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## 2019 U.S. Gymnastics Championships August 8-11 at Sprint Center

### Single-Session Tickets On Sale April 22 at 10am

**KANSAS CITY, MO (April 8, 2019)** – Single-session tickets for the 2019 U.S. Gymnastics Championships, August 8-11 at Sprint Center, will go on sale April 22, 2019, at 10 a.m. CT. The four-day championships features the country's best gymnasts vying for national titles and national team berths.

Single-session tickets range in price from \$27 - \$122, depending on the session and day. In addition, five multi-session packages are also available. All ticket prices are plus applicable fees.

- **Women's Day 1 sessions, Aug. 9:** both junior and senior sessions, \$85 - \$150
- **Women's Day 2 sessions, Aug. 11:** both junior and senior sessions, \$99 - \$165
- **Men's Day 1 and 2 sessions, Aug. 8 and 10:** all men's junior and senior sessions, \$85 - \$130
- **Senior men's and women's Day 2 sessions, Aug. 10/men and Aug. 11/women:** both men's and women's sessions, \$95 - \$140
- **All-session (all eight competitive sessions), Aug. 8-11:** \$200 - \$550. Platinum ticket package includes VIP seating, an Olympian meet-and-greet, and a USA Gymnastics gift.

Tickets may be purchased at [sprintcenter.com](http://sprintcenter.com). For groups of 10 or more, contact Sprint Center's group sales at 816.949.7177. Discounted tickets are available through local gymnastics clubs that are participating in the gym club ticket program.

The competition schedule for the four days (which is subject to change) is below. All times are Central.

- **Thursday, August 8:** Men's gymnastics – 1 p.m., juniors, and 6:30 p.m., seniors
- **Friday, August 9:** Women's gymnastics – 1 p.m., juniors, and 6:30 p.m., seniors
- **Saturday, August 10:** Men's gymnastics – 1 p.m., juniors, and 6:30 p.m., seniors
- **Sunday, August 11:** Women's gymnastics – 1 p.m., juniors, and 6:30 p.m., seniors

A part of the Team USA Champions Series, the U.S. Championships determines the men's and women's U.S. champions and U.S. National Teams for the junior and senior elite levels. The U.S. Championships also traditionally serve as part of the selection process for the U.S.

Team for the World Championships. Additionally, the USA Gymnastics National Congress and Trade Show will be held at the Kansas City Convention Center, August 8-11, in conjunction with the championships.

At the 2018 U.S. Championships, both 2016 Olympic all-around champion Simone Biles of Spring, Texas/World Champions Centre, and two-time Olympian Sam Mikulak of Newport Coast, Calif./U.S. Olympic Training Center, won their fifth U.S. women's and men's all-around titles, respectively. Biles recently won her fourth World all-around title, as well as the vault and floor gold, uneven bars silver and balance beam bronze medals. Biles also anchored the U.S. women's Team that won the team title. Mikulak brought home his first individual World medal, the horizontal bar bronze.

USA Gymnastics is partnering with the Kansas City Sports Commission for the 2019 event, with support from Visit KC and Sprint Center. This is the first time the event has been in Kansas City since 1987.

The Team USA Champions Series showcases numerous Olympic sports throughout the season, highlighting the year-round quest of Team USA athletes to compete at the Olympic Games.

Sprint Center played host to both the 2012 and 2016 Kellogg's Tour of Gymnastics Champions. Kansas City has also staged other gymnastics events, including the final selection event for trampoline for the 2008 Olympic Games.

The roster of former U.S. all-around champions is a veritable who's who of gymnastics, including: women – Jordyn Wieber, Nastia Liukin, Shawn Johnson, Carly Patterson, Courtney Kupets, Shannon Miller, Dominique Dawes, Kim Zmeskal and Mary Lou Retton; and men –Jonathan Horton, Paul Hamm, Blaine Wilson, John Roethlisberger, Mitch Gaylord, Peter Vidmar and Bart Conner. The U.S. Gymnastics Championships traces its history back to 1897 for the men and 1931 for the women.

Held at the Kansas City Convention Center, the annual USA Gymnastics National Congress and Trade Show provides a valuable opportunity for gymnastics professional around the country to attend educational presentations, as well as a number of live demonstrations, on a variety of topics, including coaching, judging, business, preschool, school-age/recreational, sports science, fitness and safe sport and more. Attendees also receive admittance to the trade show hall where they can visit vendor booths that provide specific goods and services to the gymnastics community.

#### **About The Kansas City Sports Commission and Foundation**

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#### **About USA Gymnastics**

Based in Indianapolis, USA Gymnastics is the national governing body for gymnastics in the United States. The organization is committed to creating a culture that encourages and supports its athletes and focuses on its highest priority, the safety and well-being of the athletes. USA Gymnastics has already taken specific, concrete steps to strengthen its safe sport policies and procedures. The organization's disciplines include men's and women's artistic gymnastics, rhythmic gymnastics, trampoline and tumbling, acrobatic gymnastics and gymnastics for all (formerly known as group gymnastics). For more complete information, log on to [usagym.org](http://usagym.org).

**About Sprint Center**

Sprint Center is Kansas City's home for live entertainment and sporting events. Anchor to more than \$6 billion of reinvestment in a revitalized downtown Kansas City, the award winning venue has welcomed more than 11 million guests and generated more than \$1.01 billion in economic activity since opening in 2007. Having exceeded attendance and financial projections in each year of operation, Sprint Center annually hosts more than 100 ticketed events and is a unique public/private partnership between AEG and the City of Kansas City, Mo.

**About Visit KC**

Visit KC is a non-profit organization whose mission is to ignite global passion for visiting Kansas City. Through marketing, sales and service of the convention and tourism industries, Visit KC supports a vital and growing component of the local economy—generating nearly 48,000 jobs and \$5.5 billion in economic impact annually. For more information about Kansas City, go to [VisitKC.com](http://VisitKC.com).

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