

Morgan Medallion Classic Charity Horse Show

Youth of the Year Contest 2019

Dear Participant:

Thank you for deciding to join us at the Morgan Medallion Classic Horse Show, Youth of the Year Contest. The Youth of the Year contest is designed to encourage youth to become well versed in all areas of horsemanship. Although many excel in certain areas, the competition rewards a cumulative score in four divisions. Each category is worth 250 points. It is not necessary to compete in all four divisions. The high point winner in each division will culminate into the Walk/Trot, Junior (13 & under) and Senior (14-21) Youth of the Year. The awards will be presented Saturday evening at the start of the session. The Senior winner will win a \$200 scholarship towards their trip to compete at the 2019 Youth of the Year Contest at the Morgan Grand National.

Entry fee is \$20 payable to Morgan Medallion

*Payment can be mailed to
Shirley Henry Biszantz, Treasurer
31616 N. 144th Street
Scottsdale, AZ 85262*

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Junior, Senior and Walk/Trot Speech Topics
2. Riding Patterns
3. Contest time schedule
4. General rules

Speech Topics:

Senior: How has the Morgan show horse changed over the years?

Junior: My most memorial ride on a Morgan was...

Walk/Trot: If you were a Morgan, what kind would you be? (Style, discipline, color, ect.)

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Youth Contest Schedule

Horsemanship Patterns-Due July, 12 2019

- Horsemanship Patterns will be recorded and sent for review and scored by the same judge and scoring system. Please send your pattern to: Jolenegalvin@yahoo.com
- You do not need to wear show clothes, however appropriate attire is mandatory.
- Pattern is attached to email.

The horsemanship phase of the Youth of the Year contest evaluates your riding or driving ability. It is important to realize that this is a horsemanship pattern, not an equitation pattern. In scoring this phase the judge will evaluate:

- Obedience of horse and correctness in the execution of the pattern
- Transitions and smoothness of overall performance
- Position of the handler, overall appearance and use of aids
- Showmanship and poise
- Grooming and presentation of horse and handler

Thursday, July 18 – Warmup arena

2:00pm – Judging gelding's in-hand. Oral reasons to follow.

2:30pm –Speech followed by your Written Exam.

Speeches are to be 3-5 minutes long. Props, poster boards, power point slides and any other visuals may be used during your speech.

5:00pm – Judging Part 2 - Only 3 classes need to be judged. Classes to be judged will be announced in the afternoon. Alternative classes will be given for those showing in the evening performance.

Contest Rules

1. Each of the phases is worth 250 points.
2. Six ribbons will be awarded for the best scores in each division. Cumulative scores for each division will result in a Walk/Trot (12 and under) High Point Award, a Junior (under 14) High Point Award and a Senior (14-21) High Point Award. Overall Champions will receive a trophy and ribbons through six places.
3. The scoring senior contestant will be qualified to go to the national competition in Oklahoma if entries warrant. If there are 3 or more Senior contestants, the winner qualifies for the Youth of the Year Finals.
4. Oral Presentation should be between 3 to 5 minutes in length.
5. Visual aids are permitted and encouraged.
6. Give only your contestant number (which will be assigned) to the judges.
7. Please bring an extra copy of your speech on the day of the contest for the judges.
8. A short personal interview will follow the speech.
9. Show attire is not required, but riders should be neatly dressed.
10. The appearance of your horse and equipment will be taken into consideration.
11. The exam will consist of 125-250 question in the form of multiple choice, matching, and fill-ins and will test your knowledge of the following:
 - a. Equine Nutrition
 - b. Reproduction and genetics
 - c. Anatomy and Physiology
 - d. Morgan breed history, rules and regulations
 - e. Confirmation, gaits, unsoundness, and blemishes
 - f. Equine diseases and parasites and their treatment
 - g. Equine Behavior
 - h. Tack and Equipment

