

Grand Knights Chess Academy presents...

GM Kayden Troff Lecture + Simul

Thursday, May 1st, 2025 @ 6 PM

Grand Knights Chess Academy

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Kayden Troff is a chess grandmaster who was born and raised in Utah. He learned chess when he was three years old from watching his dad and two older brothers play. Growing up, they played together, which led to many tournament victories and a competitive spirit among the brothers. This included many teaching opportunities, like running a summer chess camp with another chess family for seven years. Eventually, Kayden's brothers moved on to other things while Kayden continued to pursue chess. Chess tournament achievements:

- 1st place - 2009 U12 North American Youth Championship in Mazatlán, Mexico.
- 2nd place - 2010 World Youth Championships, Under-12 section.
- 1st place - 2012 World Youth Championships, Under-14 section.
- 1st place - 2014 Under-21 U.S. Chess Champion
- Achieved the title of Grandmaster at age 16, becoming Utah's first home-grown GM!

Kayden has been coaching privately and in groups for 10+ years and spends much of his time streaming chess with Antonio Padron on Twitch under ChessSharkz.

<p>Description</p>	<p>Grand Knights Chess Academy is honored to host Grandmaster Kayden Troff for an unforgettable evening of chess (lecture + simul) on Thursday, May 1.</p> <p>The evening will begin with a presentation and Q/A session with GM Troff, a popular chess coach and streamer now based in Charlotte, NC. All questions are welcome. GM Troff is excited to share tips for players of all ages and levels to help them achieve their chess goals! Space is limited to 60 for the presentation and 40 players for the simul and will be offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. A chess medal will be awarded to anyone who scores a win or a draw against the Grandmaster!</p> <p>At the courtesy of the Grand Knights Chess Academy and the Washington Chess Federation complimentary pizza, refreshments, and drinks will be provided for all attendees.</p> <p>Please join us for a memorable evening of chess with Grandmaster Kayden Troff!</p>
<p>Registration</p>	<p>Please register for the simul online via the Northwest Chess online registration system: nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration. Entry Fee: \$50. Maximum of 40 players; please register early to guarantee your spot!</p>
<p>Schedule</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arrival + check-in: 5:45 – 6:00 PM 2. Lecture + Q&A: 6:00 – 6:30 PM 3. Simultaneous Exhibition: 6:30 PM and on
<p>Organizers</p>	<p>Grand Knights Chess Academy - grandknightschess.com</p> <p>Washington Chess Federation - wachess.com</p>

