# HORSE WORLD EXPO PRESENTS



















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Are you ready to be thrilled? Are you ready to have fun? Are you ready to fall in love with the beauty of the horse all over again?

Then you are ready for Theatre Equus!

Reserved seat tickets are available online at www.horseworldexpo.com or in the lobby during Horse World Expo. Ticket prices are \$15.00, \$19.00, \$21.00 and \$27.00.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY MARCH 4 & 5, 2022 | 8:30PM

Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA

# THEATRE EQUUS 2022

## **Grand Opening**

Welcome to Theatre Equus - Surprises are just around the Corner! Be prepared to be amazed and enchanted. Fairy tales do come true!

#### American Pride

In honor of the greatest country in the world, these patriotic young ladies proudly carry the stars and stripes, our nation's symbol of freedom.

#### Performed by: Diamond D Cowgirl Drill Team from Atlanta, Georgia

Their fun loving, energetic personalities will have you cheering for more. With flashy horses and costumes, these friendly, patriotic cowgirls will entertain you with their spectacular high speed precision drill performance.

#### Tribute to America

You will be moved by this heart-felt tribute to our great country and those who serve in the military. Watch as horse and rider dance their way into your hearts.

Performed by: Jeff Wilson and his Morgan, Valiant, along with some very special guests
Jeff performs with his Morgan stallions across the country showcasing the art of Western
Dressage. He's been featured at national events like Horse World Expo, World Equestrian
Games and Breyerfest to name a few.

# Fairy Tales and Dreams

Enter a magical carriage with special guests, Fairy Tales will come true this evening.

Performed by: Deep Creek Farm & Shenandoah Carriage Co. with Curt Pierce & Kelly Wright

Located in Mathias, WV, and Front Royal, VA. Norwegian Fjords, Ulend & Bo, are pulling a Vis-à-vis carriage with special guest, Lindy Hild.

#### The National Anthem

A live performance

Performed by: Lindy Hild

Lindy Hild is an avid horse person and a professionally trained vocalist. She has performed with the Pittsburgh and Harrisburg Symphony Orchestras, sung with James Levine and performed in lead roles in numerous amateur theatre musicals. Lindy will appear at the Expo all weekend with her Norwegian Fjord mare.

#### Twin Fireworks

Get ready for 60 pounds of little girl and 2400lbs of high-octane horses as they explode into the ring in a race of a lifetime.

## Performed by: Liberty Cunningham and her dream team horses, Cletus & Blair

Roman riding is one of the most difficult feats performed on horseback. Few adults can succeed and even fewer children, but this pint-sized eleven-year-old has mastered it! Specializing in trick riding, roman riding, liberty, aerial and dance, this award-winning performer and her faithful equine partners are going to show you what can be done.

# Wings of Freedom

Who doesn't get excited by show jumping? But wait! Something's missing here – watch closely, you're going to see show jumping done like none other.

#### Performed by: Unbridled Wings with Brendan Wise on Andalusian, Arwen and Melanie Ferrio-Wise on Dutch Warmblood, Wings

Brendan and Melanie believe that bridleless riding is not just tricks and liberty, but a viable system for the horse to perform in exhibitions and competitions. Melanie Ferrio-Wise made history by being the first to compete bridleless at the Washington National Horse Show in show jumping with her fiery and faithful mount, "Wings". Unbridled Wings has gained international recognition and respect because of their bridleless achievements.

#### The Liberty of the Long Line

There is a special beauty and freedom expressed by a horse without the weight of a rider. Enjoy this inspiring performance.

# Performed by: Jeff Wilson and his Morgan, Black Willow Orion

With over 35 years of horse training experience, Jeff has touched thousands of horses' lives (and their people too). He brings together age-old principles and the experience of the Western lifestyle.

#### Interchangeable Horseman

Watch as this incredible partnership of horse and human take you on a journey through a range of riding styles with a strong focus on fun and frivolity!

# Performed by: Guy McLean and his horse Honour

Honour was started at Horse World Expo 4 years ago and had the first four rides of his life in this very arena; turns out he loves to perform under the spotlights! Guy and the Team have performed as part of Horse World Expo, the National Finals Rodeo Celebrations in Las Vegas and the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto Canada to name just a few.

