

Four-step training unique at Full Circle

Full Circle Dressage, Pendleton, KY offers a unique four-trainer program that is producing horses winning through FEI, horses suited to amateur riders and professionals alike.

Since forwardness – unquestioned, automatic, willing and respectful – is the basis for dressage excellence and all riding, we credit our starter/trail riding phase as the major secret to Full Circle’s success. “Riding out” is a diversion from the show ring and fun for the horses, but it is also a vital training tool that locks confidence and “forward thinking” into our horses’ minds.

Every spring and fall our trainer *Frederic Colmanche* spends three months at Full Circle riding our youngsters on the hundreds of acres around the farm. A native of France, he started his professional career in dressage and jumping and has unparalleled balance in the saddle. He is especially good at helping young horses confront surprises like water and wildlife plus learn to be confident alone and away from home.

Amateur trainer and USDF Bronze Medalist, *Mary Jo Wicker* follows Frederic with our three and four year olds, starting them lunging in tack and then moving on to saddle work in the indoor and outdoor arenas. She develops new levels of concentration, strength, balance, obedience and prepares them for the harder work coming up, all in her kind, sensitive way.

Our long-lining expert is *Fernando Hernandez*, many years assistant trainer in the Saddlebred show industry. He is the third vital key to our success. His work further instills forwardness, balance, respect and obedience plus builds strength and confidence. Fernando starts them on the path to becoming show horses.

Chrissa Hoffmann, head trainer at Full Circle, holds the USDF Silver Medal and is currently training her warmblood to Grand Prix. Her job description is varied: she oversees all training at Full Circle, helps select and evaluate prospects, trains and shows her own horses and those owned by Full Circle and her clients, plus teaches a wide variety of students.

Chrissa’s true talent lies in her ability to adjust her riding techniques and focus to all horses, proven by her show-ring success with champion Saddlebreds, Morgans and FEI warmbloods. Chrissa finishes our young horses to competition levels and prepares them for new riders and new homes.

Morgans in training at Full Circle include HVK Proclamation (HVK Noble Obsession x HVK Cimmaron Mandate), CMS North Star (Liberation First Star x Shaker’s Ridelle), HyLee’s Corrado (HyLee’s Rare Flaire x HVK Black Fantasy) and Banned In Boston (Wham Bam Command x LA Shauna).

Full Circle is located at 948 L’Esprit Parkway, Pendleton, KY 40055. (800) 627-5273, info@fullcircledressage.com. Watch our horses work and visit the farm at www.fullcircledressage.com. Owners Judy & Frank Gassmann are always looking for dressage prospects.



HVK Proclamation

KY facility makes winning dressage horses for amateurs & professionals



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