

43rd Annual Eastern Open

Over \$13,000 in Prizes!! Over 40 prizes awarded!!

Class prizes for each 150-point interval within each section!!

A Heritage Event! GPP 100 (enhanced)! US Chess Junior Grand Prix!

December 27-30 or December 28-30, or December 29-30, or December 27, 2016

CONVENIENT LOCATION: DoubleTree Hotel, Bethesda MD (2 mi. S from I-495 at 8120 Wisconsin Ave; 4 blks N of Metro.)

Swiss in 6 Sections: Open section prizes guaranteed. Other section cash prizes based on 40 paid entries in each section.

Open: (4-day, 7 rd)	\$2,000-1,000-500	U2350: \$500	Open FIDE rated
Under 2200: (3- or 4-day)	\$1,000-500-250	U2050: \$500	
Under 1900: (3- or 4-day)	\$1,000-500-250	U1750: \$500	
Under 1600: (2-day, 6 rd)	\$800-400-200	U1450: \$400	Max U/R prize = \$250
Under 1300: (2-day, 6 rd)	\$700-350-200	U1150: \$300	U1000: \$250 Max U/R prize = \$100

Scholastic: (1-day, 4 rd) on Tue 12/27 in 3 sections: K-12 Open, K-8 U1000, K-5 U700. Trophies, medals, & book credit prizes.

Special Prizes:

Best Fighting Spirit and Best Played Game: \$200-100 from any round. Selected game must be annotated by winner.

Brilliancy: \$100-50 from any round. Submit position, game score, and annotate several moves leading up to the brilliancy.

Best Opening Innovation: \$100-50 from any round. Authors must demonstrate the value of their opening innovation vs. current best practice.

Winners will have games, brilliancies, and opening innovations submitted to *Chess Life* for publication.

Upsets in U1600 & U1300 Sections: For rounds 1-5, \$25 book credit prizes. Max 2 prizes per player.

4-day Schedule (12/27-12/30) for Open, U2200, and U1900 Sections:

On-Site Registration: Tuesday 12/27: 4-5:30 pm.

4-day Schedule: Rd 1: Tuesday 12/27 at 6 pm; Rds 2-3, 4-5, 6-7: Wednesday-Friday 12/28-12/30 at 11 am & 5:30 pm.

Time Control: 40/120, SD/30, d10. After evening rounds, players can make Metro subway connections.

3-day Schedule (12/28-12/30) for U2200 and U1900 Sections:

3-day On-Site Registration: Tuesday 12/27 all day & Wednesday 12/28: 4-4:45 pm. No 3-day option for Open section.

3-day Schedule: Rds 1-3: Wed 12/28 at 5, 7, 9 pm. **TC:** G/45, d10. Join 4-day in Rd 4.

Byes: ½-pt byes available for any round, but Rd 5-7 must commit before Rd 4. Limit 2 byes.

2-day Schedule (12/29-12/30) 6 rounds for U1600 and U1300 Sections:

On-Site Registration: On Thursday 12/29: 9-9:45 am, and anytime 12/27 or 12/28. **Time Control:** G/90, d10

2-day Schedule: Rds 1-3 & 4-6: Thursday-Friday 12/29-12/30 at 10 am, 2 pm, 6 pm.

Eastern Open Scholastic Tournament: 4 rds on Tue 12/27, 11am-7pm

3 sections: K-12 Open, K-8 U1000, and K-5 U700. Prizes are trophies, medals, certificates, and book credit prizes.

Entry Fee: \$35 if postmarked by 12/20. \$45 at site. Please make check payable to the Eastern Open.

On-Site Registration: On Tuesday 12/27: 10-10:45 am. **Time Control:** G/45, d10. **Schedule:** Rds 1-4 at 11 am, 1, 3, & 5 pm.

Open Section Rules: FIDE Rules used, with regular US Chess 1-hr lateness/default rule in effect. If no US Chess rating, use FIDE rating +100 pts. If no US or FIDE rating, then rating assigned for other countries per US Chess rulebook. Foreign players with no FIDE ID, MUST pre-register by Dec. 15th so that country can register player with FIDE. 4-day schedule only and no re-entries allowed.

Chess Simul: Tuesday 12/27: 10 am - 12:30 pm -- with GM Alex Lenderman \$20 per board

Chess Lecture: Tuesday 12/27: 4-5:30 pm -- *Chess Harmony* with GM Alex Lenderman

Equipment: Please bring sets and clocks as none will be provided.

Hotel Rates: Amazing, still only \$79 per night!! Reserve by calling 1-800-955-7359 and request the group rate for **EASTERN OPEN CHESS TOURNEY** or use the Group SRP/Code: **EC2**. Soon guests can go also online to www.doubletreebethesda.com, click on the Reservations Tab, enter dates and on the Special Accounts Section enter **EC2** for the Group/Convention Code.

Parking: Hotel valet parking is \$10/day if overnight guest or \$5/day otherwise!

Entry Fee: If postmarked by Dec 20: Open = \$125 U2200 = \$120 U1900 = \$110 U1600 = \$110 U1300 = \$100

Entry \$25 more at site! \$10 service charge for refunds. Reentry \$100 & limited to rds 1-4. Dec 2016 Rating List used.

Open section: GMs: Free entry, but \$125 deducted from any prize. IMs: \$65 advance entry, but \$60 deducted. FMs: \$90 advance entry, but \$35 deducted. No re-entries.

Mailed Entries: Please make checks or money orders payable to Eastern Open.

Mail entries postmarked by 12/20 to Tom Beckman, 3731 Kanawha St. NW, Washington DC 20015-1809.

For entry, registration, and info: easternopenchess.com and questions: tombeckman@rcn.com (advance entries on reverse)

Eastern Open Advance Entry Form

Name: _____ US Chess #: _____ Exp Date: _____ US Chess Rating: _____

Address: Street _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____ December 2016 Rating List used.

Section:	Open	U2200	U1900	U1600	U1300/UR	FM	IM	GM
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Entry Fee:	\$125	\$120	\$110	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$65	\$0
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Section: _____ Entry Fee Enclosed: _____ Byes for Rounds: _____

For Open section, FIDE Rating: _____ FIDE Country: _____ -

For Open, U2200, & U1900 Sections: 4-day schedule: _____ or, for U2200 & U1900 Sections: 3-day schedule: _____

U1600 & U1300 Sections: 2-day schedule: _____ Scholastic Tourney (\$35) _____

Eastern Open Blitz Championship Entry Fee (\$35): _____

Total Entry Fees Enclosed: _____

Please complete entry form and make check or money order payable to Eastern Open. Mail entries postmarked by Dec. 20th to Tom Beckman, 3731 Kanawha St. NW, Washington DC 20015-1809. Entries \$25 more at site for Eastern Open, and \$10 more for Blitz and Scholastic. \$10 service charge for refunds.

Eastern Open Blitz Championship

December 27, 2016, 1-4 pm

5-Round Double Swiss. Play each opponent with White and Black. **One Section: Time Control:** G/6 i3.

Prizes: \$850 in cash prizes based on 40 paid entries: 1st/2nd: \$250/150, U2100: \$150/75; U1800: \$150/75.

Higher of USCF and Quick used for pairings and prizes. December 2016 Rating List used.

Entry Fees: \$35 if postmarked by 12/20. \$45 at site. Please make check payable to the Eastern Open.

On-Site Registration: Tuesday 12/27: 12-12:45 pm. Rounds will start at 1 pm promptly & successive rds will start as soon as ready.