



2026 U.S. Classic

BID INFORMATION

EVENT OVERVIEW

The U.S. Classic is a national level event with two competitions conducted at the same time in the same venue. The U.S. Classic competition acts as the national qualifier for the junior and senior elite level athletes to the U.S. Gymnastics Championships. These are the top female and male gymnasts in the USA. The Hopes Championship competition is for the pre-elite level athletes and serves as their culminating competition of the season. Between the 4 sessions, this event will have 150-175 athletes competing. Athletes, coaches, and officials make up a delegation of approximately 300-400 people from around the country.

TELEVISION

USA Gymnastics retains the exclusive rights and privileges to broadcast this event. The final session is typically broadcast by NBC Sports.

HOST / PARTNER

Due to the high level of visibility created by this competition, a unique relationship is formed between the host city and USA Gymnastics. A partnership with USA Gymnastics, the city, CVB, sports commission, venue and hotel are necessary for a successful event.

BID PROCEDURE

Interested parties should provide the following information:

- Confirm interest in hosting the event
- Proposed venue with availability for requested dates
- Hotel options with available room block
- Partners that would be involved in hosting the event

Please notify Scott Cole, Director of Event Operations (scole@usagym.org) of your interest and copy Grace Schumacher, Event Coordinator (gschumacher@usagym.org).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

U.S. Classic	2026
Load In	Tuesday July 28, 2026
Setup	Wednesday July 29, 2026
Training	Thursday July 30, 2026
Hopes Championship and Jr. Women	Friday July 31, 2026
Sr. Men and Sr. Women Competition	Saturday August 1, 2026
Load-Out	Sunday August 2, 2026

*Subject to change

HOTEL

A graduated room block as shown below will be needed with a peak of 185 rooms with **170** doubles and a total of 720 room nights. It is ideal for the room block below be held at a single hotel. It is preferred that the hotel block is located within walking distance. USA Gymnastics housing partner will contract with the hotel directly on behalf of USA Gymnastics and will handle all reservations.

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Total
Single	5	15	15	15	15	15	80
Double	10	50	130	170	160	120	640
Total Rooms	15	65	145	185	175	135	720

Hotel Concessions:

- Commissionable rate AND \$16 rebate per room night
- 3 week cut off
- No attrition
- 1 per 40 comp (applied to Master bill as a credit)
- Comp Suites
- Upgrades to Suites
- Discounted Staff/Judges Rooms (STAFF RATE)
- Rate to Include breakfast (if breakfast is not already included in the rate)
- Comp Internet for Guests
- Comp Parking for Staff (if parking has a cost)
- Discounted Parking Cost for Participants
- Discounted or Comped Meeting Space
- Possible Meeting Space Needed (if not available at the venue) – TBD

**Must advise USA Gymnastics of any other city-wide events that may impact our event.*

VENUE SPECIFICATIONS

The facility should be a modern, clean and accessible arena meeting the following minimum standards:

- Competition Floor Area: 85 ft. wide x 200 ft. long with a minimum 40' ceiling height.
- Additional Floor Space: 2500sq.ft. on one side and end for production and media
- Spectator seating: 4,000 minimum
- LED video and ribbon boards and control room
- Auxiliary Rooms: Adequate space for hospitality areas, locker rooms, judges' meetings, production office, and catering.
- Television Parking Area: Space for production trucks, generator, uplink, and office trailers.

USA GYMNASTICS RESPONSIBILITIES

- All aspects of the competition including athletes, coaches, judges and event staff
- Travel expenses for the staff and judges
- Gymnastics equipment and podium
- Gymnastics community volunteers
- Gym Club / Grassroots marketing assistance
- Athlete medical

HOST RESPONSIBILITIES

- Facility
- Operational personnel and services
- In-house video production staff
- Marketing and Promotions
- Additional athlete medical – organized through USA Gymnastics Medical Team

- Assistance in securing favorable hotel rates