

AQHYA WORLD TEAM

August 5 – August 13 Oklahoma City, OK

Theme: Roots Run Deep

National Qualification:

The points required to qualify for the American Quarter Horse Association Youth World Championship show have been modified for 2016.

- Built Ford Tough AQHYA World Championship Show, qualifying period May 1, 2015 - April 30, 2016, [view Ford Youth World qualifying points](#)
- Youth will follow all rules set by AQHA.
- All horses must be registered with the AQHA.

Youth that wish to qualify nationally must complete and turn in their entries, which are sent via mail from AQHA to the youth member. All entries are to be completed and sent to Youth Advisor on or before June 1 of the current year. Youth that wish to receive benefits or rewards from KyQHYA must participate and complete current year of "Requirements of Eligibility."

State Qualification: KyQHYA can send 6 state qualifiers per class. AQHA Qualification period shall begin May 1, 2015 thru April 30, 2016. *Any AQHA points during this qualifying period will count towards your state qualification.*

Bonus points will be rewarded for youth members that attend KyQHYA general meetings.

***Youth may receive (2) two points for their attendance to KyQHYA general meetings.**

Bonus points will be rewarded for showing KyQHA hosted shows.

***Youth may sign- in their receipt for KyQHA show secretary from a KyQHA show and receive (1) one point for each day of showing.**

Non-Horse Related Contests @ AQHYA World Show

"Youth have the opportunity to compete in a variety of contests at the AQHYA World Show."

Enter an AQHYA contest today and you could be a winner! Remember, you must be an AQHYA member to be eligible to compete. The theme for the Youth World

Show this year is "???". All contests have an entry deadline of Monday, July 1st. Forms must be received in the AQHA office by July 1st, not postmarked.

Entries will be online at AQHYA.com

Please include your name, address and AQHYA ID Number. Must be an AQHYA member.

Yearbook Contest- Youth Office

Yearbooks can be any size but must be digitally produced and printed in full color with a copy of the project on a cd. The front cover must include a table of contents with page numbers. No more than two entries per affiliate and a minimum of two people per team. The affiliate is responsible for the qualifying system and submitting the entries to AQHYA. One person may not be a member of two teams. There will be a \$50 entry fee per team. Yearbooks are due in the Youth Office by Sunday, August 3, at noon. You may begin picking up your yearbooks Wednesday, August 6, 8 a.m. and all yearbooks must be picked up from the Youth Office by Thursday, August 7, at noon. Please see the judging rubric attached to the entry form for more specifics. Because this is a transition year, traditional scrapbooks will be accepted. However, we are trying to convert the contest project to be more relevant and electronically produced yearbook.

Judging Contest- Performance Arena

Each affiliate is allowed to send six teams (two 4-H, two FFA and two AQHYA teams). These teams consist of three or four members, no individuals or teams of less than three members may judge. Interested coaches should contact their affiliate youth advisor or state horse extension specialist or state FFA advisor for qualifying rules. Youth will be able to participate in both the Judging Contest and World Championship Show if schedule permits. No adjustments will be made to working order of the show or judging contest. No exceptions. No high-point individual overall or any member of a high-point overall team from past AQHYA Judging Contests are eligible to judge in the contest in subsequent years.

There will be eight classes consisting of four horses in each class. There will be four halter classes and four performance classes. The halter classes will consist of geldings and mares. The performance classes will be selected from western pleasure, reining, hunter under saddle, hunter hack, trail, western riding, and western horsemanship and/or hunt seat equitation. Two sets of reasons shall be given on halter and two sets of reasons on performance classes. The contestants shall be notified at the appropriate time whether or not reasons will be required on the class being judged. Reasons will not be given in the hunt seat equitation and western horsemanship classes. Reasons shall be given before the judge or judges and for this purpose, private stations shall be provided. Notes may not be used when giving reasons.

There is a \$25 entry fee per team member. The Horse Judging Contest will be held on Monday, August 4. Check in begins at 7:30 a.m. in the Performance Arena and the contest will begin at 8 a.m.

Awards Breakfast

Judging Contest Awards will be presented for the Judging Contest participants and coaches only.

