



MSHA YOUTH RECOGNITION AWARD

Attention MSHA Youth Members:

Check over the rules for your Youth Recognition Award Program.

1. Fill out an application for this award.
2. Obtain references from 4 people in horses or academically.

There are two divisions:

Division 1 – Junior Exhibitors ages 15-17 yrs for cash prize of \$1250 to be used toward a horse related purchase.

Division 2 - Junior Exhibitors ages 11-14 yrs for a cash prize of \$300 to be used toward a horse related purchase or Educational purpose. (Members in this division may apply again, even if they previously received an award.)

What is this Youth Recognition Award??

You, our young riders will become the future trainers, judges and Saddlebred owners. MSHA will be honoring two of our hardworking youth who have committed themselves to the Saddlebred industry and the sport they love. This money is provided through generous donors at the MSHA banquet auction just for this purpose.

We want these applicants to serve as role models, exhibit good sportsmanship, have regular responsibilities within a barn setting, and have earned awards for accomplishments in various levels of competitions or work with volunteer organizations.

Use the last page and apply for this award.

Don't wait – Make your application today to be eligible for this year's award. Please contact Alice Lear with questions. alice_lear@juno.com 651-437-2725 or Jennefer Lear-Tharaldson 651-438-9008 or 651-895-3088.



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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Our youth are important to the Saddlebred industry. Today's young riders will become our future trainers, judges and Saddlebred owners. This year MSHA will be honoring two hardworking youth who have committed themselves to the Saddlebred industry and the sport they love. A cash prize of \$1250 will be awarded to a recipient in the 15–17 year age division and a cash prize of \$300 to a recipient in the 11-14 year age division. This prize is to be used toward a horse related purchase or Educational purpose. This money is provided through generous donors at the MSHA banquet auction just for this purpose.

Our applicants should:

- Serve as role models for their peers
- Exhibit good sportsmanship
- Have regular responsibilities within a barn setting (Responsibilities may include helping with chores, grooming, volunteering, helping at shows, etc.)
- Have earned awards for accomplishments in various levels of competitions (example: 4-H, Speech on Saddlebreds, Photography, etc.) or work with volunteer organizations.

Applications and responsibilities:

- The application is to be mailed in by July 1st.
- When they are received MSHA will contact your references to ask them several questions about you.
- You are responsible for making sure the references are turned in by September 30th.
- By September 10th you will be notified of a topic chosen by the MSHA board for your essay. The essay will be due by October 30th.
- The final phase will be interviews and some questions about your general horse knowledge by the judging panel. This will be done in December and we will try to work around your school vacation schedule.

**Please contact with questions: Alice Lear, alice_lear@juno.com 651-437-2725
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Application Form

Due July 1, 2009

Name _____

Birthdate ___ / ___ / ___

Address _____

Phone _____

Cell: _____

Email _____

Division 1 – 15-17 yrs _____

Parents Name _____

Division 2 – 11-14 yrs _____

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References cannot include parents or guardians.

Reference 1

Reference 3

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Phone _____

Relation _____

Relation _____

Reference 2

Reference 4

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Phone _____

Relation _____

Relation _____

Mail Application to: MSHA Youth Award * Jennefer Lear-Tharaldson *

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