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Carmel, California, October 2, 2015 - "Darley Awards Hollywood 2016" took center stage recently at a press conference at the Abu Dhabi International Exhibition Center during the Abu Dhabi International Hunting and Equestrian Exhibition (ADIHEX).

The HH Sheikh Mansoor Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Global Arabian Flat Racing Festival Darley Awards, which come under the auspices of the Arabian Racing Cup, is clearly recognized as the highest achievement possible for racing Arabians in the U.S. This event, along with the HH Sheikh Fatima Bint Mubarak Darley Awards, will once again be held at the fabulous Dolby Theater. At the press conference, Lara Sawaya, Executive Director of the HH Sheikh Mansoor Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Global Arabian Horse Flat Racing Festival and Head of International Federation of Arabian Horse Racing Authorities (IFAHR) Ladies Racing announced "Darley Awards Hollywood 2016".

This glamorous event, sponsored by the HH Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan Global Arabian Horse Flat Racing Festival will be held April 1 through 3 in Hollywood, California. It will partner once again with the HH Sheikh Fatima Bint Mubarak Darley Awards, which recognizes the outstanding international women of Arabian racing.

According to Sawaya, the Awards will be given glamorous treatment over two evenings. The Darley Awards will be presented on April 1 at the Dolby Theater in Highland Center. On Saturday, April 2, the HH Sheikh Fatima bint Mubarak Darley Award Stakes (PA) will be held at Santa Anita Race Course and Sunday evening, April 3, the Celebration Banquet and annual stallion breeding auction will be held at the host hotel, the Beverly Wilshire, a Four Seasons Hotel.

Sawaya said about the new race and prize money: "*The HH Sheikh Fatima bint Mubarak Darley Award Stakes (PA) at Santa Anita carries a total purse of \$100,000 plus \$75,000 for the jockeys' benevolent fund.*"

Denise Gault commented: "*The Darley Awards have developed tremendously after the partnership with the HH Sheikh Mansoor Festival and HH Sheikh Fatima bint Mubarak. Our partnership has blossomed into a huge global event thanks to the HH Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Global Arabian Horse Racing Festival.*"

Please refer to the Cup's website, www.arabianracingcup.com, for more details as they become available.

Founded in 1983 by Dr. Sam Harrison, the Arabian Racing Cup (ARC)'s Darley Awards ceremony has become the showcase of U.S. Arabian racing. In 2012, the HH Sheikh Mansoor Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Global Arabian Flat Racing Festival and ARC joined together to promote this prestigious event. Supported by an extensive list of sponsors, the Darley Awards is under the direction of Lara Sawaya, Executive Director of the Festival, and organized by Arabian Racing Cup, the Abu Dhabi Tourism & Culture Authority, coordinated by Abu Dhabi Sports Council, in association with International Federation of Arabian Horse Racing Authorities, Emirates Racing Authority, Emirates Arabian Horse Society, and supported by General Authority of Youth & Sports Welfare. Emirates Airlines is the official carrier.