

The USDF Volunteer of the Year Award is a prestigious award of national scope that annually recognizes USDF's most outstanding volunteer who has demonstrated exceptional commitment toward carrying out USDF's mission: "dedicated to education, recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage."

## Criteria

- Nominee must be a current USDF Group Member (GM) or USDF Participating Member (PM) in good standing.
- Nominee must have had a USDF membership (GM or PM) for a minimum of five years.
- Nominee should demonstrate consistent and cumulative volunteer activities over the past five years at USDF-recognized events, such as Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships, USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals, Adequan®/USDF Annual Conventions, USDF/USEF Young Rider Graduate Programs, USDF L Education Programs, USDF Instructor/Trainer Programs, and Adequan®/USDF FEI-Level Trainers Conferences.

## **Nomination Process**

- Nominations can be made by any current USDF PM or GM.
- Person nominating will be required to complete a questionnaire containing detailed information on the volunteer efforts of the individual being nomination at the national, regional, and local level.
- Current members of the USDF Executive Board and staff are not eligible for nomination.
- Nomination forms will be available on the USDF website.
- Deadline for receipt of nominations by the USDF office is May 1.

## Award

- The recipient will be presented with a perpetual trophy at the Adequan®/USDF Annual Convention, which will be permanently housed in the Roemer Foundation/USDF Hall of Fame. The recipient will receive a "keeper" trophy.
- There will be a press release and the winner will be featured in the yearbook issue of *USDF Connection*.

For more information, please contact USDF at (859) 971-2277, or via email at voyaward@usdf.org.



Nomination Form

The USDF member nominating a Volunteer of the Year must complete the questionnaire below on a separate sheet and mail it to the USDF office. Applications may also be submitted via fax to (859) 971-7722, or emailed to voyaward@usdf.org.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Member

USDF Number

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Name of Candidate
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USDF Number

## PLEASE SUBMIT DETAILED ANSWERS AND ATTACH SEPARATELY.

- 1. What makes this nominee an extraordinary Volunteer?
- 2. What particular USDF project or projects has this nominee volunteered for that has involved over 25 hours of dedication during the current year? Describe in detail.
- 3. Why do you feel your nominee has made a unique contribution to USDF's mission: "Dedicated to education, recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage?"
- 4. Provide a detailed profile of the nominee's volunteer activities over the last five years.

Applications are due in the USDF office no later than May 1.