

# MEEKER MUSTANG MAKEOVER 2021

**APPLICATIONS due by April 1st, 2021**

**Please Submit to :**

[robynblackwood71@gmail.com](mailto:robynblackwood71@gmail.com) or Robyn Blackwood PO Box 226 Meeker, CO 81641

**Mustang Pick-up:** Saturday May 1st, 2021 at Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds in Meeker, CO

**\*\*\*Mustang May Not Come Haltered\*\*\***

There will be a Mustang Handling Clinic given by Steve Mantle from Wheatland, Wyoming, BLM contract mustang trainer with over 26yrs professional experience on the day of pick-up. Times and further details to be announced...

**Trainer Info Packets:** Will be handed out on Pick-Up Day

**Event Move In Day:** Friday August 27th, 2021 by 3pm at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds in Meeker, CO

**Event Date:** Saturday August 28th, 2021

## CHECK LIST

- Complete Trainer Application
- Complete Photo Release Form
- Include 2 letters of recommendation
- Include a headshot/photo of yourself
- Email a completed BLM Adoption Application (download from BLM website or [www.meekermustangmakeover.org](http://www.meekermustangmakeover.org)) to [BLM\\_CO\\_White\\_River@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_CO_White_River@blm.gov). If trainer is under 18 then parent/guardian must complete the form and submit.
- The person listed on the BLM Application Form must be present on the Pick-Up Day!

**BE SURE TO FILL OUT & SIGN ALL SECTIONS!**

**MEEKER MUSTANG MAKEOVER - TRAINER APPLICATION 2021**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ \* Must provide two phone numbers.

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Drivers License: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

\$250 Deposit due with acceptance in program. Deposit is refunded at completion of the Meeker Mustang Makeover event. Make checks payable to Meeker Mustang Makeover.

**Contact information provided below will be shared publicly to encourage adopter communication:**

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook/Instagram, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_

**Division:** Youth(10-17yrs) In Hand Yearlings \_\_\_\_\_ Sr (60+yrs) in Hand Yearlings \_\_\_\_\_

Teen(13-17yrs) Riding, Horse 3ys & older \_\_\_\_\_ Adult(18yrs+) Riding, Horse 3yrs & older \_\_\_\_\_

**Questionnaire: All questions must be completed. Please feel free to use additional pages if necessary..**

1. How many years have you trained horses? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you ever been accused or convicted of animal or human abuse/neglect/cruelty? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Are you a professional or have you received compensation for training? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Have you trained a mustang received directly from an adoption or BLM facility (not a Mustang that had previous gentling or training)? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Do you have any equine related licenses or certifications? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Do you currently have any untitled mustangs at your facility, if so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Do you compete in horse related events? Y/N If so, which disciplines/breeds do you compete in? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Have you won awards and/or recognition in these disciplines? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you or a family member own the facility where you will be training the Mustang(s)? Y / N If not what facility (address) will the mustang be trained at?
10. Please submit on a separate sheet a short trainer bio (to be used for promotional purposes) and a short explanation as to why you think we should select you as a trainer for this makeover. Please include a headshot/photo of yourself.

**MMM Trainer Application 2021**

**By signing below I am stating that I am aware and in agreement that participation in this event is by invitation only; therefore, the Meeker Mustang Makeover Board has the unqualified right to determine eligibility and can, at any time, remove a contestant from Meeker Mustang Makeover competition for any or no reason at all. I am also stating that all questions above have been answered honestly by the trainer applying for this competition.**

**I hereby WAIVE, RELEASE and DISCHARGE the Meeker Mustang Makeover, Bureau of Land Management, the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds, Rio Blanco County Historical Society and their representatives and employees of and from all liability, and any and all possible causes of action in law or equity that may result from an injury to me (including death), my facilities, or anyone in my care caused by the negligence or other actionable conduct of the Meeker Mustang Makeover or Bureau of Land Management or Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds or Rio Blanco County Historical Society or their representatives or employees.**

**I further agree to INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS the Meeker Mustang Makeover, Bureau of Land Management, Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds, Rio Blanco County Historical Society and their representatives and employees for damages, attorney fees and expenses resulting from an injury to me including death), my facilities, or anyone in my care, even if such injury or damage is caused or claimed to be caused by the negligence or other actionable conduct of the Meeker Mustang Makeover, Bureau of Land Management, Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds, Rio Blanco County Historical Society, or their representatives or employees.**

**Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_**

**If Trainer is 17 or under:**

**Parent or Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian Home Phone and/or Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian email address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**By signing below, I am stating that I am aware and in agreement that I will assume all responsibility for the care and well-being of the mustang provided.**

**Parent or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_**

## TRAINER RECOMMENDATION FORM

If the individual providing the recommendation would like for the information to remain confidential, please feel free to email this form to [robynblackwood71@gmail.com](mailto:robynblackwood71@gmail.com) or send it to Robyn Blackwood PO Box 226, Meeker, CO 81641. No later than April 1st, 2021. Thank you.

Name of Trainer Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

1. How long have you known this trainer?
2. How often do you see this trainer ride or work horses?
3. Do you feel that their facilities are suitable for working with a wild horse?
4. Do you have any concerns about the animals in the care of this trainer?
5. Would you recommend this trainer to people with unbroken or difficult horses?

Personal Comments: (Regarding skill, work ethic, values, etc.)

## **TRAINER RECOMMENDATION FORM**

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Name of Trainer Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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## THE MEEKER MUSTANG MAKEOVER PHOTO RELEASE FORM

I hereby grant the Meeker Mustang Makeover, its representatives and all persons/corporations acting with its permission, to use my likeness in a photograph, video, or other digital media in any and all of its publications, including web-based publications, without payment or other consideration.

I understand and agree that all photos will become property of the Meeker Mustang Makeover and will not be returned.

I hereby irrevocably authorize the Meeker Mustang Makeover to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish, or distribute these photos for any lawful purpose. In addition, I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the photo.

I have read and understood the above and affirm that I am at least 18 years of age, or, if I am under 18 years of age, I have obtained the required consent of my parent/guardian as evidenced by the signatures below. I accept:

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **If under 18, Parent/Guardian:**

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Meeker Mustang Makeover Humane Treatment Policy**

Every Mustang and all animals shall, at all times, be treated humanely and with dignity, respect and compassion. Any participant using abusive or excessive training techniques or being inhumane to a Mustang in his/her care (determined excessive or abusive by a panel assigned by the Meeker Mustang Makeover consisting of licensed equine veterinarian(s) and/or respected horse industry professionals) may be removed from the program and/or all future contests and training programs. If a participant's animal enters the contest or if the trainer/participant at any time presents an animal with questionable training/care related injuries (determined excessive or abusive by a panel assigned by the Meeker Mustang Makeover consisting of licensed equine veterinarian(s) and/or respected horse industry professionals) the participant may be removed from the contest and/or all future contests and training programs.

The following list includes but is not limited to examples of unacceptable behavior/training techniques:

- No mustang appearing to be emaciated, drawn or injured may be exhibited
- Use of or evidence of inhumane training techniques or methods such as striking animal with objects, excessive spurring and/or excessive jerking of reins.
- Any inhumane treatment that results in wounds.

Additionally, the Meeker Mustang Makeover promotes and encourages the following examples of sound, compassionate, and successful training techniques and handling methods:

- Mustang and trainer exhibiting solid relationship based on respect and understanding
- A calm and willing partnership between Mustang and trainer, regardless of the obstacle or environmental challenge during competition or training phases
- Trainer maintains a credible level of dignity for the Mustang during all phases of training, competition, and repositioning if applicable.
- Trainers are expected to seek and employ methods of horsemanship in order to promote and encourage the positive relationship between Mustang and trainer.
- Training techniques should demonstrate a strong bond between Mustang and trainer

Through my signature below, I certify that I have read and understand the Meeker Mustang Makeover Humane Treatment policy, and agree to abide by these principles as a participant in Meeker Mustang Makeover events. I also understand that should a determination be made (as outlined above) that I have violated any part of this policy, I may lose the privilege of competing at MMM sponsored events, and may also lose the privilege of any future adoptions of Mustangs.

Name of Trainer (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Trainer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(print),if trainer is under 18: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_





Parent/Guardian Signature (if Trainer is 17 or under): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***MMM Trainer Application***