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2008 USAT Calendar of Events

**Junior Team
Exchange**
July 26-31 -
Edmond, Okla.

Olympic Games
Aug. 8-24 -
Beijing, China

**Stanford
University
International
Taekwondo
Summer Camp**
Aug. 9-14 -
Stanford, Calif.

**Pan Am
Championships
Team Selection
Camp**
Sept. 10-14 -
Colorado Springs,
Colo.

**Pan Am
Championships**
Oct. 1-6
San Juan, Puerto
Rico

**U.S. World Class
Invitational**
Oct. 13-17 -
Carnival Ship
Paradise

**California Jr.
Taekwondo
Championships**
Oct. 4 - Fullerton,
Calif.

**7th
International
Friendship
Championship**
Oct. 24-25 -



Junior

National Team Named in Detroit

The 20-member 2008 U.S. Junior National Team was determined on July 4th during the Junior Olympic Championships at Ford Field in Detroit. The squad includes nine returning members of the 2007 team as well as one from the 2006 Junior National Team.

Team members returning from last year include male finweight **Olie Burton** (Accokeek, Md.), male lightweight **Tyler Sawyer** (Anchorage, Alaska), male light middleweight **John Hansel** (Ashburn, Va.), male middleweight **Thomas Lee** (Alexandria, Va.), male heavyweight **Christian Suh** (Astoria, N.Y.), female flyweight **Talina Le** (Woodinville, Wash.), female lightweight **Nicole Palma** (Lake Worth, Fla.), female light heavyweight **Laurissa Tanielu** (Blue Island, Ill.) and female heavyweight **Adrienne Ivey** (Ashburn, Va.), as well as female welterweight **Emilia Morrow** (Alexandria, Va.) who was a 2006 Junior Team member.

New members include male flyweight **Jeffery Williams** (Blue Island, Ill.), who is the brother of Laurissa Tanielu, male bantamweight **Andre Mota** (Rocklin, Calif.), male featherweight **Jeffery Grahovec** (Yorba Linda, Calif.), male welterweight **Jaysen Ishida** (Waipahu, Hawaii), male light heavyweight **Evan Rodgers** (Stone Mountain, Ga.), female finweight **Stephanie Popken** (Highlands Ranch, Colo.), female bantamweight **Kiana Lo** (Danville, Calif.), female featherweight **Shaina Krause** (Fairfax Station, Va.), female light middleweight **Alexandra Cinque** (Ossining, N.Y.) and female middleweight **Beatrice Kelly** (Jacksonville, Fla.).

Shop Online and Help USA Taekwondo

USA Taekwondo has teamed up with **The Marketplace** to create an opportunity for USAT members to receive discounts with their on-line shopping and also help support USA Taekwondo. Every time you shop a percentage of your on-line purchase will directly go back to USA Taekwondo and help support the organization. It is a gateway to over a 1000 on-line shopping stores. **The Marketplace** encompasses Amazon, EBay, Gap, GNC, Macy's, Dell, Gateway and more. Check it out today!

Keep in mind that **ONLY** purchases made online at participating merchants **accessed by clicking on the USAT Marketplace banner first** will support USAT. If you go directly to merchant stores offline, or visit merchant websites without going through the USAT Marketplace banner first, the merchant will **not** be able to return funds to USAT.

Visit the [USA Taekwondo website](#) for full details.

Olympic TV Schedule for Beijing Games

Portland, Ore.

**Maui Open
Taekwondo
Championship**
Dec. 6 - Lahaina,
Hawaii

Colorado Cup
Dec. 6 - Colorado
Springs, Colo.

American Cup
Dec. 7 - Colorado
Springs, Colo.

