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# Front Row

June/July 2011

The Show Place Arena — It All Happens Here. Business • Entertainment • Sports



# Vive la Différence!

In case you thought all equestrian associations and horse shows were alike, think again.

**O**f the nearly two dozen horse associations that their hold horse shows at The Show Place Arena, eight of them will grace our outdoor equestrian center and indoor arena ring in June and July.

For two weekends in June, we'll be hosting equestrian competitions that are fundraising events as well. We're honored to welcome new client Gary Baker, bringing the Loudoun Benefit Horse Show, a five-day event to raise money for Loudoun Hospital Center in Leesburg, Virginia. And returning for yet another year is the two-day Potomac Valley Dressage Association (PVDA) Ride for Life, topping off their competitions with a Saturday evening Dancing Horse Challenge and Gala, all to raise money for Johns Hopkins Avon Foundation Breast Center.

June also brings two events for challenged riders: the *Special Olympics Horse Show* which showcases competitive adult athletes with disabilities and the *Maryland Challenged Equestrian Trials*, an open English-saddle competition for physically disabled riders. The Maryland Saddle Association will run four days of horse shows in June and July, with Western and English riding and the whole gamete of games.

July brings hunters and jumpers with the *Black-Eyed Susan Horse Show* and we'll see them again in August. The *Maryland Quarter Horse Show* also visits in July, starring this American breed that excels in short sprinting.

Summer is a great time to enjoy the variety of horse shows at the Arena. Vive la différence!

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# Arena Highlights

For the most current listings, check our website at [www.showplacearena.com](http://www.showplacearena.com)

## Trot Right In

Look through our exciting line up of horse shows and treat yourself to the thrill of a spectator's experience.

### JUNE 2011

4	Special Olympics Horse Show (outdoor)	9:00 AM
5	Maryland Challenged Equestrian Trials (outdoor)	9:00 AM
11-12	Maryland Saddle Association Horse Show (outdoor)	7:30 AM
15-19	Loudoun Benefit Horse Show (outdoor)	7:30 AM
25-26	Potomac Valley Dressage Association Ride for Life (indoor and outdoor)	9:00 AM

### JULY 2011

July 9-10	Southern Maryland Horse Association Horse Show (outdoor)	8:00 AM
July 16-17	Black-Eyed Susan Horse Show (outdoor)	8:00 AM
July 21-24	Southern Maryland Quarter Horse Show (outdoor)	8:00 AM
July 30-31	Maryland Saddle Association Horse Show (outdoor)	7:30 AM

## Metro Diversity Job Fair

Wednesday, June 22, 10 am to 3 pm, Free

Whether you're unemployed or looking for a better job, this regional job fair presents opportunities to meet approximately 40 employers from a variety of industries, including Fortune 500 companies. Coming to the Arena for the first time, the Metro Diversity Job Fair provides for 20-minute introductory interviews with representatives from fields such as hospitality and security.

Stop by to learn more about the current marketplace and your prospects for jobs at all levels. For more information, visit [www.EmploymentGuide.com](http://www.EmploymentGuide.com).

## MarketPro Computer Show

Saturday, July 9 and Sunday, July 10  
9:30 am to 4:00 pm, Admission\*

Stay current and save money!

The world of computers and electronic technology is constantly changing and MarketPro's Computer Show is your chance to see the latest hardware and software, on sale at very competitive prices. Families in back-to-school mode also will appreciate the great savings on ink cartridges, paper and other computer products. And if you have a current computer problem, bring your machine to the Show where on-site vendors can diagnose and repair it.



\*For discount coupons, visit [www.marketshowspro.com](http://www.marketshowspro.com)

## YMCA Thingamajig

Thursday, July 28, 9 am to 3 pm  
Free (Advance Registration Required)

Every year the YMCA Thingamajig tops itself and this time around a record 4,000 children between the ages of 5 to 14 are expected to fill the Arena. With a theme that supports the area's STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) initiative, the YMCA is again collaborating with the Federal Aviation Administration on aviation-related activities. Hands-on experiences include the Children's

Garden, where local grocers and chefs share information about fruit and vegetable gardening. In classic "Y" style, this fun-filled and educationally-enriched program will give your child a day to remember.

To register for this event, go to [www.YMCAdc.org](http://www.YMCAdc.org) or call 202.232.6700.



