

# National Events, Camps, Trials & Convention

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## **National Events Proposed Dates**

2023 Event Season			
Age group Trials	January 13 – 16, 2023	Awarded	100
Boys Camp	February 19 -21, 2023	Awarded	30
U.S. Collegiate Championship	March 22 – 25, 2023	Awarded	150
U.S. Junior & Senior Championship & JR NT Trials	April 12 – 16, 2023	Awarded	300
U.S. 13-15 Championship & 12U Championship Age Group NT Trials	April 26 – 30, 2023	Awarded	350
International Event	August, 2023	Open	150
U.S. Junior Olympic	June 24 – July 1, 2023	Awarded	1,100
National Talent Camp	July 2023	Awarded	45
Rising Star Camps (6 locations needed)	August – September, 2023	Open	50-100
Convention	September 2023 (Wed – Sun)	Awarded	200
U.S. Masters Championships	October 19 – 22, 2023	Awarded	300
Coaches College & All-Star Camp	November 2023	Tentative	125
2024 Event Season			
Age group Trials	January 13 – 15, 2024	Open	200
Boys Camp	February 19 -21, 2024	Awarded	30
U.S. Collegiate Championship	March 20 – 23, 2024	Awarded	150
U.S. Junior & Senior Championship	April 10 – 14, 2024	Open	300
U.S. 13-15 Championship & 12U Championship Age Group NT Trials	April 24 – 28, 2024	Open	350
America Open – FINA World Series	May or June 2024	Open	150
U.S. Junior Olympic	June 29 – July 6 2024	Open	1,100
National Talent Camp	July 2024	Awarded	45
Rising Star Camps (6 locations needed)	August – September, 2022	Open	50-100
Convention	September 2024 (Wed – Sun)	Open	200
U.S. Masters Championships	October 23 – 27, 2024	Open	300
Coaches College & All-Star Camp	November 2024	Open	125
2025 Event Season			
Age group Trials	January 17 – 20, 2025	Open	200
Boys Camp	February 2025	Awarded	30
U.S. Collegiate Championship	March 26 – 30, 2025	Open	150
U.S. Junior & Senior Championship	April 9 – 13, 2025	Open	300
U.S. 13-15 Championship & 12U Championship Age Group NT Trials	April 23 – 27, 2025	Open	350
America Open – FINA World Series	May or June 2025	Open	150
U.S. Junior Olympic	June 28 – July 5, 2025	Open	1,100
National Talent Camp	July 2025	Awarded	45
Rising Star Camps (6 locations needed)	August & September 2025	Open	50-100
Convention	September 2025 (Wed – Sun)	Open	200
U.S. Masters Championships	October 23 – 26, 2025	Open	300
Coaches College & All-Star Camp	November 2025	Open	125

#### **Tournament Bid Information**

USA Artistic Swimming is pleased to take this opportunity to introduce you to the Olympic sport of artistic swimming and its national events. USA Artistic Swimming hosts a series of national and international artistic swimming throughout the year.

USA Artistic Swimming will accept bids from any city, CVB, sports commission or artistic swimming division interested in hosting a national event. The bid must provide facilities, commit services, supply personnel and volunteers and proposed host hotels to USA Artistic Swimming. The range of events and the flexibility that USA Artistic Swimming offers in sharing responsibilities provides hosts with various levels of involvement.

Proposals are due to USA Artistic Swimming based on the following schedule: 2024 proposals are due December 1, 2022. 2025 proposals are due June 1, 2023

USA Artistic Swimming will rotate each events location yearly. We are interested in multiyear agreements with host that will rotate through multiple events. Example would be to host 2023 Junior Olympic, 2024 Masters and 2025 Open.

Proposals are accepted and evaluated on a rolling basis, so events may be awarded to cities that have submitted excellent bids in advance of the deadline. *Please see the check list & sample hotel grid as this must be included with your proposal.* 

#### **Tournament Housing:**

**Housing Service (HS)**: USA Artistic Swimming has a partnership with Team Solution. Event host will be required to work with our housing partner to find hotels in close proximity to the venue and assist in covering 12-15 complementary rooms for head staff and officials and 10% commission. The headquarters hotel shall be in close proximity to the venue.

**<u>REQUIRED</u>**: Complimentary breakfast for any official or staff staying at a headquarters hotel from the day after check-in through day of check-out.

