



Developing a Musical Freestyle

Featuring Terry Ciotti Gallo, Klassic Kur

April 29 & 30, 2023

Presented by Santa Fe Dressage Association

Located at Terra Nova Equestrian Center, Santa Fe NM

Creating an original Musical Freestyle can cost a rider several thousand dollars with the help of a professional designer. Terry brings her expertise to you in a fun, engaging, and educational format, at a fraction of the cost. You will learn how to build your own unique freestyle, allowing you to participate in Dressage in a new and exciting way. If you choose, private arrangement can be made for Terry to complete a freestyle for you.

Format

Saturday, April 29

1. The morning presentation will be a classroom experience. Terry will provide a detailed audio-visual presentation designed to educate participants on the basics that go into Musical Freestyle Design. Participants will receive a booklet based on the presentation and should be prepared to take lots of notes.
2. Question and Answer Session
3. The afternoon will feature four of the twelve riding participants. Each rider will work with Terry for 45 minutes to determine their horses' beats per minute in each gait. Terry will pull music samples from her collection of thousands of pieces of music to help riders and audience members visualize how the music can enhance the horse's way of going. Each rider can expect to leave his/her session with choreography for one gait, the ability to ride to the beat of the music, and an idea of how the horse responds to various types of music.

Sunday, April 30

4. Eight more horse and rider pairs will receive the same experience as the riders on Saturday.
5. Question and Answer Session
6. Wrap up discussion.

Costs

Rider applications must be received and approved by Thursday, March 30th, 2023. Cost for Riders will be \$300. SFDA is seeking an Education Grant from The Dressage Foundation, and also expects Auditor Fees to offset Rider costs. This does not include stabling fees. Riders must submit payment immediately upon approval of application. If possible, Riders will be reimbursed part of their fee once all event costs are paid in full.

Auditor Fees, to be paid not later than April 21st, 2023:

- **SFDA Members: \$75 for both days; \$50 for Day One; \$40 for Day Two**
- **NON-Members: \$100 for both days; \$70 for Day One; \$50 for Day Two**

Light refreshments will be made available both days. Pre-registered riders and auditors will receive an order form for lunches to be delivered.

Action Items

1. Complete and submit your application to ride not later than March 30th, 2023.
2. Contact Terra Nova Equestrian Center for stabling information upon approval of your application.
3. Complete all requirements of Terra Nova Equestrian Center for guest horses prior to bringing horses onto the property. Pay your stabling fee by their deadline.
4. Auditors submit your fees not later than April 21st, 2023.

Rider Information

1. Horses and riders must be sound and fit to ride for 45 minutes. Riders must be able to follow instructions and execute movements at the instruction of the clinician. Horses and riders must be able to perform in front of spectators.
2. Once your application and fee are accepted, there are no refunds for any reason. If illness or lameness occur, please contact the organizer to see if there is anyone on the waitlist. It is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement, whether or not a waitlist exists. At the discretion of the organizer, a rider may use a substitute horse.
3. Riders should be turned out in neat, attractive clinic attire.
4. Horses should be clean and neatly groomed. Braiding is optional but enhances the overall impression. For visibility and ease of determining beats per minute, please use white polo wraps or brushing boots on all four legs. In the case of a white or very light colored horse, black polo wraps or brushing boots are suggested.
5. Riders and auditors will be able to pre-order meals, at their expense.



Rider Application Form

Due March 30, 2023

Rider Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Address: _____

Horse Name: _____ Horse Breed _____

Horse Age: _____ Horse Gender: _____

Horse Owner Name: _____

Address/Email/Phone of Horse Owner if different from Rider:

Level of Freestyle Design Sought: _____

- Please provide a short biography of the horse and rider. It will be published in the program. Attach under separate cover.
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- Horse and rider **MUST BE** able to execute all the movements for the level of freestyle design sought. Please provide evidence of scores of 63%+(1st-4th Level-Highest test of the Level) or 60%+(FEI), or, provide unedited video via youtube or vimeo link of horse and rider performing the entire test for the level sought.
- Payment in full must be received immediately upon acceptance of application. Make checks payable to Santa Fe Dressage Association, and mail to:

Santa Fe Dressage Association

PO Box 2696

Corrales, NM 87408

- Contact Terra Nova Equestrian Center to confirm stabling arrangements immediately upon acceptance of application. Provide all health certifications and fees prior to arrival.

Submit Rider Application to Stacy Williams, SFDA Board Member, at: scwdressage@aol.com

