

Best In The West Breeder's Futurity 2018 Stallion Service Auction and Nomination Rules



In an effort to assist stallion owners in their financial burden of paying a nomination fee into several futurity programs from coast to coast we're offering an alternative:

Donate one or more stallion breeding services to our "on line auction", the amount that your service brings in the auction will either pay the entire nomination fee or at least offset a large portion of that amount. (The nomination fee into the Best In The West Breeder's Futurity is \$1000) This auction, conducted by the highly reputable equine auction company, PROFESSIONAL HORSE SEVICES, LLC. www.ProHorseServices.com will take place starting on January 1, 2018 and close January 29th, 2018.

We will run an extensive ad campaign to promote participating stallions with numerous Facebook posts and Eblasts throughout the auction where your stallion's picture and breeding information will be seen by thousands of mare owners from coast to coast. The full color auction page will include photograph, pedigree, accomplishments of each stallion with a link to the stallion owner's web site so this then becomes an excellent means of advertising to enrolled stallions.

The Best In The West has conducted a highly successful halter futurity for the past 4 years and we are proud to say that EVERYONE that participates has received a payback each and every year, no one goes home empty handed !! Additional incentives for participants include Owner/Breeder/Exhibitor and Color paybacks. Our goal has always been to invigorate and encourage mare owners and exhibitors to support the halter industry in the west by breeding to nominated stallions regardless of where the stallion stands.

Rules and Conditions:

- Any stallion registered with APHA, ApHC, AQHA are eligible to participate. Advertised stud fee of any participating stallion must be \$750.00 or more to participate in the auction. Bidding of each stallion's service will start at 50% of advertised stud fee or a minimum of \$400 whichever is greater.
- 2. To be fully nominated into the Best In The West Breeder's Futurity Program each stallion's breeding service must sell for \$1000 or more. Owners whose stallion services don't sell in the auction, or sell for less than the \$1000 minimum, must pay the balance to BITW so that weanlings and yearlings sired by the stallion are eligible to compete in the 2018 futurity. If the stallion owner wishes to donate multiple breeding services the first service must receive a bid prior to adding additional slots. It is not a requirement that every stallion participate in the auction, if stallion owners prefer they can pay the \$1000 nomination fee rather than participate in the auction.
- 3. Paybacks Directly Back To The Stallion Owners:
 - After the futurity we will send paybacks to sires of the top 3 placings of each non pro weanling and yearling class. Stallion owner of 1st place horse = \$200, 2nd place=\$150, 3rd place=\$100. (Another means to make it more affordable for stallion owners to participate.)
 - Note: IF someone other than the stallion owner pays the stallion nomination fee the person paying the nomination will receive the stallion owner paybacks or if shared nomination it is the stallion owner's responsibility to distribute to all parties.
- 4. 10% of all proceeds from the stallion auction/nomination fees will be retained for expenses, awards and promotion of the program, the balance will go into the futurity purses.
- 5. **Paint and Appaloosa Allocation**: 20% of all APHA and ApHC stallion nominations will be allocated to separate "Color" purses within each class and awarded to just those horses registered with these two breed associations, the balance of the nomination will go into the general purse fund where APHA/ApHC horses earn additional monies.
- 6. The auction will start on Jan 1st, 2018, and bidding will close Monday, January 29th.
- 7. Stallion services that do not sell by January 30 will remain open for purchase at 50% of advertised stud fee until May 31, 2018. If a breeding service does not sell, or if it sells for less than the \$1000 nomination fee, stallion owners are under no obligation to pay the remaining portion of the nomination fee. It is their choice to complete the nomination process until nomination deadline of September 1st. Payment plans can be arranged. Stallion owners that miss the stallion service auction can still participate by paying the \$1000 nomination fee by Sept 1st. No Refunds.
- 8. The BITW has set up fees and auction expenses to conduct this auction so in fairness to all stallions that participate stallion owners whose breeding service that <u>do not receive a bid</u>, and then decide NOT to pay the \$1000 nomination fee making offspring by this stallion eligible for the futurity agree to pay \$100 to cover the costs of running his/her stallion in the auction. Stallions who have never participated in this auction in prior years must pay \$100 participation fee prior to the auction, if service sells this fee will be refunded or applied to the nomination fee of \$1000.