# Bid Proposal Check List:

Please fill out the check list below submit with your Bid Proposal

Requirements for All Events, Camps and Trials
Venue proposal with layout and detailed deck map outline depths and size of pool.
Rental Fee including meetings rooms, tables, chairs, risers, lifeguards, supervisors, etc.
Onsite catering options or off-site preferred vendors along with expenses
Hotel grid for staff and attendee rooms including rate, breakfast, internet and distance from the venue
CVB/sport commission proposed incentives
Proposed community outreach partner(s)
Shade structures for outdoor events only
Free parking at venue for staff and judges
Volunteer availability. See sample volunteer schedule on the next page
Requirements Specific to a National Championships
Gymnasium or meeting room space for Dry Land Practice and team hangout. (Large space required for Junior Olympics) can be outside if weather permits.
Ability of hardline internet connection for live web broadcasting and dedicated Wifi for event staff and vendors.
Pipe and drape capability and expenses – need approximately 125ft x 10' tall
Staging (required for America Open, UANA and Worlds, suggest for remaining events)
EMT Presence at events (required at Junior Olympics, suggested for remaining events)
Transportation (required for America Open, UANA and Worlds during the duration of the event between hotel, airport and venue. Suggested for remaining events between hotel and airport)
PA Speakers
Requirements Specific to Trials & Camps
Include gym specs and meeting room availability for clinics
Sound system including PA speakers and underwater speaker
Requirements Specific to Judges Training & Convention
Hotel rates, meeting room rental rates and transportation to and from airport, catering

#### **Host Organization:**

A LOC that is comprised of both representatives of a local artistic swimming club (whenever possible) and CVB/Sports Commission members provides the most attractive combination for a successful event. The following are additional incentives when selecting our host location:

- City located within close proximity to a hub airport International airport for UANA, Worlds and FINA events.
- Bids that cover the cost of internet, tables/chairs/staging, shuttle transportation and/or facility rental are viewed favorably.
- Covering the cost of catering meals for staff and judges. Additional incentive when including coaches in this catering.
- Having the host hotel(s) within walking distance of the venue for convenience and to alleviate USA Artistic Swimming of having to use cabs/rental cars/shuttles
- Provide a keepsake/gift for all registrants (150 1,500 total depending on the tournament) typically something with the city logo
- Securing of city/local grants to aid local grassroots/developmental artistic swimming programs

#### Sample Volunteer Needs

Volunteers need no previous artistic swimming knowledge. All positions can be taught onsite. Typical needs are 10 people onsite at one time in any of the following positions. Figure events require an additional 15-20 volunteers.

National Events	Free Event	Tech Event	Figure Event					
Readers			4					
Scorers			12					
Video Recorder		1	2					
Announcer	1	1						
Live Stream Assistant	2	2						
Registration		1-2						
Tickets		1-2						
Door Guards	De	pends on # of entran	ces					
Deck Marshal		1-2						
Hospitality		1						
	Camps &	Trials						
Onsite coordinator Someone onsite at facility to assist with set up and event organization and implementation								

#### Venue Requirements:

The venue must be available from approximately 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. each day of the event and for at least one (1) day in advance for set up.

#### National Championships

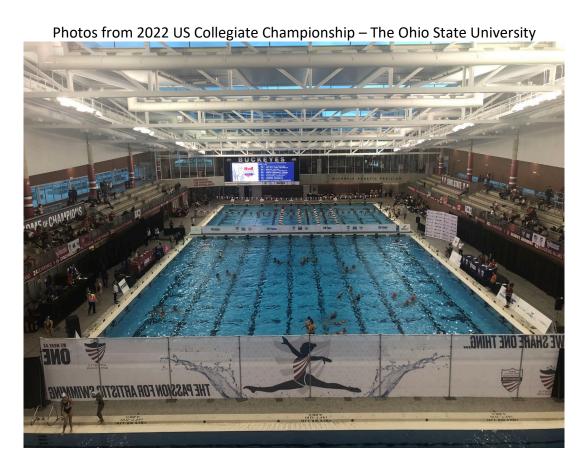
#### **Pool Dimensions**

- 50 M Pool Split into two.
  - <u>Deep Half</u>: 12 meters (40') by 25 meters (82') is required, within an area of which 12 meters by 12 meters must have a minimum depth of 3 meters (10'). The depth of the remaining area shall be 2 meters (6.5') minimum. See sample on last page.
  - <u>Shallow Half</u>: no depth requirement. Used for warm up. 7' is desired.