NBC has recently release its broadcast schedule for the upcoming Summer Olympic Games in Beijing and taekwondo fans can follow all the action of their sport on **Live Streaming Broadband Coverage at NBCOlympics.com.**

The schedule for U.S. athletes competing is as follows:

Aug. 20 - female flyweight **Charlotte Craig**

Aug. 21 - featherweights **Mark** and **Diana Lopez**

Aug. 22 - male welterweight **Steven Lopez**



Olympic Team Gives Personal Attention to Young Competitors at Junior Olympics

Alex Brinkman (pictured above) was one of the attendees at the Olympic Team's *Winning Edge* talk during the Junior Olympics in Detroit. She also was one of the successful bidders on an exclusive dinner with the Team and was lucky enough to hold one of Steven Lopez' Olympic gold medals.

Send in Your Club Profile and be Featured on the USAT Website

A reminder to all USAT Member Clubs to share your stories of success with us! Send photos and stories to Bill Kellick at bill.kellick@usa-taekwondo.us and you can be featured on the Club Corner on the USA Taekwondo homepage.

Prospect Waiver Application Now Available for Pan Am Team Selection Camp

The [Prospect Waiver Application](#) for the 2008 Pan American Championships Team Selection Camp is now available to athletes who meet the eligibility requirements.

Athletes who did not qualify in Phase 1 or Phase 2 as written in the [2008 Pan American Championships Team Selection Procedures](#) may still have an opportunity to participate in the Pan American Championships Team Selection Camp through a Prospect Waiver. A maximum of four (4) Prospect Waivers, per gender, into the Pan American Championships Team Selection Camp may be awarded per the USA Taekwondo National Team Coaching Staff. Athletes who meet the minimum eligibility requirements as defined in [I.A.1](#), [I.A.2](#), [I.A.3.a.](#), and [I.A.3.d.](#) are permitted to apply for the Prospect Waiver by Friday, August 1, 2008. Only completed applications submitted to the USAT High Performance Department by the said date will be taken into consideration. Applications will be considered carefully by the National Team Coaching Staff

and awarded to a maximum of four (4) athletes per gender. The National Team Coaching Staff may choose the athletes from any weight division. Coaches are NOT required to fill any or all of the Prospect Waiver spots.

Attention 12-17 year old red and black belt athletes!

Stanford University International Taekwondo Summer Camp

August 9th-14th

Website: <http://tkd.stanford.edu/summercamp>

For More Information Contact

E-mail: stanfordtkd@yahoo.com

Call: (408)674-2370

\$100.00 Discount to all 2007 and 2008 Junior National Gold medalists and Junior Team members! (14-17 Black Belt Division)

2008 Featured Coach: Mr. Yong Sung Ha

- Head Coach - National Taiwan Sports University
- Former Head Coach - Korean National University of Physical Education (Han Chae-Dae)
- Coach of numerous World and Olympic Champions including Chu Mu-Yen (Gold Medalist - 2004 Athens Olympics, 2003 World Championships)
- Head Coach of Shi Yuen High School Team - Taichung, Taiwan

The Stanford Taekwondo coaching staff has put together an unforgettable training experience for junior athletes. Training is 3x daily (<http://www.stanford.edu/group/Taekwondo/cgi-bin/summercamp08/schedule>) and there are other scheduled activities like swimming, a beach trip, movie night, campus tour, fountain hopping, games, prizes and more. All lodging on campus, meals, training, workshops and recreational activities are included in the price. Every athlete will receive direct feedback from the staff and will have a chance to work with other high caliber athletes. This is an opportunity to train with many of the best juniors in the country and around the world. Finally, one of the best things about this camp is the staff. Many Junior and Senior National team members are former campers and we are excited to have them returning as Team Leaders this year. We guarantee this will be a great way to end your summer and we hope to see you there!

Register now as space is limited: <http://tkd.stanford.edu/summercamp>

U.S. Poomsae Team Named

The 2008 U.S. National Poomsae Team was named July 3rd in Detroit upon completion of the Poomsae Team Trials. The team members listed below will compete in December at the 3rd World Poomsae Championships in Istanbul, Turkey.

