

MHAA Year End Awards - Please review all the following information carefully

Eligibility:

To be eligible for the MHAA Year End Awards the following requirements must be met:

- 1. The exhibitor must be an MHAA member by March 16, 2025.
- 2. The exhibitor must own or have a lease contract by the start of the Shows; April 10th 13th, 2025.

Award Divisions:

Horse of the Year Over - Champion and Runner Up

Horse of the Year Under - Champion and Runner Up

Youth Horse of the Year Over - Champion and Runner Up

Youth Horse of the Year Under - Champion and Runner Up

Amateur - Over - Champion and Reserve Champion (one horse/one handler combination)

Amateur - Under - Champion and Reserve Champion

Youth - Over - Champion and Reserve Champion

Youth - Under - Champion and Reserve Champion

Performance Horse High Point (any sanctioned class with a cart) – Champion and Reserve Champion In Hand Horse High Point (any sanctioned class with a halter – no cart) - Champion and Reserve Champion Golden Age (55 and older) Overall High Point (all shows included and multiple horses included) - Champion and Reserve Champion

Additional Rules -

- 1. A winner (horse, handler or combination of both) can only receive awards for two (2) Champion or Reserve Champion in the divisions offered with the exception of the Horse of the Year. A horse may win two (2) categories AND the Horse of the Year.
 - a. If a horse/amateur/youth wins more than two (2) categories (not including the Horse of the Year), they will be contacted to choose the two (2) categories they prefer to win.
- 2. Awards will be presented at the MHAA Year End Awards Banquet held in January 2026. Winners are responsible for the shipping cost of their award item(s) if they are unable to attend the banquet in person.
- 3. "Over" horse(s); those over 34 inches to 38 inches and registered with the AMHR can accumulate points at the Kick Off Arizona and Touch of Class **AMHR** Shows.
- 4. **"Under" horse(s);** those 34 inches and under and registered with both the AMHA and AMHR can accumulate points at the Kick Off Arizona and Touch of Class **AMHA and AMHR** Shows.
- 5. In the event of a tie, the Show Manager will determine the winner based upon the number of horses defeated according to the Show Manager Report.
- 6. An Amateur must have a current and valid 2025 Amateur Card on file with the Show Manager for each registry they wish to compete in for awards (AMHA and AMHR).
- 7. Qualified Amateurs will accumulate points based on their placings with a one horse/one handler combination in all <u>sanctioned</u> classes.
- 8. Qualified Youth will accumulate points based on their placings with a one horse/one handler combination in all sanctioned classes.