

Morgan Dressage Association Schooling/Morgan Show Awards of Excellence

The Morgan Dressage Association is proud to recognize its member's accomplishments and offers yearend awards to members who compete in all individual levels of dressage, musical freestyle, and paradressage at schooling shows or Morgan breed dressage shows. All award-winning competitors will receive a champion ribbon and will be listed on the MDA website and in the MDA newsletter. Rules, regulations and requirements of the awards are listed below. Good luck!

INDIVIDUAL LEVEL AWARDS, MUSICAL FREESTYLE AWARDS AND PARA-DRESSAGE SCHOOLING/MORGAN SHOW AWARDS

The Individual, Freestyle, and Para MDA Schooling/Morgan show Awards are all subject to the following rules and requirements:

- Three separate scores earned from three different judges
- Judges should be at least USDF L graduates (ww.usdf.org/about/contact/graduates.asp) if not USEF licensed 'r', 'R' or 'S' judges
- At least one of the scores submitted must be from the highest test of the level.
- The three scores will be averaged to calculate the final score.
- A horse and rider combination can be awarded a first place at the same level up to two times total in the MDA Schooling/Morgan Show Awards of Excellence program at Introductory through Fourth Level. FEI level and Para-Equestrian Schooling/Morgan Show Awards may be won by the same horse/rider at the same level indefinitely.
- All riders, handlers and owners must be competing with AMHA registered Morgan horses.
- The MDA competition year is November 1st through October 31st.

<u>INDIVIDUAL LEVEL SCHOOLING/MORGAN SHOW AWARDS</u> (INTRODUCTORY THROUGH GRAND PRIX)

The top five horse and riders at each level will receive a certificate honoring their achievement and winners will receive a champion ribbon. Awards will be given in the Open division which is awarded to the highest scoring horse, and to Adult Amateur and Junior/Young Riders (a competitor is a Junior/Young Rider until the end of the calendar year in which he or she reaches age 21). As well as being subject to the MDA Schooling/Morgan Show Award Rules and Regulations, the following rules apply to Individual Schooling/Morgan Show Awards applicants:

- The Adult Amateur or Junior/Young Rider must be a current MDA member.
- The Open division owner or rider (not both) must be a current MDA member.
- The average of the scores submitted must meet or exceed 60% for Introductory through Fourth level.
- The average of the scores submitted must meet or exceed 55% for FEI level competitors.

MUSICAL FREESTYLE SCHOOLING/MORGAN SHOW AWARDS (THREE DIVISIONS: FIRST/SECOND, THIRD/FOURTH AND FEI)

The top five horse and riders at each level will receive a certificate honoring their achievement and winners will receive a champion ribbon. As well as being subject to the MDA Schooling/Morgan Show Awards Rules and Regulations, the following rules apply to Musical Freestyle Schooling/Morgan Show Award applicants:

- Competitors may mix levels within a single division, i.e. one score could be from First Level and a second score from Second Level to qualify for the First and Second Level divisions. However, competitors may not mix scores from levels outside that division (i.e. they may not use a score from Second Level and a score from Third Level to qualify for either the First/Second Level division or the Third/Fourth Level division.
- The owner or the rider of the horse (not both) must be a current MDA member.
- The average of the scores submitted must meet or exceed 60% for First through Fourth level.
- The average of the scores submitted must meet or exceed 55% for FEI level competitors.

PARA-DRESSAGE SCHOOLING/MORGAN SHOW AWARDS (ONE DIVISION INCLUDING GRADES 1-4)

The top five horses and riders will receive a certificate honoring their achievement and winners will receive a champion ribbon. As well as being subject to the MDA Schooling/Morgan Show Award Rules and Regulations, the following rules apply to Para-Dressage Schooling/Morgan Show Awards applicants:

- The owner or the rider of the horse (not both) must be a current MDA member.
- Only one score submitted can be an Introductory test
- The average of the scores submitted must meet or exceed 55%

TO APPLY FOR SCHOOLING/MORGAN SHOW AWARDS

- 1. Fill out the MDA Schooling/Morgan Show Award of Excellence application **completely AND legibly** for **each** division submitted (make a copy of the form if more than two divisions/levels are entered; e.g. if you are entering for Individual and Musical Freestyle, a *separate application must be submitted for each division*).
- 2. Submit copies/photos of test cover sheets for all your tests listed with each application. It is your responsibility to have the schooling/Morgan show organizers fill out the test cover sheet for you complete with your name, your horse's name, judges name and signature, date, show name and final score.
- 3. Send both (the application AND the copies/photos of test cover sheets) to the address on the application by November 1st of the competition year.

