

ASHBA 2026 YOUTH AWARDS

Sally Jackson Youth Ambassador Award



To be awarded to an outstanding ASHBA youth member, who has supported and promoted involvement in the American Saddlebred at the local, regional or national level through events, activities, or youth programs during the current competition season.

***Nominations must be submitted
by January 5***

Scan the QR Code to make a nomination.



Academy Awards

The American Saddlebred Horse and Breeders Association Academy Awards program encourages and recognizes youth and adults participating in academy classes at horse shows throughout the country.

- Points are accumulated between October 1-September 30 of each year.
- ***Point sheets must be received by November 30***
- ASHBA Competing membership is required for the points to count
- One (1) point is given for participating in an academy riding or driving class. One (1) point is given for placing 2nd – 8th in an academy riding or driving class. Two (2) points are given for placing 1st in an academy riding or driving class.



A bronze medallion will be awarded for earning 15 points in the first year of competition, a silver medallion for 15 points in the second consecutive year, and a gold for 15 points in the third consecutive year.

Academy Master Medal Awards

After participants in the Academy Awards Medal Program attain their first gold medal, they then have the option to continue with the Academy Awards program by earning gold medals on a yearly basis or enter the Academy Master Medal Awards Program, which encourages participation in promotion, education, and continued involvement with the American Saddlebred.



Scan the QR Code to submit an Academy Awards Point Sheet



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ASHBA Youth High Point Awards

The ASHBA Youth High Point Awards recognize youth members who demonstrate commitment to ASHBA Youth Programs through participation and achievement in activities that promote the American Saddlebred. Awards are presented annually at the ASHBA Youth Conference Awards Gala! Awards are presented in two age divisions: 13 & under and 14–21, and an active ASHBA youth competing membership is required.

Youth High Point Award

- Points are awarded annually for a defined set of activities.
- The award year is defined as January 1- December 31.
- **Point sheets must be submitted by January 5.**



Junior Judging High Point Award

- Recognizes National Champion and Regional winners in ASHBA-approved Junior Judging contests
- Points are cumulative from contest scores earned December 1–November 30



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Youth Photo Contest

ASHBA recognizes the artistic side of our junior members through our annual ASHBA Youth Photo Contest!

- Photographs of a living American Saddlebred horse are to be taken by an ASHBA junior member. (Sorry, no model horses!)
- You may submit up to five (5) photos, and awards are given in two age divisions, 13 & under and 14-21. So, ready, get set, shoot!



Photographs must be submitted by January 5

Scan the QR Code to submit a photo



Youth Club Yearbook Awards

The purpose of this award is to honor ASHBA Youth Clubs with well-rounded programs, as depicted in a yearbook or collage. The yearbooks or collages will be judged on layout, neatness, the imagination of presentation, and general impression. Digital yearbooks accepted!

Yearbooks will be judged on the following categories:

- History Award
- Membership Award
- Meetings & Programs Award
- Youth Events
- Educational Activities Award
- Community Service Award
- Fundraising Award
- Breed Promotions Award

The Youth Club Yearbook will factor in to determining the overall Youth Club of The Year!
Yearbooks are due to the ASHBA Office no later than January 5 - Email youth@saddlebred.com to submit



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