## LRF Stallion Service Auction

February 10, 2018 - February 25, 2018

We have a great line-up of stallions! This is your opportunity to purchase a breeding at a discounted price and at the same time help promote the Lipizzan horse! The proceeds of the auction benefit all Lipizzan breeders, mare owners and stallion owners through increased promotion of the Lipizzan in advertising, event promotion and the USLF awards programs. All foals resulting from SSA are eligible for registration with the United States Lipizzan Federation and the USLF awards programs.

For complete and detailed information on any ancillary costs associated with breeding to each stallion, call the phone number listed next to each stallion's name before you place your bid. Deposits for shipping, collecting, containers or mare care are usually required by stallion managers prior to breeding your mare. Please note that any such fees associated with the purchase of any of the donated breedings are the responsibility of the mare owner. If we have successfully collected that information from the stallion owner, it will be listed in the stallion information area under Fees/Contracts. If that information is missing, you MUST contact the owner.

For more information or if you have any questions regarding the auction, contact the LRF Office at (800) 991-0952 or email <a href="mailto:saveOurLips@gmail.com">SaveOurLips@gmail.com</a>.

## How to Bid:

These instructions pertain to the Online Bidding which begins on February 10 and ends on February 25, 2018 at 11:59pm PST. **NOTE**: Bids received on any individual stallion within 5 minutes of the established SSA closing time will automatically generate an additional 5 minutes of bidding time for that stallion only. Incremental 5-minute bidding time will continue to accrue from the time of the last bid received until no further bids are received and the five minute window on the last bid placed runs out.

- 1. The "SSA AUCTION" LINK will be available on the LRF home page as well as from this page.
- 2. Photos and owner's comments of all participating stallions may be available on individual web pages. If you have questions about a particular stallion, please contact the stallion owner.
- 3. The entire online auction will run from this site. See winners notification procedure below.
- 4. Accurate and complete contact information is required during the online bidding process and will be validated by the LRF Office. Users who submit invalid information may be removed from the auction. Your contact information will remain private and is only available to LRF personnel. For security purposes, your specific IP (Internet Provider) address is recorded with your registration. Specify your name, e-mail address, full address and phone numbers. Once you have registered for the auction, you will be sent a password via email that you may change if you wish.
- 5. Bid Increments please increase previous bids by a minimum of \$25. All auctions are set so the first bid will start at the minimum bid price of \$500.
- 6. Maximum Bids:
  - When you place a bid, you may also enter the maximum amount you are willing to pay for the item. No one will see or know your maximum bid amount - it is hidden by the system.
  - The system will place bids on your behalf using the automatic bid increment amount, based on the current high bid. The system will bid only as much as necessary to make sure you remain the high bidder, up to your maximum amount
  - If another bidder places the same maximum bid, you remain the winning bidder - it is the NEW bidder's responsibility to top your existing maximum bid
  - If another bidder exceeds your maximum bid we will notify you so you can place another bid if you choose.
- 7. You will be notified by e-mail when you bid successfully, when you have been outbid, and at the close of the auction but **please do not rely on email** as it can be too slow use maximum bid OR watch your auction closely.
- 8. "Proxy" bidding is NOT available. Please check back often to make sure you win the stallions you have bid on.

- 9. All bids placed are binding.
- 10. Send ALL requests for information about fees or the stallion to the stallion owner/agent.
- 11. Send technical questions to the LRF at saveourlips@gmail.com.
- 12. WINNERS will be notified via email. You will need to pay by PayPal (a PayPal account is not necessary to pay) or you may call the LRF Office directly to submit your credit card information. All auctions must be paid within 24-hours of being invoiced by the LRF unless the LRF Office agrees to your sending a check. All winning bid amounts are payable to the LRF.

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The auction shall be governed by the following terms and conditions:

- The 2018 Stallion Service Auction (SSA) will be conducted by Internet bidding only.
- The minimum bid shall be \$500.00.
- Online Bids must be completed by 11:59pm. PST February 25, 2018. in order to be accepted --- with one exception: Bids received on any individual stallion within 5 minutes of the established SSA closing time will automatically generate an additional 5 minutes of bidding time for that stallion only. Incremental 5-minute bidding time will continue to accrue from the time of the last bid received until no further bids are received and the five minute window on the last bid placed runs out!
- The stallion services offered in this auction are intended for the 2018 breeding season..
- There is **no live foal guarantee** offered with this auction.
- Mare owners planning to use embryo transfer that may transplant more than one embryo, should discuss the possibility/costs of registration of more than one foal with the stallion owner.
- Bids are binding and cannot be withdrawn. A bidder may bid on any number of stallion services, however by placing a bid you are making a legal contract between yourself and the Lipizzan Rescue Foundation.
- The stallions in the Service Auction are available in various ways. Please read all details listed with each stallion to

understand breeding methods for that stallion. If you are high bidder, be aware of several things:

- You are responsible for all the expenses associated with collection and transportation of semen. Expenses generally range from \$100-\$350 per shipment (quick turnaround is more expensive) and you may be expected to pay a deposit on the container. Ask for fees. Budget for veterinary fees.
- Start Early! Many of the participating stallions are in training and are on the show circuit. Get their schedule to avoid disappointment.
- Be sure to ask the Stallion Owner for their breeding program and schedule before you bid. Some stallion owners only collect certain days of the week, some only a.m. or p.m. Most require a 24-48 hour notice before shipping. Do not expect any stallion owner to ship on short notice
- Most Important. Make sure your mare is fertile, free of infection (have her cultured while in heat), and that your veterinarian has the experience necessary in equine reproduction.
- Inability to impregnate a mare is not a reason for refunding of money. You may wish to have a second mare as a backup in case your first mare does not get in foal.

## THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS OR REFUNDS GIVEN.

If you don't want to pay for the stallion service, DO NOT BID!

The stallion owner has the right to refuse any mare not registered with the USLF (so please check ahead of time if your mare is not USLF registered). The winning bidder agrees to abide by the terms of the LRF

auction contract, and the LRF does not assume liability for any disputes that may arise between the bidder and the stallion owner.

The successful bidders are committed to the usual mare care and veterinarian fees and are bound by the breeding contracts for the stallion service they purchase.

The LRF urges bidders to contact the stallion owner and to become familiar with the breeding contract, terms and expenses involved with the stallion services on which they bid. All guarantees are between the individual stallion owner and the purchaser.

## NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN.

Please keep in mind that you need to communicate with the stallion manager to make your breeding successful. Some stallions have a show schedule. Don't wait until the day you need semen, but plan ahead and keep them informed.

The owners of the auction stallions have graciously donated a breeding for the 2018 LRF Stallion Service Auction.

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