



Harlequin Farms Gypsy Horses

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To Whom It May Concern,

We at Harlequin Farms have employed Joel Sheridan for several years as a trainer for our gypsy horses. As a result of his expert methods one of our horses was able to participate in the 2007 Tournament of Roses Parade and was the youngest equine participant that year. We cannot say enough about his effectiveness as a trainer and about the patience and savvy he has with the horses. We highly recommend him and will continue to employ him for our future training needs.

Sincerely,

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I have known Joel Sheridan for many years. His calm and quiet demeanor around horses has long been a positive attribute. Recently, in his pursuing training on a professional basis, I have been impressed with his plan and actions in dealing with several young, fairly fractious, horses. Joel, in my opinion, is a strong benefit to the local horse environment. He provides a valuable service both in training young horses as well as furthering the education of older horses and their riders.



Mark Williams DVM

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I have known Joel Sheridan and the entire Sheridan family for over 20 years. Joel, his Dad, Mike Sheridan, and his brothers have been training horses for years. As a family, training of horses in the Sheriff's Mounted Unit, wild BLM Mustangs and other young horses, Joel has gained valuable experience.

Joel is very good with horses on a number of levels. He understands a horse's mind, its movement and how this relates to their ability to learn new things. He has a very light hand and a very consistent technique. He can teach a horse the basics necessary for any discipline, including proper ground manners. The best thing I can do is share my experiences working with Joel and my own horses.

Joel has started both of the horses my wife and I currently own. Pistol was a 4 year old Quarter Horse when I first got him. He frightened his previous owner, who sold him to me. In that I did not have time to "start" the horse, Joel worked him for the first 60 days. He had such good basics from Joel, it was easy to carry his training forward. Pistol is now almost 9 years old, and has been used in both movies and on photo shoots with children.

Most recently, Joel started Pistol's half brother....a 2 year old quarter horse named "Little Brother". This horse knew **nothing** when we brought him to Joel. He was taken straight from the pasture, loaded into a trailer and brought down here from his previous home in Central Ca. Joel worked the horse, teaching him among other things, to accept a bit and a rider. He de-sensitized him to the "scary" things and started him with some great basics under saddle. After Joel worked him for 60 days, my wife and I picked him up and drove to Morro Bay for a week of camping on the beach. It only took 5 minutes to get Little Brother walking calmly on the beach and riding in the surf. We have since used him in a movie shoot and ridden on countless trail rides with very positive results. This is very unusual for a horse at just over 3 years old. At the time, Joel also recommended that we not push the horse too hard at the canter, as he was growing again and did not have the proper confirmation yet to "tuck his hind end under". I respect this attitude in a trainer very much. He always looks out for the horse.

I've never had to worry about leaving my horse in Joel's care. He seems to get more done in 30 days than most trainers' get done in 6 months. I strongly recommend Joel Sheridan as a trainer for a horse of any discipline, but especially for babies, young horses, and horses with problems. He explains the processes he uses, how they apply to that particular horse and he also teaches you how to achieve the same results. I have recommended Joel on numerous occasions and all who have had dealings with him and his craft have been satisfied with the results.

Please feel free to call me, or my wife Katy, with any questions or concerns. I can be reached at (818) 438-5072. Thanks!

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