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Tiffany Foster and Tripple X III
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Tripple X III, ridden by two-time Canadian Olympian **Tiffany Foster**, received the **Equis Boutique Best Presented Horse Award** during the final week of the **Winter Equestrian Festival**. Tripple X III, a 15-year-old black Anglo European stallion (Namelus R x Nissan Catango Z) owned by **Artisan Farms**, was prepared for FEI competition by Foster's groom, **Caroline Holmberg**. "This is all because of Caroline's hard work," said Tiffany, 32, who piloted Tripple X III as a member of Canada's fourth-placed team at the 2016 Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. "I think it's great that she was acknowledged and recognized for all of the hard work that she invests in the horse. She does put a lot of heart, soul, and effort into this, and it really shows in how beautiful he looks all the time." Also during WEF 12, Chacco Prime, owned and ridden by Canada's **Alexanne Thibault** in the 2017 **Hollow Creek Farm Under 25 Grand Prix Series**, claimed the Equis Boutique Best Presented Under 25 Horse Award during the final week of competition. The care of Alexanne's string of horses is a family affair as her father, **Frederick Thibault**, assists as her groom. He prepared Chacco Prime, a 9-year-old bay Hanoverian gelding (**Chacco Blue x Le Primeur**), for the WEF 12 horse inspection and Under 25 competition.



Eric Lamaze and Fine Lady 5
Photo by Anwar Esquivel

Canadian Olympic Champion **Eric Lamaze** and **Fine Lady 5**, his individual bronze medal partner at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games, won

the first event of the **2017 Longines Global Champions Tour** in Mexico City, Mexico. Eric got his spring season off to a strong start by putting the lightning-fast foot speed of **Artisan Farms' Fine Lady 5** to good use. Their jump-off round was enough to top a seven-horse field over a track designed by Italy's **Uliano Vezzani**. Eric stopped the clock at 38 seconds before 2012 Olympic team gold medalist **Scott Brash** (GBR) and **Hello M'Lady** jumped to second place just fractions slower in 38.24 seconds. Brazil's **Yuri Mansur Guerios** and **Quartz de la Lande** rounded out the top three placings. Currently ranked the number five rider in the world, Eric is making his debut in the Longines Global Champions League in 2017, riding as a member of **Team Hamburg Diamonds** alongside **Audrey Coulter** (USA), **Harrie Smolders** (NED), and **Jos Verlooy** (BEL).



McLain Ward, Sergio Alvarez Moya, Karen Polle
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Spanish Olympian **Sergio Alvarez Moya** concluded a phenomenal winter tour in the United States in April. Competing at the **Winter Equestrian Festival** in Wellington, Florida, Sergio amassed an impressive list of results, placing third in week three's \$130,000 Adequan Grand Prix CSI3* and second in week four's \$216,000 Ariat Grand Prix CSI4* with **G&C Unicstar de l'Aumone**. He was also third in week seven's \$380,000 Suncoast Grand Prix CSI5* aboard **Arrayan**, and third again in week nine's \$380,000 Douglas Elliman Grand Prix CSI5* with **Charmeur** before taking the biggest win of the season in week eleven's \$500,000 Rolex Grand Prix CSI5*. The reigning Spanish champion then headed to Omaha, Nebraska, for the Longines FEI World Cup Jumping Final where he finished fifth overall riding **Arrayan**. With his top results throughout the winter, Sergio moved up 11 spots on the Longines FEI World Rankings list and is currently ranked 19th in the world.



McKayla Langmeier and Calberon B
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Before the Rolex Grand Prix took center stage, 2016 U.S. Olympic team silver medalist **Kent Farrington** and his mount, **Dublin**, won the \$130,000 Suncoast 1.50m Championship Jumper Classic Final, edging out Canada's **Tiffany Foster** and **Artisan Farms' Brighton**. Following the final competition of the 2017 Suncoast series, three-time Olympic team medalist **McLain Ward** (USA) secured his lead in the standings to take home the overall championship title. Also highlighting the end of the 2017 WEF, **McKayla Langmeier** of East Granby, Connecticut, emerged victorious in the tenth annual **George Morris Excellence in Equitation** class riding **Calberon B**. **Langmeier**, who finished second in the class in 2016, was sitting in second place going into the final test, but after a flawless execution, she moved up to win the blue ribbon. On the final day of the 2017 WEF, **Kelley Farmer** of Keswick, Virginia, and **Kodachrome**, owned by **Nina Koloseike Moore**, topped the \$50,000 USHJA International Hunter Derby on the grass derby field. The win was an emotional one for **Kodachrome's** connections after the horse won the same class in 2016 with **Russell Frey**, for whom Nina had purchased the 9-year-old Warmblood gelding. After working with **Russell** and **Kodachrome**, **Kelley** took over the ride after **Russell's** passing in May of 2016.