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Follow the Foal: Dressage at Devon 2014 Damascus

Devon, PA (August 5, 2014) – Each year, the Dressage at Devon Breed Show hosts hundreds of well-bred colts and fillies. Each is the product of careful breeding and watchful tending as they, hopefully, grow into champions. And each year, Dressage at Devon chooses one to follow on their path to Dressage at Devon. This year, we will follow Damascus, a striking colt, with a big blaze and lots of chrome.

Damascus was bred and is owned by one of the world's top riders, Catherine Haddad Staller. Catherine was actually first known in Germany for her success in breeding horses – long before she was recognized as a competitive rider. But, while her fame and success grew as a rider, Catherine remained focused on breeding the best. A few years ago, Haddad Staller brought a filly, Raureif (Elfentanz x Ramiros Bube) that Haddad-Staller also bred, to the United States as a yearling. Now four years old, she is the new mother of a lovely Don Principe colt name Damascus.

“Standing next to his mother, he looks like the type of horse that should be stamped on a coin,” said Haddad Staller proudly.

Damascus is friendly and curious, already doing well with his introduction to things like being handled and groomed and walking with a halter.

Look for additional updates on the Dressage at Devon website (www.dressageatdevon.org) as the show draws near.

Dressage at Devon 2014 will take place September 23 through September 28, 2014. Reserved seating is available online for Dressage at Devon 2014 at www.dressageatdevon.org. Box seats are in demand so, for information as to availability or for group sales, please contact Robbie Kankus at boxseats@dressageatdevon.org, tickets@dressageatdevon.org or 610-358-1919.

About Dressage at Devon

Dressage at Devon (www.dressageatdevon.org) has been the premier North American Equestrian event since its founding by the Delaware Valley Combined Training Association in 1975, and became a separate organization in 2006. It combines world-class dressage competition and the world's largest open breed show with the international Fall Festival show and special activities for the entire family. The six-day event attracts hundreds of horses from around the world and thousands of spectators. Dressage at Devon is a 501(c) (3) PA non-profit organization, benefitting equine education.