

NOTICES:

SM CM contest ends April 15!

Championship entries due June 20, 2015



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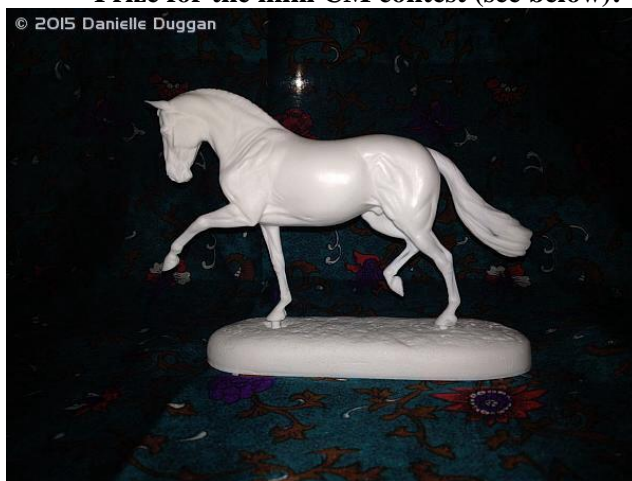
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<http://mepsa1.tripod.com>

MEPSA is an educational group for model horse enthusiasts, promoting the hobby of model horse mail-in photo showing.

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information to showers who do not have internet access. It is mailed free of charge (courtesy of Marie Phillips). The newsletter is also available by email and on the website as a secondary source of information and updates for all members.

Prize for the mini CM contest (see below):



Spring Happenings!

- Time to try some outdoor photography! Join Corina Roberts May 15-17 for “Models in the Mountains”. Spend the weekend camping in the Angeles Mountains in southern California! Socialize with model horse people. Attend seminars on performance and sculpting! See the flier in this newsletter! **You’ve seen her gorgeous photos, why not join her, take your models to a gorgeous location and take some new pictures!**
- We still do not know what happened to Esther Johnson. Anyone who has contact with her is asked to email the MEPSA BOD. In the meantime, we have **added a mini show** at the end of April, which will have **free entry** for anyone who entered the September 13 mini show. We are very sorry to anyone who did not get their pictures back from this show.
- The qualifying season is almost over! Hurry to enter qualifiers in April and May. Time to get ready for the championship show. More information below!

Championship Show scheduled!

We have a date! June 20, 2015. All entries go to Carolyn Bailey who will verify qualification. Yes, only horses that placed first – third in a MEPSA qualifying show this season – Open or novice -- may enter the championship. For the halter divisions, if you qualified in gender, breed, color **OR** make, you may show in all

four classes. You do **not** need to qualify for each class. In performance, however, your model may **ONLY** show in the class(es) it qualified in.

- To help Carolyn with verification, all photos must be sorted by division and then put in *alphabetical order* (**not** first class order). Indicate the show in which your model qualified, preferably on the photo back (Although some people send a list). Carolyn will sort the photos to first class order before sending them to the judges.
- **VERY IMPORTANT:** Each division will be going to a different judge. You cannot enter the same photo in halter and performance (for example, LIBERTY class). Entries for each separate division should be in their own baggy, with your return address label and the total number of photos in the baggy on the outside.
- Once again, we have a special added **MINI DIVISION**. You may choose to show any or all of your minis in the mini division, or you may show them in their regular division, but they cannot show in both! The performance class list for minis is abbreviated, and special division letters apply. You also need to have the regular division letter on your photo back so Carolyn can verify qualification.
- **FAQ: When can I expect my photos back?** Your photos are on a journey that will last pretty much all summer! After Carolyn verifies thousands of entries, she sorts them, boxes them, and sends them to the judges. The judges then judge their division (Division A is huge and may take 4 weeks to judge – though we HOPE it is faster!) and type their results. Many judges help out by scanning pictures of the champions. Then the judge sends the photos and the electronic results back to Carolyn. Carolyn double checks the results, formatting, correcting errors, etc., and scans any pictures not scanned by the judges. The results and pictures then go to Anne for inclusion in the championship book. Once all the results are in, the book goes to press. (Anne will have been working for months getting articles, ads, etc. in the book). After printing, books are shipped to Carolyn. Carolyn sorts photos to owners and chooses awards from the prize inventory for each entrant. Packing all into a box and shipping (About 50 packages) back to the owners. The actual date you receive your package back depends on how quickly all that can be done. You will definitely NOT have your photos back in time for next season's August shows.
- **FAQ: What kind of prizes?** Prizes awarded include:
 - 42 Grand or reserve champions (rosettes plus other prizes) in Open, and 4 in novice.
 - Commercial flats for the champion/reserve and remaining top ten in EACH CLASS.
 - Traditional, classic, and mini models (OF, CM, and bodies)
 - Tack, props, dolls
 - cash
 - 8 drawings for showers who did not get a grand championship.
 - 8 judges choice awards.
 - Prizes from sponsored classes.
 - Door prizes.
 - Misc. prizes (farthest entry, most photos, etc)
 - The championship book, full of articles, pictures and, of course, complete results!
 - Be sure to let Carolyn know what kind of prizes you like. You can make specific requests too. Carolyn will do her best to match winners with the best prizes for them.
 - *You will not believe the prize box – many showers say that getting their box from the championship show is just like Christmas. Most feel the championship book is the highlight of the show.*
- **FAQ: Are the entry fees the same as for a qualifier?** NO. See the entry form. You pay part of your shipping costs and most of the book cost. You also contribute to shipping costs to and from judges. The prizes have been donated or purchased using funds raised by MEPSA.
- **FAQ: Where do the prizes come from?** Most are donated! We are still accepting donations such as new-in-box models of all sizes, mint out of box, customized, or bodies suitable for customizing, tack, props, dolls, pony pouches, or other items of interest. If you don't know what to donate, why not sponsor a class (\$5) or a division (\$20). Specify the class you wish to sponsor, and send a check to

