

## Washington International Horse Show Military Ticket Sponsorship

### Our Common Bond

The Washington International Horse Show has enjoyed a relationship with the United States military since the earliest days of the horse show when former US Army horses and riders represented the United States in national and international competition. We are very happy that our organization can continue to maintain a valuable relationship between the equestrian community and the United States Armed Forces.

In 2009 the horse show honored the Caisson Platoon "The Old Guard" from Ft. Myer for the remarkable work they are doing with wounded warriors from Walter Reed Army Medical Center. The same dutiful horses that pull the caisson for the burial of a fallen warrior at Arlington National Cemetery are helping wounded warriors to heal by improving their physical well being and morale. Everyone who participates either by riding or assisting the riders benefits through the principle of soldiers helping soldiers.

On Saturday, October 30 we will again honor the Caisson Platoon who will give a 10-minute demonstration of the therapeutic work they are doing while we and the audience honor the sacrifices made by all members of the military. The demonstration will be prior to the President's Cup, a major international show jumping competition offering the only horse show trophy bearing the Presidential Seal awarded in the United States.

### Sponsorship Program

The Washington International Horse Show has created a sponsorship to provide complimentary tickets to DC area military families. The military ticket program is designed for individual donors or corporations that may wish to contribute. Of the monies raised, 100% goes to purchasing tickets which are distributed gratis to military families through military contacts and the Pentagon. The more funds we secure simply means more families can enjoy an evening of top level international competition while honoring those who serve in the US Armed Forces.

For information or to make a donation please contact:

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The Washington International Horse Show is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization. For more than 50 years, the show has worked with charity partners in an effort to raise funds and awareness. We have worked to give back to those in need raising more than \$1.5 million to benefit charities all over the nation.