

Rebecca VanTassel got her first horse at 6 years old and has been in the saddle ever since. She Joined 4-H in El Paso County Colorado two years later. Rebecca would remain heavily involved in 4-H until she aged out at 18. When she was 13 years old she joined APHA and has shown her paint horses in the all-around events ever since. That same year she also joined the county 4-H horse judging team, with many fun and successful years to follow. Rebecca's junior judging team won the APHA World Show horse judging competition, she earned Reserve High Point Individual at the Colorado State 4-H Conference twice and had several top 10 individual placings at the AQHA World Show Judging contest. Her horse showing career was equally as successful, including four top 10 placings and two top 5 placings at the

APHA World Show. In 2011, Rebecca started her training internship and would spend the next four years working with top APHA and AQHA trainers. She started her own horse training business, Triple M Performance Horses, in Grand Junction, CO in 2015 where several of her clients are nationally ranked. She has judged the Arapaho and Pueblo County Fairs and regularly judges at GJHSA open shows and Pueblo County 4-H shows. Rebecca greatly appreciates the foundation she gained from 4-H and regularly gives back to youth programs including serving as an official at the 2019 Colorado State 4-H Conference Horse Judging Contest and assisting in coaching the Delta County FAA Horse Judging Team.