Carolyn (or a prize valued at \$5) and the first place (class champion) horse in that class will win that prize! Your name will be listed as the class (or division) sponsor!

Mini-scale Customization contest – ending April 15! Enter to win! Please vote!

Customize a mini-size model (such as a Breyer stablemate or a Stone chip) and send it to Carolyn Bailey by April 15, 2015 (the model becomes the property of MEPSA and will be a prize at the championship or used for fund-raising purposes). One winner will be chosen (by popular vote) to win an unfinished **artist resin**. Show off your customizing work on the MEPSA blog and web site, and support your favorite model horse showing association at the same time! Carolyn Bailey, 4N742 Honey Hill Cir., Wayne, IL 60184



Prize for the winner!!!

Qualifier schedule for the third quarter of the 2014-2015 Season:

Remaining April shows:

April 11, 2015 - Specialty for China (B,D,E,F)

Kathy Dodson
PO Box 912
Emmett, ID 83617
kathyjd5@gmail.com

April 18, 2015 - AR/CM Regular Qualifier (C,D,F)

Lisa Gorbatjuk
3754 Sutton Rd
Marion, IA 52302
spottedponyfarm@yahoo.com

April 25, 2015 - Halter Specialty for Spanish & Gaited Breeds (Halter only - A,B,C,D; ONLY breeds eligible for Classes 28-31)

Jennifer Tomey
6601 E 34th St
Indianapolis, IN 46226

And ...

Remember ... this show replaces the September 13, 2014 show for which there are no results:

April 25, 2015 – Extra Special for Minis (all divisions)

Linda Watson Gresham
2842 Kane Street
Klamath Falls, OR 97603

Only 2 shows left in the season!

May 2, 2015 - OF Plastic/China Qualifier (A,B,E)

Gayle Goodling
2198 Molasses Rd
Liverpool, PA 17045
stockhorse_lady@yahoo.com

May 16, 2015 - AR/CM Qualifier (C,D,F)

Stephanie Lynn Hicks
Plucky Pony Ranch
PO Box 263
Karlstad, MN 56732
stephaniehicks2010@hotmail.com

Novice series:

APRIL 18, 2015 - Performance

Laurel Dedes
5193 Coventry Ln
Barboursville, VA 22923
dserthorse@aol.com

MAY 16, 2015 - Halter

Cathy Hagen
3546 June Ave North
Robbinsdale, MN 55422
cathy_hagen@msn.com

Novice Qualified models enter their own division at the championship show. You may send a different photo than the one that actually qualified. Make it your best! The class list is the same as for the qualifiers.

If your model qualified (placed 1st-3rd in a halter class, it is eligible to enter both a gender and a breed class in the championship. Performance entries must qualify for each class they enter.

SHOW FEES:

You can pay using [Paypal](#) for your show fees mepsa2@hotmail.com, but you MUST use the Personal Payment option or You will be responsible for any transaction fees. Remember to let the judge know you have paid. Try the optional qualifier entry form available at: <http://mepsa1.tripod.com/forms.html>

Prepaid Show coupons for MEPSA Qualifier entry!

