

VADA/NOVA SCHOLARSHIPS 2009

- 2 or more scholarships: \$500 General Riding Scholarship
- 1 or more scholarships: \$500 Instructor Continuing Education Scholarship
- 1 or more scholarships: \$500 USDF Convention/Symposium Scholarship
- 1 or more scholarships: \$500 Breed/Sport Horse (such as breeding symposiums/sport horse handling clinic, etc. MAY NOT be used for lessons, showing, breeding fees, or advertising and marketing)

(All scholarships MUST only be used for equine educational activities related in some way to horses)

CRITERIA

General for all Scholarships:

- ◆ Must be a current member of VADA/Nova, and have been a member for at least 2 years.
- ◆ Continuing contributions to VADA/Nova through volunteering at shows and other events, Board service etc. Application must describe and document volunteer activities for at least the last two years. Contributions to the VADA or USDF activities may also be included.
- ◆ While up to two types of scholarships may be applied for, only one will be awarded. A scholarship must be used for the purpose as stated in the application, and cannot be used for a different category than that awarded.
- ◆ Scholarships will not be awarded to the same applicant in two consecutive years (this includes all scholarship categories)
- ◆ Successful applicants must use the scholarship funds within a year of the date awarded, and submit a report to the scholarship committee on the use of the funds within three months of spending them. *If reports are not submitted in a timely fashion, awardees will not be eligible for future scholarships.*
- ◆ The application form from the Greenbook, newsletter, or VADA/Nova website should be used. If the form is not used, the format must be followed with all of the requested information provided.
- ◆ If for some reason (horse/rider injury, etc) you will not be able to use the scholarship in the year awarded, you must inform the scholarship chairperson to obtain permission to roll the scholarship into the next calendar year.

Riding and Instructor Scholarships:

- ◆ The application should detail the applicant's current level of training, the rider's goals, and should detail the planned use for the scholarship dollars. Specify how the scholarship will be used to help achieve the applicant's riding goals. The quality of the application will be an important factor used by the Scholarship Committee in evaluating applications.
- ◆ Scholarships may be used for clinics, educational programs, or lessons. Applicants should discuss the clinician or trainer that they wish to work with.
- ◆ Scholarships may not be used for board, show expenses, mileage or entry fees.
- ◆ Instructor grants may be used for lessons or clinics (specify trainer or clinician) and for expenses relating to Instructor or Judge Certification.

Deadline for Scholarship Applications:

September 1, 2009 for USDF Convention/Symposium applications

October 1, 2009 for all other applications

- ◆ Recipient of the Convention Scholarship will be announced by October 1, 2009.
- ◆ Recipients of the Riding, Instructor or Other Scholarships will be announced at the Annual Dinner in January.
- ◆ All recipients will also be notified by mail or e-mail.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL APPLICANTS FROM THE VADA/NOVA BOARD

APPLICATION FOR VADA/NOVA SCHOLARSHIP 2009

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ FAX: _____

Email: _____

How long have you been a VADA/Nova member _____

Which scholarship are you applying for (please check – no more than two categories):

- General Riding (\$500)
- Instructor Continuing Education (\$500)
- USDF Convention/Symposium (\$500)
- Breed/Sport Horse (\$500)

Please describe all of your volunteer time to VADA/Nova in the past two years (or more). If you have volunteered at any VADA events (example: BLM's/GAIG's) or USDF activities, you may list those as well.

Please list all of your volunteer time, be as specific as possible (i.e. event, date, job performed)

- ◆ *For **riding scholarships**, please indicate the level at which you are riding, your riding goals, and how you plan to use the scholarship money to achieve these goals (please be as specific as possible).*
- ◆ *For **instructor scholarships**, please indicate the types of students you currently teach, and how you will use the scholarship money to improve your teaching.*
- ◆ *For **USDF symposium/convention scholarships**, please indicate your level of activity within the dressage community, how you would expect to benefit from attendance at the symposium/convention, and how that, in turn, will benefit the sport*
- ◆ *For **breed/sport horse scholarships**, indicate how you plan to use the scholarship money to achieve your goals (please be as specific as possible).*

Provide information noted for scholarships above on a separate attached sheet and include with your application.

Deadline to submit applications
September 1, 2009 for Convention/Symposium
October 1, 2009 for all others

Submit applications to:
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