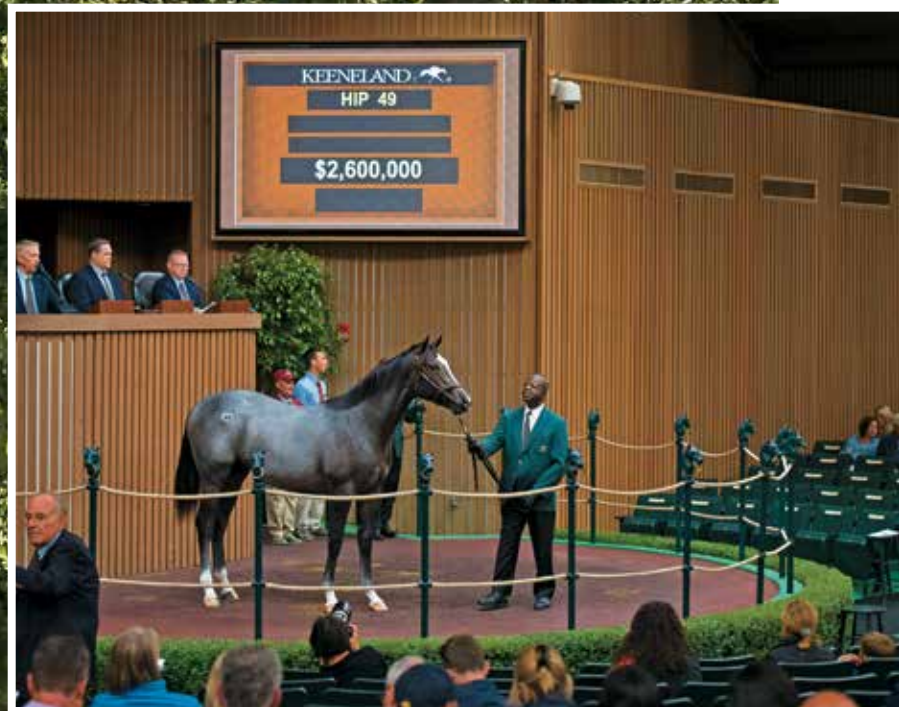


# BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE Sales

**T**he Keeneland auction ring rightfully commands center stage during the September, November, and January sales. But nonstop activity takes place at the barns, along the paths, and in the walking rings before a horse ever sets foot in the sales pavilion. Veteran sales photographers capture the action.







ANNE M. EBERHARDT PHOTOS

Prospective buyers keep members of the Taylor Made Sales crew busy during the September yearling sale. Inset, achieving a high price in the auction ring is the goal of every consignor.



# BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE SALES



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A yearling arrives at the sales grounds. Arrival dates are staggered, depending on when a horse is scheduled to sell.



JONATHAN PALMER

Prospective buyers scrutinize a sales horse.



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Looking at many horses spread among far-flung barns sometimes requires ingenuity.



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Everybody at the sales needs a break at some point.



JONATHAN PALMER

For this potential buyer, a horse's eyes warrant a penetrating look.



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A bath will help this sales horse look its best.



DAVID COYLE

Hooves get a quick wipe before sale time.



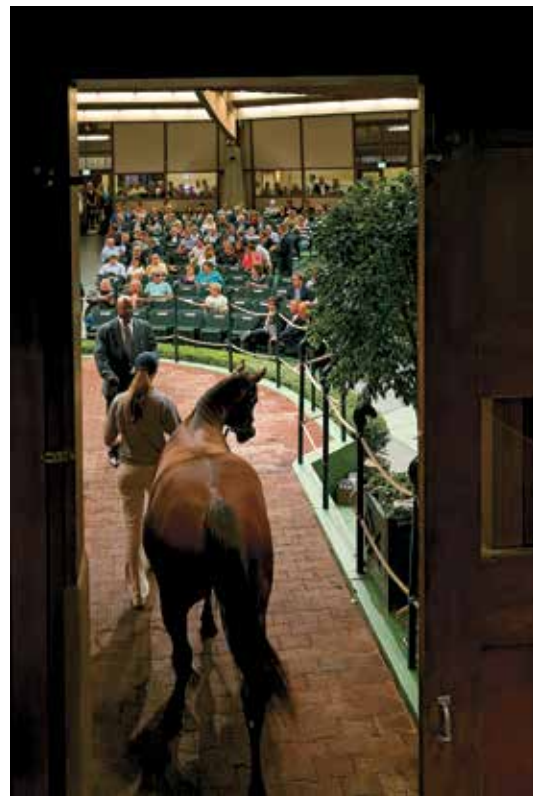
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Every consignment brings an arsenal of grooming equipment.



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The excitement of the sales sometimes gets the better of a horse.



DAVID COYLE

Left, months and even years of preparation are on the line now.

Below, night descends on the sales.



JOSEPH REYAU