# THE 21ST ANNUAL 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 \$17.00, \$21.00, \$23.00 and \$29.00.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
MARCH 1 & 2, 2024 | 8:30PM

Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA

# THEATRE EQUUS 2024

# Grand Opening: Welcome to Theatre Equus

Surprises are just around the corner! Be prepared to be amazed and enchanted...fairy tales do come true!

#### Salute to America

You'll be captivated from the very first beat! We set the stage for an unforgettable evening with this high-energy display of precision and coordination in honor of our Armed Forces. Performed by: Renegades Equestrian Drill Team and The Outlaws Drill team from Dayton, OH

## Guests in Style

Enter a magical carriage with special guests! Fairytales will come true this evening.

Performed by: Deep Creek Farm with Curt Pierce

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

# 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 lead roles in numerous amateur theatre musicals.

# Thrills Roman Style

Hold onto your seats! We're getting this show cranking in this exhilarating display of teamwork, timing and horsemanship. Don't try this at home!

Performed by: Dusti Dickerson and her horses Dash, Valor, Rummy & Doc

Roman riding is one of the most difficult feats performed on horseback. Dusti has been Roman riding since she was 10 years old, performing throughout the US and Canada. She's been featured at the National Finals for 13 years at Dolly Parton's Stampede.

# When Darkness Threatens

Love and sanctuary create the undeniable connection we have with our horses. When darkness threatens, the intensity of this bond shows us where to find our true strength.

Performed by: Kaleigh Marie & Dales Pony stallion, Mateo

Kaleigh Marie embraces the energy that she and her horses find in liberty performance, and especially enjoys the intensity of her stallions. She is here tonight with an incredibly special stallion to celebrate their journey together as they debut his first solo performance.

# Labyrinths & Rhythms

Feel the energy surge as our two dynamic equestrian drill teams seamlessly blend the power of their horses with the pulse-pounding beat of the music, creating an experience

Performed by: Renegades Equestrian Drill Team together with The Outlaws Drill Team Witness the magic of teamwork as they come together to deliver a performance that will leave you breathless and cheering for more.

# **Equine Elegance**

A true display of poetry in motion, Melissa and her new dance partner Darya will enthrall you with upper-level dressage maneuvers. Human and horse flow together beautifully in an elegant dance.

#### Performed by: Melissa Ashcraft and her amazing partner Tie Darya

Melissa is the owner and head instructor for Transitions Equestrian Center in Laporte, Indiana. Melissa has traveled the world with the "World Famous Lipizzaner Stallion Show". Tie Darya is owned and trained by Christy Scotch Dressage of Birmingham, AL.

#### Wings of Freedom

Who doesn't get excited by show jumping and who doesn't love dressage? But wait! Something's missing here - watch closely! You're going to see these disciplines done like none other.

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

Using bridleless riding as a viable system for exhibitions and competitions, Melanie made history by being the first to compete bridleless jumping at the Washington National Horse Show. Brendan turns heads as he competes bridleless at shows like World Equestrian Center & HITS in Ocala, FL.

# 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 loves to perform under the spotlights! Guy and his 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.

### **Brave Hearts Trio**

Vulnerability is the greatest form of bravery and is something that is easier to find with horses by our side. Enjoy this heartfelt tribute to how horses bring dreams to life.

Performed by: Kaleigh Marie, Friesian brothers Alkumus & Elgin and Dales Pony, Mateo Kaleigh Marie of Braveheart Beasts is an international entertainer and clinician. Kaleigh believes that a strong connection is the key to working successfully with horses in any discipline, and that working horses at liberty helps us to become who our horses need us to be.

#### Smokin' Guns

Shoot'em up cowboy! Get ready for a rip roarin' display of old west horsemanship with a daring sharp shooting run through the targets.

Performed by: Ezra Yoder and his trusty mount, Blue Bell

Ezra is the owner of No Reins Performance Horses in Wooster, OH. As a young trainer he was introduced to Cowboy Mounted Shooting and was hooked! Ezra loves performing all over the country and is committed to training horses and their humans from all disciplines and walks of life.

# Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better

With comedy in the air, who is your favorite to win this battle of trick horses? Cheer them on as Jolina and Cricket face off with Melissa and Jedi to battle it out for all the laughs.

Performed by: Melissa Ashcraft and Jolina D'Hue with Jedi & Cricket

Melissa is a talented trick horse trainer and Grand Prix Dressage rider who has trained horses for movies, TV and commercials. As an entrepreneur she is co-founder of Bon Cheval CBD.

# Soaring to New Heights

Watch as the riders of Unbridled Wings push the boundaries of their skill and bravery in a Bridleless jumping spectacle that will have you on the edge of your seat.

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

Unbridled Wings have made international show jumping history with their bridleless competition horses. They seek to break down the barriers in the horse show world, setting an example and pushing the boundaries of what we think is possible.

## A Fantastical Journey

Embark on a mythical journey where unicorns reign untethered and embody the true essence of partnership. Prepare to be enchanted as they defy odds and vanquish villains. Anything is possible when hearts and hooves unite in harmony.

Performed by: Lindsey Partridge, Joseph Vincent, Jennifer & Reagan Rose Led by visionary trainer, Lindsey Partridge, founder of Harmony Horsemanship and a luminary in the equestrian world. Lindsey joins forces with Joseph Vincent, Jennifer and Reagan Rose of Harmonia Equestrian in Virginia.

# The Silver Knights

Join us back in time where knights on horseback jousted for glory and honor. Watch this thrilling show of knightly talents in a hard-hitting battle for victory.

Performed by: Silver Knights Productions Spur of the Moment Joust Team Located in Hudson Valley NY, The Silver Knights have over 30 years of theatrical jousting experience and can be found performing at renaissance fairs and other events all over the Northeast.

### 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 who 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.

#### Tricks to the Extreme

Theatre Equus will thunder towards a close with extreme tricks of daring that will WOW you! Performed by: Dusti & Justin Dickerson

Tonight, Dusti and her husband Justin Dickerson, will showcase their version of trick riding aboard their trusted horses!

Showcasing the beauty of equine athleticism, enjoy this final tribute to the USA. Performed by: The Renegades Equestrian Drill Team and The Outlaws Drill Team

### Grand Finale: Farewell Until Next Year

Welcome back the cast of Theatre Equus as they send their thanks to all of you.