



USHJA SHOW JUMPING  
EMERGING JUMPING RIDER PROGRAM  
**Wildcard Application**

**USHJA Emerging Jumper Rider - Gold Star Clinic**

**Desert International Horse Park – Thermal, California** January 25-29, 2023

**Wildcard Deadline: Midnight, January 9, 2023- West Coast Clinic**

**Jim Brandon Equestrian Center - Wellington, Florida** February 15-19, 2023

**Wildcard Deadline: Midnight, January 9, 2023 – East Coast Clinic**

**Wildcard Application Minimum Criteria**

The USHJA Emerging Rider Gold Star Clinic provides intensive training and workshops for talented Emerging Show Jumping Athletes. Additionally, workshops and round table discussions are also open to parents and professionals.

See [ushja.org](http://ushja.org) for details.

**Wildcard Applications-** Applications will be accepted in this order:

**Group A:** Individual medalists in the Junior Jumper National Championships (Prix des States), NAYC Children's (any rider that jumped a clear round), Pre-Junior, and Junior, USEF Pony Jumper Championship, and the USHJA Jumper Classic Series (top rider in each of the four fence heights).

**Group B:** Once Group A commitments are secured, the Task Force will consider any athlete from the ZJTC and PJC who successfully competed without elimination.

**Group C:** If available space remains, then consideration will be given to any athletes from Group A who finished below the podium in the individual final of their specific championship.

**Group D:** If no additional athletes from Group A, B, or C are available, Wild Card applications from ZJTC and PJC athletes who did not meet the above criteria will be considered.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, and members in good standing of the USHJA and USEF. Athletes are required to bring a horse. Athlete/horse combinations must be proficient in competition at applied height.

**Wildcard applicants will be notified by email of acceptance on January 9, 2023.**

**The Clinic Fee of \$1500 is Due by January 16, 2023.**



## Application Deadlines:

(Check the clinic applying for)

**West Coast Clinic** – Desert International Horse Park  
Thermal, California, **January 25-29, 2023**

**Application Deadline: Midnight, December 31, 2022**

**East Coast Clinic** - Jim Brandon Equestrian Center  
Wellington, Florida, **February 15-19, 2023**

**Application Deadline: Midnight, December 31, 2022**

Please complete the application below to be considered for a Wildcard Application to the clinic.

### ATHLETE INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ USEF/USHJA ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle Level) **1.10-1.15m** **1.20-1.25m** **1.30-1.35m** **1.40-1.45m**

### TRAINER INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

### HORSE INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ USEF/USHJA ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Color \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Owners Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUESTED

1. **Juniors** must provide a written recommendation from a show jumping professional/trainer.
2. Riders at the age of 24 or under must complete the **U.S. Emerging and Developing Show Jumping Athlete Questionnaire**, however this is optional for those **over** 25 years old.
3. Submit any additional information you wish to have considered by the selectors.

Return all completed materials to Coleton Cook at [ccook@ushja.org](mailto:ccook@ushja.org) (Must be received by December 31, 2022)

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# U.S. Emerging & Developing Show Jumping Athlete Questionnaire



This questionnaire is designed to help USHJA, U.S. Equestrian, and the Chef d'Equipe understand your immediate and future goals and your background. It will also help USHJA and U.S. Equestrian provide opportunities that meet the needs of up-and-coming Show Jumping Athletes. Please take the time to fully answer the questionnaire and express your goals in the sport.

## Athlete

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Trainer: \_\_\_\_\_ Farm: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Background & Competition Information

What are you hoping to learn more about in the Gold Star clinic?

\_\_\_\_\_

At what age did you start riding? \_\_\_\_\_

At what age did you start jumping? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your family involved in the horse industry? Yes  No

Have you participated in any other disciplines? Yes  No

Please check the sections in which you have competed:  Hunter  Jumper  Equitation.

How many years did you compete in the Hunters? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you feel your Hunter experience helped you develop as a Jumper rider?

\_\_\_\_\_

How many years did you compete in Equitation? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you feel your Equitation experience helped you develop as a jumper rider?

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you compete in the Talent Search competitions?  Yes  No

Jumping Rider Questionnaire

Have you competed in any Equitation Finals? If so, where did you compete, and at what age(s) and year(s)? Did you place?

At what age did you start riding in Jumper competitions? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you competed in the National Junior Jumper Championship and Prix des States competition?

If so, at what age and what year? \_\_\_\_\_

List results: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you competed in the North American Youth Championships?

If so, at what age, level, and in what year? \_\_\_\_\_

List results: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you competed in the USEF Pony Jumper Championships?

If so, at what age, level, and in what year? \_\_\_\_\_

List results: \_\_\_\_\_

It is important to know how you felt about the experience of competing at the Junior Jumper Championship/Prix de States and the NAYC. Please tell us how it impacted your riding career.

It is important to know how you felt about the experience of competing at the USHJA Zone Jumper Team Championships. Please tell us how it impacted your riding career.

When you began your riding career, did your parents feel they had enough information about the sport to make informed decisions on competitions, trainers, and horse selection?

**Non-Competition Information**

Have you ever taken dressage lessons? If so, did you find it beneficial, and why?

Do you have a young horse between the ages of 3 and 7 that you are working with?

Do you follow top show jumping bloodlines? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an interest in your sport horse breeding and development? If so, please explain how it is important for your and the industry's future.

Have you had any education on conformation, lameness, feeds and nutrition, shoeing, health, and welfare of the horse? If so, was it helpful information, and do you use the education you received?

Physical fitness is a key component to top athlete performances, and please describe your personal fitness program.

Do you play another sport? If so, what do you play, and does it help your riding skills?

## Jumping Rider Questionnaire

Have you ever participated in a clinic or the USHJA Emerging Athlete Program? If so, who was the clinician, did you feel it was beneficial and why?

Have you ever been a working student or an apprentice for anyone other than your current trainer? If so, who did you work for, and at what age? What did you learn from the experience?

Do you use visualization techniques when competing?  Yes  No

What do you feel are your riding weaknesses and strengths?

### Goals

What are your immediate goals? Please be specific.

What are your long-term goals? Please be specific and explain how you intend to reach those goals.

In what way do you think that the USHJA/USEF can help you to reach your goals?

## Jumping Rider Questionnaire

Do you intend to become a professional, or are you already a professional?

Are you familiar with the Show Jumping Athlete Pathway?  Yes  No

Are your parents familiar with the Show Jumping Athlete Pathway?  Yes  No

Has the Pathway information helped you and your parents understand the development process in Show Jumping?  
In what way?

What would you and/or your parents wish to learn more about?

### Horses

Horse I Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1.10/1.15m  1.20/1.25m  1.30/1.35m  1.40/1.45m  1.50/1.55m

Horse II Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1.10/1.15m  1.20/1.25m  1.30/1.35m  1.40/1.45m  1.50/1.55m

Horse III Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1.10/1.15m  1.20/1.25m  1.30/1.35m  1.40/1.45m  1.50/1.55m

Horse IV Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1.10/1.15m  1.20/1.25m  1.30/1.35m  1.40/1.45m  1.50/1.55m

### Current Year Goals & Schedule

On the next page, please list your goals for the current competition year. Be sure to include your tentative schedule for both yourself and your horses (i.e., Zone Jumper Team Championships, NAYC, Prix des States, Equitation Finals, Nations Cups, and international competitions, as well as any preparation for these targets).

