

The Connecticut Morgan Horse Association is pleased to announce The Annual Youth Essay Contest

Open to <u>all</u> horse-minded young people eighteen and under. Contestants do <u>not</u> have to be a member of CMHA or own a horse.

Specifications

Eligibility

Open to all youths 18 and under.

Divisions and Word Count

- → Nine Years of Age and Under may submit essays no shorter than 75 and no longer than 150 words
- → Ages Ten through Thirteen may submit essays no shorter than 200 and no longer than 700 words
- → Ages Fourteen through Eighteen may submit essays no shorter than 500 and no longer than 1500 words

Essay Topics

- → Nine Years of Age and Under
 - ♦The first time I rode a horse
 - ♦How I stay on when my horse does one of the following: jog, trot, lope, canter
 - ♦My best day ever with a horse
 - ♦ Explain one horse term (choose from anatomy, tack & equipment, equitation)

- → Ten Through Thirteen Years of Age
 - ♦An Adventure (real or fiction) with my Horse (real or dream of owning)
 - ♦The One Horse (a real, living horse) I Would Be Most Thrilled to Own
 - ♦ Explain two equine terms (choose from anatomy, tack & equipment, equitation, competition)
- → Fourteen through Eighteen Years of Age
 - ♦Compare pros and cons of three Horse Breeds.
 - ♦The Equine Professional I Most Admire
 - ♦ How I Plan to Pursue a Career in the Horse Industry

Entry Fee: If the contestant, or his/her parents, are 2015 members of the Connecticut Morgan Horse Assn. there is <u>no</u> entry fee. A \$5 entry fee is required for non-members.

Deadline: Entry must be post marked no later than January 15, 2017 and mailed to:
Patti Brooks, 14 Upper Walnut Hill Rd., East Lyme, CT 06333

Judges - TBA by 11/30/15

Awards

Winners will be announced at the CMHA banquet scheduled for March, 201 at the Nutmeg Restaurant, East Windsor, CT. The winner of each age group will receive:

★One riding lesson at a top professional stable

★One ticket for the CMHA Awards Banquet, March, 2017

Please note that winning essays may be published in an issue CMHA's online newsletter, "The Nutmeg News" during 2016. Winners' schools will be notified of the accomplishment.

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Please complete this entry blank and mail with essay to:

Patti Brooks, 14 Upper Walnut Hill Rd., East Lyme, CT. ??Questions?? Email Patti@PattiBrooksBooks.com

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Age Chosen To	opic		_
Title of Entry			
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If not a member, a \$5	entry fee must be included	with essay entry.	
Contestant's School &	Contact Information:		