

Dear Potential Sponsor, Vendor and/or Show Supporter,

We are very excited to announce the Holiday Classic Open Horse Show Series will be returning from December 6th through the 8th at the James B. Hunt Horse Complex in Raleigh. This show is widely known across North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina for putting on the best open horse show around. Not only can you find quality competition, you can also find large class numbers. Our last show booked over 2300 class entries and 375 stalls while attracting numerous sponsors and vendors. We are proud to give the equine industry in North Carolina a fun, affordable, and highly rewarding venue! This show series benefits the Equestrian Western Club at N.C. State. This team of western riders competes through the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association. The team has been Reserve Champions almost every year since being started in 2008. The team is composed of a very strong group of committed riders with immense talent, competing in Horsemanship, Ranch Riding and Reining. Every year we have regional qualifiers for their respective divisions with riders moving on to the semi-finals and national levels of competition. We have had three individuals in the top ten at nationals. This show series provides most of the funds needed for the team to operate. Funds raised support every aspect of the team, from the care and upkeep of the team, lesson horses, individual lessons, show entry fees, lodging and travel expenses. Even more importantly, this show series has served as an important teaching model, with team members taking an active role in the horse show management. Students on the team are responsible for working every aspect of the show as well as show promotion and fund-raising efforts. This has allowed the team members to learn how horse shows run behind the scenes while having fun meeting all of our exhibitors.

In conjunction with the Equestrian Western Club at N.C. State, Equine Event Planning is thrilled to be partners in hosting this show series. They bring a plethora of experience in show management from organizing stall information to running the rings. With their help, the show runs smoothly and efficiently especially as the shows continue to grow. As the growth has continued, the show now operates on three days, Friday through Sunday, and includes classes in over fences, field hunter, dressage suitability, showmanship and halter, hunt seat, working western, western pleasure, and saddle seat. Indoor and outdoor vendor spots will again be available. Vendor fees will remain the same as last year at \$100.00 for one 10'x10' indoor space for the entire show. Additional vendor spaces can be purchased on a special pro-rated scale (see vendor form). Outdoor vendor fees will remain at \$125.00 a spot and accommodations will be made when applicable. A 25% discount is offered to vendors and sponsors committing to both shows (prepaid). Vendor spaces will be assigned on a first-come basis upon receipt of a completed vendor form accompanied by a check.

Monetary sponsorships as well as prize donations are both great ways to help our teams make this year the best season yet! Our sponsorships come in several levels so you can make as large or small a contribution as you wish. Please see [here!](#) This year we are introducing an easier, more accessible Vendor/Sponsor form. It can be accessed via our website or [by clicking here.](#)

Payment can be mailed to the below address or brought to the show.

Equestrian Western Club Team at NC State

4618 Tyler Lane, Rocky Mount, NC 27803

Checks made payable to "Equestrian Western Club Team at NC State"

**Thank you,
Equestrian Western Club Team at NC State**