

Alamo Dressage Association 2017 Scholarship Recipient



Kyra Shine and Alaric (Ricky)

Kyra Shine is a graduating senior from Boerne-Champion High School in Boerne, Texas. She is leaving ranked among the top 10 students in her class. She will be attending Texas A&M University in the fall, where she will begin studies in the College of Engineering Biomedical Engineering Honors Program. Kyra began riding when she was 6, first in western disciplines and then moving on to dressage at the age of 11. She competed with three amazing horses, Wenzano, Amoretto (Aimee) and Alaric (Ricky.) Wenzano taught her to love dressage. Aimee helped her develop her seat and won her the opportunity to compete at the Dressage Seat Finals in Estes Park, where she met her mentor, Dolly Hannon. In the spring of 2015, Dolly introduced Kyra to Ricky. In the short two years of this partnership, Ricky and Kyra won the 2015 Third Level GAIG Championships, the SWDC Reserve Championships and earned Kyra her bronze. In 2016, they won a spot on the Region 9 NAJYRC Junior Team and made it to the Freestyle Competition. It was an honor to be part of the team with three representatives from the area. In 2017, Ricky helped Kyra earn her silver medal in four rides, including a FEI high point award. Ricky is a once in a lifetime horse and Kyra will remain always grateful to him for all the joy and lessons he has taught her. (Ricky will be helping another ADA junior learn movements while Kyra is at college)

Kyra is also grateful to the love, support, and knowledge of several amazing trainers along the way, including Lindy Taylor, Eva Oldenbroek, Lisa Campbell and of course Dolly Hannon. She has been a participating member of ADA Juniors since the beginning of her dressage riding career and appreciates all the opportunities afforded her through the organization, and the award of this scholarship which will be put to good use stocking her dorm at A&M. Gig Em!