



OEF EQUINEWS

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Spirit of the Horse is a Royal Tradition

One of the most exciting Royal Agricultural Winter Fair (RAWF) traditions is the Spirit of the Horse, taking place November 6-15, 2009. Managed by the Ontario Equestrian (OEF), the Spirit of the Horse exhibit offers RAWF patrons the unique opportunity to learn all about horses.

For the true horse-lover, a visit to the RAWF is not complete without visiting the Sprit of the Horse. For the price of admission visitors will see dynamic breed and discipline demonstrations, interactive presentations, educational displays and fun entertainment. The Sprit of the Horse offers spectators an intimate environment that allows you to get unbelievably close to the horses and ask the riders and handlers questions.

Spirit of the Horse 2009 will feature various equine breeds including Arabians, Gypsy Vanners, American Saddlebreds, Canadians, Friesians, Paso Finos, Percherons, miniature horses and donkeys, and everything in between! In addition to breeds, visitors will have the unique opportunity to meet the working horses from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Toronto Police Mounted Unit, watch the precision of the Canadian Cowgirls, play with Shorty Leggs the Rodeo Clown, and much more!

The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair is the world's largest indoor agricultural and international equestrian competition. The Royal draws more than 300,000 visitors to the Direct Energy Centre in Toronto annually to see thousands of unique entries from elite Canadian and International breeders, growers and exhibitors, over 4,500 large and small animals, shows, activities, shopping, dining and The Royal Horse Show.

The Ontario Equestrian Federation is a not-for-profit sport governing office that provides education, leadership and support to individuals, associations and companies in Ontario's horse community. The OEF provides members with a variety of services, programs, and benefits and we represent their interests to the general public, affiliated organizations and to varying levels of government. The OEF is committed to the highest standards of horse welfare, advocacy, pursuits and accessibility.

For more information about the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair and Spirit of the Horse 2009 please visit www.royalfair.org.

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"Striding For Equine Excellence!"