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On January 5, 2008, the Raleigh Hunt Horse Complex in North Carolina will be the site of the first of what is planned to be an annual Sporthorse Stallion Exhibition. Even if you don't breed horses, the event provides a unique opportunity to see many different stallions all in one place and time.

The disciplines of dressage, driving, eventing, hunters, jumpers and ponies will be represented by some of the finest stallions standing at stud today. Champions from every discipline will showcase their talents to music in an indoor arena. Some stallions' offspring will be at the event, providing visitors with highlights of what the studs produce.

Educational seminars addressing the nutrition of sporthorses, genetics and the reproduction aspects of the species are being planned. Speakers include Don Kapper of Progressive Nutrition, Jos Motterhead and Kathy St. Martin of Equine-Reproduction.com, and Denny Emerson.

Dressage horses that are a result of breeding to these stallions are eligible for the "Born in the USA" awards offered at many United States Dressage Federation breed shows throughout the country, the most prestigious being Dressage at Devon. These offspring will also be eligible for the "BITUSA" performance awards offered by Marydell Farm at several shows as well. Horses that are conceived and born in the United States are also eligible for futurities, including the FEI Young Horse classes at Devon.

For more information and a list of stallions that will appear at the event, visit www.sporthordestallionexpo.com.