



MUSICAL ROMANCE

B/Br.m. 2007 by Concorde's Tune – Candlelightdinner by Slew Gin Fizz

At the elite performance level, there is no more dangerous weapon than quality speed, and that is an attribute that Champion Musical Romance possessed in abundance.

Champion Sprint Female Sprinter of 2011, Musical Romance secured her crown with a daylight victory over a field that included Switch, Her Smile, Turbulent Descent, Champagne d'Oro and Pomeroy's Pistol in the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint (gr. I).

The pace and the class that she demonstrated on that occasion are only two of traits that make Musical Romance such an appealing broodmare prospect. Among her other virtues is a remarkable versatility with regard to both surface and distance. Three of her graded stakes victories were achieved on the dirt – where she scored in the slop, and on surfaces labeled both good and fast – but she also captured the \$400,000 Presque Isle Downs Masters Stakes (gr. II) on the all-weather, and the Sweettrickydancer Stakes on the turf. Successful at up to 8½ furlongs, Musical Romance demonstrated the range of her talents by winning stakes at 5½ furlongs, 6 furlongs, 6½ furlongs, 7 furlongs, and a mile. That the speed, class and versatility demonstrated by such performances, are allied to a notable soundness and durability, both physical and mental, are amply demonstrated by one of Musical Romance's finest races, a victory under top-weight in the Princess Rooney Handicap (gr. I), which came on her thirty-eighth start. This wonderful effort confirmed the media's acknowledgement of Musical Romance as an "Iron Horse" and a "Throwback to the Golden Days of Racing." In all, in addition to her Eclipse Award, Musical Romance's career saw her earn eight stakes victories, four of them graded, and two grade one, and gain places in ten other black-type events, including when second in the Princess Rooney Stakes (gr. I) and Humana Distaff Stakes (gr. I).

From the same Bold Reasoning branch of the Bold Ruler sire line as Seattle Slew, Musical Romance owns a female line that shows grade one production under three of her first four dams. Her dam, multiple stakes producer Candlelightdinner, is half-sister to two stakes winners, one a stakes producer, and also half-sister to the dams of the Oak Leaf Stakes (gr. I) heroine Rigoletta, and millionaire Gourmet Dinner. The third dam, Victorious Meg, is half-sister to graded stakes winner Dr. Bobby A.; multiple stakes winner Forladiesonly; stakes winner Boyo; and course record-breaking stakes winner Worldly Possession, herself dam of the Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup (gr. I) captress Collect the Cash. In turn Victorious Meg is out of Cricket Club, a stakes winning daughter of Dr. Fager and the Arlington-Washington

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Lassie Stakes heroine, Clover Lane, from the same branch of the Good Example family as Champion Two-Year-Old and Champion Sire, Deputy Minister.

Although she is inbred to Bold Reasoning – through his Champion sons Seattle Slew and Super Concorde – Musical Romance has a five cross pedigree that is completely free of Northern Dancer, Mr. Prospector, Raise a Native, Turn-to, Hail to Reason, and most other leading commercial strains. This guarantees that Musical Romance, a Champion Sprinter from a female line with a consistent history of grade one production, is open to start her stud career with an unusually wide range of prospective partners.

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