

# **MONTANA QUARTER HORSE HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE**

## **Guidelines**

Recommendations for January 1, 2025

### **Selection Committee Structure**

The Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame Committee will be comprised of representatives of the Montana Quarter Horse Association.

1. Each association will select four (4) current members in good standing from Montana Quarter Horse Association.
2. Montana Quarter Horse Association will include 1 MQHA Past President.
3. The Chairperson(s) will vote only in the event of a tie.
4. The Association will provide two current (non-voting) members to count and tally the ballots.
5. In the event of additional members, the current Montana Quarter Association Board of Directors will fill vacancies.

### **Inductees**

The Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame Committee will annually review the nomination(s) submitted. The maximum number of annual inductees will be four (4). The Committee at their discretion may determine more or less inductees if the submissions warrant that determination.

1. A total of three (3) people;
2. A total of three (3) horses;
3. A total of one (1) ranch or business
4. Joyce McDonald Montana Spirit Award, one (1) person

### **Nomination Criteria for Induction**

#### **Person/Ranch/Business**

1. Nominees for the Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame must have been outstanding over a period of years either as a breeder, competitor or contributor with the American Quarter Horse in the State of Montana
2. Ideally, the nominee(s) should be a member of AQHA if his or her activities were during the existence of AQHA, but not required.
3. Ideally the nominee should have been a member of Montana Quarter Horse Association if his or her activities were during the existence of either association
4. Nominee may be either living or deceased.

#### **Horse**

1. Nominees for the Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame must have been outstanding for a period of years as a sire, dam, and competitor and/or must have brought exceptional visibility to the American Quarter Horse in the State of Montana.
2. Nominees must be or have been registered with the American Quarter Horse Association.
3. Nominees must be living or deceased.
1. HOF Recognition will go to last horse's owner of record. If the owner(s) is deceased, last lessee of record or the breeder would be considered to receive award.

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### **Joyce McDonald Montana Sprit Award**

1. Nominee must be a resident of Montana who exemplifies the Spirit of Montana Western Heritage and whose character and reputation are beyond reproach.
2. Nominees should have demonstrated the ability to inspire by example and lead by dedication and commitment.
3. Individuals must have an acknowledged love of horses, which has manifest itself by his or her involvement in equine activities.
4. Nominee may be either living or deceased.

### **Nomination(s)**

1. Nominees will automatically remain on the agenda for further consideration for a total of three (3) consecutive years, if not selected upon initial nomination.
  - a. It is not necessary to re-nominate during that period; however, it is suggested that updated information be provided (such as updated contact information, additional awards, etc).
  - b. After a total of three (3) years, the nominee must be resubmitted for consideration or will be accepted annually.
2. Nominators should be aware that any submission of information is done so with the full understanding that MQHA HOF may use, edit and reproduce any information provided without consideration.
3. By submission of these materials, nominator and nominee release all rights for distribution of the information provided within to media and the general public.
4. All materials submitted will be considered permanent donations of the MQHA Hall of Fame unless otherwise specified

### **Committee Protocol**

1. Examine applications for those individuals and horses nominated to the Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame, reviewing in depth all records, recommendations and reference materials supplied on each.
2. Review the rules related to Hall of Fame nomination and selection criteria and if necessary, make recommendations for amendment of such rules.
3. Vote, without political or personal bias, for individuals and horses who have made outstanding contributions to the Montana Quarter Horse industry.
4. Keep confidential all deliberations, comments and voting outcome resulting from the selection process.

### **Voting Protocol**

1. Committee members will vote for inductees.
2. Two thirds of the total number of votes is required for induction

### *Hall of Fame Steering Committee*

1. *The Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame Steering Committee will be comprised of representatives of the Montana Quarter Horse Association.*
2. *The Steering Committees responsibilities include but are not limited to:*
  - a. *Review nomination forms and criteria and recommend any updates*
  - b. *Obtain nominations and forward to Selection Committee*
  - c. *Maintain previous nomination information*
  - d. *Facilitate Selection Committee meeting*
  - e. *Notify nominee or their appropriate representative of the nomination*
  - f. *Contact nominee(s) for photos and bio information for night of induction and MQHA website*
  - g. *Prepare nominee information for presentation during induction ceremony*
  - h. *Write news release and distribute*

# **MONTANA QUARTER HORSE HALL OF FAME**

## **Nomination Criteria for Induction**

### **Amended January 1, 2025**

#### **Person(s) or Ranch or Business**

1. Nominee into the Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame must have been outstanding over a period of years either as a breeder, competitor or contributor with the American Quarter Horse in the State of Montana
2. Nominee should have been a Member of AQHA if his or her activities were during the existence of AQHA.
3. Ideally the Nominee should have been a Member of Montana Quarter Horse Association if his or her activities were during the existence of either association
4. Nominee may be either living or deceased.