14-18 Female

Lilian Angel

14-18 Male

Matthew Dunlap

19-30 Female

Young-A Kim

19-30 Male

Johnny Nguyen

31-40 Male

Jim Null

31-40 Female

Aline Salzberg

41-50 Male

David Turgeon

41-50 Female

Dure Chang

51+ Male

Thomas Vo

51+ Female

Noreen Thackrey

14-35 Pairs

Muhammad Chishti

Lilian Angel

14-35 Male Team

Anthony Nguyen

Johnny Nguyen

Jason Hwang

14-35 Female Team

Madison Motoyasu
Mariel Calinog
Maisey Calinog

36+ Male Team

Ronald Southwick
Garth Cooley
David Turgeon

36+ Female Team

Tara Zielenski
Barbara Brand
Anacleta Thorne

36+ Pairs

David Turgeon
Judith Turgeon

Sixteen National Champions Crowned in Detroit

Sixteen athletes captured national titles Wednesday at Ford Field in Detroit during the USA Taekwondo National Championships. The top three athletes in each division are listed below:

Female Fin

1. [Alexis Martinez](#) (FL)
2. [Talina Le](#) (WA)
3. [Paige Biviano](#) (NY)

Female Fly

1. [Jesika Torres](#) (CA)
2. [Victoria Stambaugh](#) (TX)
3. [Carman Gray](#) (IN)

Female Bantam

1. [Kira Cramer](#) (CA)
2. [Emilia Morrow](#) (VA)
3. [Aziza Chambers](#) (OH)

Female Feather

1. [Naomi Santamaria](#) (CA)
2. [Christina Johnson](#) (MD)
3. [Ally Creel](#) (CO)

Female Light

1. [Cornelia Torres](#) (IL)
2. [Whitney Daniel](#) (VA)
3. [Kristina Bowen](#) (WA)

Female Welter

1. [Paige McPherson](#) (SD)
2. [Jessica Pryor](#) (CA)
3. [Christina Park](#) (MA)

Female Middle

1. [Brandi Powers](#) (MD)
2. [Sanaz Shahbazi](#) (CA)
3. [Amie Szymanski](#) (FL)

Female Heavy

1. [Ashley Jobin](#) (OR)
2. [Danielle Harrison](#) (RI)
3. [Erica Haessler](#) (WA)

Male Fin

1. [Charles Smith](#) (MD)
2. [Johnny Nguyen](#) (AZ)
3. [Alex Zuniga](#) (CA)

Male Fly

1. [James Howe](#) (CA)
2. [Christian Valencia](#) (WA)
3. [Tuong Nguyen](#) (CA)

Male Bantam

1. [Jermaine James](#) (FL)
2. [Richard Lee](#) (CA)
3. [Jason Hwang](#) (CA)

Male Feather

1. [Steven Lin](#) (NJ)
2. **Chris Detmering** (MO)
3. [Tal Moriah](#) (TX)

Male Light

1. [Manuel Suarez](#) (FL)
2. [Thomas Lee](#) (VA)
3. **Jason Alvelais** (CA)

Male Welter

1. [James Moontasri](#) (CO)
2. [Rudford Hamon](#) (FL)
3. [Jayson Grant](#) (MA)

Male Middle

1. **Aaron Dickerson** (KY)
2. [Cody Thongtavee](#) (VA)
3. **Edwin Espinoza** (CA)

Male Heavy

1. [Steven Ostrander](#) (CO)
2. [Brett Schuschereba](#) (NJ)
3. [Stephen Lambdin](#) (TX)



USA Taekwondo's Donation Program

USA Taekwondo has started a donation program whereby members and supporters can help USAT and the Olympic movement and at the same time receive some **high-quality, officially-licensed gifts** based upon their level of giving. USAT is a non-profit organization that supports Olympic hopefuls and promotes the growth of Taekwondo in the United States. Your year-end donation will greatly help us in these efforts and provide you with some unique holiday gift shopping ideas.

