Watch Our Documentary!

We are excited to announce the debut of the new UVM Morgan Horse Farm documentary, now available to watch on Youtube via the MHF website. This powerful promotional tool became reality thanks to the incredible support of donors, and by a Morgan Breed Promotional Grant awarded by the American Morgan Horse Association. Please like, share, & enjoy!

A Summer Like No Other

Summer at the farm is always spectacular, and this year was no exception. In a normal year, favorite tourism activities include petting the smooth summer coats of the Morgans, picnicking on the sweeping lawn, watching foals frolic and run and the impressive UVM Morgans working with students. It is always a joy to meet new friends from across the globe and share this special place with them. However, this year we took the steps necessary to support the health and safety of our community and did not have a 2020 tourism season.
We maintained a protected work environment for students and staff vital to daily operations and the care of the UVM Morgans. Like so many others, tried new approaches to MHF operations and business practices, building resiliency for the UVM Morgan Horse Farm programs as we face the future.

Although we missed connecting in person, we were able to engage with our community online. We hosted virtual Vermont Day and the Raffle Drawing events via Facebook Live, expanding our toolkit for future promotional activities. Additionally, we held a successful UVM Morgan Raffle this year for UVM Believer thanks to online marketing. We sold 9,500 tickets and added hundreds of names to our mailing list. All possible with a little innovation and the support of our community.

The farm welcomed two fillies this spring. UVM Freya had a big bay filly by UVM Abington. UVM Madeline was an adopted mother to a fancy chestnut filly by UVM Equity and out of Gradell’s Fair Lady. Seven mares are in foal for spring 2021, the first due mid-March. Several UVM Morgans found new owners this year and we are excited for these developing partnerships. Welcome to the #myUVMMorgan family!

New Additions To The Farm

Apprentices, Interns, And Students Lend A Hand

The educational programs are thriving. Two UVM Morgan Horse Farm Apprentices graduated in 2020, Anne Peterson and Carolyn Frank. Over the summer, six interns joined the crew for internships ranging from 2-15 weeks. Their studies ranged in focus from training, management, and reproduction. MHF interns now receive credit through UVM. Four new apprentices have taken the reins for 2020-2021: Isabel Lardner, Chelsea Frank, Emma Chriholm, and Sydney Phifer. A fifth, part-time apprentice will join spring semester, Cristian Barreto.

The UVM Forestry Club will complete an inventory of the farm’s forests over the winter. This assessment will help identify future research opportunities. Intro to Interpretation in the Tourism, Parks, & Recreation Department from UVM’s Rubenstein School will produce museum panels featuring Joseph Battell for display in the gift shop.