

Washington Winter Classic



DECEMBER 21-22, 2024

HOTEL 116 BELLEVUE

625 116TH AVE NE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004

Highest finishing player in the Erigaisi Open and Vidit U1600 sections seeded into the Premier and Rising Stars sections, respectively, of the 2025 WA State Championship.

Format: A five-round Swiss in two sections:

Erigaisi Open & Vidit U1600.

In case of a tie for 1st place, follow-up playoff games will determine the seed for the Premier or Rising Stars section of the 2025 Washington State Championship.

Time Control: G/90; +30 sec. increment.

Schedule: Sat @ 9 AM, 2 PM, 7 PM. Sun @ 10 AM, 3 PM. Closing Ceremony: Sun ~ 7 PM or asap. Games that go long may request a late start for the next round.

Prize Fund: \$2,600 (based on 40 paid entries)

Erigaisi Open: 1st-3rd: \$400, \$300, \$250.

1st U1900/U1700: \$200.

Vidit U1600: 1st-3rd: \$200, \$150, \$125.

1st U1500/U1300: \$100; 1st Unrated: \$100.

Special Prizes (per section): Biggest Upset Win: \$20/rd., Best Female Player (by TPR): \$50, Best Senior Player (50+, by TPR): \$50, Best Dressed: \$20/day.

Entry Fee: \$125 by 12/14, \$150 after. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs, and WIMs. Players rated 1400-1599 in *both* USCF & NWSRS may play up into Erigaisi Open section for an additional \$60 fee. Maximum of 60 players – please register early to guarantee your spot.

Memberships: Current US Chess and WCF membership/Northwest Chess subscription required. Memberships must be paid at time of registration.

Rating: US Chess and NWSRS Rated. Erigaisi Open section also FIDE Rated. Higher of December US Chess or current NWSRS rating used to determine section, pairings, and prizes. Higher of US Chess or foreign rating used at TD discretion.

Registration: Online at nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration (pay by credit / debit / PayPal / Zelle / SettleKing) or write a check to Washington Chess Federation. For credit, debit, and PayPal payments, a processing fee of 4% will be added on, so consider saving by using Zelle or SettleKing instead. Registration and payment **deadline: Fri. 12/20 @ 5pm**. No registrations accepted or refunds offered after the deadline.

Byes: Two half-point byes available. If interested, request before end of round 2.

Info/Entries: Make checks payable to Washington Chess Federation.

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