12m (40')

- 50M pool cut in half using a bulkhead and/or USAAS Banners
- The competition area NEEDS TO BE deep enough to host our event
- Athlete walk out area needs to be clear of any obstacles (boards or start blocks)
- Judges will be placed on both sides of the pool. Staff will be placed on one side of the pool.
- Spectator seating should be viewable of the Competition Area.
- 12 8' tables required for set up around the pool for judges and staff. Remaining tables can be 6' used in other areas of the facility.



These photos provide a guideline for an ideal set up.



Spectator Seating

- U.S. Collegiate: Seating for 500 spectators
- U.S. Senior & Junior: Seating for 300 spectators
- U.S. 13 15 & 12U: Seating for 300 spectators
- America Open/International: Seating for 200 spectators
- U.S. Junior Olympic: Seating for 900 spectators
- U.S. Masters: Seating for 200 spectators

Deck Space & Athlete Seating

8' – 12' surrounding entire pool, bleachers set up for team area around pool deck

Athlete Walk Out & Ready Room

- Athlete walk out clear of obstacles and covered with a non-slip surface.
- Ready room is a 10' x 10' space by walk out for teams to wait for their start time Shade Structures
  - Outdoor event host must provide shade structures for judges, announcer, scoring table, music and broadcaster. 15, 10' x 10' tents

Expo Space

- Room for one 10' x 20' booth space for Team IP.
- Room for 4 additional 10' x 10' booth spaces. This includes providing tables, chairs and power outlasts.

Locker Room & Restrooms

- Athletes: sufficient number of lockers, showers, restrooms and mirrors with available hot and cold water, non-slip walkways
- Spectators: separate from athlete locker rooms and away from athlete area
- Staff & Judges: separate from athlete locker rooms

**Knoxing Station** 

- What is Knoxing? Click Here.
- Knoxing: 10' x 10' a space indoors with access to chairs, mirrors and hot water pots. Not suitable over a carpeted surface
- De-Knoxing: access to showers and/or hot water in which athletes can wash out their hair throughout the competition, and must be available on the final day of competition

**Electrical Capacity** 

 Multiple GFCI-equipped outlets for use with sound, scoring and video production systems, along with separate outlets to accommodate officeequipment needs. Sufficient outlets in exhibition area to support vendor needs

Internet

• Free dedicated WiFi internet access for scoring room and vendor location. Free hard line 100x100 Megabits internet connection for live web broadcasting

Judges Seating

• Elevated platform seating for up to 15 total judges. Suggested for all championships. Required for America Open, UANA and Worlds.

Water Temperature

• 80 – 82°F for all events

Parking

• Adequate parking space for all USA Artistic Swimming officials, event workers, vendors, exhibitors, participants and spectators.

Dry Land Practice Area

• Sufficient open space (hallways, classrooms, gym, outdoor area, etc.) out of spectator view and inclement weather conditions. Gymnasium or larger space required for JOs.

Scoreboard

- Technician on site for set up to assist with scoreboard connections.
- America Open, UANA and Worlds requires a video scoreboard

Sound System

 Host to provide PA sound system capable of producing uniform clear sound through the competition area, typically 2 PA speakers. USA Artistic Swimming will provide remaining equipment (underwater speakers)

Meeting Rooms

- Hospitality: Coaches/officials' hospitality for 40 people
- Scoring room: 2 people close to the pool deck judge tables
- Rooms must be climate controlled.

Hospitality

• Lunch & snacks during competition for judges & staff up to 40 people.

Pipe and Drape

• Required pipe and drape of 10' high by 75' long and 10' high by 20' long used to hang two USAAS Banners provided by USAAS.

#### Trials and Camps

**Pool Dimensions** 

- 50 M Pool: we will use the deep half and need the deep half of the pool to be 7' to 10' or more.
- 25M Pool: we will use the entire pool and require a depth of 7' to 10' Dance Studio
  - Studio or gym space for land drill training

Water Temperature

• 79 – 81°F for all events

Sound System

• Host to provide PA sound system capable of producing uniform clear sound through the competition area and underwater speakers.

