

SPORTS & SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

Examples:

- ♥ Dressage of the Masters
- ♥ Trailer loading
- ♥ True liberty (no tricks)
- ♥ Playing like a horse
- ♥ Young horse starting
- ♥ Wild horse taming
- ♥ Working equitation & trail
- ♥ Horseback archery
- ♥ La Garrocha
- ♥ Ground-poles & grid work
- ♥ Show jumping (hunting the jump)
- ♥ Cross country training



Although I have no plans to compete myself (I am busy enough being an educator) I have competed in my younger years at an affiliated level.

When we add purpose to a horse's training we get better results and this is simply because it helps an animal that does not speak our language to understand better what we are asking.

Things work much better when they are explained to them using patterns, isolation's and a sequence they can remember as the animal they are and not how a human expects they should learn often interpreted as a humans way of learning.

During competitions (and everyday life) bolting, spooking and getting excited or tense can all be resolved by addressing the cause first.

Every horse and human combination is different, but the cause is usually the same.

For trail work, opening and closing of gates; there is only one way, a safe way.

This does not involve asking your horse to help you with their nose (very dangerous) but it does involve them helping you with positioning their body in an appropriate place.

True liberty to me is where a horse will stay with you via a sequence of mutual communication that can send the horse around you on a circle, or ask them to stay next to you on a circle or straight lines or both. In equal measures a language of directing them away from you and drawing them back to you is nothing short of amazing.

Trailer loading is one of the most effective and best ways to learn about horses. Often left too late, in my training you can learn how to not do that.