



**SHOW JUMPING
HALL OF FAME**

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**Show Jumping Hall of Fame Induction Gala to Be Held Sunday, March 5
at The Wanderers Club in Wellington
*Evening to Feature Induction of Class of 2022 and Presentation of Inaugural
“International Award” to Ian Millar***

Lexington, KY – January 31, 2023 – The **Show Jumping Hall of Fame Induction Gala** is set to return to The Wanderers Club in Wellington, FL, on **Sunday evening, March 5**. The evening will feature dinner, drinks and the formal induction of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame’s class of 2022, whose names will be announced in mid-February. The dinner will also feature the presentation of the Hall of Fame’s inaugural *International Award* to Ian Millar.

“Last year’s first induction dinner was an overwhelming success and we are thrilled to host it again this year as we honor the Class of 2022,” said Peter Doubleday, Chairman of the Hall of Fame’s Board of Directors. “We are also thrilled to present our inaugural *International Award* to ‘Captain Canada,’ Ian Millar. While induction into the Show Jumping Hall of Fame honors those who have made major contributions to the sport in the U.S., there are some from other countries, such as Ian Millar, who had significant impact in this country and we are pleased to initiate this new award recognizing their achievements and contributions.”

Ian Millar, “Captain Canada,” is the most decorated equestrian in Canadian history. He competed in 10 Olympic Games, more than any athlete in any sport. He was awarded the Order of Canada in 1986, Ontario’s Athlete of the Year in 1989, and an honorary doctorate by the University of Guelph in 2005. Together with longtime partner, *Big Ben*, he was inducted into the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame and the Jump Canada Hall of Fame. Millar was also inducted into the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame.



Ian Millar © Spruce Meadows

Last year's Induction Gala drew nearly 200 attendees and was highlighted by the induction ceremony of four new members of the Hall of Fame representing the classes of 2020 and 2021. Honored with induction were Olympic riders Bezie Madden and Margie Engle, renowned media executive and fundraiser Mason Phelps, Jr., and McLain Ward's two-time gold medal Olympic mount, *Sapphire*.



l-r: Bezie Madden, Margie Engle, Mason Phelps, and Tom Grossman, one of *Sapphire's* owners, and her rider McLain Ward.

Among the guests were several of the sport's all-time legends, including ten who had previously been inducted into the Hall of Fame: Olympic medalists Norman Dello Joio, Leslie Howard, Anne Kursinski, Michael Matz, and Melanie Smith Taylor as well as David Distler, Peter Doubleday, Karen Golding, Steve Stephens and former Olympic rider and U.S. Chef D'Equipe Robert Ridland. Others in attendance included Olympic veterans McLain Ward, Lauren Hough, Laura Kraut and Nick Skelton as well as many other Grand Prix riders and guests.

"Over this past year, I heard so many people say that last year's induction dinner was one of the greatest nights in show jumping history with so many of the sport's living legends on hand. There is no doubt that this year's event will be another night to remember!"



Show Jumping Hall of Fame inductees in attendance last year included: back row (l-r): Peter Doubleday, David Distler, Anne Kursinski, Steve Stephens, Leslie Howard, Norman Dello Joio, Robert Ridland, Michael Matz; front row (l-r): Beezie Madden, Karen Golding, Margie Engle, Melanie Smith Taylor © Kind Media

More details on the Induction Gala and the list of 2022 inductees will be announced soon, but tickets are on sale now and can be ordered at [BUY TICKETS HERE](#).

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame was organized to promote the sport of show jumping and to immortalize the legends of the men, women and horses who have made great contributions to the sport. Induction into the Show Jumping Hall of Fame is an honor bestowed annually upon select individuals whose contributions and influence have had a significant impact on the sport of show jumping and the equestrian community.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame is located at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky. Plaques honoring those who have been inducted into the Hall of Fame can be seen at the Horse Park's Rolex Stadium. Mementos and artifacts from the sport's history are on display as part of the Show Jumping Hall of Fame collection at the United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) Wheeler Museum at the Horse Park.

The Show Jumping Hall of Fame is sponsored by Blenheim EquiSports, Charles Ancona, CMJ Sporthorse, Hampton Classic Horse Show, Kentucky Horse Park, LAURACEA, Lisa Seger Insurance (LSI), National Horse Show Association of America, Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital, United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA), and Wellington International.