Nervous about sending cash through the mail? For your convenience, you can now send one check or paypal payment to Robin Nere (esteemed treasurer) and receive coupons for show entry! Cash equivalent Coupons will be available in \$2 and \$5 denominations (combine 2 for a \$4 entry). You may receive your coupons

electronically or by mail. Each will have a serial number so they can only be used one time. Simply enclose the value needed in place of cash or check in your entry. For example: for 100 halter photos, enclose two \$2 coupons. No more cash in the mail, no more check fees – entering shows just got easier!

Class 55 – Breyer SR belong in class 55. Sometimes it's hard to tell! Here is what is IN and OUT:

In:

- **Breyerfest and other event SRs**
- **“Brick and mortar specials”**
- **Vintage club models**
- **Christmas models**
- **Catalog store models (Sears, Penneys, etc.) IF identical models are not available in the regular line**
- **Store special runs (e.g. State line tack, Tractor Supply Company) even if Breyer sells leftovers on its own site.**

Out:

- LE and CE models available in the regular line (e.g. Breezing Dixie). These are pictured in the catalog. These belong in class 53 or 54.
- Connoisseur and Premier models (they belong in class 56)

Class 54 – What's current with Breyer? New 2015 models are out!

Breyer current for 2014-15 season (in the current catalog) + add newer releases as they come out.

- **Don't look twice**
 - **Glitterati**
 - **Jubilation**
 - **Picasso**
 - **Santiago**
 - **Smokin Doubledutch**
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|---|---|
| • Harley D Zip | • Padre (mustang) |
| • Flexible | • SBH Phoenix |
| • Magic | • GVF Sjolokade |
| • Hamlet | • Ssameless++ |
| • Weathermont Ethan Morgan | • RCH Ventarrones |
| • OT Sara Moniet RSI | • GG Valentine and Heartbreaker |
| • Marwari (palomino) | • Totilas |
| • Gypsy Vanner (pinto) | • Hickstead |
| • Sam Olympic Gold Medalist | • Topsails Reinmaker |
| • Trooper | • Lindsay's Faith |
| • Guy McLean's Nugget | • Big Chex to Cash |
| • Overo Paint (LP) Mare and Foal | • Grullo Paint ethereal mold |
| • RCMP (black big ben) | • Zenyetta |
| • Northern Dancer (John Henry Mold) | • Zenyetta's first colt |
| • Secretariat (Smarty Jones mold) | • Frankel (Smarty Jones mold) |
| • Ballou | • Brookside Pink Magnum |
| • Misty and Stormy, Chincoteague ponies | • Indian pony (appaloosa on foundation appaloosa mold with feathers) |
| • Lil Rocky Rocker | • Sgt Reckless |
| • Lets Go Riding Western (buckskin foundation stallion) | • Lets Go Riding English (Appaloosa Pluto) |
| • Lets Go Racing (black secretariat) | • Camila, Springtime foal (not technically traditional scale, but we'll include here) |

Everyone showing performance should be reading <http://www.positivelyperfectperformance.com/>,

and printing it out for their binders. I'm not saying it's perfect in every way, but it certainly is a lot of good information in one place!! Another site with easy to access information specifically for model performance showing is the IMEHA site: <http://www.imeha.org/imehaguidebook/imehaguidebook.html>– Laurel.

MEPSA Board of Directors

We need you!

The annual election will be July 30. Will you consider volunteering? Due to personal circumstance, Danielle may need to step down from the Donations Coordinator position. She has done a fantastic job this year!

Also, Anne Fields may need to step down and/or could really use some help in the book coordinator position. Perhaps you would like to learn about desk-top publishing? The problem for Anne is timing. The final work on the book (which is pretty demanding) falls at a very demanding time of year for Anne. You could learn and help out without having to take on the whole task. You must have a computer and Microsoft Publisher.

Please contact me, Elizabeth Jones, President, for more information, and contact Carissa Kirksey, secretary, if you would like to get on the ballot at any position.

2014-15 MEPSA Officers:

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Feel free to contact any of us if you have questions, concerns or suggestions.

If you are an artist – and would like to donate a paint job to MEPSA, we have bodies on hand and artists ready to prep a body for you! Contact any board member to get started, or contact Marie Phillips for a list of available bodies. You may also request a specific body, and we will try to find one for you.

If you have newer body quality models (Nakota, Salinero, Esprit, etc) or classic “Love” molds, you can send these to:

Marie J. Phillips
93 Franklin Ave
Oakville, CT 06779

We will pair the bodies up with artists willing to paint them. Yet another way to raise funds or obtain nice prizes for MEPSA!

MEPSA 2015 CONTEST SCHEDULE

Here is our contest schedule for the rest of this season! MEPSA reserves the right to be somewhat flexible if necessary, and to substitute prizes for something of equal or greater value if necessary. We may, in fact, offer a

choice of the prize named here, or an alternative, as we get closer to each contest date. We may offer two divisions of any contest with enough entries, and a second, smaller, prize!

