

**TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL FUKUDA
INVITATIONAL KATA CHAMPIONSHIPS**
Sponsored by Soko Joshi Judo Club of San Francisco
Date: Saturday, October 17, 2009, 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 95112

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 # 09-10-05

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.

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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 three katas and earned the highest points against other competing Junior teams.

Deadlines and Entry Fees

Early Registration: Entries POSTMARKED up to and including September 28: \$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 28, up to and including those POSTMARKED October 10: Add a one-time fee of \$40 to the above fees.

Example: If Jane Smith sends in the entries postmarked on September 29, her total fee will be $\$180 + \$40 = \$220$.

Note: To facilitate a smooth and efficient tournament, entries postmarked after October 10 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 vctrent@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 vctrent@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.

