



HALL OF FAME CRITERIA

Induction into the Iowa Quarter Horse Association Hall of Fame is the highest honor bestowed by the Iowa Quarter Horse Association, established to recognize and honor individuals - human and equine - who have made substantial contributions to the Iowa Quarter Horse Association and the American Quarter Horse by their accomplishments within the Iowa Quarter Horse Association.

Nominations are due August 1 for consideration for Hall of Fame inductions in January.

All candidates for induction must meet the following qualifications for nomination:

Horse Candidates

- Horse must be deceased.
- Horse must be recognized through the American Quarter Horse Association breed registry.
- Horse must be outstanding for a multitude of years as a sire, dam, competitor or brought exceptional visibility to the American Quarter Horse breed in the state of Iowa.
- Any nominated horse foaled 50 years prior to the year of nomination may receive the designation of "Legend."

Human Candidates

- Person may be either living or deceased.
- Person is/has been a member in good standing with the Iowa Quarter Horse Association and/or American Quarter Horse Association and/or has made a significant impact on IQHA/AQHA and the industry.
- Person whose activities occurred during the existence of IQHA (i.e., post 1951).
- Person's activities should be outstanding over a multitude of years and contributed to the advancement of the American Quarter Horse industry in the state of Iowa.
- Person has conducted themselves in a positive way that is becoming of the honor of Hall of Fame induction.
- Any nominated individual whose major influence ended 50 years prior to the year of nomination may receive the designation of "Legend."

All nomination materials including a cover letter, completed nominee summary, letters of support and support information must be submitted by August 1. Nominations previously submitted may be resubmitted to comply with newly clarified criteria as outlined.

Questions regarding eligibility period for previously submitted nominations or other inquiries may be directed to the Iowa Quarter Horse Association, iowaqha@gmail.com.

HALL OF FAME SELECTION PROCESS

The IQHA Hall of Fame committee shall meet to make their selection(s) by September 1. An announcement will be made on the IQHA Facebook page in conjunction with publication on the IQHA website to introduce the selections to the public.

The deadline for presentation photos and information will be **October 15** to allow for presentations to be prepared by someone designated by the IQHA President and/or Hall of Fame committee. Presentations to be 10 minutes/1500 words long and will be created/written for the presentations from the materials received.

If you have any questions regarding information and photo submissions feel free to contact IQHA Secretary or the Hall of Fame Committee Chair.

Nominations not selected for the current year induction will be filed with the president for consideration by the Hall of Fame committee the following year.

Hall of Fame presentations in video format will be posted to the HOF page on the IQHA website and shared on Facebook. The written stories will be published in the IQHA Annual Directory.

Legacy inductions may be made to honor individuals who deserve hall of fame honors who may not have any advocates involved in IQHA any longer. Legacy inductions will get their names on record in the Hall of Fame even if presentations are not made at the annual banquet.

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