



## Pacific Northwest Kendo Federation 8<sup>th</sup> North American Women's Invitational Kendo Championship

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Dear Sensei,

On behalf of the Pacific Northwest Kendo Federation, I would like to give you, your federation, and/or your club information about the **8th PNKF North American Women's Invitational Kendo Championship**.

On: Sunday, October 2, 2022  
10am to 5:00pm (Doors open at 9am)  
At: IMA (Intramural Activities Building)  
University of Washington  
3924 Montlake Blvd NE  
Seattle, WA 98195

Entries are due by **SEPTEMBER 16, 2022**. Please fill out the Participant Registration form (1 form per Federation/Dojo) and email to: [pnkfwomenskendo@gmail.com](mailto:pnkfwomenskendo@gmail.com)

We will provide payment information once we received your registration form.

### **Cost: \$50**

This includes taikai fee, bento and tenugui for each participant.

This event will be a team tournament followed by individual divisions and **all participants must be 16 years of age or older**. Each federation or club may enter up to two teams, individuals without teams may be used to backfill teams with less than 5 members. Detailed rules will be posted on [www.womenskendo.com](http://www.womenskendo.com). The format of the tournament will be similar to the AUSKF Championships and the FIK Championships. There will also be single elimination individual events for both kyu and dan.

### **Women's Seminar:**

We are unable to offer the week-long seminar prior to the tournament, however, we are able to offer a keiko/informal seminar the day before the taikai, open to ALL ladies, regardless if they plan to enter the tournament or not. We do ask that attendees be 15yrs or older.

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 1st

TIME: 10am-2pm

PLACE: Broadview Thompson Elementary (Bitterlake Community Center Annex)

13052 Greenwood Ave N, Seattle, WA 98133

(Large gym, drive to the end of the parking lot towards the playground equipment. More info and map on the website: <https://womenskendo.com/seminar/>)

AGENDA:

The informal seminar piece will be led by Elizabeth Marsten sensei, 6D renshi and there will be one hour of open keiko or more.

### **Hotel for Taikai:**

Hotel suggestions are post on the website: <https://womenskendo.com/hotel-information/>

Of course, you are free to select your own hotel in the surrounding area.

**After Taikai Party:**

The Bellevue, Highline & Sno-King Kendo Clubs will host an after taikai party for participants and volunteers on Sunday evening from 6pm-11pm, open to all ages, located at:

Gateway Tavern  
24309 56th Ave W.  
Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043

Please RSVP on the final sign up submission for your group. **Cost per person is \$35** and includes food, non-alcoholic and some alcoholic drinks.

**COVID-19 Information:**

At this time, masks are optional in the IMA, this is subject to change per the University of Washington's policies. We will send out updates as we get closer to the event and note these policies can be changed up to event day. Proof of vaccination is also not required at this time (be prepared to show it if asked) - it is highly encouraged for your own safety and those that cannot be vaccinated.

**Parking, Building & Logistics:**

Sunday parking and the University is free - we recommend the largest lot on campus E18 and E1 - just North of the building and soccer fields, with a short walk to the facility. Participants will have full use of the building facilities, including shower, locker room, bathrooms and there is a small cafe in the lobby. The IMA has shorter operating hours on Sundays - doors usually open at 11am (pending the Fall 2022 schedule), which is why the start time is much later than a typical tournament. We will have a break between the team and individual events with a lunch option - but it will also be later than the typical lunch hours as a result of the later start time.

Hope to see you all in October!

Sincerely,

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