In 2007 alone, USAT has supported eight international trips for our athletes. Additionally, we have initiated new programs to support growth within the U.S. such as:

- New State Organizations
- USAT Black Belt Certification Program
- Kick of the Month Feature
- AT&T Downloadable Desktop Communicator
- Grassroots Grants

USAT has also continued services such as coaching and referee training, along with athlete development camps, quarterly member magazine, and other programs. But we need your help in sustaining these projects to ensure the ongoing growth of Taekwondo. Your **tax-deductible donation** will aid us in these efforts and all future endeavors in the coming year and beyond. It is USAT's goal to provide added benefits to our membership while achieving sustained competitive excellence.

Take a look at the [DONATION FORM](#) and the **fabulous gifts** that come with your contribution. We hope that you will wear and display them with pride knowing that you are a valued supporter of USA Taekwondo and the Olympic movement. Checks may be made payable to USA Taekwondo, or you can donate with a charge card by completing the information on the [DONATION FORM](#).

USA Taekwondo thanks you for your continued membership and support. You are vital to this organization and your generous contribution helps build a solid future for Taekwondo in the United States.

Take A Stand Against Doping!

Contact USADA (U.S. Anti-Doping Agency) at **(877) 752-9253** if you suspect the integrity of your sport is being compromised by doping.

AT&T Provides Discounts for USA Taekwondo Members

Take advantage of great discounts on AT&T services for members of USA Taekwondo. To learn more click [HERE](#).

World University Championships Team Ready to Compete

The 10th World University Championships will be held in Belgrade, Serbia, **July 16-20**. A 16-member squad will represent the U.S.

The men's team consists of finweight [John Duhart](#), flyweight [Christian Valencia](#), bantamweight [Jermaine James](#), featherweight [Tal Moriah](#), lightweight [Stefan Webb](#), welterweight [Luke Ford](#), middleweight [Dennis Rudasill](#) and heavyweight [Stephen Lambdin](#).

Qualifying for the women's team were finweight [Markie Keelan](#), flyweight [Danielle Pelham](#), bantamweight [Aziza Chambers](#), featherweight [Naomi Santa Maria](#), lightweight [Christina Johnson](#), welterweight [Darcy Kimmich](#), middleweight [Sanaz Shahbazi](#) and heavyweight [Amanda Nissen](#).

The World University Championships website can be found [HERE](#).



USAT's Travel Website Handles All Your Travel Needs

USA Taekwondo now has its own little Expedia®! This is a full-featured travel website privately labeled with the USA Taekwondo name and logo. Go check it out! You can find it at: www.usataekwondotravel.us.

Best of all, when travel is booked on our new website, USA Taekwondo will receive a portion of the commissions that would normally be paid by the travel companies.

If you are familiar with booking travel online, you shouldn't have any trouble navigating the new website. It functions in a similar manner to other travel websites such as Expedia® and Orbitz®. Some of the key features you will find on the website include:

- Air, hotel, car rental search and booking features
- Vacation packages
- Cruise packages
- Ordering flowers online
- Ordering event and sports tickets

Don't forget to bookmark www.usataekwondotravel.us for all your future travel needs.

USAT Announces Head of Delegation Program

USA Taekwondo is seeking taekwondo enthusiasts that would like both to financially support the efforts of USAT and enjoy the experience of leading a delegation on behalf of USAT to a major international taekwondo event. [Read MORE >>](#)

USA Taekwondo's "Kick of the Month"

Get involved with USA Taekwondo's "KICK OF THE MONTH". All you need to do is email or mail us what YOU think is the best kick captured on your video camera. The video needs to be no more than 20 seconds long, and filmed at a USAT event within the last 12 months.

