

Year-End Honors

Horsewoman or Horseman of the Year:

Candidate must be current member of the CPHA, over 35 years of age, have been actively involved as a professional horseman for the majority of his/her adult life, operated in California for the last five years, and currently active as a rider, trainer, coach, official or horse show official.

Lifetime Achievement Honor:

This award is presented to a distinguished equestrian whose lifetime experience and accomplishments exemplify the devotion to the sport of horse showing and horses, and whose equestrian career has continually elevated the sport's excellence.

Junior Achievement Honor:

Candidates must be junior members of the CPHA and have completed their last year of junior competition. The purpose of this award is to honor those who have achieved continuous excellence throughout their junior years.

Hall of Fame:

Candidate must be at least 70 and retired from or less active as a professional horseman. Hall of fame nominees must have spent the majority of their lives as a professional horseman, with a significant amount of time spent in California.

Dan Abbey Sportsmanship Honor:

Candidate must have shown "excellent" sportsmanship throughout her/his showing years. This award is an expression of Dan's outstanding character, his honesty and his genuine interest in all those around him. The person chosen to receive this will have the same attributes we saw in Dan. Must be in last year of his/her junior career.

Special Achievement:

Candidate must have earned a special achievement that was accomplished during the current show year.

Lifetime Equine Achievement Hall of Fame:

This is an elite award offered for the first time in 2005 by the CPHA to honor the outstanding lifetime achievement of an equine athlete. Horse may be either a current horse or one that has passed on.