

## **RITA TIMPANARO**

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### **EDUCATION:**

- 1967            Graduated Deer Park High School
- 1967-1969    Mount Ida Junior College  
                  Graduated with an A.A. in Retailing
- 1969-1972    Keene State College  
                  Graduated with a B.S. in Sociology

### **JUNIOR RIDING CAREER:**

- 1959-1967    Trained under the tutelage of Mr. Frank and Wayne Carroll in White Plains, NY
- 1960           Member of United States Pony Club, Inc.
- 1962           Winner of a Junior Hunter class at Madison Square Garden
- 1962-1966    Qualified for the National ASPCA and AHSA (presently USEF) Medal  
                  Equitation Championship Finals
- 1963           Winner of ASPCA National Equitation Reserve Championship at Madison  
                  Square Garden
- 1964-1966    Qualified for Level I and Level II Dressage
- 1965           Winner of first USEF class  
                  Placed in the AHSA (presently USEF) National Junior Jumper Year end awards
- 1966           Winner of the AHSA (presently USEF) National Hunter Seat Medal  
                  Championship Finals

### **PROFESSIONAL:**

- 1972-Present Professional Freelance Trainer and Riding Instructor, beginner level through  
                  advanced show jumping, specializing in Hunter, Jumper, Hunter Seat Equitation  
                  and Trail Riding
- 1973-1974    Riding Instructor and Trainer: Mrs. D's Riding School, Melville, NY
- 1973-1975    American Horse Show Association "r" judges' license in the Hunter, Jumper  
                  and Hunter Seat Equitation disciplines
- 1973-1978    Riding Instructor and Trainer: Knoll Farm, Brentwood, NY  
                  Beginner level through advanced show jumping and special needs riding  
                  instruction
- 1973-2023    United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) "R" judges' license in the Hunter,  
                  Jumper, Hunter Seat Equitation and Hunter Breeding disciplines  
                  Course designer at AHSA and USEF shows throughout the country
- 1973-Present Mounted Hunter Seat Equitation Clinician nationwide
- 1977-2007    Owner, Manager and Trainer of Rita Timpanaro Show Stable, Smithtown, NY
- 1982-1984    Lease, Manager and Trainer of Suffolk Equestrian Center, Inc. Sayville, NY  
                  Manager and Course Designer of six AHSA Horse Shows, Sayville, NY
- 2001-2007    United States Equestrian Federation "r: judges' license in the Welsh discipline
- 2009-2012    Certified Equine Appraiser/Consultant with the American Society of Equine  
                  Appraiser; Equine Expert Witness/Consultant
- 2011-2016    USHJA Certified Trainer

- 2011-2016 USHJA Certified Clinician
- 2013-Present Certified Senior Equine Appraiser/Consultant with American Society of Equine Appraiser  
Equine Expert Witness/Consultant  
AQHA Specialized Judges' card over fences classes
- 2024-Present USEF "R" judges' license in the Hunter and Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation

**TRAINER ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- 1973-Present Qualified over 30 riders for the USEF Medal Finals, ASPCA Maclay Finals, USEF Medal Finals and the USEF Pony Medal Finals  
Qualified Junior Hunter for Devon, Pennsylvania National, Washington International, and Madison Square Garden  
Qualified Pony Hunters for Devon, Pennsylvania National, Washington and USEF Pony Hunter Finals  
Numerous Year End Zone, Regional and National Championships in the Junior Hunter, Pony Hunter, Junior Jumper and Hunter Seat Equitation divisions
- 1979 AHSA (USEF) National Pony Medal Championship
- 1963 Pennsylvania National: Winner of the AHSA Medal Hunter Schooling class  
Prix de Nations Junior Jumper class winner and Winning Team
- 1988 National PHA Junior Medal Championship  
National PHA Junior Medal Reserve Championship
- 1997 Devon Best Child Rider on a Pony  
AHSA National Small Pony Hunter Championship  
AHSA National Medium Pony Hunter Championship  
AHSA National Grand Pony Hunter Championship
- 2004 Presented the Virginia Rice Trophy for "extraordinary, outstanding and unique achievement in equestrian sport," by the Long Island Professional Association
- 2011 Marshal & Sterling National Finals Championship Children's Small Pony Hunter
- 2012 Zone 2 Small Pony Hunter Championship

**JUDGING HIGHLIGHTS:**

- 1975-2023 USEF "R" Judge at Horse Shows throughout the United States in the Hunter, Hunter Seat Equitation, Jumper, Hunter Breeding, Welsh disciplines  
USEF "R" Judge throughout Canada: Calgary, Toronto, Vancouver. Canada Hunter Derby Series Finals, Alberta, Canada  
USEF R" Judge at numerous Championships: ASPCA Regionals, Region 2 and 6, Zone 2 Medal Finals, New England Medal Finals, Rhode Island Medal Finals, Connecticut Medal Finals, CET Regional Medal Finals (Canada)  
USEF "R" Judge at Intercollegiate Horse Show Association shows: NCAA, NCEA National Championship, IHSA Alumni Tournament of Champions, Holiday Tournament of Champions, and ANRC National Intercollegiate Championship. Additionally, I judges Regional, Zone and National Intercollegiate (IEA) Championships across the nation.
- 2024-Present Hunter Jumping Seat Equitation and Hunter disciplines

**COURSES ATTENDED:**

USEF Judges' Clinic during the past 50+ years in the following divisions:  
Hunter Breeding, Hunter Seat Equitation, Jumper  
American Quarter Horse Association Educational Judges' Seminar  
USHJA Trainer Certification Program  
Team USA Safe Sport Training  
"Principles of Valuation" (35 hours) seminar presented by the American Society  
of Equine Appraisers  
Principles of Valuation" (70 hours) seminar presented by the American Society  
of Equine Appraisers  
Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (15 hours)  
National Conference on Equine Law (12.5 hours), include Ethics Credit 1  
CPR Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation

**SPEAKER:**

Long Island Professional Association  
Westchester Professional Association  
New Jersey Professional Association  
Panelist for the USEF Judges' Clinic, held in California

**PUBLICATIONS:**

I have written excerpts in the following books: *Show Rider and The Horse Show*  
I have been featured in magazines: *Sports Illustrated, The Chronicle of the  
Horse, Horse Show, The Delaware Valley, Horsemen's Yankee Pedlar, Today's  
Equestrian, HorsePeople, Monarch International's Show Circuit and The Plaid  
Horse to list a few.*

**AFFILIATIONS:**

United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) - Life Member  
National United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) - Life Member  
American Society of Equine Appraisers (ASEA) - Life Member  
American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) – Member  
United States Dressage Federation (USDF) – Member  
National Professional Horseman's Association (PHA) – Member  
American Association for Horsemanship Safety, Inc (AAHA) – Member  
Certified Horsemanship Association (CHA) – Member  
USEF Junior Hunter Committee-Past Vice Chairman  
Long Island Professional Horseman's Association (PHA)- Past Vice Chairman  
USEF Continuing Education Committee- Past Member  
Zone II Hunter/Jumper Committee- Past Member  
Welsh Society- Past Member  
American Miniature Society- Past Member