

Dusti Dickerson

Trick and Roman Rider



Dusti Dickerson grew up around horses, as her dad owned a company which provided horses and bulls for rodeos. As a youth, she barrel-raced and carried the American flag during grand entries for various rodeos.

But it was when she was 8 years old, while on vacation at the Dolly Parton Stampede in Branson, Mo. that she first witnessed the spectacle of Roman riding: a person standing atop a pair of horses, with one foot on each

horse. "I got home and Roman riding became my obsession," she said. Within a year, she was performing the spectacular feat at rodeos.

After high school graduation in 2005, she moved to Pigeon Forge, where she practiced the craft of trick riding and roman riding for the Dolly Parton Stampede for 12 years. When she was able, she worked rodeos across the U.S.

Today, when she's not wowing crowds with her daring performances at top rodeos across the nation, Dusti helps with the family's rodeo business and gives riding lessons.

"I get to make my living with horses, and I never take that for granted."

