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NCAA MEN’S AND WOMEN’S FENCING COMMITTEE SELECTS

CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPANTS

 INDIANAPOLIS---The NCAA Men’s and Women’s Fencing Committee has announced the field of 145 competitors that will participate in the 2009 National Collegiate Men’s and Women’s Fencing Championships. Pennsylvania State University will host the championships at the Ashenfelter Multi-Sport Facility, March 19-22, in University Park, Pennsylvania.

 The National Collegiate Men’s and Women’s Fencing Championships include individual events in each of the six weapons (women’s foil, women’s epee, women’s sabre, men’s foil, men’s epee, men’s sabre).

 Fencers will compete in a round-robin of 24 fencers in five-touch bouts. Women’s foil will consist of 25 fencers this year in order to address discrepancies in the allocations that were published in the handbook. After the round-robin, the top four fencers in each event will fence direct elimination 15-touch bouts for first, second, third and fourth place. Absolute ties for the seeding will be broken as follows: for positions one through three, by a coin toss; for position four, by a fence-off.

 An institution’s place finish in the championships will be based on points earned by each individual. A team will be awarded one point for each victory by its student-athletes for the duration of the championships.

The following individuals were selected to participate in the championships:

### **Men’s Epee**

**First Name Last Name School Region**

Peter French Air Force West

Daniel Trapani Air Force West

Lorenzo Casertano Columbia Northeast

Dwight Smith Columbia Northeast

Jonathan Parker Duke Mid-Atlantic/South

Karl Harmenberg Harvard Northeast

Benji Ungar Harvard Northeast

Karol Kostka Notre Dame Midwest

Greg Schoolcraft Notre Dame Midwest

Jason Pryor Ohio State Midwest

Igor Tolkachev Ohio State Midwest

Benjamin Wieder Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Maxwell Dettlinger Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

James Moody Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Mike Elfassy Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Graham Wicas Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Stanley Vaksman St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Nicholas Vomero St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Clayton Kenney Stanford West

Kevin Mo Stanford West

Mykhaylo Mazur Wayne State (Michigan) Midwest

Slava Zingerman Wayne State (Michigan) Midwest

Alexander Cohen Yale Northeast

Michael Pearce Yale Northeast

**Men’s Foil**

**First Name Last Name School Region**

Will Friedman Brandeis Northeast

Adam Pantel Brown Northeast

Jonathan Yu Brown Northeast

Sherif Farrag Columbia Northeast

Kurt Getz Columbia Northeast

Daniel Cohen Duke Mid-Atlantic/South

Dorian Cohen Duke Mid-Atlantic/South

Kai Itameri-Kinter Harvard Northeast

Alexander Kao New York University Northeast

Enzo Castellani Notre Dame Midwest

Gerek Meinhardt Notre Dame Midwest

Andras Horanyi Ohio State Midwest

Collin Sutter Ohio State Midwest

Zane Grodman Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Vidur Kapur Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Miles Chamley-Watson Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Nicholas Chinman Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Alexander Mills Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Alexis Landreville St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Alex Khoshnevissan Stanford West

Benjamin Dorn UC San Diego West

Michael Fong UC San Diego West

John Gurrieri Yale Northeast

Shiv Kachru Yale Northeast

**Men’s Sabre**

**First Name Last Name School Region**

Peter Souders Boston College Northeast

Adam Austin Brandeis Northeast

Jeff Spear Columbia Northeast

Peter Truszkowski Duke Mid-Atlantic/South

Valentin Staller Harvard Northeast

Hugo Rodrigues New York University Northeast

Sam Roukas New York University Northeast

Bobby Ziechmann North Carolina Mid-Atlantic/South

Barron Nydam Notre Dame Midwest

Avery Zuck Notre Dame Midwest

Mike Momtselidze Ohio State Midwest

Max Stearns Ohio State Midwest

Jonathan Berkowsky Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Andrew Bielen Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Daniel Bak Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Aleksander Ochocki Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

