where the youth sits down with the judge one on one to discuss the project entry.
13. Iowa State University and the 4-H Office will use diligence to insure the safety of articles entered for exhibition after their arrival and placement. However, they will not be responsible for damage or loss by fire, theft, etc.

ENTRY INFORMATION

1. **Online entry DEADLINE is March 1, 11:59 PM.**
2. **Entries must be made online. Access the online registration at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/equineextravaganza**
3. **An entry fee of \$8 per entry is required. See the online entry process for payment options.**
4. **All payments MUST be received by March 15.**

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