



American Paint Horse Association

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Meredith Landy of Atherton, California, wins APHA World Championship

FORT WORTH, Texas—Local Paint Horse amateur competitor Meredith Landy of Atherton, Calif., captured a World Championship title recently at the 2008 World Championship Paint Horse Show. The show, which was held June 21 through July 5 in Fort Worth, Texas, is the American Paint Horse Association's (APHA) premier event.

Landy captured the Championship in Masters Amateur Junior Western Pleasure showing My Sensational Cookie, a 3-year-old gelding. In the class, competitors demonstrate their horses' smooth movements and good disposition at the walk, jog and lope as a group in both directions on the rail with Paint Horses under 5 years old. At the end of the class they are individually asked to back their horses. Landy bested a field of 18 for the win.

About the World Show and the American Paint Horse Association The World Championship Paint Horse Show is the largest gathering of Paint Horses on the planet. For two weeks, competitors and spectators witnessed nearly 2,000 horses competing in 187 events that showcased the talents of each horse and rider. The event is held annually at Will Rogers Memorial Center located in Fort Worth's cultural district.

Winning a World Championship means a particular horse and rider are the best Paint Horse team in the world in a particular event. Total prizes and payouts totaled more than \$400,000.

APHA was founded 46 years ago and has since registered nearly 1 million American Paint Horses. The association currently serves more than 93,000 active members. APHA works not only to record Paint Horse pedigrees, but also to preserve and promote the history, breeding, training, racing, showing, sales and enjoyment of American Paint Horses.

For more information about the World Show, including entry details, results and a list of competitors, visit aphaworldshow.com or call APHA at (817) 834-2742.