- 9. This auction is for the breeding fee only. Additional charges such as mare care, shipping fees, vet fees, etc. are the responsibility of the mare owner.
- 10. NO CHUTE FEES: This auction of stallion services is a means to alleviate financial obligation of each stallion owner having to pay a full nomination fee into the program, by doing so it is only fair to the purchaser of the service not to be surprised by any unknown fees that could cause disputes or jeopardize the integrity of the futurity program.
- 11. Shipping Fees must be clearly stated and in line with industry standards.
- 12. LIVE FOAL GUARANTEE: In the event that the mare owned by the purchaser of this breeding service fails to get in foal the first year or if a foals fails to stand and suck the stallion owner is required to honor a "live foal guarantee" for the following breeding season as is customary in the breeding industry.
- 13. After the auction each stallion owner/breeding manager will be promptly notified of the results and provided the name of the successful purchaser of their stallion's service. When a stallion service is sold it is the responsibility of the stallion owner/manager to send a breeding contract to the purchaser stating fees and live foal guarantee conditions.
- 14. Each stallion owner, when fully paid into the program, will receive one discounted entry valued at \$300 into any of the futurity classes offered subject to futurity rules, this discounted entry cannot be assigned to any other person unless someone other than the stallion owner paid all or a portion of the stallion nomination fee in order to show offspring sired by that stallion. The stallion owner can only use this discounted entry for offspring sired by his stallion and owned by the stallion owner.
- 15. Each stallion owner/agent must sign the contract and abide by all terms of the auction and the futurity program.
- 16. Each stallion owner/agent will be contacted by a representative of BITW to collect pictures, stallion sire record, pedigree, web site linkage, etc. It is the responsibility of the stallion owner to provide requested items promptly so that his stallion's information can be put on the auction site so that each stallion is promoted to the highest degree.

Questions Regarding Rules of The Futurity and the On Line Auction Should Be Addressed To:

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STALLION SERVICE AUCTION NOMINATION FORM



I, being the owner/agent of the stallion named do hereby donate a breeding service by my stallion to the Best In The West Stallion Service Auction for the 2018 breeding season. (Please Print Clearly) Stallion's Name: _____ Registration #: _____ Color: _____ Hypp: ___ N/N ____N/H Breed(s): ____ Five Panel Tested ? Yes /No - Results: _____ My stallion's advertised stud fee for 2018 is: \$______ If Private Treaty you must state highest amount charged. Address Stallion Will Stand: Web Site of Stallion/Breeding Farm: ______ Email: _____ Shipped Semen: Yes / No (circle one) Shipped Semen Fees: (Fex Ex)_____ Counter to Counter Fees: ____ Mare Care Fees: ware Care Fees: _____ Dam of Stallion: ______ I agree to breed the mare owned or leased by the highest bidder. I agree to be bound by the provisions contained herein, and all rules and conditions associated with the Best In The West Stallion Service Auction and Futurity. I agree that No Chute Fees or Excessive Shipping Fees will be charged to the purchaser/mare owner. All parties acknowledge that all veterinary bills, shipping fees, board, and other appropriate expenses associated with the service will be the sole responsibility of the mare owner. BITW offers no warranties, actual or implied, for itself or on the part of the Mare or Stallion Owners; however, the Stallion Owner is required to honor a "live foal guarantee" for the following year as is customary in the breeding industry. I understand that if the service is not sold in the auction, I am not obligated to participate further but will retain the right to pay the nomination fee of \$1000 which will make foals sired by my stallion eligible for all 2018 futurity classes. Furthermore if the service sells for less than the \$1000 nomination fee the stallion owner must pay the balance in order for offspring sired by this stallion to be eligible for the futurity, if stallion owner fails to pay the difference he/she forfeits the amount collected from the auction. If service DOES NOT receive a legitimate bid and the stallion owner declines to pay \$1000 nomination fee stallion owner agrees to pay \$100 fee to cover administration costs to list horse in the auction. ***Paint and Appaloosa Stallions: 20% of your stallion's nomination or amount collected from the auction of your donated service will be allocated to a separate purse with only APHA and ApHC registered horses being eligible. *** Stallion Owner Paybacks: \$200 for first, \$150 for second and \$100 for 3rd place horse in non pro weanling/yearling classes. 10% of all stallion monies collected will be deducted to help pay for awards/expenses associated with the futurity program. I agree Best In The West Futurity Program, it's officers and directors, and/or Professional Horse Services LLC will not be responsible or liable for any expenses or damages incurred by, or resulting from, the mare or stallion owner's participation in the service and that the proceeds of the auction will be placed in a general fund to be disbursed in accordance with the rules set forth and at the discretion of the BITW executive board of directors. The stallion and mare owners assume all risks associated herewith under the Auction, the Breeding, and Futurity. As stallion owner/authorized agent I hereto agree to all the provisions contained herein, and all rules set forth by the Best In The West Futurity and have caused this agreement to be executed as of this____ day of______, 20____. Signature(s):_____/ Print Name(s):_____/____ Address:______ City, State, Zip:

Please Remit to:

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