

USGA Media Center

CHARLESTON, S.C. (April 30, 2019) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced its onsite fan experience for the 74th U.S. Women's Open at Country Club of Charleston, designed to engage fans and highlight the local Lowcountry culture. The championship is set to take place May 30 - June 2.

"This is the first U.S. Women's Open in Charleston and our goal is to provide fans an elevated and engaging experience," says Matt Sawicki, championship director. "This year, we have expanded our offerings to further treat spectators to a world-class championship both inside and outside the ropes. Charlestonians won't want to miss what we have planned."

Join Us for Happy Hour

On Thursday and Friday of the Championship, fans can purchase \$20 tickets after 2 p.m. Ticketholders will receive 50 percent off all drinks as well as access to the Palmetto Pavilion, an open-air sports bar tent with seating. The exclusively-priced Happy Hour tickets are only available through walk-up sales at the championship's admission gates.

Local Food Trucks

This year, fans looking to experience the city's world-renowned culinary scene can visit local food trucks, including Roti Rolls, Bottleneck, Tamashii and others, located adjacent to the 16th hole. Other concession stands serving a variety of food and beverage options will be located throughout the grounds.

A Week of Family-Friendly Activities

The USGA, together with LPGA*USGA Girls Golf, is excited to offer the Junior Experience tent from May 28 - June 2, presented by MUSC Children's Health. Juniors will have the opportunity to participate in different putting and chipping games, as well as a craft station, while learning more about golf in a fun and engaging way. The tent will be located alongside the 16th fairway, and all activities are free of charge.

In addition to the tent, kids are encouraged to pick up a Junior Scorecard, which will enhance their time onsite with a scavenger hunt leading them around the course with fun, educational stops to help them learn more about the championship, its players, and how to best take in a golf tournament. All juniors who return a completed scorecard will receive an exclusive 74th U.S. Women's Open gift. Juniors 18 and under receive complimentary admission to the championship when accompanied by a ticket-holding adult.

Autographs and Selfies!

The U.S. Women's Open will feature a designated area for kids to get autographs and selfies with players in the area between No. 1 tee and No. 18 green.

Additionally, there will be autograph signings at the Merchandise Tent and Lexus Performance Experience. Check uswomensopen.com for details.

3,000 Square Feet of U.S. Women's Open Merchandise

Located next to the 18th fairway, fans interested in taking home a piece of U.S. Women's Open history can visit the 3,000 square foot U.S. Women's Open Merchandise Tent to purchase one-of-a-kind apparel designs and accessories from top golf brands and a variety of local vendors. Ticketholders will be able to select from over 12,000 U.S. Women's Open logoed items, including polo shirts, outerwear, t-shirts, children's apparel, hats and much more. The Tent will be open May 28 - June 2 from 7 a.m. until one hour after the conclusion of play.

Early-Bird Benefits

The first 200 fans through the gates on Thursday, May 30, the first day of championship play, will receive a complimentary gallery ticket to return to weekend action at the 74th U.S. Women's Open, redeemable Saturday, June 1 or Sunday, June 2. Prior to the opening tee shot, which will begin at approximately 6:40 a.m., the USGA will hold a brief opening ceremony at No. 1 tee.

Lexus Performance Experience

The Lexus Performance Experience, located near the 18th hole, offers state-of-the-art interactive golf experiences, including a photo opportunity with the U.S. Women's Open Trophy and a putting green interaction. Fans are encouraged to visit throughout the championship for autograph signings with Lexus Golf Ambassadors and to see the 2019 LS.

Parking and Transportation

Parking is complementary for all fans and details can be viewed at uswomensopen.com. Individuals with parking passes should utilize information located on the back of their pass. While free parking and shuttling is available for all fans, the use of Uber, Lyft and other ride-sharing options is encouraged and will be conveniently located at McCleod Plantation Historic Site.

Limited upgraded Championship and Palmetto Pavilion tickets are still available at uswomensopen.com/tickets.

For detailed fan information, visit the [Fan Information Guide](#). For additional 2019 U.S. Women's Open information, visit uswomensopen.com.

About the USGA

The USGA celebrates, serves and advances the game of golf. Founded in 1894, we conduct many of golf's premier professional and amateur championships, including the U.S. Open and U.S. Women's Open. With The R&A, we govern the sport via a global set of playing, equipment and amateur status rules. Our operating jurisdiction for these governance functions is the United States, its territories and Mexico. The USGA Handicap System is utilized in more than 40 countries and our Course Rating System covers 95 percent of the world's golf courses, enabling all golfers to play on an equitable basis. The USGA campus in Liberty Corner, New Jersey, is home to the Association's Research and Test Center, where science and innovation are fueling a healthy and sustainable game for the future. The campus is also home to the USGA Golf Museum, where we honor the game by curating the world's most comprehensive archive of golf artifacts. To learn more, visit usga.org.

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