CHASKA, Minn. (Apr. 2, 2024) – Fans have the chance to walk the fairways with the world's best amateur golfers and future stars of the game as tickets for the 124th U.S. Amateur Championship, scheduled for Aug. 12-18 at Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minn., are now available for purchase.



The USGA is offering individual single-day Gallery tickets and five-packs of Gallery tickets that can be used over multiple days or shared with

family and friends. Each individual ticket may be used for any one day of the of the championship (Monday through Sunday) and will include general admission to the Hazeltine grounds, access to walk the historic course and ability to purchase on-site food and beverage. During Monday and Tuesday's stroke-play rounds, there will be no charge to visit nearby Chaska Town Course, the championship co-host site.

## **Ticket Pricing**

Gallery – Good Any One Day (\$30/ticket)
Gallery – Good Any One Day, Five-Pack (\$125 total, \$25/ticket)

Juniors ages 17 and under will be granted complimentary Gallery admission for any day of the event by visiting the onsite ticket office with a ticketed or credentialed adult. There is a maximum of four junior tickets per ticketed or credentialed adult.

All tickets are available for purchase at <u>usamateur.com</u>.

The 124th U.S. Amateur is currently seeking volunteers for championship week. Available roles include volunteer services, community experience, transportation and evacuation, plus many other opportunities to be part of the action. For more information and to register, please visit the volunteer website <a href="here">here</a>.

Future stars of the game shine on the U.S. Amateur stage, as a total of 19 champions have gone on to win major championships at the professional level including Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and Tiger Woods. The last time the U.S. Amateur was played in Minnesota was in 2006, when Richie Ramsay beat John Kelly 4-and-2 in the final to become the first Scotsman to win the U.S. Amateur since 1898. En route to his victory, Ramsay beat Rickie Fowler in the quarterfinals and future U.S. Open champion Webb Simpson in the semifinals.

Last year at Cherry Hills Country Club outside of Denver, Colo., Nick Dunlap, a standout at the University of Alabama, joined Woods as the only players to have won both the U.S. Amateur and U.S. Junior Amateur titles. Five months later, Dunlap became the first amateur in 33 years to win a PGA Tour event (American Express Championship) and turned pro a week later.

The 2024 U.S. Amateur will be the 37th USGA championship played in Minnesota and the 9th at Hazeltine. The club has hosted two U.S. Opens, including 1991 when the late Payne Stewart won the first of his two U.S. Open titles. Englishman Tony Jacklin won the 1970 U.S. Open. Hazeltine has also hosted two PGA Championships, won by Rich Beem (2002) and Y.E. Yang (2009), in addition to the 2016 Ryder Cup. The club will host the 2026 KPMG Women's PGA Championship and will become the first U.S. venue to host a Ryder Cup for a second time when the matches return in 2029.

The starting field of 312 players for the U.S. Amateur Championship will play 18 holes of stroke play on Aug. 12 and 13, with one round at Hazeline and one at Chaska Town Course, after which the field will be cut to the low 64 scores. Six rounds of match play begin on Wednesday, Aug. 14, and the championship

concludes with a 36-hole championship match on Sunday, Aug. 18. The winner and runner-up are exempt into the following year's U.S. Open Championship at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club. The championship is open to amateur golfers with a Handicap Index® not exceeding 0.4. Entries are now open at <a href="mailto:champs.usga.org">champs.usga.org</a>.

## **About the USGA**

The USGA is a mission-based golf organization whose purpose is to unify the golf community through handicapping and grassroots programs; to showcase the game's best talent through the U.S. Open, U.S. Women's Open Presented by Ally and 13 other national championships and our museum; to provide unbiased global governance with The R&A through the playing, equipment and Amateur Status rules; and to advance issues important to golf's future, with a focus on driving sustainability, accessibility and inclusion. As a nonprofit association, our work and our team are driven to act for the good of the game. For more, visit usga.org.

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