



February 24-26, 2017

Pasadena Convention Center
Halls A&B (Awards in Hall C)
300 East Green Street
Pasadena, CA 91101

Dear Coaches,

Thank you for joining us for the 11th annual Chris Waller's Heart of a Champion Invitational. You and your team will not only be attending one of the nation's best competitions, but your participation will have an enormous impact on the lives of many children with heart disease.

Attached you will find the schedule, roster, statement and more information for a fun-filled weekend. In order for us to run an efficient competition, please notify us of any scratches and level changes right away. Please forward the roster and schedule to your parents to double check levels, spelling and birthdates and report errors right away. If we need to make minor adjustments once we receive these, we will send out an updated schedule.

Please also remind parents to adjust their hotel rooms accordingly if they booked extra nights while waiting for the schedule. The host hotel is full, and other people may want to get in if unnecessary booked nights are dropped. For those still needing rooms, we also have a handful of rooms at the Courtyard Marriott.

Courtyard Pasadena/Old Town

180 N. Fair Oaks Avenue

Pasadena, CA 91103

(626) 403-7600

Special Group Rate: \$179/night

Group Name: GymJam Foundation

Last Day to Book: 02/02/17

[Book reservations here.](#)

Any level changes, gymnast swaps, and late entries are now subject to availability. We will be running an A and B side for all sessions. Coaches should plan on being split into multiple squads if you have a larger team or are in a session that has multiple levels. Rotation schedules will be available for each session when you arrive for your session. If you have a conflict being split into multiple groups, please contact us right away. The last day for refunds is January 13th. We will process refunds and mail checks out after this date or you may pick up your refund check at the meet.

LIKE us on Facebook! We have a Facebook page dedicated to the meet. Tell your coaches, gymnasts, and parents to LIKE the page to learn more about the weekend's events and have some fun with us leading up to the meet. The page can be found here:

www.facebook.com/heartofachampionmeet

For questions or to submit roster updates, please email Janel Kim, jakim1@sbcglobal.net. Keep an eye on our website at www.heartofachampionmeet.com and our Facebook page for updates and other information. Updated session schedules will be posted online up until meet weekend.

We wish you a great beginning to your meet season and we look forward to seeing you February 24 – February 26, 2017!

Chris Waller
Olympian & Survivor of Two Heart Surgeries
Waller's GymJam Academy

Cindy Waller
Meet Director
Waller's GymJam Academy

Janel Kim
Meet Director
Waller's GymJam Academy

What to pack: Pasadena Winter Weather

During the month of February/March, visitors to the area can expect temperatures in the high 60's. While it can often reach 80 degrees this time of year, please plan on the evening temperatures falling as low as 45 degrees.

Meet Location & Meet Information

Chris Waller's 2017 Heart of a Champion Invitational will be hosted at the Pasadena Convention Center. For more information, visit our website at www.heartofachampionmeet.com

The Pasadena Convention Center

300 East Green Street
Pasadena, CA 91101

The Westin Pasadena

191 North Robles
Pasadena, CA 91101
(626) 304 1419

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Meet Format: Modified Capital Cup

Individual Awards: Provided to at least the top 50% on each event/All Around for all levels

Team Awards: Awarded to the top 3 teams in each level/session (Top three scores on each event. Level 2 - no scores flash.). Cash awards awarded to top teams in all sessions of same level combined.

What's Happening?

Awards: Awards Ceremony will occur immediately following each session in Hall C, immediately across from Exhibit Halls A and B in the Pasadena Convention Center

UCLA Gymnastics: The UCLA Gymnastics team will be playing host to Pac-12 opponent University of Arizona on Saturday, February 25th at 1PM. The competition is held on the campus of UCLA in Pauley Pavilion and will be broadcast live on the Pac-12 Networks. We highly encourage everyone to attend!

Programs: Programs that include details of the entire weekend can be purchased for \$5!

Raffle Tickets: Once you arrive at the meet, don't forget to buy your raffle tickets. Many fantastic prizes will be given away to winners throughout the weekend! All proceeds support Camp del Corazon.

Support Your Athletes: You can buy a "shout-out" or "candy gram" to wish your gymnast good luck at the meet!

Concessions: The Pasadena Convention Center will be offering concessions during all sessions of Chris Waller's 2017 Heart of a Champion Invitational for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snack items. Beverages including soft drinks, coffee, water, etc. will be available for purchase.

Coaches Hospitality: Coaches will receive meal tickets for use during the sessions they are working. Seating will be provided so coaches can eat and relax in between each session in Hall C.

Coaches & Judges Party: There will be a private event for coaches and judges only on Saturday night. More information to follow.

Spectator Admission Prices

	Adult (13 & up)	Child (Age 5-12)	Senior (62+)	Military	Children Under the Age of 5 are FREE
Individual Session	\$16	\$10	\$12	\$12	
Daily Pass	\$25	\$15	\$15	\$15	
Weekend Pass	\$35	\$25	\$25	\$25	

*Registered Gymnasts and Coaches can watch any session by showing your meet credentials at the entrance. Please remember that flash photography is NOT permitted during any portion of the competition for the athletes' safety.

