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Hampton Classic Celebrates 50 Years of World-Class Equestrian Tradition

Bridgehampton, NY – June 23, 2025 – Celebrating 50 years of world-class equestrian competition in 2025, the **Hampton Classic Horse Show** returns to Bridgehampton, NY, August 24-31, featuring FEI CSI5* and CSI2* show jumping and USEF Premier hunter competitions with more than \$1 million in prize money.

Each year, approximately 50,000 people – including many A-list celebrities – come to watch the nation's best equestrian athletes compete at the Hampton Classic Horse Show. Rated **USEF 'Premier-6'** for hunters and jumpers with designated **FEI 2* and 5*** jumping classes, the Hampton Classic features more than 200 competitions in six spectacular show rings, the Agneta Currey Boutique Garden with more than 70 vendors, and a wide selection of dining options, all on its world-class 60-acre show grounds.



The Classic will return with many familiar highlights during its weeklong schedule. **Opening Day** activities kick off Sunday, August 24, with a full schedule for Long Island competitors in what is

commonly referred to as "Local Day." Familiar highlights include the Long Island Sportsmanship Award presentation, Leadline classes for children ages 2-7, the **\$30,000 The Wellington Jumper 1.40m Challenge**, and the **\$10,000 Marders Local Hunter Derby**.



On Monday, August 25, the Hampton Classic will again host the Long Island Horse Show Series for Riders with Disabilities (LIHSSRD) Finals Presented by Dime Bank. Several animal rescue groups will be on hand that day for the Classic's annual Adoption Day Sponsored by Gotham Enterprizes in the Kids Area from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The EQUUS Foundation will again showcase rescued and

adoptable horses from some of the rescues highlighted in their Guardian program. Horses will include off-track Thoroughbreds, Standardbreds, mini horses, and more – in the Grand Prix ring from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

FEI competition begins on Thursday, August 28, with the **\$5,000 Citarella Open Jumper CSI2*** and **\$32,000 CSI5*** **Two-Phase** and continues throughout the weekend with seven 2*/5* classes featuring courses designed by Nick Granat (USA). FEI competition also includes Friday's **\$32,000 Wölffer Estate 2* Grand Prix Qualifier, \$116,100 Douglas Elliman 5* Grand Prix Qualifier, Saturday's \$62,500 5* Winning Round**, and culminates with the **\$70,000 Hampton Classic 2* Grand Prix** and **\$400,000 Longines Hampton Classic 5* Grand Prix** on Sunday, August 31.

Other competition highlights include the \$10,000 Stomp Capital 1.40m Open Jumper, \$40,000 CME Group 1.45m National Grand Prix, \$10,000 Hunt & Go Stake presented by The Baran, \$10,000 Hermès Equitation Championship, \$25,000 Agneta & Brownlee Currey 1.45m Junior/Amateur Jumper Classic, and \$30,000 Longines Rider Challenges, which are now being offered as two separate bonuses: \$10,000 for the FEI 2* division and \$20,000 for the FEI 5* division.

Outside of the show rings, families can enjoy unique shopping in the Agneta Currey Boutique Garden and on Stable Row; hands-on activities, pony rides and petting zoo animals at the Kids Exhibition Tent; and many more fun activities during Kids Day (Saturday, August 30).



Stargazing is always a favorite activity at the Hampton Classic with many celebrities on hand. Among those who have been spotted around the grounds in recent years are Robert Downey, Jr., Jimmy Fallon, Mariska Hargitay, Bobby Flay, Sofia Vergara, Jill Rappaport, Ashley and Mary-Kate Olsen, Julianne Moore, Jane Seymour, Billy Joel, Brooke Shields, and Bruce Springsteen.

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