

AHA's Canadian Nationals Extends Contract in Brandon

(26 – APR. – 16) – AURORA, COLO. – The Arabian Horse Association (AHA) recently announced that the 2015-2016 contract for their Arabian & Half-Arabian Canadian National Horse Show has been extended through 2017 at the Keystone Centre in Brandon, Manitoba, Canada.

2016 will be the sixth year that the Keystone Centre has hosted Canadian Nationals and the 700+ Arabian horses and their owners, exhibitors, trainers and grooms who travel there from every state and province in North America. The show is currently the largest horse show held at the facility. Extending the contract through 2017 will allow the show to hold its 60th Anniversary at the facility.

"The Canadian National Show Commission is pleased to have the current contract in Brandon extended to 2017," says AHA's Canadian National Show Commission Chair, Gerald McDonald. "We will continue to work with the Keystone facility to secure funding for a new Field House building that has been planned for the past several years. This building will greatly improve the availability for more indoor stalls and an additional indoor work ring."

During the 2015-2016 contract period, improvements in ventilation in City Square and the Exhibition Hall were made for the comfort of the exhibitors and their horses. The city of Brandon welcomes the horse show each year with open arms. Many citizens come from as far as Winnipeg to watch the show and participate in tours, where they meet Arabian horses and watch the show.

Be sure to join AHA for the 59th Annual, Arabian & Half-Arabian Canadian National Horse Show at the Keystone Centre, August 14-20, 2016. Plus, wear red on Friday, August 19 for 'Armed Forces Day' at Canadian Nationals, in honor of our Canadian and U.S. troops and their service. More information about the show can be found at <u>www.ArabianHorses.org/CNL</u>.

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