

## ILLINOIS YOUTH HEADING TO THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

The Youth World Show Team is announced. The following 20 youth will represent Illinois at the AQHA Youth World Show to be held in Oklahoma City, OK on July 28-August 8, 2021.

Our youth are not just showing their talent in the show arena but will also compete in the Art and Photo Contest as well as the Wrangler Jeans and Justin Boots Decorating Contest during the Youth World Show.

Participants were required to bring in sponsorship support and work hours during the show to earn a spot on the team. All team members are ILQHA members as well as the owners of the horse. ILQHA will offer financial support to the team of \$7,500 to assist in expenses incurred at the show. Jennifer Drinkall, ILQHA Youth Advisor, tells us she is so excited to see the unity that is being created with the 2021 ILQHA youth world show team. "This year ILQHA will definitely be "making their mark" at the youth world with entries in halter, performance, and speed events, as well as competitors in the public speaking, art, and team spirit contests. Team Illinois will be a force to be reckoned with at this year's world show competition"

There will be a live feed available and we encourage you to go to the AQHA website and watch the show. We are excited and proud to support the youth in their journey to the world show.

Audrey Arentsen – Aged Geldings

Regan Bartels – Western Pleasure

Payton Boutelle – Horsemanship, Equitation, Hunter Under Saddle, Trail, Western Riding

Jodi Calliham – Aged Geldings

June Drinkall – Equitation, Hunter Under Saddle

Lili Drinkall – Performance Mares, Showmanship, Equitation, Hunter Under Saddle

Josie Eckert- Showmanship, Equitation, Horsemanship

Mya Klingenberg – Showmanship, Horsemanship

Kyra Koester- Trail, Western Pleasure

Lillie Koester – 3 Year Old Mares, 3 Year Old Geldings, Aged Geldings

Shelby Lynch – Horsemanship, Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail, Reining

Kyla Neal – Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail

Grace Niebrugge -2 Year Old Mares

Kacy Jo Philpot – Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail, Western Riding

Brooke Orendorff- Stakes, Barrels, Poles

Eli Ronk- Aged Geldings

Tynlee Williams – Showmanship, Equitation, Hunter Under Saddle

Eric Wisely- Aged Mares, Performance Mares, Showmanship, Horsemanship

Heidi Wood - Aged Mares, Performance Mares, Showmanship, Equitation, Hunter Under Saddle, Horsemanship, Ranch Riding

Olivia Wynn- Showmanship, Equitation, Hunter Under Saddle

Illinois resident and ILQHA member Ava Elisabeth Pratt will be participating on the Texas Youth Team showing in Trail, Horsemanship, Western Riding

**Youth Excellence Seminar YES**

The Bank of America Youth Excellence Seminar welcomes AQHYA members and nonmembers, ages 10 to 18, to experience this three-day, fun-packed event that offers valuable leadership skills, inspiring speakers and AQHYA governance items. AQHYA officer and director elections will also take place during YES.

Youth President Olivia Wynn, Vice President Lili Drinkall and Reporter June Drinkall will attend this year representing Illinois. ILQHA has supported each member with \$100 towards their expenses for the trip.