

Martha has been training horses professionally for over 35 years and has been a certified judge for 30 years, judging at such prestigious shows as the U.S. and Canadian Nationals, Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show, and the Australian National Horse Show, with expertise in judging Arabians, Hackneys, National Show Horses and American Saddlebreds.

Since beginning her riding career at the age of six, Martha has gone on to train and show U.S. and Canadian National Champions in Hunter, Show Hack, Driving, Park, English Pleasure, Side Saddle and Native Costume.

Martha's love of horses came naturally; her mother, Cecile Hetzel Dunn has been a multi-breed horsewoman, judge and steward for over 40 years, and her stepfather, the late Norman K. Dunn, was a past president of AHA, as well as director of Cal Poly University in Pomona CA. Growing up in Florida, Martha rode as often as she could, and by high school was showing for Burr Hill Arabians.

After earning a Bachelors of Science from Northwestern State University in 1979, Martha continued pursuing her love of horses, first by working for Marquis Farms in Scottsdale, then with Mike Nichols and Don Delongpre in Santa Barbara, and finally at Varian Arabians.

After working for LaCroix Ltd. in 1991 and 1992, Martha struck out on her own in 1993 in Kentucky, and her business eventually evolved into what is now Martha Murdock Stables.

Martha has continued to find success throughout the equine industry through judging, training and showing over the past 35 years.