



Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet North American International Livestock Exposition

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Sale of Champions Celebrates Youth Exhibitors at the North American International Livestock Exposition

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (November 18, 2016) —The North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) Sale of Champions raised \$81,500 during a live auction Thursday, Nov. 17 at the Kentucky Exposition Center.

The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion steers, hogs and lambs in the junior show division are auctioned off to the highest bidder during the auction. Ten percent of the sales are donated to charitable organizations. The remaining 90 percent of the proceeds are split, with 10 percent going to promote the expo and 80 percent given to the youth exhibitors

More than \$1.75 million has been raised through the auction to further promote youth involvement in agribusiness and fund charitable endeavors.

The 2016 NAILE Sale of Champions exhibitors, purchasers and sale prices are:

GRAND CHAMPION STEER - \$20,500

Exhibited by: Olivia Caldwell, Elmwood, IL

Purchased by: Levy Restaurants, Kentucky Cattlemen's Association, Jefferson County Farm Bureau and Tolle Family Show Cattle LLC.

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER - \$17,500

Exhibited by: Denver McKay, Orlando, OK

Purchased by: Feeders Supply, Farm Credit Mid-America, Agribusiness Industry Network and Layton Auction Service LLC

GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HOG - \$12,500

Exhibited by: Austin Pueschel, Grinnell, IA

Purchased by: Kentucky Pork Producers, Top Bedding Richmond Quebec and River City Bank

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HOG - \$10,000

Exhibited by: Laney Osbon, Wesley, AK

Purchased by: Kentucky Association of Fair & Horse Shows and American Life & Accident Insurance Co.

GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB - \$11,500

Exhibited by: Zac Howell, Columbus Jct., IA

Purchased by: Dr. Mark & Cindy Lynn, Ketcham's Sheep Equipment and Kentucky Aquaculture Association

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB - \$9,500

Exhibited by: Beau Davis, Guthrie, OK

Purchased by: Louisville Agriculture Club, Ketcham's Sheep Equipment, Erhler's and Smith Creek.

Photos available upon request. For more information, visit <https://www.livestockexpo.org>.

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Owned and produced by the Kentucky State Fair Board, the [North American International Livestock Exposition](#) is the world's largest purebred livestock show. Held at the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, the event generates \$8 million in economic impact annually.

Conveniently located adjacent to the Louisville International Airport and near the junction of three major interstates, the Kentucky Exposition Center is easily accessible and just seven minutes south of downtown Louisville. Entrances to the facility are located off Phillips Lane, Crittenden Drive and Preston Highway. Parking is \$8 per vehicle.