

# **SPECIAL AWARDS**

## **Sponsored by the VADA**

### **Trainer of the Year**

To be awarded annually to the trainer whose students have achieved success during the year at schooling or licensed shows. Award will be given to the trainer with the highest average student score as determined below:

***No special form needs to be completed, simply include the name of your primary trainer where indicated on the award report form for schooling and/or licensed shows***

- Trainer must be a VADA member
- Average score as submitted for schooling or licensed shows for each student will be the score used (scores earned in Opportunity classes and rider tests will not count)
- The three highest average scores from students will be added and averaged to determine the trainer score
- Scores can be from either schooling or licensed shows, but scores can only be counted from each student once
- Freestyle scores are not eligible
- One student must be riding First level or above
- No more than one student at Intro level can be counted

**NOTE THAT THE SAME TRAINER CAN NOT WIN IN CONSECUTIVE YEARS**

### **The High Score Adult Amateur Award**

To be awarded annually to the adult amateur with the highest average score earned at licensed shows. One award will be given at USEF levels and one award for FEI levels .

- Must be an adult amateur with USDF and USEF (**Must include copy of Adult Amateur card or USDF printout with Amateur status verification with year end award submission**)
- The same horse/rider combination is only eligible to win in either the USEF or FEI category, but may submit for both. If submitting for both, indicate preference of level for award
- Freestyle scores are not eligible
- Opportunity class and rider tests scores not eligible

### **Bred in Virginia**

To be awarded annually to the horse/rider combination with the highest average at licensed shows; horse must have been bred in Virginia.

- Horse must have been bred in Virginia (**must include copy of breed registration or other documentation showing horse was bred in Virginia as part of the awards packet submission**)
- Freestyle scores are not eligible
- Opportunity class and rider test scores not eligible