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Greater Lansing to Host Four National Sports Events Bringing 4,000 Visitors – November 2022

LANSING, Mich.— Four national sports events will bring more than 1,000 athletes, and an additional 3,000 officials, coaches and spectators to Greater Lansing this November. The Greater Lansing Sports Authority is excited to announce the region will host the 2023 Midwestern Sectional Singles and US Pairs Final for figure skating, NCAA DIII Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships, Capital City Tennis Classic and the 2023 Pan American Games Qualifier for Women's Handball.

"Greater Lansing is proud to host multiple events that bring in athletes from across the country," said Meghan Ziehmer, Associate Executive Director for the GLSA. "Events like these generate significant economic impact for the region by filling our local hotels, restaurants and venues. We couldn't make them happen without our partners and a generous team of volunteers. The public is invited and encouraged to attend these events."

2023 Midwestern Sectional Singles and U.S. Pairs Final

November 6-10, 2022 at Suburban Ice East Lansing

Approximately 300 skaters will compete at Suburban Ice East Lansing for their chance to qualify for the 2023 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships in San Jose, California. The event will also bring roughly 150 coaches, 50 officials, and hundreds of spectators to the region. Skaters will compete in singles and pairs disciplines. This event is one of three sectional competitions taking place across the country during this time.

Spectators can purchase tickets at the door for \$15 per day or \$40 for an all-event pass. Discounts are available for seniors and children.

To track updated news and information about the event, visit: www.usfigureskating.org/event/2023-midwestern-sectional-singles-us-pairs-final

Team USA vs. Canada: North American 2023 Pan American Games Qualifier for Women's Handball

November 10, 2022 at Lansing City Arena

The U.S. National Women's Senior Handball Team will face off against the Canadian Women's Team to qualify for the North American 2023 Pan American Games. The event will take place at the Lansing City Arena on Thursday, November 10 at 7 p.m. The event will be open to spectators.

Ticket pricing: Adults \$20, Teens (13-18) \$5, Kids under 12 are free. For more information, visit: www.lansingsports.org/handball-pan-qualifier

Capital City Tennis Classic

November 13-20, 2022 at MSU Tennis Center

Over 100 participants from countries around the world will compete for \$15,000 prize money at the Capital City Tennis Classic. The event is sanctioned by the International Tennis Federation (ITF) and hosted by the GLSA and the Mid-Michigan Tennis Association.

Spectators can purchase day passes for \$5 per day or \$25 for the entire week. Alternatively, spectators can bring a donation of two or more non-perishable cans of food for the Lansing Food Bank to get in the door for free. A donation bin will be located at the front desk. Students with school IDs are eligible for free admission as well.

To track updated news and information about the event, visit: <u>capitalcitytennisclassic.com</u>.

2022 NCAA DIII Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships

November 19, 2022 at Forest Akers East Golf Course

Approximately 780 athletes from across the country will compete in the 2022 NCAA DIII Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships. Women will run a 6k and men will run an 8k. The event is open to spectators at \$10 per ticket.

"It is an honor for Olivet College to work with the Great Lansing Sports Authority to host the 2022 NCAA Division III National Cross Country Championships," said Haley Diringer, Athletic Director at Olivet College. "We are thrilled to welcome the top NCAA men's and women's teams to Lansing for a first-class event. I have no doubt the folks at Forest Akers Golf Course will set up a challenging course for the runners."

To track updated news and information about the event, visit: www.lansingsports.org/2022-ncaa-cross-country.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer opportunities are available for each event. Those interested can learn more and sign up to volunteer at www.lansingsports.org/about-glsa/volunteer. For more information about the GLSA, visit www.lansingsports.org.

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The Greater Lansing Sports Authority (GLSA) is a division of the Greater Lansing Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The GLSA's mission is to be the leading voice of sports tourism in the Greater Lansing area and to promote economic growth by attracting a diverse range of sporting events to the region. The GLSA will strive to enhance the quality of life for area residents through the development of local sports and fitness programs for all ages, and to support the continued development and maintenance of safe, high-quality athletic facilities.