Meeting Rooms

- One large meeting space for trials
- Multiple meeting rooms and one large gym/meeting space for camps

#### **Annual Convention**

#### Hotel

- Prefer hotel verses a convention center and within close proximity to an airport
- Preferred hotel rate is \$130/night

#### **Meeting Rooms**

- Grand Ballroom (or similar):
  - o 200-300 depending on registration numbers
  - Rounds of 10
  - Used for large group sessions, catering lunch 3 days and hosting BOD meeting
  - AV Needs: Projector, screen, wireless microphone (7 total for Saturday BOD meeting), live streaming (hard line internet connection)
- Breakout Rooms:
  - 3-5 breakout rooms (depending on the year)
    - At least one room to fit 50 people
    - Remaining rooms between 30-50 people
  - o Classroom style
  - o AV Needs: Projector, screen, wireless microphone, music/speaker
- Preferred meeting room space comp with a F&B minimum.

#### Catering

- Lunch buffet will be served Thursday, Friday & Saturday to all attendees in the Grand Ballroom.
  - Lunch preferred price is \$25/person including meal and beverages.
- Awards Reception:
  - o 200-250 attendees in Grand Ballroom
  - o Saturday evening
  - Heavy hors d'oeuvres
  - o Cash Bar
  - Preferred price is \$35/person
- Pricing for water and coffee station outside breakout rooms

### **Foundation Reception**

• One reception for 75 people off site. This event is planned and paid for by the USAAS Foundation as a fundraising event annually. Please suggest locations to accommodate this event on Thursday evening, including price and menu options.

#### **Convention bid should include:**

- Pricing for hotel room, tax and resort fees.
- Pricing for lunch and receptions, tax and service fees.
- Pricing for AV rentals
- Pricing for one water and coffee station outside breakout rooms
- Recommendations for off site Foundation Reception and pricing

#### Hotel Event Profiles:

Our membership is highly interested in <u>extended stay properties</u> and will be the first hotels to fill for any Championship Event. All events (except convention) will use Team Solutions be the housing partner. Ideal hotel rate for all events listed is \$130/night.

#### Age Group Trials – January

Athletes fly in would be Friday and trials Saturday – Monday.

	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon		Total
Room Nights	5	75	75	5			160

#### **US Collegiate Championship**

Teams fly in on Wednesday/Thursday with competition Thursday – Sunday.

	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Total
Room Nights	8	60	80	80	70	45	0	0	345

#### **US Senior & Junior Championship**

Teams fly in on Tuesday/Wednesday with competition Wednesday – Sunday.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Total
Room Nights	20	100	125	125	125	110	40	0	645

#### US 13-15 & 12U Championship

Teams fly in on Tuesday/Wednesday with competition Wednesday – Sunday.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Total
Room Nights	5	25	160	195	195	180	45	1	800

#### America Open/World Championship

Teams fly in on Sunday/Monday, practice Mon – Wed and competition Fri – Sun.

	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Total
Room Nights	2	18	77	103	116	120	130	130	130	95	26	950

#### **US Junior Olympic**

Teams fly in on Thu/Fri & Tus/Wed with competition Saturday – Saturday.

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	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
Room Nights	60	315	360	355	350	400	300	225	200	95	1	2660

#### National Talent Camp – July

Athletes fly in on Monday with camp Tuesday - Saturday and fly out Sunday.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
Room Nights	2	35	35	35	35	35	35	2	210

#### **Rising Star Camps**

Athletes fly in on Friday, camp Saturday – Sunday and fly out Sunday.

	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun			Total
Room Nights		25	25				50

#### Convention

Staff arrive Wednesday and participants arrive Wednesday & Thursday with majority leave Sunday

	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Total
Room Nights	4	65	95	95	90	6		350

#### **US Masters Championships**

Teams fly in on Tuesday/Wednesday with competition Thursday – Sunday.

	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Total
Room Nights	10	35	65	70	65	15	1	260

#### Coaches College & All-Star Camp – October

Athletes fly in on Thursday, camp Friday – Sunday and fly out Sunday.