Team Demonstration Speech Contest- Sales Pavilion

Teams consist of two members only. Each state can send up to two teams; the affiliate is responsible for the qualifying system and submitting the entries to AQHYA. One person may not be a member of two teams.

Speech Contest- Sales Pavilion

- Public Speaking - Topic: ??? "TBA" Contestants deliver a five minute speech based on the topic. Visual aids are not permitted. There is an entry fee of \$25 per contestant. The Public Speaking Contest will be held Tuesday, August 5, immediately following the Team Demonstration Contest. Approximately at noon.
- Impromptu Speaking - Topic: ??? "TBA" AQHA will provide topics for the contest and they will vary from serious to humorous in nature. Contestants will be given five minutes to prepare and the maximum time limit allowed is five minutes with no minimum time limit. There is an entry fee of \$25 per contestant.
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Horse Bowl Contest- Sales Pavilion

One division made up of AQHYA, 4-H and FFA members of all ages. Each team consists of four members; three-member teams are permitted with certain restrictions. There is a \$25 entry fee per team member. Only two teams may represent each affiliate.

Awards Reception/Exhibitor Social

There will be an awards reception for all other contests, excluding judging contest. . This will also be an exhibitor social.

Variety Show

Join us for the Variety Show during the Awards Reception/Exhibitor Social... "TBA" It's sure to be a great show so come out and support those talented

AQHYA members! Contestants may be individuals or groups with no more than six per group. Performances must be limited to no longer than five minutes. All music and instruments must be provided by participants, CDs only, please. Only the first 20 entries will be taken. There is a \$20 entry fee per act. There will be a mandatory meeting for all participants “TBA”

Stall Decorating

Parade of Teams

Wrangler Jean Decorating Contest

Deadline: “TBA” in the youth office at the Ford Youth World Show

Calling all affiliates! Here is a contest that gives you the opportunity to brag about where you come from!

Decorate a pair of Wrangler jeans with whatever materials you like – just be creative and tell us about your home state/province! Write a story in 50 words or less about your jeans, and submit your story with your Wrangler jeans.

Any member who qualifies will be eligible for benefits or rewards through fund raising efforts of KyQHYA, provided they have participated and complete current year of “Requirements of Eligibility.”

AQHA LEVEL 1 CHAMPIONSHIP

The American Quarter Horse Association has released the tentative schedules for the 2016 AQHA Central, AQHA West and Nutrena East Level 1 Championships.

[View the AQHA Central Level 1 Championships tentative schedule.](#)

[View the AQHA West Level 1 Championships tentative schedule.](#)

[View the Nutrena East AQHA Level 1 Championships tentative schedule.](#)

The newly added 2016 AQHA Central Level 1 Championships is slated for April 13-17 at State Fair Park in Oklahoma City. The 2016 AQHA West Level 1 Championships will return April 20-24 to the South Point Equestrian & Events Center in Las Vegas, and the 2016 Nutrena East AQHA Level 1 Championships is tentatively scheduled for May 4-8 at the Gov. James B. Hunt Horse Complex in Raleigh, North Carolina. A horse/rider/class combination can compete only in one Level 1 championship per year.

The AQHA Central, AQHA West and Nutrena East will all offer AQHA’s core and over-fences classes; the AQHA Central will be the only show to offer cattle classes. [View the show-by-show class list for 2016.](#)

For 2016 only, AQHA has also changed the qualifying rules. To be eligible to enter the 2016 Level 1 Championship, an exhibitor must:

Be Level 1-eligible in the class they wish to enter as of January 1, 2015.

Be an AQHA member at the time of entry and at the time of the 2016 Level 1 Championships.

If a competitor graduated out of Level 1 in the 2015 show season, he or she is still invited to enter the event.

If you won a Level 1 championship in 2015, you cannot show in that same class at future Level 1 Championships, including the 2016 Level 1 Championships. However, you can still show in that class at AQHA shows (excluding the Level 1 Championships) until you meet the point level. You can still show at the Level 1 Championships in any other class(es) for which you are still Level 1-eligible. Learn more about AQHA Rule SHW245.3 in the AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations.