Stablemate Custom contest- deadline April 15th 2015 Supply your own Stablemate or Chips sized mold to remake it any way you like. Prize: mini scale unpainted resin!

Holiday Custom contest – deadline June 15, 2015

Create a holiday themed model, tack, or props (sky's the limit here, as long as it has a holiday theme such as but not limited to Valentine's, St. Patrick's, Halloween, Fourth of July, etc.) Winners will chosen from a poll on MEPSA'S blog that will be advertised on MHSP and ModelHorseBlab **Prize: CM SM by Shawn McNeely and painted by Donna Lorello of Sunshine's Creative Endeavors in your choice of color pattern!**

Tack/Costume contest (any scale) deadline July 15,2015

(includes modified OF tack with before & after photos) Various types of tack desired, for all sizes of models, micro-mini through large traditional. These could be saddle sets of all persuasions, rigging, costumes, stud tack, etc. Winners will chosen from a poll on MEPSA'S blog that will be advertised on MHSP and ModelHorseBlab. **Prize: Doll by Anne Field** (valued at over \$200) WE reserve the right to substitute a smaller prize, should we not receive at least 1 saddle entry set, or at least 8 items valued at \$30.00 each, should be receive entries above and beyond this rate, we *may* offer a second prize

Prop contest (any scale) deadline October 15, 2015.

Any kind of prop that would be used in a performance set up! All scales, the ideas limited by your imagination! Winners will chosen from a poll on MEPSA'S blog that will be advertised on MHSP and ModelHorseBlab. Prize to be determined.

Makeover Challenge Contest – November 15, 2015!

Makeover a Traditional scale Khemosabi any way you want, with at least 25 percent or more customization when compared to the original mold. Make it better, in any medium, just make it better! A few bodies may be available to live show proven artists, please inquire. Otherwise, artists must provide their own body. Get the body soon, so you have plenty of time to work!. ***This contest requires not only photos of the finished piece, but a "before" photo of the actual model used before customizing. Please mail Danielle d_duggan@ymail.com if you are interested in more details. Winners will chosen from a poll on MEPSA'S blog that will be advertised on MHSP and ModelHorseBlab. – Traditional scale unpainted, unprepped resin!

Other model related donations are welcome!

Donor record:

Start keeping a list of your donations today! Form available on the website. Record each donation and the value. You can also record shipping you have donated to MEPSA, as well as judge's fees donated. Get credit for all you do for MEPSA! Value of contest entries should not be included as these have their own separate reward system. Submit your donation record at the end of the season (or with your championship entry). This will make record keeping easier for the BOD. All donors receive ad space in the Championship book. Donate \$100 – get a full page, \$50 gets you half a page and \$25 gets you a quarter page ad. Become a patron level sponsor by donating \$150 or more and get your champ show book (a \$35 value) for free!

MEPSA



Model Equine Photo Showers Association

2014-2015 MEPSA CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW (June 20, 2015) ENTRY FORM:

Instructions: Please enclose this form with your entry. Only models that qualified (placed 1-3) in a MEPSA qualifying show of the current season (Aug 2014 - May 2015) may be entered in the Championship Show. Limit is one photo per model per class except for performance classes with multiple entries. (In those classes, all entries that qualified may enter, no limits). Place photos for each **halter** division, (**alphabetized by horse's name not first class order**), and each **performance** division (**by class order**), in a separate baggie. Write your name and the number of photos on the outside of the baggie. Make sure your class numbers are correct. Make sure your NAME (not your stable name) and address is on each photo. Please be sure to have your five letter code on EACH photo (CABAI=Carolyn Bailey). MEPSA may request additional postage funds for international packages. Novice entrants please enter the Novice Division.

Special Mini Division Instructions

The halter sections of the Mini Division will have the same class numbers and classes as the normal Open Division. They will be combined into OF Plastic/China Division G and AR/CM-Division H. The Mini Division Performance will be combined OF/CM-Division I and have the following modified classlist (multiple entries permitted in all classes that have multiple entries or were combined from the original classlist (i.e. roping/cutting, hunter/jumper, costume/parade):