When sending the tape in please include your name, address, and phone number, along with what event it was taken at and who the athlete is. Email submissions should be sent to bill.kellick@usa-taekwondo.us. DVDs can be mailed to USA Taekwondo, ATTN: Bill Kellick, One Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. The kick with the most "WOW" factor each month will be posted on the USAT website and a prize will be awarded to the person submitting it. July's winner is **Jackie Piansay of Accokeek, Md.** Check out the USAT website for Jackie's winning kick!



Paige McPherson Wins Chris Canning Award of Excellence

Paige McPherson (Sturgis, S.D.) was named the 2008 Chris Canning Award of Excellence recipient during the opening ceremonies of the Junior Olympic Taekwondo Championships on July 4th at Detroit's Ford Field. The annual award is presented in memory and in tribute to Christopher James Canning, a former student and accomplished martial artist who passed away in 2001, at the age of 15 years old. It is awarded to a Taekwondo athlete that most embodies Chris' personal attributes of dedication, perseverance, humility, care and concern for others, and artistic endeavors such as music, acting and writing, as well as academic excellence and martial arts accomplishments at the national level. As the 4th annual recipient, Paige received a beautiful trophy and a \$1,000 scholarship from the family of Chris Canning.

Award Winners Named for National Championships & Junior Olympics

The following awards were presented during the 2008 National Championships & Junior Olympics held July 1-6 in Detroit:

National Championships

Outstanding Female Athlete - Brandi Powers
Outstanding Male Athlete - Steven Ostrander
Outstanding Coach - Patrice Remark

Junior Olympics

Outstanding Female Athlete - Nicole Palma
Outstanding Male Athlete - Thomas Lee
Outstanding Coach - Patrice Remark

National Championships & Junior Olympics

Outstanding Female Referee - Lois Schoenbrun
Outstanding Male Referee - Byung Sam Choi
Outstanding Event Specialist - Oren Gautreaux

Parade of Athletes

Best Dressed State - Texas
(Honorable Mention) - Missouri
State with Best Spirit - Rhode Island
Most Supportive Club - NTA (Coppell, Texas)



USAT Martial Arts Commissioners Inauguration in conjunction with 2008 Junior Olympics

The USAT Martial Arts Commission conducted its third inauguration ceremony for the commissioners of Taekwondo masters in the USA. It was held in conjunction with the 2008 Junior Olympics held in Detroit, Michigan. [Read More >>](#)



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Join the USAT Kick-a-Thon and Win a Visit from a 2008 Olympian

Be a part of the Olympic Spirit of 2008! Join in the USA Taekwondo Kick-a-Thon.

USA Taekwondo is proud to announce a Kick-a-Thon contest for USAT member schools. Enter today and your school could win a visit from a member of the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team! See your personal invitation from two-time Olympic gold medalist Steven Lopez [HERE](#).

Any participating school that produces more than \$10,000 in revenue is guaranteed a no-expense, all-day visit from a 2008 Olympian for a clinic, autograph and photo session. This includes a private lunch and dinner with the Olympian.

The top school will be allowed to invite TWO Olympians of their choice and also receive a Taekwondo equipment/apparel package.

All schools raising at least \$5,000 will receive a valuable gift certificate worth \$500 from Vision USA to be used for their school.

Kick-a-Thon events can be held anytime prior to October 1, 2008. For more information or to sign up contact Jennifer Keurulainen at jennifer.keurulainen@usa-taekwondo.us.

America's Cheer Needs Your Support!

America's Cheer is an online program allowing fans to share their enthusiasm and connect with the spirit of the games through video, photos, and written messages of support for the U.S. Olympic team.

Fans can show their support by submitting a cheer on any of the following web sites:

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/americascheer>

Flickr: <http://www.flickr.com/groups/americascheer>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Americas-Cheer/8610802380>

A cheer can be:

- A shout-out to the Olympic team to cheer them on in Beijing
- Video or photos with your local team - in a competition? Celebrating a victory? Share your local spirit with the world
- Something creative: share your favorite Olympic memory, make your best predictions for the Games, or even compose your own Olympic theme song

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