	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon		Total
Room Nights	1	55	55	55	1			175





## National Championship Event History

Date	Competition Name	Location		
March 2022	FINA World Series Stop #1	Virtual		
March 24 – 27, 2022	US Collegiate Championship	The Ohio State University		
April 27 – May 1, 2022	US 13-15 Championship & 12U Invitational	Irvine, CA		
April 6 – 10, 2022	US National & Junior Championship	Geneva, OH		
June 25 – July 2, 2022	US Junior Olympic Championship	Gainesville, FL		
August 8 – 14, 2022	FINA Youth World Championship	Charlotte, NC		
August & September	Rising Star Camps Norton, MA   Mesa, AZ   Coral Springs, FL	Columbus, OH   Elk Grove, CA   Denton, TX		
October 20 – 23, 2022	US Masters Championship	Waterville, MA		
February 18 – 29, 2021	US America Open	Virtual		
April 16 – 18, 2021	US Collegiate Championship	Stanford, CA		
April 21 – 25, 2021	US 13-15 Championship & 12U Invitational	Mesa, AZ		
April 25 – 28, 2021	US National & Junior Championship	Mesa, AZ		
June 26 – July 3, 2021	US Junior Olympic Championship	Colorado Springs, CO		
August 16 – 22, 2021	UANA Youth & Junior International Open	Clearwater, FL		
September & October	Rising Star Camps Norton, MA   Mesa, AZ   Coral Springs, FL	Columbus, OH   Elk Grove, CA   Denton, TX		
October 21 – 21, 2021	US Masters Championship	Henderson, NV		
March 26-28, 2020	2020 U.S. Collegiate Championship Cancelled	Mesa, AZ		
March 28-29, 2020	2020 U.S. National Championship Cancelled	Mesa, AZ		
April 1-5, 2020	2020 U.S. Junior & 13-15 Championship Cancelled	Mesa, AZ		
June 12-14, 2020	2020 U.S. America Open Cancelled	Rochester, MI		
June 27 – July 4	2020 Junior Olympic Championships Cancelled	Gainesville, FL		
October 15-18, 2020	2020 U.S. Masters Championship Cancelled	Las Vegas, NV		
March 27-30, 2019	2019 U.S. Collegiate Championships	San Antonio, TX		
March 30-31, 2019	2019 U.S. National Championships	San Antonio, TX		
April 10-14, 2019	2019 U.S. Junior & 13-15 Championship	Riverside, CA		
May 24-26, 2019	2019 American Open	Greensboro, NC		
June 28-July 6, 2019	2019 Junior Olympic Championships	Tonawanda, NY		
October 10-13, 2019	2019 U.S. Masters Championships	Tupelo, MS		
March 29-31, 2018	2018 U.S. Collegiate Championships	Oro Valley, Arizona		
March 31-April 1, 2018	2018 U.S. Senior National Championships	Oro Valley, Arizona		
April 11-15, 2018	2018 U.S. Junior & 13-15 National Championships	Lewisville, Texas		
June 6-9, 2018	2018 Synchro American Open	La Mirada, California		
June 22-30, 2018	2018 U.S. Junior Olympic Championships	Oxford, Ohio		
October 18-21, 2018	2018 U.S. Masters Championships	San Ramon, California		
March 22-25, 2017	2017 U.S. Collegiate Championships	Columbus, Ohio		
April 4-9, 2017	2017 U.S. National Championships	Oro Valley, Arizona		
June 21-24, 2017	2017 Synchro American Open	East Meadow		
June 30-July 8, 2017	2017 Junior Olympic Championships	Riverside, California		
October 19-22, 2017	2017 U.S. Masters Championships	Clermont, Florida		
March 24-26, 2016	2016 US Collegiate Nationals	Gainesville, Florida		
April 6-9, 2016	2016 US National Championships	Mesa, Arizona		
June 24-July2, 2016	2016 US Junior Olympic Championships	Long Island, New York		
July 28-31, 2016	2016 Synchro American Open	Riverside, California		
October 20-23, 2016	2016 US Masters Championships	Oro Valley, Arizona		

## USA Artistic Swimming Individual Membership: <u>7.000 members (pre covid)</u> Gender: 97.3% Female 2.7% Male

18 years of age and younger	22%
18 – 36 years of age	47%
Using Facebook daily	83.7%
Likely to show loyalty to a sponsor of USA Artistic Swimming	44.9%
Make online purchases	90.1%
Top five states of residency	CA, FL, NY, OH and AZ

**Member Clubs:** There are currently 176 artistic swimming clubs in the United States.

<u>Universities & Colleges</u>: There are four college varsity programs and 24 college club programs.

#### **Zones as Partner Opportunities**

USA Artistic Swimming is divided into four zones: North, South, East and West. Each year between the end of February to early March these zones host a qualifying event. USA Artistic Swimming will connect you with Zone Leadership to create an agreement to help host their events. Room nights depended on host city and team proximity.

- North: 250 athletes
- South: 250 athletes
- West: 300 athletes
- East: two events at 150 athletes each