



2008 NYHLS Request for Presentations National Youth Leader Symposium February 29 – March 2, 2008 – Raleigh, NC

The American Youth Horse Council (AYHC) cordially invites individuals to submit proposals to speak at the 2008 National Youth Horse Leaders Symposium Raleigh, NC on February 29 – March 2, 2008. This annual event, now in its 31st year, presents an opportunity for leaders in the youth horse industry to come together to learn, network, share ideas and grow as an industry. The American Youth Horse Council is a network of academic, breed, industry and other representatives interested in facilitating the flow of horse related educational and promotional resources for youth. AYHC's mission is to provide encouragement, communication, leadership & resources to serve and promote the youth horse industry.

Presentations at the hotel will be offered Saturday and Sunday. Demonstrations with horses will be held Sunday. Priority in selection will be given to new presentations, innovative or unique ideas for programs, and topics that meet the locally requested subject matter. All abstracts will be peer reviewed by distinguished members of the AYHC Symposium Committee. **Classroom lectures will be 40 minutes with 10 minutes for questions, you may request 2 slots if needed but the time constraints will be strictly enforced to keep the symposium on schedule.**

Three audiences will be represented at the meeting: **Adult Leaders of Youth** - mostly volunteers who work directly with youth in the field, **Youth Industry Professionals** - those employed in the youth horse industry (such as Extension Specialists and Breed Association Youth Program Coordinators) and **Peer Leaders of Youth** - older teens leaders, and college students, focusing on leadership. Peer leaders are also encouraged to submit presentation abstracts for consideration. The presentations will be identified in program materials as targeting one or more of these audiences and a specific track will be included for the Peer Leaders, called the Teen Track.

Presentations can address, but are not limited to the following categories:

- Youth Leadership/Character Development
- Youth Issue Forums
- Traditional Youth Programming
- Horse Management and Health Care
- Interactive and Hands on Youth Development Activities
- Horse Industry Issues

Requested topics include:

- Teaching tools and methods.
- Training youth for communication contests and public speaking
- Animal welfare: nutrition, rescue, adoption, first aid,
- Novice, Intermediate and advanced horsemanship skill exercises and demonstrations.
- Breed and discipline demonstrations and instruction.
- Ethics, sportsmanship, team building, rider fitness and life skills development
- Safety
- "Horseless" horse activities

IMPORTANT: We ask you to submit a summary or abstract of what you wish to present, a one paragraph biography of your self suitable for printing in the program as well as an electronically submitted photo of yourself to be used in the program if your abstract is accepted for presentation. This will be peer reviewed and included in a proceedings book. It is important that these summaries include enough information that those participants who are unable to attend your session would be able to derive some value from the information to take home. These summaries/abstracts will also draw people to your session! Please note the format in the Symposium guide and directory for 2007. If you need a sample please call the office at 800-879-2942 or email info@ayhc.com to request one.

Please use the nominations forms for presentations on the reverse of this page to format your submission and return complete applications with electronic copy of the abstract / summary by **July 31, 2007**. AYHC will contact you by September 15, 2007 to let you know if your abstract has been accepted.

A long-standing policy of the AYHC is that no honorariums will be paid to speakers and presenters. However, speakers' registration fees for the symposium are waived and they are invited to attend symposium activities free of charge. Speakers are responsible for their own travel and lodging and other expenses not included in the registration. Please call the AYHC office at 800.879.2942 with any questions.

2008 NYHLS Presentation Proposal
Nomination form for presentations for Symposium February 29 – March 2, 2008

Type of presentation:

- ___ Lecture
- ___ Demonstration (indicate space requirements and number of horses/riders)
- ___ Interactive Session (indicate space requirements)

Target Audience (Track) for this presentation—select all that apply:

- ___ Adult Leaders of Youth - mostly volunteers who work directly with youth in the field
- ___ Youth Industry Professionals - those employed in the youth horse industry
- ___ Peer Leaders of Youth - older teens and college students, focusing on leadership.

Presenter(s): _____

Name: _____ Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone/Fax/E-mail: _____

Title of Presentation: _____

Audiovisual Needed: _____

Other Requirements: _____

All sessions are allotted 40 minutes for presentation followed by 10 minutes Q & A and 5 minutes to change rooms. Sessions that require more time may be allotted two sessions, with a break.

Will this presentation require two time slots? Yes or No

(If presenting more than one topic, please duplicate form and submit second presentations on another form.)

Please submit your abstract / summary on a separate sheet of paper and electronically using the following format:

Paper Title, **(please limit to 10 words)**
Author,
Position Title
Institution, Association or Organization,
City, State

Biographical Sketch of Presenter **(Maximum 150 words)**

Abstract

Body of Text: (use 12-point type in clear font)

Introduction:

Summary:

Results and Conclusions - or Take Home Message

Further Study / Suggested Reading

Keywords: use three to five keywords that describe the abstract contents.

(Margins for page: Left 1.5", Right 1", Top 1", and Bottom 1")
Maximum number of pages = 1 (750 words)

If submitting by U.S. mail, please include an electronic copy of your abstract/summary, one paragraph biography and photo. Microsoft Word is preferred but Rich Text Files formatting is acceptable. If submitting by email include all required information in the body of the email or use Microsoft Word for any attachments. These abstracts will be published in a proceedings book for the Symposium. Please call the 800-879-2942 for more information if you have questions about the format for your submission. Submit your nomination form, abstract/summary, one paragraph bio and photo by July 31, 2007 via email to info@AYHC.com, via mail to 6660 #D-451 Delmonico, Colorado Springs, CO 80919.