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Free Webinar Offers Insights on Training and Handling Rescued Horses

The Homes for Horses Coalition is excited to announce its upcoming free webinar. Understanding Training and Handling for Horses in Transition, on November 15, 2016 at 1 pm ET. Nina Ekholm Fry, Director of Equine Programs at the Institute for Human-Animal Connection at the University of Denver and adjunct professor of graduate level Animal Assisted Social Work, will present the webinar.

What are key principles of training and handling that go beyond specific horsemanship methods? In this webinar, Nina Ekholm Fry will explain how horses learn, how to train ethically and effectively, and what to look for when hiring a trainer for your program.

Training and handling practices based on equitation science help reduce stress and behavioral issues in horses. It puts them in a better mental and physical frame for learning and helps prepare horses in transition for their new homes. "Equitation science uses research to enhance horse welfare and improve the horse-handler relationship," said Cindy Gendron, Manager of the Coalition. "It promotes an objective, evidence-based understanding of the welfare of horses during training that identifies techniques that are ineffective or may cause equine suffering. It's about putting the horse in a trusting and open place to facilitate learning."

Anyone interested in this fascinating perspective on training may register for the free one-hour webinar at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4363244047212865284>

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The Homes for Horses Coalition is supported by the ASPCA (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®), the Animal Welfare Institute and The Humane Society of the United States' Jeannie and Jim Dodson Equine Protection Fund. It is dedicated to ending horse slaughter and other forms of equine abuse, while promoting growth, collaboration and professionalism in the equine rescue and protection community. Find us online at www.homesforhorses.org and on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/#!/HomesforHorses>.