

# United States Kuo Shu Federation

USKSF Update

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## ***Tournament Registration is Open!***

Registration is now open for the 30th annual US International Kuo Shu Championship Tournament! It will be held at the Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley from July 27-29, 2018. Sponsored by the USKSF, and co-sponsored by the International Contact Weapon Sport Federation, this event will be conducted in a unique dual competition format. Both the 6th World Kuo Shu Championship Tournament (sanctioned by The World Kuo Shu Federation) and the US International Kuo Shu Championship Tournament will be held over this three day period. While some events will only be open to pre-qualified national team representatives, all other events will be available for open competition as normal.

**The following events will be run solely for those competitors who qualified at the 2017 US International Kuo Shu Championship Tournament:**

### **Adult External Advanced Forms/Weapons Divisions:**

- Northern Form (Male)
- Northern Form (Female)
- Southern Form (Male)
- Southern Form (Female)
- Straight sword (Jian) (Male)
- Straight sword (Jian) (Female)
- Broadsword (Dao) (Male)
- Broadsword (Dao) (Female)
- Long Staff (Gwun) (Male)
- Long Staff (Gwun) (Female)
- Spear (Qiang) (Male)
- Spear (Qiang) (Female)
- Other Weapon, including double weapons (Male)
- Other Weapon, including double weapons (Female)

**Adult Internal Advanced Forms/Weapons Divisions:**

- Yang Style Tai Ji Quan Form (Male)
- Yang Style Tai Ji Quan Form (Female)
- Xing Yi Quan Form (Male)
- Xing Yi Quan Form (Female)
- Ba Gua Zhang Form (Male)
- Ba Gua Zhang Form (Female)
- Tai Ji Weapon (Male)
- Tai Ji Weapon (Female)
- Xing Yi Weapon (Male)
- Xing Yi Weapon (Female)
- Ba Gua Weapon (Male)
- Ba Gua Weapon (Female)

**Adult Advanced Full-Contact Weapon Free Fighting Divisions:**

- Long Weapon (Male)
- Long Weapon (Female)
- Short Weapon (Male)
- Short Weapon (Female)

**All lei tai divisions are for pre-qualified competitors as well.**

**All other events will be open to all competitors!**

**To access the all-new USKSF registration portal, click [here](#).**



***Enjoy a Unique Travel Opportunity at This Year's Tournament!***

After a full weekend of competition, relax and enjoy a trip to the Washington, D.C. National Mall on Monday, July 30, 2018. The following attractions are all within walking distance of the mall:

- White House
- U.S. Capitol Building
- Washington Monument
- Lincoln Memorial
- World War II and Vietnam Veterans memorials
- Smithsonian Museums, including:
  - National Air and Space Museum
  - African American History and Culture Museum
  - National Museum of the American Indian
  - National Gallery of Arts
  - National Museum of Natural History
  - Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden
  - American Art Museum
- Jefferson Memorial
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial

The USKSF will provide bus transportation from the tournament hotel (Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley) to the Washington, D.C. National Mall and back. The bus will depart on the morning of Monday, July 30, 2018 at 10:30am. The trip to Washington, D.C. will take about 1.5 hours. The bus will depart Washington, D.C. National Mall at 8:00pm to return to the hotel.

Transportation cost is \$30/person. Space is limited !!! The USKSF is now taking reservations for this trip. For inquiries regarding this trip, contact [transportation@usksf.org](mailto:transportation@usksf.org). Registration for the trip will be available beginning in March, 2018.

***Note: Most of the attractions listed above have free admission. We strongly suggest you plan ahead by making a visit schedule and bring money to cover additional expenses, such as meals and souvenirs/gifts.***



### ***TWKSF Ranking Applications Due by May, 31, 2018!***

The World Kuo Shu Federation (TWKSF) is currently accepting ranking applications. Applicants who pass federation scrutiny will be listed on the TWKSF website and be presented with their sashes and certificates at the 2018 US International Kuo Shu Championship Tournament in Hunt Valley, MD. All applications must be received by May 31, 2018! For more information or to apply, click [here](#).

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