

**TWENTIETH ANNUAL FUKUDA
INVITATIONAL KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS**
Sponsored by Soko Joshi Judo Club of San Francisco
Date: Saturday, October 11, 2008, 9:30 a.m.
Check-in begins at 7:30 a.m. - ends at 8:30 a.m.

Tournament Director: Keiko Fukuda, 9th Dan

Assistant Tournament Directors: Vicki Trent, Laura Tanigawa, Frances Christie

Location: San Jose Buddhist Church, 640 North 5th Street, San Jose, CA 95120

Eligibility: Male and female players registered with USJF, USJI, or USJA.
Foreign competitors must be registered members and in good standing with their national judo association with proof of same.

Sanction: USJF Sanction # 08-10-04

Competition Events: 1. Nage-no-Kata 2. Ju-no-Kata 3. Katame-no-Kata 4. Kime-no-Kata 5. Goshin-Jutsu
6. Itsutsu-no-Kata 7. Koshiki-no-Kata

Categories: *Senior Advanced (three categories):* Women, Men, and Co-ed
Junior Advanced (three categories): Women, Men, and Co-ed
Junior Novice (three categories): Women, Men, and Co-ed

Divisions: A division consists of all competitors in one category competing in the same kata.

Tournament Director reserves the right to combine divisions and make any other necessary decisions regarding the tournament. For example, low numbers of teams in two categories competing in the same kata may be combined into one division.

Age Groups of Categories: Senior: 17 years and over; Junior: Under 17 years

Novice is available only for Juniors (under 17) ranked below Shodan. The required sets are listed below for the three katas which have a Novice category. All other contestants must complete all sets of the kata(s) in which they compete ("Advanced" category). Junior contestants who have previously competed a particular kata as Novice should compete this kata as Advanced, but this is at their instructor's discretion.

Novice Category		
<i>Ju-no-Kata</i>	<i>Katame-no-Kata</i>	<i>Nage-no-Kata</i>
1 st Set	1 st Set	1 st Set
2 nd Set	2 nd Set	2 nd Set
		3 rd Set

Entries: You may enter up to seven katas with the same partner or with different partners **ONCE per division**. In other words, you may not "compete against yourself" in the same division.

PLEASE FOLLOW THE DETAILED EXAMPLE SHOWN ON KATA ENTRY FORM. A CONTESTANT WHO SIGNS UP IN ERROR TO COMPETE IN THE SAME DIVISION TWICE WILL BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE ONLY ONCE IN THAT DIVISION.

For information about fees, deadlines, awards, where to mail entry forms, and other information, see the attached Tournament Information sheet.

WARNING!
WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, the **Twentieth Annual Fukuda Kata Tournament**, in any Judo tournament, practice, clinic, and related events and activities of the **United States Judo Federation, Inc., United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Central Coast Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., Soko Joshi Judo Club, San Jose Buddhist Judo Club, California Judo, Inc. Palo Alto Judo Club, and the San Jose Buddhist Temple**, I hereby:

1. Acknowledge that I am familiar with the sport of Judo and understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. Agree that, prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions, and the elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor, and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
3. Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due not only to my own actions, inactions or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
5. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the **United States Judo Federation, Inc., United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Central Coast Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., Soko Joshi Judo Club, San Jose Buddhist Judo Club, California Judo, Inc. Palo Alto Judo Club, and the San Jose Buddhist Temple**, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used in conducting the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "Releasees", from any and all claims, demands, losses, or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability and death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER, AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISKS AND CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW.

Participant

Participant's Signature

Date

**FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE
(UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)**

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

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USJF Sanction # 08-10-04
October 11, 2008
Tournament Information**

Please note start time for tournament: 9:30 a.m.

Awards

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place medals will be awarded for each division (division consists of all competitors in one category competing in the same kata, although divisions may be combined at the discretion of the Tournament Director).

Grand Champion: As at Sr. Nationals, points will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place results, and Grand Champion trophies will be awarded for the highest points earned by a competing team for Senior Men, Women, and Co-ed, if appropriate. A team must enter at least 3 katas to qualify for Grand Champion, Itsutsu-no-Kata will not be considered for Grand Champion computations, and any Grand Champion tie will be broken by comparing average scores.

Outstanding Youth: For the Junior categories, Outstanding Youth trophies will be awarded to one Junior team that has entered at least 3 kata and earned the highest points against other competing Junior teams.

Deadlines and Entry Fees

Early Registration: Entries POSTMARKED up to and including September 20: \$40 per kata per person for the first 3 katas entered; \$15 per kata per person for any additional katas entered.

Example: Jane Smith is competing in seven katas with three different partners. She will pay $3 \times \$40$ (\$120) + $4 \times \$15$ (\$60) = \$180.

Late Registration: Entries POSTMARKED after September 20 up to and including those POSTMARKED October 1: Add a one-time fee of \$40 to the above fees.

Example: If Jane Smith sends in the entries postmarked on September 23, her total fee will be $\$180 + \$40 = \$220$.

Note: To facilitate a smooth and efficient tournament, entries postmarked after October 1 will not be accepted. NO WALK-IN registrations will be accepted on the day of the tournament. We appreciate your understanding regarding this restriction.

Make checks payable to **Soko Joshi Judo Club**. Bring your USJI, USJF, or USJA membership card on the day of tournament.

Entry forms, waivers, and checks must be mailed and postmarked by the deadlines above. Email may be used for questions and other correspondence, but all entry forms must be

mailed via hardcopy on or before the deadlines. See contact information for the tournament below.

Entry package

The entry package must include:

1. The entry form fully completed with details of:
 - The katas you are entering
 - Whether you are Tori or Uke
 - Juniors, indicate whether you are competing Advanced or Novice
 - Full name of partner in each kata
 - Full contact information, including address, phone numbers, and email
 - Membership information, including membership number
 - Total amount of fees you are sending
2. Waiver form completed and signed
3. Entry fees (checks should be made out to Soko Joshi Judo Club)

Contact Information and Questions

If you have any questions regarding acceptable combinations of entries or require further information, please email (preferred) or call:

Vicki Trent at vtrent@aol.com, (415) 412-6649.

Mail applications to:

L. Lombardi, 601 Van Ness Ave., Box E3-317, San Francisco, CA 94102; for questions concerning applications, please email Vicki Trent at vtrent@aol.com, or call (415) 412-6649.

Refunds

No refunds will be given. Special exceptions may be made in the case of injury or emergency situations, but this is at the discretion of the Tournament Director.