



**International
Equine
Conference**

September 21, 22 & 23, 2012

University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)
801 E Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109

Organizers:

Equine Welfare Alliance & Virginia Hudson

Special Thanks:

Victoria McCullough

***Wild Horse Freedom Federation
Bob Cooke, The Racing Journal
Simone Netherlands, Respect4Horses
Brogan Horton, Animal Rescue Unit
Dover Saddlery***

Moderators:

*RT Fitch, president, Wild Horse Freedom Federation and author of Straight from the Horse's Heart
Vicki Tobin, vice president, Equine Welfare Alliance*

Conference Photojournalist:

Terry Fitch, award winning chief photographer for Horseback Magazine

Videographer

Joseph Bobian



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Welcome to the 2nd Annual International Equine Conference!

Friday, September 21

11:00a – 12:30p Press Conference

2:30 – 7:30 Wild Horse Tour

Evening Event – UNLV Stan Fulton Building Lounge

8:00p – 9:00p Reception

Note: The registration desk will be open during the reception.



Saturday, September 22

7:00 - 8:45	Registration & Continental Breakfast	
8:45 - 9:00	Opening remarks	
9:00 - 9:45	Ginger Kathrens Volunteer Director, The Cloud Foundation	
9:45 - 10:30	Vickery Eckhoff Forbes	How Your Journalism Sausage Gets Made
10:30 - 10:45	Break	
10:45 - 11:30	Dr. Olivier Berreville, PhD (Biology) Scientific Advisor, Canadian Horse Defence Coalition and Canadians for Ethical Treatment of Food Animals	Horse Slaughter in Canada: animal protection & food safety issues
11:30 - 12:15	Bruce Wagman Partner, Schiff Hardin LLP	Using the Law to Save the Horses: Fighting Back Against Cruelty on All Fronts – Wild Horses, Horse Slaughter, and Neglect
12:15 - 1:30	Lunch	
1:30 - 2:15	Dr. Kraig Kulikowski	Sport Horse Medicine
2:15 - 3:00	Victoria McCullough The Triumph Project	Key Note Address
3:00 - 3:15	Break	
3:15 - 4:00	Palomino & Matt Armstrong Chilly Pepper – Miracle Mustang	Extreme Foal Care
4:00 – 4:15	Elizabeth Forel Coalition to Ban Horse-Drawn Carriages	Carriage Horses in NY
4:15 – 5:00	Sara Broussard-Kelly Rebecca Farms	
5:00 - 5:45	Nancy Perry ASPCA	Lake Associates Poll
5:45	Closing Remarks	

Sunday, September 23

7:30 - 8:45	Registration & Continental Breakfast	
8:45 - 9:00	Opening Remarks	
9:00 - 9:45	Simone Netherlands Natural horsemanship trainer and founder of Respect4Horses	Lobbying tips and secrets and Saving the Salt River Herd (plus Video of these amazing "waterhorses)
9:45 - 10:30	Julie Caramante & Terry Torrance	Horse Transport
10:30 - 10:45	Break	
10:45 - 11:30	Susan Wagner, President & Founder, Equine Advocates and Billy Smith, Billy Smith Horsemanship	Rehabilitating the Highly Abused & Traumatized Equine
11:30 - 12:15	Arlene Gawne Humane Society of the United States	So. Nevada Spring Mountain Alliance Project
12:15 - 1:00	Keith Dane Humane Society of the United States	Tennessee Walking Horse Soring: Institutionalized Cruelty
1:00 - 2:00	Lunch	
2:00 - 2:45	Sara Busbice Indiana Hay Fund	Via Skype
2:45 - 3:00	Robin Warren	
3:00 - 3:15	Break	
3:15 - 3:30	Brogan Horton Animal Rescue Unit	Rescues helping Rescues: Equine Transfer Program and Hay4U Program
3:30 - 3:45	Craig Downer Biologist and Author	
3:45 - 4:30	John Holland Equine Welfare Alliance	Economic Stress Factors Affecting Horse Ownership
4:30 - 4:45	Drawing for Dover Saddlery Gift Certificates & Gift Bags	
4:45	Closing Remarks	