#### **Horse**

1. Nominee into the Montana Quarter Horse Hall of Fame must have been outstanding for a period of years as a sire, dam, and/or competitor and/or must have brought exceptional visibility to the American Quarter Horse in the State of Montana.
2. Nominee must be registered with the American Quarter Horse Association.
3. Nominee must be deceased.
4. HOF Recognition will go to horse's last owner of record.

#### **Joyce McDonald Montana Sprit Award**

1. Nominee must be a resident of Montana who exemplifies the spirit of Montana Western Heritage and whose character and reputation are beyond reproach.
2. Nominees should have demonstrated the ability to inspire by example and lead by dedication and commitment.
3. Individuals must have an acknowledged love of horses, which has manifest itself by his or her involvement in equine activities.
4. Nominee may be either living or deceased.

#### **Additional Information**

1. Nominators should be aware that any submission of information is done so with the full understanding that MQHA HOF may use and reproduce any information provided without consideration.
2. By submission of these materials, nominator and nominee release all rights for distribution of the information provided within to media and the general public.
3. All materials submitted will be considered permanent donations of the MQHA Hall of Fame unless otherwise specified.
4. Nominations will be kept on file for three (3) years if not selected for induction. After the three-year period, nomination must be resubmitted in its entirety to be reconsidered. I think this should be annual and not kept track of for 3 years. Nominations will be accepted annually.

# **MONTANA QUARTER HORSE HALL OF FAME**

## **Human or Ranch Nominee Biographical Information**

**Postmark deadline is June 1 each year**

**Nominee's Name(s):**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Email:            Phone:**

**Birth Date:        Date of Death (if applicable):**

If nominee(s) is deceased, the nearest living relative is:

**Name:**

**Email:    Phone:**

**Relationship to Nominee(s):**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Submitted by:**

**Email:            Phone:**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

### **Sponsorship Recommendation:**

If available, and if you have supporting materials and suggested sources for reference in preparation of the nominee's biographical information include articles in the *American Quarter Horse Journal*, *The American Quarter Horse Racing Journal* and other periodicals; competition records of AQHA and other related organizations, such as NCHA and NRHA; reference letters from those who knew the nominee; and personal testament from the individual preparing the nomination.

**AQHA related activities, offices, honors:**

**Most prominent American Quarter Horses owned and their achievements:**

**Other equine industry activities, offices, honors:**

**Other civic activities and honors:**

**Other Supporting information:**

**Reason for your Nomination:**

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**MONTANA QUARTER HORSE HALL OF FAME**  
**Horse Nominee Biographical Information**  
**Postmark deadline is June 1 each year**

**Horse's Name:**

**Registration No. (if known):**

**Birth Date:**                      **Date of Death (if applicable):**

**Sire's Name:**

**Dam's Name:**

**Breeder:**

**Owner at Time of Death:**

**Email:**                      **Phone:**

If owner(s) is deceased, the nearest living relative is:

**Name:**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Email:**                      **Phone:**

**Relationship to Owner(s):**

**Submitted by:**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Email:**                      **Phone:**

**Sponsorship recommendations:**

If available, and if you have supporting materials and suggested sources for reference in preparation of the nominee's biographical information include articles in the *American Quarter Horse Journal*, *The American Quarter Horse Racing Journal* and other periodicals; competition records of AQHA and other related organizations, such as NCHA and NRHA; reference letters from those who knew the nominee; and personal testament from the individual preparing the nomination.

**AQHA related activities, offices, honors:**

**Most prominent American Quarter Horses owned and their achievements:**

**Other equine industry activities, offices, honors**

**Other Supporting information:**

**Reason for your Nomination:**

**MONTANA QUARTER HORSE HALL OF FAME**  
**Ranch or Business Nominee Biographical Information**  
**Postmark deadline is June 1**

**Nominee's Name:**

**Ranch or Business owner:**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Email:**

**Phone:**

If ranch or business owner is deceased, the nearest living relative is:

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Phone:**

**Relationship to Owner(s):**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Submitted by:**

**Email:**

**Phone:**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Sponsorship recommendation:**

If available, and if you have supporting materials and suggested sources for reference in preparation of the nominee's biographical information include articles in the *American Quarter Horse Journal*, *The American Quarter Horse Racing Journal* and other periodicals; competition records of AQHA and other related organizations, such as NCHA and NRHA; reference letters from those who knew the nominee; and personal testament from the individual preparing the nomination.

**AQHA related activities, offices, honors:**

**Most prominent American Quarter Horses achievements:**

**Other equine industry activities, offices, honors:**

**Other civic activities and honors:**

**Reason for your Nomination:**

**Other Supporting information:**