

**29th ANNUAL FUKUDA OPEN  
KATA CHAMPIONSHIP**

Sponsored by Soko Joshi Judo Club of San Francisco

**Date: Saturday, October 21, 2017, 9:30 a.m.**

**Check-in begins at 7:30 a.m. - ends at 8:30 a.m.**

**Tournament Advisor:** Eiko Shepherd, 8th dan

**Tournament Director:** Wilina Monar, 4<sup>th</sup> dan

**Assistant Tournament Directors:** Frances Christie, Kathy Ravano, Laura Tanigawa

**Head Judge:** Eiko Shepherd, 8th dan

**Location:** City College of San Francisco, Wellness Center, 50 Phelan Ave, San Francisco, CA 94112

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

**Sanction:** USJF Sanction # 17-10-08

**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  
*Senior Novice (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.

**Note: 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:** Available for Seniors ranked below Shodan and 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). Senior contestants who have previously competed in a particular kata as Novice should compete this kata as Advanced. Both members of the Senior team must be ranked below Shodan. Junior contestants who have previously competed in a particular kata as Novice should compete this kata as Advanced, but this is at their instructor's discretion.

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

**Fukuda Open Kata Championship: USJF Sanction # 17-10-08**

**ENTRY FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs. studying kata: \_\_\_\_\_

USJF/USJA/USJI number (circle one): \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_  
**Please circle the appropriate membership organization. Proof of current membership must be shown at the tournament.**

Dojo: \_\_\_\_\_ Sensei: \_\_\_\_\_

If assistance or accommodation is needed (select as appropriate):

Vision Loss/Blindness  Hearing Loss/Deafness

Type of assistance/accommodation requested or name of person assisting: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount due for individual: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Types of Entries:** You may compete in any, or all, of the 7 katas with the same partner or with different partners, but you may not compete "against yourself."

EXAMPLES:

*Acceptable*                      Tori: Joan Best;                      Uke: Cindy Lu                      Ju no Kata / Women's Div.  
   Tori: Bobby Darin;                      Uke: Joan Best                      Ju no Kata / Co-ed Div.

*Not Acceptable*                      Tori: Joan Best;                      Uke: Cindy Lu                      Ju no Kata / Women's Div.  
   Tori: Connie Stevens;                      Uke: Joan Best                      Ju no Kata / Women's Div.  
   Tori: Joan Best;                      Uke: Lily McGee                      Ju no Kata / Women's Div.

**Joan may NOT enter the same kata in the same division more than once.**

**LIST EACH KATA IN WHICH YOU WILL COMPETE. INCLUDE YOUR PARTNER (S) NAME (S)**

Which Kata?	Are you Tori or Uke?	Women, Men, or Co-ed?	Junior (under 17)?	Novice?	PARTNER'S NAME

**For information about deadlines, payments, mailing address, and other tournament 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, in any Judo tournament, practice, clinic, and related events and activities ("Activity") of the **United States Judo Federation, Inc., USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Central Coast Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., City College of San Francisco, and Soko Joshi Judo Club**, I agree:

1. I understand the nature of Judo activities and believe I am qualified to participate in such Activity. I also understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.

2. I further acknowledge 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. I acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, illness or disease, 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, illness, disease, permanent disability, or death.

5. I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the **United States Judo Federation, Inc., USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Central Coast Judo Yudanshakai, Inc., City College of San Francisco, and Soko Joshi Judo Club**, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, officers, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, legal 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 litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or costs on account of injury, illness, disease, including permanent disability and death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Releasees or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER, AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE. 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/LEGAL GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW. I INTEND THIS TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THAT THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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

This is to certify that I, as parent/legal 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 including litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or costs which may incur as the result of the minor child's 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/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**29th Annual Fukuda Open Kata Championship**  
**USJF Sanction # 17-10-08**  
**October 21, 2017**  
**TOURNAMENT INFORMATION**

**Please note start time for tournament: 9:30 a.m.; Check-in: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. on Tournament Day**

**Note: The tournament is at the same location as last year: City College of San Francisco. Directions, parking information, and hotel suggestions are included in this package.**

The dojo where the competition is held has few seating areas and no room for judo bags inside the dojo. But there are lockers, so please bring a lock for a locker so you can store your bags there.

### **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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 three 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:** 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. Itsutsu-no-Kata will not be considered for Outstanding Youth computations.

### **Deadlines and Entry Fees**

**Early Registration: Entries received up to and including October 2,** \$45 per kata per person for the first three katas entered (that is, \$135 per person for three katas); \$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 x \$45 (\$135) + 4 x \$15 (\$60) = \$195.

**Late Registration: Entries received after October 2 and up to and including October 10:** Add a one-time "Late" fee of \$45 to the above fees.

Example: If Jane Smith's entries are received on October 2, her total fee will be \$195 + \$45 = \$240.

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 received by the deadlines above. Email may be used for questions and other correspondence, but all entry forms must be mailed via hardcopy. See contact information for the tournament below.

**Note:** To facilitate a smooth and efficient tournament, entries received 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.

## **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
  - 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 or text to:

Kathy Ravano at [kravano@msn.com](mailto:kravano@msn.com); phone 1-415-566-9447.

You can also email [Sokojoshi@gmail.com](mailto:Sokojoshi@gmail.com) for questions about Soko Joshi Judo Club.

## **Mail applications to:**

Kathy Ravano, 111 Meadowbrook, San Francisco, CA 94132

For questions concerning applications, please email Kathy Ravano at [kravano@msn.com](mailto:kravano@msn.com), or call or text (1-415-566-9447).

## **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.

**Thank you, we look forward to seeing you all!**