



PEDIGREE PROFILE

Logi Universe second classic winner from Neo Universe's first crop

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On May 31, in front of a crowd of more than 110,000 at Tokyo Racecourse, Logi Universe seized the lead with about 400 meters remaining and drew off to a resounding four-length victory over 17 challengers in the 76th Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby).



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Sent off as the 7.70-to-1 second betting choice in the second leg of Japan's Triple Crown, Logi Universe completed 2,400 meters (11.93 furlongs) in 2:23.70 on turf rated as soft.

The bay Neo Universe colt rebounded from a 14th-place finish in the Satsuki Sho (Japanese Two Thousand Guineas) on April 19. His career mark stands at five wins from six starts and earnings of \$3,265,986.

LOGI UNIVERSE

Bred by Katsumi Yoshida's Northern Farm, Logi Universe is the first foal out of the Japanese-bred Cape Cross (Ire) mare Acoustics.

Both of Logi Universe's first two dams were unraced. His third dam is the brilliant miler Sonic Lady, a multiple European Group 1 winner, French champion, and Irish classic winner.

Sonic Lady produced three stakes winners: Sharman and Hazaam, who both are by Blushing Groom (Fr), and United Arab Emirates stakes winner Mudallel (GB), a full brother to the unraced Machiavellian mare Soninke, Logi Universe's second dam.

Logi Universe hails from the first crop of Japan's 2003 champion three-year-old male, Neo Universe, who captured the 2003 Japanese Derby, also on soft going.

Neo Universe is also the sire of this year's Satsuki Sho (Japanese

Sunday Silence's influence in Japanese classics (1995-2009)

	as sire	as paternal grandsire	as maternal grandsire
Oka Sho (Japanese One Thousand Guineas)	3	3	2
Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks)	3	2	1
Satsuki Sho (Japanese Two Thousand Guineas)	7	2	0
Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby)	6	2	0
Kikuka Sho (Japanese St. Leger)	4	2	2

Logi Universe, b. c., 2006

=Neo Universe (Jpn) 00 126 fls, 2 SWS SI 1.92 DI=1.67	Sunday Silence 86 9 wins, \$4,968,554 Champion 1494 fls, 170 SWS SI 2.31 DI=2.43	Halo 69 724 fls, 63 SWS SI 3.40 DI=2.14	Hail to Reason 58	*Turn-to 51 Nothridchance 48	
	Pointed Path (GB) 84 Placed, \$2,758 12 fls, 2 SWS DI=0.75	Wishing Well 75 6 fls, 1 SW DI=1.67	Cosmah 53	Cosmic Bomb 44 Almahmoud 47	
		=Kris (GB) 76 817 fls, 81 SWS SI 2.43 DI=0.87	=Silken Way (Fr) 73 7 fls, 0 SWS DI=0.94	Understanding 63	Promised Land 54 Pretty Ways 53
Mountain Flower 64	*Montparnasse II 56 Edelweiss 59				
=Acoustics (Jpn) 01 1 fl, 1 SW DI=2.67	Cape Cross (Ire) 94 5 wins, \$430,308 Champion 1014 fls, 51 SWS SI 1.77 DI=3.44	Green Desert 83 1074 fls, 95 SWS SI 1.75 DI=3.73	Danzig 77	Northern Dancer 61 Pas de Nom 68	
			Foreign Courier 79	Sir Ivor 65 Courtly Dee 68	
	=Soninke (GB) 96 Unraced 6 fls, 1 SW DI=2.08	Park Appeal (Ire) 82 12 fls, 4 SWS DI=3.00	=Ahonoora (GB) 75	Balidaress (Ire) 73	*Lorenzaccio 65 =HelenNichols (GB) 66 =Balidar (GB) 66 =Innocence (GB) 68
		=Machiavellian 87 735 fls, 76 SWS SI 2.19 DI=3.62			Sonic Lady 83 7 fls, 3 SWS DI=1.00
	Coup de Folie 82		Halo 69 Raise the Standard 78		
			Nureyev 77	Northern Dancer 61 Special 69	
			Stumped (GB) 77	=OwenAnthony (GB) 64 =Luckhurst (GB) 72	

Two Thousand Guineas) winner, Unrivaled, who finished 12th in the Japanese Derby as the 2.10-to-1 favorite.

Neo Universe stands at Shadai Stallion Station on the island of Hokkaido, where his breed-shaping sire, the late Sunday Silence, earned 13 Japanese sire titles between 1995 and 2007. The Shadai farms also stand Sunday Silence stallions Agnes Tachyon, Deep Impact, Heart's Cry, and Fuji Kiseki.

Characteristic of the Halo sire line, Sunday Silence and his sons have done particularly well with Northern Dancer-line broodmares.

Logi Universe conveys a total of five strains of the Foundation Mare Almahmoud—two each through Halo and Northern Dancer and a fifth through Machiavellian's granddam Raise the Standard.

The presence of Sunday Silence blood in the winners of Japan's premier events continues at a prodigious rate. Since his first crop became three-year olds in 1995, he has appeared in the pedigrees of 39, or more than 52%, of the last 74 winners of Japanese classics.

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