

DVCTA / USDF Continuing Education in Freestyle Judging Program

March 25 & 26, 2023

Demonstration Riders Needed for DVCTA / USDF Continuing Education in Freestyle Judging Program with Lois Yukins and Terry Ciotti Gallo

DVCTA is pleased to welcome back Lois Yukins and Terry Ciotti Gallo for a musical freestyle clinic on March 25-26, 2023. The lecture will take place at the Stroud Water Research Center - 970 Spencer Rd Avondale, PA and the live rides will be viewed at Windurra, USA - 57 Gobble Rd Cochranville PA.

The clinic will focus on developing and performing musical freestyles through the levels, from Training to Grand Prix. The first day will be a classroom lecture discussing the subtleties of designing, performing and judging freestyles. The second day will allow participants and auditors to view live freestyles with in-person commentating from Lois and Terry.

Demonstration riders will be asked to perform in front of an audience. This is intended to be an educational event for the audience, not a training session for the riders. Riders should be open to feedback and equipped with a willing attitude and sense of humor. Demonstration riders and horses are key to the success of the event.

We are looking for the following Horses and Riders:

We are looking for various levels of freestyle performance from Training through Grand Prix. We need at least one pair for each of the following levels: Training, First, Second, Third, Fourth, Jr, YR, I1, and GP. Horse and rider combinations should have verifiable competitive experience at the level they are applying for. Pairs to show harmony and relative preparedness for the level applied to.

Horse and rider combinations will receive: 2 auditor passes (one for rider and second for groom/guest), demonstration ride under Lois Yukins and Terry Ciotti Gallo with no fee, 2 lunches each day, 2 passes to the Saturday lecture, opportunity to present your training and MFS in front of an audience.

What to include when applying:

1. Applications will be accepted online only between January 9th and midnight, February 28th. Email all information to laurenannettdressage@gmail.com. Please use the subject line: **"Demonstration Rider"**
2. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
3. Rider must be a DVCTA member at the time of the application.
4. Only rider and 1 groom / guest will receive passes to the clinic.
5. Rider must submit video link of a musical freestyle at the level they are applying for. Test may be at a competition or at home but must be unedited from start to finish.
6. Submit proof of competition scores earned, of musical freestyle rides, at the level you are applying for.
7. Submit a Rider Bio (up to 400 words).
8. Submit a Horse Bio, including breeding (up to 400 words).
9. Submit a photo suitable to be used in a program, photo credit to be included.

The selection committee will evaluate: technical and artistic abilities, competition record, harmony, video evaluation. There will be a selection committee to include judges and DVCTA board members. Final selection will be complete by the end of the first week in March.

For additional information contact Lauren Annett, DVCTA/USDF Continuing Education in Freestyle Judging Program Coordinator: laurenannettdressage@gmail.com

Good Luck!