

Brief Descriptions of Current Notable Equinian Horses

Orionshy:

Kidnapped by a dragon when he was just a colt, Orionshy was carried quite a distance over the dragon lands before eventually being dropped off in a small town in Equinia. Horses were amazed by him, by his colors, his wings, his cutie mark, his ability to manipulate the weather, and most importantly, his stories. Stories of a mystical land called Equestria, where there were horses of every color of the rainbow that willingly call themselves ponies, and had things like magical horns coming out of their heads, or wing like he did. He talked of a magical princess, of her evil sister who was exiled to the moon, and even his mom, dad, and baby sister. This young colt's tales spread across Equinia and eventually to Cautious King Jacob, who ordered Orionshy to his castle in Hermia. Orionshy was taken to the castle, repeated everything he told every horse else, and pleaded with the king to send him home. The king said that he'll see what he could do, and allowed Orionshy to stay at his castle. Some dragon interrogations later, and the king decided that the young colt just had an overactive imagination. He called him a liar; and, because of his cutie mark, which was a bow and arrow, also branded him as a gift and forced Orionshy to go through the most advanced and harsh combat training Equinia had to offer. Guardian Angel Orionshy remains the king's right-hoof stallion and greatest royal guard in present day, but that doesn't satisfy Orionshy's urges to go back home, to go back to his family, and to see how much his baby sister grew up.

Marvelous Tesla:

"Ha! amateurs crack me up!" is one of Tesla's many sayings. He is a devout engineer; a genius, many horses who only hear about him say, but a nuisance, others who actually know him say. Yes, Marvelous Tesla's overly-high self-esteem and egotism is definitely something that gets in his way of friendship, but who needs friendship anyways? The Equinian way of life is all about contribution to society and having fun while doing it! ... right? One day, Tesla is going to look back on his life and see that, no matter how content he pretends to be, he will always be alone; and that his fame and act may cover up the hole in his heart, but it certainly doesn't fill it.

Julie, Apprentice of All Trades:

Julie's mother marched into Julie's room. The room was completely dark, and Julie was at her desk, which was piled high with books, and was the only thing in her room besides her sleeping mat. Julie was asleep at her desk, halfway through a ten page essay on Magicmaster Julia's Convolutional Time Theory that she was supposed to complete not for school, but for her mother, who had overly-high expectations for her. Julie's mother didn't move from the doorway. She clopped her hooves together, waking Julie up with a startle.

"Julie!" yelled the mother. "Sorry mother." Julie said with professionalism, and not one drop of love. "You do realize how lazy it is to sleep when you're supposed to be writing an essay!?" "Yes Mother." "I don't think you do! It's the third time you've done it this month! As a daughter who's mother has been raising since birth to become some horse great, you sure are disappointing me." "I'm sorry, mother" "I don't think you are. You say you're sorry every time this happens, and then you're doing it again a week later!" "Mother, sometimes it's hard for me t-" "No excuses!" Julie's mother shouted before slamming the door shut. "Y-yes mother." Julie said, quietly and shakely, before putting on her dragon bone horseshoe, enchanting herself to where she can temporarily detect what she was doing, and got back to work.

This is Julie's life. Julie, a poor, blind filly, has to spend her foalhood not playing games with friends, but trying to please a mother who will never be satisfied by anything short of an elixir guaranteeing eternal life. Sure, horses may be impressed by her, she may go through school two grades at a time, but she really wants to just take a deep breath and slow down. This is something she'll never

be able to do with her mother around; and, in all honesty, Julie loves her mother very much. She wants her to be satisfied, to be proud, and Julie tries to make this a reality, ignoring the fact that, deep down inside, she knows this is impossible.

Dragonslayer Henry:

Henry was once told by his teacher that he was going to grow up to become nothing unless he put effort towards an intellectual art. Henry saw this as a challenge, and spent hours upon hours doing nothing but body-building, just to spite the people who told him to use his smarts. In the end, Henry became something completely different from what Equinian society values. I mean, yea, sure, he's Dragonslayer Henry, everyone loves a good hero, but it's simply not the Equinian way of doing things. Your proto-Equinian is supposed to be wise and intelligent, not brutish. Thanks to Henry's rebellious youth, everyone thinks he's a simple minded muscle-head, a 'useful idiot' as some elitist scholars may say. Henry may be famous, but to some, he's something to laugh at, and pretending to not care can only do so much.

Cautious King Jacob:

What more is there to say? He got lucky and was born into a dynasty. He's doing everything he can to keep his country intact, and, to be honest, he's absolutely terrified of the unknown. What is this alien land known as 'Equestria'? is this all some kind of trick set up by the dragons? Are the Equestrians real and dangerous? One thing for certain, Jacob's going to have no part in this! No sir-ee! Though... That winged colt could make a formidable soldier...