

## Zadie Stack WCE Medal Final Win November 2023

Ending the season winning my first-ever medal final under the lights at the Los Vegas National Horse Show was a truly unforgettable experience. I was nervous going into the first round because my horse Cetello used to be a jumper. Under the lights and with a full course of jumper jumps he was going to get quick, but I stayed calm and handled it, coming in 8th place for round one. This gave me confidence heading into the second round. I knew I could put down a good ride and that's just what I did. Moving up to 2nd place in round two right behind Noah Nelson was another confidence booster, especially since mine was one of the only clear rounds in the top 10. Cetello and I have grown a powerful partnership. For a year, I've worked very hard to understand him and how he wants to be ridden. We've been close to winning and have placed well this season, so I knew that we had what it took. Heading into the final round I was sitting in 3rd place, less than one point behind Grace Russo who was in 2nd. I knew this was my chance. My hard work with Cetello paid off and I put down the ride I needed to win the championship. I'm so thankful to my trainers, Cassie Belmont, Allison Shered, and Grace Belmont, for taking me to this win.