



## NICOLE BERTHELOT



### Meet the Judge: Nicole Berthelot – Supporting Grassroots Growth in Dressage

Nicole Berthelot is one of the judges for the April Video Competition, and we're excited to have her expertise as part of the panel.

Nicole Berthelot of Surrey, BC, is an EC Basic certified dressage judge with over 13 years of experience in equestrian sport. She represented Team Canada at the International Young Breeders World Championships in 2013 and 2015, highlighting her strong foundation and commitment to excellence within the industry.

Nicole began her equestrian journey on a small Gulf Island off the coast of British Columbia. While the setting was beautiful, it offered limited access to formal education and regular lessons—an experience that has shaped her passion for developing grassroots opportunities in sport. She is a dedicated advocate for accessibility in dressage and actively supports initiatives that expand opportunities for riders through volunteering and community engagement.

In both her coaching and judging, Nicole emphasizes the importance of the dressage training scale, striving to develop thoughtful, independent riders and promote the well-being and happiness of the horse.