BOOKINGS: 301.952.7900

EVENTS HOTLINE: 301.952.7999

# Hats Off to Horse Shows

We want to highlight two of our horse shows because these events are designed to raise money for important causes.

For many, the LOUDOUN BENEFIT HORSE SHOW is synonymous with Gary Baker, who, throughout the year, champions horse shows to raise money for Loudoun Hospital Center and other organizations in Loudoun County, Virginia. This five-day AA show, the highest rated, features ponies, hunters and jumpers, and winners will be honored with sterling silver trophies.

After successfully raising \$85,000 last year for the Johns Hopkins Avon Foundation Breast Center, the PVDA RIDE FOR LIFE returns to Arena for two days of dressage featuring 200 riders. This unique social event is family-oriented and includes competitions, a Saturday evening Gala and a Dancing Horse Challenge that gains in popularity each year. For more information on how to support this event, go to [www.pvdarideforlife.org](http://www.pvdarideforlife.org).

Hats off to both!

# Mark your Calendars

more info, next edition

## AUGUST 2011

6-7	Southern Maryland Horse Association Horse Show
8-12	Wizards and Mystics Basketball Camp
13-14	ARCA Religious Service
13-14	Maryland Saddle Association Horse Show
20-21	Black-Eyed Susan Horse Show
27	PETS Show Off
28	Gospel Spreading Church Service

## Before It's Too Late, Register On-Line

[www.nba.com/wizards/camps](http://www.nba.com/wizards/camps)



### Wizards And Mystics Basketball Camp



for boys and girls ages 8-17 of all skill levels

**August 8 through 12  
at The Show Place Arena**

*If you or someone you know would like to receive a copy of this newsletter, please complete this coupon and return to:*

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# Schedule of Events\*

## JUNE 2011

1	Meade High School Graduation Calvert High School Graduation Northern High School Graduation	9:30 AM 2:30 PM 7:30 PM
2	Northeast High School Graduation Huntingtown High School Graduation Patuxent High School Graduation	9:30 AM 2:30 PM 7:30 PM
3	Southern High School Graduation Annapolis High School Graduation Glen Burnie High School Graduation	9:30 AM 2:30 PM 7:30 PM
4	Special Olympics Horse Show Old Mill High School Graduation Broadneck High School Graduation	9:00 AM 9:30 AM 2:30 PM
5	Maryland Challenged Equestrian Trials	9:00 AM
6	LaPlata High School Graduation Westlake High School Graduation Thomas Stone High School Graduation	9:00 AM 2:00 PM 7:00 PM
7	McDonough High School Graduation Lackey High School Graduation	9:00 AM 2:00 PM
8	Crossland High School Graduation Potomac High School Graduation	9:30 AM 2:30 PM
9	Oxon Hill High School Graduation Central High School Graduation	9:30 AM 2:30 PM
10	Frederick Douglass High School Graduation DuVal High School Graduation	9:30 AM 2:30 PM
11	Prince George's County Home Expo	10:00 AM
11-12	Maryland Saddle Association Horse Show	7:30 AM
15	Southern Management Team Building (private function)	11:00 AM
15-19	Loudoun Benefit Horse Show	8:00 AM
22	Metro DC Diversity Job Fair	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
25	Potomac Valley Dressage Association Gala	5:00 PM
25-26	Potomac Valley Dressage Association Ride for Life	9:00 AM

## JULY 2011

9-10	Southern Maryland Horse Association Horse Show MarketPro Computer Show	8:00 AM 9:30 am - 4:00 PM
16	Kingdom Ministries Event Silverado Gun Show	1:00 PM 9:00 am - 5:00 PM
16-17	Black-Eyed Susan Horse Show	8:00 AM
17	Silverado Gun Show	9:00 am - 3:00 PM
21-24	Southern Maryland Quarter Horse Show	8:00 AM
28	YMCA Thingamajig	9:00 am - 3:00 PM
30-31	Maryland Saddle Association Horse Show	7:30 AM

\*Horse events listed separately on page 2. All events are subject to change and are correct at time of printing. For updated information, call our **Events Hotline at 301-952-7999** or visit us on the web:

[www.showplacearena.com](http://www.showplacearena.com).



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**From Baltimore:** Take I-695 (Baltimore Beltway) to Route 97 to Route 3. Route 3 turns into Route 301. Continue to exit at Route 4 North/West (toward Washington). Take first exit to stop sign. Turn left and follow to the infield at the Prince George's Equestrian Center.

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