

September 6-10, 2023

Spruce Meadows Calgary, Alberta Canada

Judges: Mr. Spud Allison, DipWCF England Mr. Austin Edens, CJF USA

Entry Deadline July 7, 2023

Tuesday, September 5th:

Check in, Competitor Practice and Rules Meeting, Welcome Barbeque.

Wednesday, September 6th:

Class 1 & Class 2 - 60 Minutes. One On A Foot And A Specimen.

Thursday, September 7th:

Class 3 - 20 Minutes. Speed Forging.

Friday, September 8th:

Class 4 & 5 - 60 Minutes. One On A Foot And A Specimen.

Saturday, September 9th:

Class 6 & 7 - 60 Minutes. Forging 2 Shoes From The Pool Of 6 Shoes.

Sunday, September 10th:

Grand Finale - Class 8 - 60 Minutes. Top Ten to shoe the front end of a horse with 3/4 fullered, toe clipped shoes.

Class 9 - 60 Minutes. Top Five to shoe the hind end of a horse with 3/4 fullered, quarter clipped shoes.

Grand Stand Presentation of World Champion

Banquet and Awards

Guaranteed \$136,000.00 Canadian Payout

Prizes:
1st Place \$75,000.
2nd Place \$25,000.
3rd Place \$15,000.
4-10th Place \$3,000.

The Organizing Committee will be accepting 85 contestants for the inaugural competition held at Spruce Meadows. The "Masters" welcomes the best riders from around the world and this years inaugural event will be focused on welcoming the best blacksmiths from around the world. Therefore contestants will be accepted based on their resume from their respective country. Entries will be open from February 20th - July 7th, 2023. You must have a valid Passport. Your entry must be in our office no later than July 7th. All applicants must submit a \$25. (Non refundable) processing fee with application. Once all entries are in Organizing Committee will sort them in the following order:

*First to be accepted will be Number 1 seeds from each nation - each foreign participant must meet the minimum qualifications for the industry.

*Next will be past World Champions

*Next will be National Team Representatives (past or present)

The balance of contestants will be based on their resume of personal accolades and accomplishments in the farrier industry. The Blacksmith World Championships will send an acceptance letter to the 85 contestants that have met the qualifications to be entered into the competition. The acceptance letter will outline the instructions and details for the competition. At this time the entry fee of \$800.(US dollars) will be processed. The Blacksmith World Championships will wait list 10 participants in the event of a withdrawal of one of the participants - the wait listed participants will also be sent a letter with instructions.

The participants that have not qualified will receive a letter of regret that they have not qualified for the event.

The Blacksmith World Championships Organizing Committee are dedicated to showcasing the best in the world.

Spruce Meadow is committed to being one of the leading venues in the world for the international horse sports with a focus on the organization and hosting of show jumping tournaments of unmatched quality. The addition of hosting Blacksmith World Championships is exciting. World Championship Blacksmiths are dedicated to the process of education of farriers through competition to create the gold standard of equine care givers. Together the championships will be for the farrier to showcase their trade in a manner that reflects basic family values in a clean, green and welcoming environment that celebrates the horse.