



MEDIA ADVISORY

ENTRY LIST AND EXCITEMENT GROWING FOR 2016 WORLD TAEKWONDO JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BURNABY, Oct 27, 2016 — As the countdown to the 2016 World Taekwondo Junior Championships marches on, the interest and excitement from the participating countries ramps up.

The Championships have drawn 743 competitors aged 14-17 from 93 countries to date. Many of those countries will compete with full teams of 20 members, including Canada, Brazil, Mexico, USA, France, Russia, Spain and Turkey. Add in officials, coaches and team managers, and the total number of participants reaches over 1,140.

“The fantastic news,” said Nancy Small, Executive-Director of Tourism Burnaby, “we’re so pleased with the response from the global taekwondo community, and we’re confident we’ll see some last minute entries in the coming weeks. We are very close to achieving our goal of 100 countries and 800 athletes.”

Competition will be held in eight weight divisions for women and ten for men. Qualifying rounds will be held each day, 9 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Semi-finals and finals will take place daily from 5-7 p.m.

Two British Columbia competitors are members of the Canadian National team and will be competing on home turf —Burnaby’s Josipa Kafadar, 15, who will compete in the 49-52 kg division, and Coquitlam’s Santiago Herrera, 16, who will contest the 55-59 kg division. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for the public to experience this dynamic and explosive sport, and for many it will be the first time watching competitive taekwondo.

Tickets start at just \$15 and are available at <http://burnabyjuniorchampionships.com/tickets>

FURTHER INFO:

More information about the event is available at www.burnabyjuniorchampionships.com

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Media registration open for the 2016 WTF World Taekwondo Junior Championships in Burnaby

Burnaby, B.C. (October 27, 2016) – More than 800 athletes from more than 100 countries will gather in Burnaby in November for the 2016 World Taekwondo Federation (WTF) World Taekwondo Junior Championships.

Media registration has officially opened for the event which takes place November 16 – 20, 2016 at the Bill Copeland Sports Centre (3676 Kensington Avenue, Burnaby).

The local organizing committee is inviting press, photographers, online and broadcast media to register their interest in covering the event.

Please reply to this email with the following contact information.

Last Name	
First Name	
Company/Media outlet	
Media type (print, website, television, radio)	
Position (written press, photographer, blogger, radio reporter, television reporter, television camera)	
Email	
Phone number (mobile)	

- Please attach a passport-sized jpeg (30 mm by 40 mm) photo to your email
- Maximum file size 512 Kb, minimum size 30 Kb
- Name the photo (last name CAPS, first name) Example: SMITH, John

The deadline for media applications is **Wednesday, November 9, 2016**. However, day pass media accreditation is also available at the venue during each day of the competitions.

Media facilities at the Bill Copeland Sports Centre include a media tribune/viewing area, athlete interview zone and workroom with free Wi-Fi.

The competitions start at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 16 with the opening ceremony at 8 p.m. on that day. Medals in various weight divisions will be awarded each evening of the five-day competition.

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