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**International Equine Conference Press Event to be Held at UNLV Campus**

Chicago (EWA) – The Equine Welfare Alliance (EWA) and Respect4Horses are holding a press conference that will feature sponsors and presenters from the International Equine Conference (IEC). The press conference will be held at the University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV) campus in the Stan Fulton Bldg. on Friday, September 21, 2012 at 11 A.M.

Current issues surrounding the BLM roundups of our wild horses and burros and horse slaughter for human consumption in the United States and its social and environmental impacts will be discussed at the press conference. The general public as well as students and faculty of the university are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served at the press conference.

The conference will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 22 & 23, 2012, at the UNLV campus Stan Fulton Bldg. Current initiatives, legislative issues and progress addressing the care and futures of domestic and wild horses and burros in this country will be covered by an impressive and diverse panel of experts.

Registration for the full conference will be available at the press conference as well as Friday evening at a reception for attendees and on Saturday and Sunday morning prior to the start of the conference. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served on both days.

Conference Registration link:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e62cbt244cb6636d&llr=omaglqdab>

*The Equine Welfare Alliance (EWA) is a dues-free 501c4, umbrella organization with over 250 member organizations and over 950 individual members worldwide in 18 countries. The organization focuses its efforts on the welfare of all equines and the preservation of wild equids.*

<http://www.equinewelfarealliance.org/>

*Respect4Horses is an AZ based horse welfare organization founded by Simone Netherlands, a natural horsemanship trainer. Its primary goals include the protection and preservation of wild horses and burros on our public lands and the pursuit of a federal ban on horse slaughter, which will end the suffering of over 120,000 of our American horses per year.*

<http://www.respect4horses.com/>