SILICON VALLEY VIRTUAL OPEN

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WELCOME

Dear UTA family and friends,

We are very excited to announce the 39th Silicon Valley Virtual Open TKD Championship! Due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, many of the traditional tournaments planned for 2020 had to be cancelled. In turn, we have seen the rise of virtual poomsae competitions being held in recent months. However, most of these tournaments have catered to the elite poomsae athletes rather than the general taekwondo public. Thus, the goal of the Silicon Valley Virtual Open is to provide a positive competition experience for all taekwondo athletes by including all of the events traditionally offered at the Silicon Valley Open Taekwondo Championship with exception of sparring. This event will be produced by the UTA in partnership with Vaztic, the company responsible for developing the virtual competition platform for the WT European and WT Oceania Online Poomsae Championships. The competition format will be video upload with live judging, which will help to ensure high quality video viewing for judging regardless of the competitor's internet connection strength.

Key Highlights:

- Online Broadcast of Competition on October 24th on YouTube
- Traditional Poomsae
- Open Poomsae
- Combination Kicks
- Creative Breaking
- World Class Poomsae
- Para Poomsae
- Registration through EZ Events and managed by E-productions

While we understand that nothing online can compare to the experience of an in-person competition, we are confident that this new virtual format will still provide all participants with an excellent tournament experience. In fact, one of the advantages of this new virtual format is that it allows for the participation of all competitors regardless of their physical geographical location. Thus, we look forward to welcoming competitors not only from California, but from around the world! We are #StrongerTogether. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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President, United Taekwondo Association