*Remember, All eligible horses **MUST** be registered with the AMHA. To qualify for a Schooling/Morgan Show Award of Excellence the owner **OR** the rider/handler (as described above) **MUST** be a current member of the Morgan Dressage Association at the time the entry is submitted. Additionally, to participate in the Junior/Young Rider division or for the Adult Amateur Schooling/Morgan Show Award, the rider **MUST** be an MDA member. If you have any question as to your membership status, refer to the on-line member directory or contact Emily Laine at morgandressage@yahoo.com. Entries from non-members will not be eligible and will be returned.

To be considered for the Schooling/Morgan Show Award, all entries MUST be postmarked or received electronically by November 1st of the competition year (forms can be sent at any time during the year). For multiple entries, download or copy the application form from www.morgandressage.org/awards-and-scholarships.

Schooling/Morgan Show Awards of Excellence Application

2022 Competition Year (November 1st, 2021—October 31st, 2022)

Horse Information:						
Horse's Registered Name	AMHA Reg. #					
Age (Year born)	Gender (circle one)	M S	G (Color		_ Height
Sire		_ Dam				
Owner Information:						
Name:						
MDA member? (circle one)	Yes No Addres	S				
City		Sta	te		Zip	
Telephone		E-mail				
Name:						
MDA member*? (circle one)	Yes No	Amateur	Ride	er*? (circle one)	Yes	No
Junior/Young Rider*? (circle	one) Yes No	Birthdate				
To be eligible for Adult Am					must be	an MDA member
Address						
City		State		Zij	<u> </u>	
Telephone		E-mail				
Printed name of person subm	itting scores:					
Signature	Date					
Person who should be notified	d of awards:					

INDIVIDUAL LEVEL SCHOOLING/MORGAN SHOW AWARDS:

Level for which you are submitting scores: <u>First Score</u> (Please complete this first score with information from the highest test of the level): Name of Competition Location: City State Judge's Name _____ Date ____ Level _____ Score (Percentage) _____ **Second Score:** Name of Competition Location: City _____ State Judge's Name _____ Date Level _____ Test number ____ Score (Percentage)____ Third Score: Name of Competition Location: City State Judge's Name _____ Date____ Level _____ Score (Percentage)_____ **Average of three scores:** (add the scores and divided by 3). The average must meet or exceed 60% for Introductory through Fourth Level, and 55% for FEI levels. MUSICAL FREESTYLE SCHOOLING/MORGAN SHOW AWARDS: Division (Check One): _____First/Second Level ____ Third/Fourth Level FEI **First Score** Name of Competition Location: City _____ State Judge's Name _____ Date_____ Level _____ Score (Percentage)_____ **Second Score:** Name of Competition_____ Location: City _____ State Judge's Name _____ Date____ Level Test number Score (Percentage)_____

Name of Competitio	n				
Location: City		State			
Judge's Name			Date		
Level		Test number	Score (Percentage)		
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First Score					
Name of Competitio	n				
Location: City		State			
Judge's Name			Date		
Grade	Test name		Score (Percentage)		
Second Score					
Name of Competitio	n				
Location: City		State			
Judge's Name			Date		
Grade	Test name		Score (Percentage)		
Third Score:					
Name of Competitio	n				
Location: City		State			
Judge's Name			Date		
			Score (Percentage)		

Or apply electronically to: mda@morgandressage.org

All applications must be POSTMARKED or emailed by November 1 of the competition year to be eligible.

Applications that are incomplete, or if the owner, rider, or handler is not a current MDA member <u>will not be</u> <u>accepted for consideration and will be returned</u>.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION CHECKLIST BELOW:

- ✓ Application is <u>legible and complete</u> with all information.
- ✓ Include copies/photos of test cover sheets that have your name, your horse's name, judges name and signature, date, show name and final score.
- ✓ MDA membership is current for the rider, handler and/or owner as required in each division.
- ✓ Application is post marked or emailed no later than November 1st of the competition year.