## Be the Light

A Magical dance between a girl and her pony, lighting the way through the darkness.

#### Performed by: Maddy Gatrel and her superstar pony Razor

The art of Liberty showcases the unique connection between humans and their horses. Eleven-year-old Maddy and her amazing partner Razor will show you that even when times are dark, light will overcome. Maddy is a 2019 International Liberty Horse Association Youth Champion. Shetland Pony, Razor, also known as "Mr. Personality", is a star in his own right.

#### **Hot Wheels**

Hang on, these aren't your kids' toys! Let's see how fast these horses can go and still make those turns in this exciting Combined Driving act done with pizzazz.

Performed by: Curt Pierce as Driver, Kelly Smith as Navigator and Norwegian Fjords, Ulend & Bo

Curt Pierce has been a driving clinician, competitor, and trainer for over 35 years and a horseman for over 50 years. Curt has traveled all over the world, learning from some of the greatest instructors and trainers. Kelly Smith has been driving since high school and currently owns the Shenandoah Carriage company in Front Royal, Virginia.

## Battle of the Bridleless

There's nothing quite as exciting as some good competition. Watch these two horses and riders go head-to-head in a good old-fashioned jump off... bridleless.

Performed by: Brendan Wise on Argentinian Warmblood, Lyric and Melanie Ferrio-Wise on Dutch Warmblood, Wings

Brendan and Melanie have made international show jumping history by exclusively competing bridleless. They are breaking down barriers in the horse show world and setting an example.

# **Extreme Harmony**

Watch the arena come to life with this display of partnership, daring and extreme obstacles. Let's make things more challenging – who needs bridles anyway?

# Performed by: Lindsey Partridge and her amazing partner Thunderous Affair Lindsey is a Mega Thoroughbred Makeover Champion and founder of Harmony

Horsemanship. She is proud to share with you the incredible partnership that led them to the 2020 Freestyle Championship in Kentucky.

## Sparkle & Shine

Nothing sparkles like a diamond, and nothing thrills like twelve thundering horses and their amazing riders staying in sync.

## Performed by: Diamond D Cowgirls of Atlanta Georgia

The beautiful and expert riders of the Diamond D Cowgirls sparkle under arena lights and are followed by many fans as they perform at a full schedule of professional rodeos, competitions and equine expos. As the winners of multiple state and regional drill team competition titles along with being the 2015 and 2016 National Drill Team Champions, you are guaranteed a thrilling, crowd pleasing extravaganza!

# **Anything You Can Do**

A tale as old as time, enjoy this classic battle of the sexes on horseback. Come ready to cheer for your favorite!

#### Performed by: Jeff Wilson on Patriot and Tara Jones on Phantom

Jeff Wilson has been teaching horses for over 40 years, creating a balanced riding horse through a foundation of dressage. Tara Jones of Telford, PA, started her riding and training career two decades ago. She is also a respected educator, author and clinician.

### **Awesome Aussies**

Expect the Unexpected! From outstanding feats of athleticism and true collection, to moments of astonishing trust and respect, witness five beings connected as one.

#### Performed by: Guy McLean and his team Spinabbey, Hope, Mate and Denny

Internationally renowned Australian horseman & entertainer, Guy McLean, is a proud Queenslander that has taken Australia to the World through his horsemanship, bush poetry and double handed stock whip mastery. He is here to show what Australia is about with his Team of best mates by his side.

#### Celebration

Celebrate good times! Hang onto your hats and get ready to stand up and cheer on these amazing riders as they thrill you with tricks and feats of amazing horsemanship.

Performed by: Liberty Cunningham performing with Paint Horse Blair and Maddy Gatrel riding Dusty, one of the only gaited trick riding horses in the world

The viral video sensations, Pegaus Riders, are excited to perform for you tonight. Their dynamic and fast-paced acts have stunned audiences around the world. At just 11 years old, these mulit-talented and award-winning girls have performed alongside the nation's leading equestrians.

## **Grand Finale**

One final and exciting farewell from our performers.

Theatre Equus, A Musical Equine Revue is directed, scripted and narrated by Wayne Williams.