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Western Pleasure | 13. Hunter/Jumper |
| 2. Western Bareback | 14. Dressage |
| 3. Western Trail (arena/natural) | 15. English Games |
| 4. Roping/Cutting | 16. Other English Performance |
| 5. Other Stock Work | English Performance Grand Champion |
| 6. Barrels/Poles | 17. Harness |
| 7. Other Western Games | 18. Costume/Parade |
| 8. Other Western Performance | 19. Showmanship |
| Western Performance Grand Champion | 20. Liberty |
| 9. Huntseat Pleasure | 21. Other Performance |
| 10. English Bareback | 22. Head Study |
| 11. Saddleseat/Park/Sidesaddle | Other Performance Grand Champion |
| 12. English Trail (arena/natural) | |

Please note: International entrants may be required to pay additional shipping costs. Feel free to add more when calculating your entry fees (below)

Entry Form

Send your photos, entry fee and this entry form to:
Carolyn Bailey, 4N742 Honey Hill Cir. Wayne, IL , USA
Email: foggynote@att.net

Entrant info

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Entry info

Number of entries per division:

Open

Div A: _____ Div B: _____ Div C: _____ Div D: _____

Div E: _____ Div F: _____ Div G: _____ Div H: _____ Div I: _____

Novice: _____

Total number of photos entered: _____

Do you want your photos shipped to an address other than the entrant address? If so, what address? _____

Do you want your prizes shipped to an address other than the entrant address? If so, what address? _____

Prize preferences: Possible prizes may include the following. Please mark your preferences:

Traditional size models	Y/N	Classic models	Y/N	LB/SM models	Y/N
Ribbons	Y/N	Rosettes	Y/N	Other (please specify)	

By tradition, MEPSA publishes copies of some of the entered photos (such as champions) in the MEPSA Championship results book. Please indicate if you do NOT want your photos published. _____

Entry Fees

_____ Championship Show Entry Fee: Based on number of photos entered (\$2.00 per 50 photos).
Includes ribbons, rosettes, awards, and shipping costs* (flat \$10.00 fee).

0-50= \$12 51-100= \$14 101-150= \$16 151-200= \$18 201-250= \$20 251-300= \$22 301-350= \$24 351-400= \$26 401-450= \$28 451-500= \$30, etc.

\$20.00 Results Book: A copy of the Results book with articles, ads and full color photos of the winners. (Please do not add \$20.00 if you are a Board member, a Patron Donor (>\$150 in donations) or do not wish to receive a copy of the results book. The results book will be available as a pdf file download from Lulu.com, for a nominal cost, to those who choose not to receive a book.

_____ Optional Donation: (Entitles you to an ad in the results book. Please use donation form available online.)

_____ Finance Charge (If using Paypal/credit card add \$2.00)

_____ Total Please make checks payable to Carolyn Bailey or via Paypal to mepsa2@hotmail.com

Models in the Mountains 2015

A Model Horse Enthusiasts' Gathering in the heart of the
Angeles National Forest May 15-17, 2015

Information and Registration:

modelsinthemountains.weebly.com

Indoor and outdoor
photography, artist
workshops, vendors,
camping, FUN!



Mule - customized Eberl Jumping Nancy by Tiffany Purdy
Tack (except saddle blanket) and boots by Jennifer Bray Buxton
Saddle blanket by Corina Brown
Doll by Joan Young
Jump by Kim and Kathy Hayward
Tabletop Studies
Photo by Jennifer Bray Buxton



Bueno by Debbi Lermond, owned and photographed by Mindy Berg

**Sunday at Noon
Tack Up To Win!**

**The Art of Performance with
Jennifer Bray Buxton**

\$20.00 prepaid, \$25.00 at the door
Includes lunch and a chance to win a model

**Saturday at Noon
Sculpting the Horse with
Debbi Lermond**

\$20.00 prepaid, \$25.00 at the door
Includes lunch and a chance to win a model

**Friday - Camper/Vendor Set-Up
Indoor and Outdoor Model Horse
Photography (outdoor weather permitting)
Open House and Dinner at Chilao School
(we'll supply the main dishes, potluck
contributions welcome)**

**ALL Model Horse Lovers Welcome
Indoor Diorama Contest**

**Saturday Morning
Photography tables set up all weekend
Camping \$10.00 for the weekend
Limited Vendor Spaces Available**



**Chilao School - Chilao
Campground
Angeles Crest Highway
Mile Marker 49.69
Angeles National Forest**

From the 210 Freeway in La Canada take Angeles Crest
Highway (Highway 2) 26 miles to Chilao Campground, follow
signs to Chilao School. **To hear directions: (805) 217-0364**



We're on Facebook at
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Email: redbirds_vision@hotmail.com
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Register via mail with check or money order:
Corina Roberts, c/o Chilao School
HC 1 Box 11 Angeles Crest Highway
La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011



Frankly Scarlet - OF Breyer Frankel owned and photographed by Corina Roberts