[Blenheim EquiSports](#) is an equestrian event management company based in San Juan Capistrano, CA, producing horse shows in San Juan Capistrano, CA and Las Vegas, NV. These competitions include USEF "Premier" rated hunter-jumper shows; Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ USA; a Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ North American League Qualifier; USHJA International, National, & Pony Hunter Derbies & Finals; the Whitethorne Equitation Challenge, Medal Finals, and so much more.

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made to order in New York City's garment district – no two jackets are alike! Charles Ancona is the Official U.S. Team Supplier through USEF. Charles Ancona Show Jackets were worn in the Tokyo Olympics and will be for all U.S. teams through the 2024 Paris Olympics. Charles Ancona takes pride in designing and manufacturing the highest quality products for their customers, including top riders such as Show Jumping Hall of Fame inductee Margie Engle, five-time Olympic veteran McLain Ward, Aaron Vale, Beat Mandli, Brian Moggre, Brianne Goutal-Martreau, Laura Chapot, Sydney Schulman, and John French.

[The Hampton Classic](#) is the prestigious culminating event of the Hamptons' famed summer season. Top jumper and hunter riders from around the world compete for some of the richest prize money in the nation. The Classic hosts more than 100 classes of competition in six rings for horses and riders of all ages and abilities. The Classic also features a Boutique Garden with more than 70 vendors, a wide selection of dining options and a Farmer's Market, all on its 60- acre show grounds.

The [Kentucky Horse Park](#) is the leading tourist attraction for all things "horse" and one of the world's best equine competition facilities and only park open to the public. The Kentucky Horse Park hosts a handful of events each year such as the Land Rover Kentucky Three-Day Event, Kentucky Summer Horse Show and BreyerFest.

[LAURACEA](#) is a collection of finely crafted leather goods inspired by the true equestrian lifestyle. Designed for equestrians with quality, function, and sophistication in mind, LAURACEA is the brainchild of founder Tamara Makris, designer, entrepreneur, and mother of two equestrians.

Backed by a team of equestrian and insurance experts, [Lisa Seger Insurance](#) (LSI) brings "service" back to "customer service" as THE Lifestyle Source for Insurance. The company is associated with the largest and most respected Luxury Insurance Underwriters, serving clients who have more to protect while expecting higher levels of service. LSI can help find coverage for home, auto, fine art and jewelry, horses, and commercial operations.

The [National Horse Show](#) is a championship event featuring "AA"-rated hunters, open jumpers, junior/amateur jumpers, and the ASPCA Alfred B. Maclay Finals. It is held in the Alltech Arena at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY. This year's National Horse Show, October 25- November 5, offers over \$350,000 in prize money and is an FEI CSI4*-W designated event.

[Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital](#) began as an ambulatory practice in Lexington, Kentucky, in 1982 and established a full-service equine hospital in 1986. Today the practice is known and respected worldwide for innovative and highly skilled treatment of horses. Rood & Riddle continues their tradition of excellence into the twenty-first century serving as a referral center for horses requiring specialized medical and surgical care and providing ambulatory care for all breeds and disciplines. With the original hospital in Lexington, Kentucky, and locations in Saratoga Springs, New York, and Wellington, Florida, Rood & Riddle maintains an unwavering commitment to quality, both in the care of horses and in our relationships with clients and the community.

The [United States Hunter Jumper Association](http://www.ushja.org) (USHJA), as the official hunter/jumper affiliate of the United States Equestrian Federation, is a competition-based sport organization that serves our members through educational programs, awards and recognition, communication and rules. They provide a wide array of programs for all hunter/jumper levels and are mindful of the well-being of our equine partners. Additional information is available at www.ushja.org.

[Wellington International](http://www.wellingtoninternational.com) is the home of the internationally recognized Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in addition to 28 weeks of the Annual Series horse shows. WEF came to Wellington in 1974 and boasts more than 155 acres, 18 competition arenas, over 400 permanent equine stalls, horse trails, pedestrian paths, and golf cart tracks. This award-winning venue operates the largest and longest-running hunter/jumper horse show in the world while annually welcoming thousands of riders from all 50 states and more than 42 countries. In addition to equestrian sporting events, Wellington International offers VIP, hospitality, event spaces, world-class shopping and much more! With the support of their parent company, the Global Equestrian Group (GEG), Wellington International is focused on the future of equestrian sport to better serve exhibitors, stakeholders, and community.

For more information about the **Show Jumping Hall of Fame** and the Show Jumping Hall of Fame Induction Dinner, please visit the Show Jumping Hall of Fame website at www.ShowJumpingHallofFame.net.