Level 1 eligibility is determined on a class-by-class basis. Exhibitors are encouraged to use the online level verification system at services3.aqha.com/leveling to determine if they are Level 1-eligible in a particular class.

Rookie classes will be offered for exhibitors and horses that are eligible for the Rookie level as of January 1, 2015, for the AQHA Central, AQHA West or Nutrena East Level 1 Championships. The horse you intend to bring for the class must also be Rookie eligible.

Call AQHA Customer Service at 806-376-4811 or visit services3.aqha.com/leveling to verify your and your horses' Rookie eligibility.

AQHA recently announced the qualifying methods for the 2017 AQHA West, AQHA Central and Nutrena East Level 1 Championships. View the 2017 qualifying methods.

Rookie and Level 1 are the two levels of AQHA competition designed for beginner to minimally accomplished competitors, respectively. The Level 1 Championships were designed to celebrate the accomplishments of these riders and their horses in an environment that provides education and fun competition.

To learn more about AQHA's show levels or to determine the levels you are eligible for, simply use the online level verification system at services3.aqha.com/leveling.

For more information on the 2016 AQHA Level 1 championships, visit www.aqha.com/level1championships.

CONGRESS "NYATT" TEAM

October 1-23, 2016 – Columbus, OH

The National Youth Activity Team Tournament (NYATT) is the most popular youth event at the All American Quarter Horse Congress. The competition is not

approved by AQHA, however it brings together 100 teams and 500 youth from state and regional Quarter Horse associations around the country.

All horses must be registered with AQHA.

KyQHYA is allowed to send two (2) qualifiers per class. Classes Include: Showmanship; Western Horsemanship; Western Pleasure; Hunter Under Saddle; Reining; Barrel Racing.

Qualifying will be at the June 10-12 , 2016 "SUMMER SPECTACULAR" held in Liberty, Kentucky.

Must compete in your respective Level 3 classes on both days.

Point system:

- 1st place = 10 points
- 2nd place = 9 points
- 3rd place = 8 points
- 4th place = 7 points
- 5th place = 6 points
- 6th place = 5 points
- 7th place = 4 points
- 8th place = 3 points
- 9th place = 2 points
- 10th place = 1 point

Please Note: This point system will be used regardless of the number of entries in the class, no points will be given for a disqualified and/or a "No Time" horse.

Bonus Points will be rewarded for youth members that work during the course of this show. Each member will be responsible for signing in and recording their hours worked within that day on activity sheet provided by the Youth Advisor and/or committee leader. An officer and/or director of KyQHA must initial the work sheet confirming your hours worked. **If the youth member completes 5 hours he/she will receive 1 point per hour for a total of 5 points. If your parent or guardian works part of your hours the youth member will only receive .5 (half point per hour completed)**

Bonus Points can also be earned on theme basket for the auction. (silent or live). **Each member may bring an item for one (group/Theme basket) You can bring 1 item with a \$5 value and receive 1 pt or 2 items that value \$10 earning 2 pts, etc. or bring 1 item that has a \$25 value to earn 5 pts. (max)**

If either of the Top Two point qualifiers do not wish to attend, then the next point earner will be invited until two (2) qualifiers have been secured.

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TOP RAFFLE TIX SELLER...Top Two raffle tickets sellers will be offerered a chance to go show at Congress... You will pay One stall and two entry fees

"BLUEGRASS BONANZA" AQHA SHOW-HOSTED BY KYQHA

May 13-15, 2016- Liberty, Kentucky

This show will follow guidelines in AQHA Rule Book.

Opportunity for any young person who has not competed at an AQHA show.

All horses must be registered with AQHA

Youth must turn in a receipt from the "Show Secretary" of the Bluegrass Bonanza to the Youth Advisor.

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KENTUCKY STATE 4-H SHOW

July 3-9, 2016 – Louisville, Kentucky

This competition is not an approved byAQHA.

All horses must be registered with AQHA.

Qualification for this event is based on your performance at the Area 4-H show held in your district.

Youth must turn in a showbill from the Kentucky State 4-H show listing your placing or ribbon color received in the class shown at this show. Have this signed by the Show Manager and/or your Area 4-H leader. Once completed turn in to the youth advisor.

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