John Stogin Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Daryl Homer St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Alejandro Rojas St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Lucas Janson Stanford West

Max Murphy Stanford West

Jon Ott UC San Diego West

Andrew Fischl Vassar Northeast

Jakub Gibczynski Wayne State (Michigan) Midwest

**Women’s Epee**

**First Name Last Name School Region**

Simone Barrette Air Force West

Neely Brandfield-Harvey Columbia Northeast

Tess Finkel Columbia Northeast

Sallie Dietrech Cornell Northeast

Tasha Hall Cornell Northeast

Maria Larsson Harvard Northeast

Noam Mills Harvard Northeast

Christa French Northwestern Midwest

Kayley French Northwestern Midwest

Courtney Hurley Notre Dame Midwest

Ewa Nelip Notre Dame Midwest

Miriam Baranov Ohio State Midwest

Julia Tikhonova Ohio State Midwest

Stephanie Wheeler Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Anastasia Ferdman Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Nina Westman Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Jasjit Bhinder Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Susannah Scanlan Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Joanna Guy St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Tanya Novakovska St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Kersten Schnurle Stanford West

Kristin Howell Temple Mid-Atlantic/South

Grace Wu Temple Mid-Atlantic/South

Rebecca Moss Yale Northeast

**Women’s Foil**

**First Name Last Name School Region**

Abigail Caparros-Janto Columbia Northeast

Nicole Ross Columbia Northeast

Jessica Tranquada Cornell Northeast

Alyssa Lomuscio Fairleigh Dickinson (Metropolitan) Mid-Atlantic/South

Emily Cross Harvard Northeast

Shelby MaCleod Harvard Northeast

Sophie Ciaravino New York University Northeast

Amanda Rysling New York University Northeast

Samantha Nemecek Northwestern Midwest

Devynn Patterson Northwestern Midwest

Adi Nott Notre Dame Midwest

Hayley Reese Notre Dame Midwest

Oksana Dmytruk Ohio State Midwest

Lindsay Knauer Ohio State Midwest

Laura Paragano Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Allison Glasser Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Doris Willette Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Lucile Jarry Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Andrea Oliva Princeton Mid-Atlantic/South

Nora Szita St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Jessica Wacker Stanford West

Melissa Parker Temple Mid-Atlantic/South

Pilar Alicea UC San Diego West

Katharine Pitt Yale Northeast

Valeria Makeeva Yale Northeast

**Women’s Sabre**

**First Name Last Name School Region**

Anna Hanley Brandeis Northeast

Jackie Jacobson Columbia Northeast

Daria Schneider Columbia Northeast

Alexandra Heiss Cornell Northeast

Rebecca Ward Duke Mid-Atlantic/South

Caroline Vloka Harvard Northeast

Robin Shin MIT Northeast

Alyxandra Mattison New York University Northeast

Lisa Verzino New York University Northeast

Whitney White Northwestern Midwest

Sarah Borrmann Notre Dame Midwest

Eileen Hassett Notre Dame Midwest

Falencia Miller Ohio State Midwest

Margarita Tschomakova Ohio State Midwest

Dominika Franciskowicz Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Danielle Kamis Pennsylvania Mid-Atlantic/South

Monica Aksamit Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Caitlin Thompson Penn State Mid-Atlantic/South

Dora Varga St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Dagmara Wozniak St. John’s (New York) Northeast

Eva Jellison Stanford West

Audrey Barroso Temple Mid-Atlantic/South

Kamali Thompson Temple Mid-Atlantic/South

Alicia Trigeiro UC San Diego West

For more information about the championships, log on to [www.NCAA.com](http://www.NCAA.com). Highlights of the National Collegiate Men’s and Women’s Fencing Championships will be shown on CBS at 1 p.m. Eastern time, Saturday, May 2. The seasonal show will feature highlights of 17 different NCAA championships that took place during the winter.

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