

# MEET THE CONTENDERS

## 2024

### HOLY BULL STAKES

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#### HADES



**PRO:** Rapidly improving gelding one of two undefeated horses here.  
**CON:** Faced far lesser in two December wins; tested for class.

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#### INVEIGLED



**PRO:** Indiana-bred has gotten a piece of the purse each race; picks up Irad Ortiz.  
**CON:** Didn't muster a serious rally hopping back into stakes company Jan. 1.

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#### OTELLO



**PRO:** Won narrowly both starts, including Mucho Macho Man S.; should stretch out.  
**CON:** Stakes win was not especially fast and needs to improve several lengths.

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#### DANCING GROOM



**PRO:** Outfinished Fierceness in Champagne (G1), though still beaten more than 10 lengths.  
**CON:** No threat in either stakes try; adds blinkers after showing limited early speed.

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#### NO MORE TIME



**PRO:** Didn't start or settle well in Mucho Macho Man; perhaps capable of better.  
**CON:** Finished behind three rivals he meets again here.

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#### DOMESTIC PRODUCT



**PRO:** Connections staying optimistic after Remsen (G2) flop in the mud.  
**CON:** Latest effort might indeed prove to be a true bill, or close to it.

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#### FIERCENESS



**PRO:** Early Derby favorite has tremendous edge in class, speed figures.  
**CON:** Juvenile champs Hansen, Shanghai Bobby, Classic Empire all met defeat in this race.

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#### SEA STREAK



**PRO:** New Jersey-bred gelding has won or placed in all four starts.  
**CON:** Showed more speed with blinkers last time but might prefer to avoid pace duel.