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HWANG'S MARTIAL ARTS WORLD TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP RETURNS TO KENTUCKY EXPOSITION CENTER

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (October 13, 2016) — Competitors from across the country will compete and demonstrate their skills at the 30th Annual Hwang's Martial Arts World Taekwondo Championship at the Kentucky Exposition Center's Broadbent Arena Saturday, October 22.

International competitors will also participate in the event, which focuses on promoting confidence and building international friendship. Panama, Alaska, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, Cuba, Missouri, New York, Georgia, Idaho and Iowa will be represented. Divisions include children as young three years of age and adults 35 years and older.

The championship kicks off at 9 a.m. with the black belt competition. The color belt competition begins at 2 p.m. The event continues until 5 p.m., with teams competing in breaking, weapons and poomsae (forms). Opening ceremonies begin at 12:30 p.m. and showcase Hwang's students performing martial art demonstrations.

For over 20 years, Hwang's Martial Arts has provided instruction to students in Louisville, receiving awards for education, leadership and work with area charities.

Admission is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children at the door. For a \$3 discount, purchase tickets in advance at a Hwang's Martial Arts location. Parking at the Kentucky Exposition Center is \$8 per car and \$20 per bus.

For more information, visit www.hwangsmartialarts.com.

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Kentucky Exposition Center

One of the 10 largest facilities of its kind in the U.S., the [Kentucky Exposition Center](http://www.kyexpo.org) (KEC) features 1.2 million square feet of contiguous exhibit space, including Freedom Hall, an indoor arena that seats 13,500 people. The facility's class "A" exhibit space totals 677,000 square feet and accommodates a wide range of events year round. KEC is the permanent home of the Kentucky State Fair, National Farm Machinery Show, Eddie Ford Kentucky Hoopfest and North American International Livestock Exposition. For more information, go to www.kyexpo.org.

Conveniently located adjacent to the Louisville International Airport and near the junction of three major interstates, KEC is easily accessible and just seven minutes south of downtown Louisville. Entrances to the facility are located off Phillips Lane, Crittenden Drive and Preston Highway. Parking is \$8 per vehicle and \$20 per bus.