Application

\$25,000 ANNE B. RAMSAY GRANT FOR U.S.-BRED HORSES



Application deadline – August 15th



HS Wrevolution, 2009 recipient of the Anne B. Ramsay Grant with Jennifer Williams. Belynda Moore Photography

The Anne B. Ramsay Grant Fund was established at The Dressage Foundation in 2008 by Dr. Ramsay to fulfill her desire to support U.S.-bred horses that are competing on the international dressage stage.

About the Grants:

The purpose of the Anne B. Ramsay Grants for U.S.-Bred Horses is to showcase talented American-bred horses ridden by United States Citizens, by providing funds to train and compete in Europe or Wellington, Florida.

Applicants must be competing successfully at Prix St. Georges or higher and demonstrate an ability to move forward in High Performance competition and to be an ambassador for the American-bred horse.

The grant must be used for training and competition expenses; it cannot be used for the purchase of a horse.

A Selection Committee comprised of distinguished, experienced dressage leaders will review the applications, and choose the recipient, subject to the approval of TDF's Board of Directors.

Please contact The Dressage Foundation with questions about the application.

How to apply...

Please type answers to the following questions.

- 1. Cover Sheet: Complete and sign the Cover Sheet and include as the first page in your application.
- 2. Horse's Documentation: Provide copies of the breed registration papers demonstrating that your horse is American-bred *and* a copy of the identification section of the horse's passport.
- 3. **Ownership Documentation**: If you own the horse, attach proof of ownership. If you do not own the horse, provide a letter from the horse's owner indicating that you have permission to train the horse as outlined in your plan.
- 4. Your Dressage Resumé History, Training, Performance: Give a summary of your dressage history todate. Include training, instruction, competition record, levels at which you are riding, scores, certifications, national rankings, awards, etc. Describe the horse who is your teammate for this grant. Name other horses you are currently training.
- 5. Your Training Plan: Include *what* you want to achieve, *how* you plan to get there, *who* you will train with, and by *when* (your estimated timeline). Outline your training plan from the previous two years and your plan for the coming year, including your plan to compete at CDIs. Also include contact information of the trainer you plan to work with.
- 6. Financial: Tell us about your financial needs and how the \$25,000 will help you achieve your goals. Give a line item budget of your plan's estimated costs based on details in #5. What current and past financial assistance/sponsorship have you received? We do not anticipate that the Ramsay Grant will cover all expenses. Please indicate how you will handle the balance of the expenses.
- 7. **Recommendation letters:** Provide two recommendation letters from trainers, instructors, judges, or other dressage contacts who will vouch for your riding skills, your desire to improve, your suitability to serve as an ambassador for American breeders, and your potential for international competition.
- 8. **Video:** Provide YouTube links of you and your horse in a training session <u>and</u> at a competition. Type the YouTube links on a separate sheet of paper to include as part of your application.
- 9. **Scores:** Attach documentation that you and the horse have achieved at least three scores of 65% or higher at Prix St. Georges or above. Documentation may include copies of front of score sheets, USDF/USEF show reports, or other confirmable proof of scores.

Mailing Instructions: Six (6) complete sets, including all attachments, must be received by The Dressage Foundation's office on or before August 15th. Emailed applications will not be accepted.

Mail to: The Dressage Foundation 1314 'O' Street, Suite 305 Lincoln, NE 68508 Questions? Call (402) 434-8585 or email info@dressagefoundation.org



(Please type or print legibly)

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Are you a United States Citizen?

Name of Horse and Breed:

Breeder Name:

Age of Horse:

□ I have included 6 copies each of the signed Cover Sheet, application content (questions #2-9), recommendation letters, the typed YouTube video links, and scores. The copies are collated so that each folder/binder contains one of each item, to make six total sets.

I have read all the attached application information and understand the requirements for using the Ramsay Grant funds for furthering my dressage education with the horse(s) stated in my application. If I am selected, I agree to use the funds within two years following the announcement date, with my chosen and approved trainer, based on my detailed training plan included in this application. I understand that I will receive an initial grant of \$20,000 one month before I begin my training, and \$5,000 at the completion of my training and the submission of a written report to The Dressage Foundation (TDF). The report will include details of my training program, a financial summary of expenses, and documentation and results of competitions attended. I will send this written summary to TDF within three months after I have completed my training. I agree to return any paid money to TDF if it cannot be used for its intended purpose as presented in the grant application.

If there is a change to any part of the training plan included in this application (different horse, dates, trainer, etc.), TDF must be notified prior to the use of the grant funds. Approval for a change in the use of funds is at the discretion of TDF and the grant selection committee. TDF reserves the right to not award the grant or modify the amount of funding if the training plan presented in this application changes for any reason.

I attest that I am a citizen of the United States of America.

The Legacy of Dr. Anne Barlow Ramsay

Dr. Anne L. Barlow Ramsay is a renaissance woman – a wife, mother, medical doctor, business executive, volunteer, world traveler, and equestrian.

She was born in England in 1925 and graduated from the University of London with an M.D. equivalent. She also earned a diploma in Child Health from Royal Colleges in England, and a Masters of Public Health from Yale. She moved to Canada in 1951 as a Rotary Foundation Fellow and was licensed in Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Illinois.

In 1963, she joined Abbott Laboratories as a medical writer and rose to become Vice President of Medical Affairs for the Hospital Products Division. In 1984, she launched her own consulting business in pharmaceutical research.

Dr. Ramsay has served as President of the American Medical Women's Association and Vice President for North America for the Medical Women's International Association. She has served as Chair of the American Medical Women's Foundation and Chair of the American Women's Hospitals Service. Dr. Ramsay also chaired the Governing Council of AMA Senior Physicians Group from 1997-2005.

Dr. Ramsay has been a horse woman for over fifty years and owns Annie B Farm, a sport horse breeding operation, with her daughter, Barbara Cadwell. Dr. Ramsay and her horse, Fridjoff, proudly rode for membership into The Dressage Foundation's Century Club in 2003 as Team #27.

Dr. Ramsay's dream to advance equestrian sport took shape in 1998, when she established a Charitable Remainder Unitrust, funded with \$254,000 of highly appreciated Abbott Laboratory stock. She wanted to provide financial backing for a designated horse and rider with a ten-year income stream.



Through this Unitrust, there have been many beneficiaries. Her horse and rider had the support of a ten-year income stream through monthly payments, Dr. Ramsay gained solid tax advantages by avoiding the federal and state capital gain taxes on the appreciated value of the stock, and she received a substantial charitable contribution income tax deduction, thereby reducing her income tax payable.

Finally, the sport of dressage will continue to benefit through annual \$25,000 grants to support upper-level training and competition for Americanbred horses.

The funds from Dr. Ramsay's first Unitrust were used so successfully by the grant recipients, that in 2009, she established a second Unitrust with The Dressage Foundation to extend the impact of her grants for many years to come.



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