

14th Annual Western Invitational Chess Camp

July 9-13, 2017 (Tournament: July 14-16)

Hilton El Conquistador Resort, Tucson, AZ

The Premier and Strongest Chess Camp in the U.S.

Invitational Camp: Players grouped by USCF rating (adults welcome!). Last year - **23 players rated over 2100!!**

Group size and rating cut-offs vary each year -- typical rating cutoffs:

Group 1: 2100+

Group 2: 1900-2099

Group 3: 1750-1899

Group 4: 1550-1750

Group 5: Under 1550

***Minimum rating of 1500** to attend, some exceptions available – contact organizer

Relevant Dates: Camp: July 9-13, 2017 (**Sunday July 9 thru Thursday July 13**).

Ye Olde Pueblo: **Strong** Open event- same hotel, July 14-16 (register www.events4chess.com).

Arrival date: **July 8 if flying, otherwise July 9 in morning**. Announcements start 8:40 am Sunday!

Departure date: July 14 if not playing tournament; July 17 otherwise

Airport pick-up: Camp representative pick-up for camp attendees flying in for **arrivals on July 8, between 10 am and 7 pm only**.

Past Instructors: GM's Kaidanov, Hess, Shulman, Onischuk, Christiansen, Yermolinsky, Khachiyan, Ramirez, Friedel, Sadorra, Ipatov, Molner; IM's Altounian, Rensch, Bartholomew, Ginsburg; IM-Elects Robby Adamson, Joel Banawa, FM's Atoufi, Larsen; WFM Cardona

Registration: Cost is \$800.00. To reserve spot, register online with a non-refundable deposit of \$250 at www.events4chess.com (Paypal fee about \$20,) or mail \$250.00 deposit by May 1 to: Tucson Chess, LLC, 6230 N. Calle Del Halcon, Tucson, AZ 85718. Balance of fee (\$550.00) and registration forms must be mailed or emailed prior to camp.

Note: **\$100 discount if attended before. Late registration after June 1, add \$100.00**

Lodging: Tucson El Conquistador Resort, 10000 N. Oracle Road, Tucson, AZ 85704 (4-star resort) is site for the camp and tournament after. Parents accompany young students; contact Organizer for students room sharing. Group Code is WICC. Rate is \$99 per night; Suites available – contact hotel for details. Last year rooms sold out so please don't wait until last minute!

Meals: Meal plan available, contact organizer for details. Meals can also be purchased at hotel.

Typical Schedule: Classes 9:00 am to 12:30 pm; lunch 12:30 to 1:45 pm; tournament game and last class 1:45pm to 5:00 pm (includes recorded game + review by instructor). Evening activities after dinner.

Special Activities: Blitz, Bughouse, Bowling, Practical Exercises, 1 on 1 evaluation w/ instructors at end of the camp, Instructor Awards, Awards Banquet Thursday night – adults add \$25/person.

Questions: Robby Adamson, Organizer, (520) 577-6799 or robzadamson@msn.com

Info: **Camp Website:** www.westernchesscamp.com Registration forms available on website.
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