

Donna Tribe ADA Lifetime Recognition Award Presented in 2021

Participation 25+ Years:

Donna has been a respected member of the Edmonton Area Alberta Dressage Association for well over 25 years. She continues to volunteer and support EA/ADA in any capacity she can.

Contributions to the sport of dressage:

Donna has competed in and around Alberta at various levels.

Active Member of ADA or Area Group:

Donna has held various positions within EA/ADA including President, Treasurer, Sponsorship Director, and Show Committee. In each position, she brought a sense of dedication and hard work, and inspired others to follow her lead. Over the years she has personally sponsored the Sparkle and Spurs Show and worked as the Sponsorship Director. She spearheaded the development of sponsorship material and social media sites on which all of the sponsors would be recognized. Donna also volunteers on behalf of EA/ADA at ADA events. Donna was part of the group that initiated and developed the Jaimey Irwin clinic series that has run for many years. The Jaimey Irwin Clinic Series is an annual mainstream clinic hosted by EA/ADA. Donna played a major role in bringing the first CDI to Western Canada and Edmonton.

Ambassador for Dressage:

One of Donna's current initiatives is the development of the Alberta Youth Dressage Development Program offering Development Camps and a Provincial Symposium. The purpose of the AYDDP is to encourage youth to participant in dressage throughout their lives by introducing younger riders to dressage, providing dressage educational opportunities for older youth, and by fostering a sense of community.

Other Contributions:

Donna has held a number of prestigious positions within the Canadian dressage community. Her knowledge of the sport, and her desire to assist youth with their dreams of representing Canada inspired her involvement and resulted in her nomination as Dressage Canada's Youth High





Performance Chair. As Chair of this committee, Donna and the Youth High Performance Committee developed the Orion Cup in conjunction with Pia Fortmuller (also on the committee at this time).

Donna exemplifies love of and dedication to the sport of dressage. EA/ADA is very fortunate to have a stalwart volunteer like Donna who selflessly offer opportunities, not only to our members, but to all dressage riders in Alberta and Canada.