



**WORLD POOL-BILLIARD
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October 31, 2018

~OFFICIAL INVITATION~

2018 WPA WORLD “ARTISTIC POOL” CHAMPIONSHIP

February 8th – 10th, 2019

WPA Ranked Players / OPEN WC Invitation (Per WPA Approved Quota and Venue / Event Guidelines):

BCA - 10
EPBF - 6
APBU - 2
OPBA - 2
PBC - 2
AAPA - 2

2017 WPA World Champion

Note: Quota allowances for the 2018 WC event per each federation above will be filled by the WPA approved “artistic pool” World Rankings as of October 1, 2018, which are available for review at: (See chart below for original player invites)

If there are not enough players listed on the World Rankings list from a specific federation to fill their continental quota limit, then, any player(s) wanting to play...or any federation with interested player(s)...may submit their name(s) to a “waiting list”. (See list below)

SPECIAL NOTE: Since the APBU and the OPBU do not have any players on the World Ranking list, each federation will be given two “appointment” spots in the first stage of the player invite process. The AAPA and EPBF will be given one player “appointment” spot in the first invite stage. (See list in chart below)

Invitation Note: All of these quotas will be filled by invitation first then “open” invitation.

Invitation guidelines (Open WC event):

A) PHASE 1 – Initial Invitation Eligibility (11/1/2018 thru 11/15/2018)

BCA – 10 players from WPA World Rankings

EPBF – 4 players from WPA World Rankings and 3 open invitation

PBC – 2 players from WPA World Rankings

APBU – 2 open invitations

AAPA – 1 player from WPA World Rankings and 1 open invitation

OPBA – 2 open invitations

2017 WPA World Artistic Pool Champion

THE INVITATION LIST BELOW IS BASED ON THE WPA WORLD RANKINGS LIST CHART AS OF October 1, 2018

Special Note: The number in the left column of the list does not imply the ranking position of the individual listed next to it. It is intended only as a reference number for players invited in the 1st phase.

Federations should use the following chart to notify players eligible in first phase of invitation/entry process for the 2018 WC Open event.

Invited Players (WC Open Event)

2017 WPA World Artistic Pool Champion (Guaranteed invitation):

2017 WPA World Artistic Pool Champion (Sebastian Giumelli)

1	William DeYonker	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
2	Jason Lynch	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
3	Mark Dimick	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
4	Abram Diaz	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
5	Curtis Robertson	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
6	Brian Pauley	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
7	Andrew Sozio	BCA	2018 WC Invitation

8	Marty Carey	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
9	Tim Chin	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
10	Jamey Gray	BCA	2018 WC Invitation
11	Florian Kohler	EPBF	2018 WC Invitation
12	Lucasz Szywala	EPBF	2018 WC Invitation
13	Gabi Visoiu	EPBF	2018 WC Invitation
14	Adam Nickels	EPBF	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
15		EPBF	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
16		EPBF	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
17	Sebastian Giumelli	PBC	2018 WC Invitation
18		PBC	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
19	Nkoyoyo Edirisa	AAPA	2018 WC Invitation
20		AAPA	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
21	Chi-Ming Lin	APBU	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
22	Wang Mengnan	APBU	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
23		OPBA	2018 WC Invitation (Open)
24		OPBA	2018 WC Invitation (Open)

NOTE: Deadline for player acceptance during this Phase 1 invitational process is November 15, 2018

November 15, 2018 forward 2nd Phase – Players sign up by sending in their intent to enter.

The remaining openings will be filled via an “open” invite:

Any player on the WPA World Ranking list not getting an original invite will be placed in order of rank onto the confirmed players list.

Any player not on the WPA World Ranking list will be placed in order of signup.

SPECIAL NOTE: To be placed on the WC players list, players and/or federations should contact Mark Dimick at your earliest convenience:

Email: dimickmark@aol.com Phone: 405.642.5641

Invited players in Phase 1 must fax his or her signed copy of the Entry form and players agreement to Mark Dimick (Fax: 405.794.9575) no later than 11/15/2018.

Phase 1 Note: If fax is not received from invited players in Phase 1 by the deadline date of 11/15/2018, he or she will not be placed on the confirmed players list.

Players must fax his or her signed copy of the entry form and players agreement to Mark Dimick (Fax: 405.794.9575) within 1 week of his or her “intent to enter”.

Federation announcements of Phase 1 players accepting should send “intent to enter” to:

Mark Dimick: dimickmark@aol.com

Copy To: Jim Sommer: jimsommer@me.com

INVITATION TIMELINE (For WC Event):

November 1, 2018 to November 15, 2018 – Announce players of Phase 1

November 15, 2018 forward Phase 2 – Players sign up by sending in their intent to enter.

January 25, 2019 is the deadline for all entries to be sent in.

Cancelations / Withdrawal from WC:

A full refund of paid entry fee may be received before January 25, 2019.

After January 25, 2019 75% of paid entry fees will be returned upon written request submitted to WPA APD Board.

Mandatory Player’s Meeting: February 7, 2019 (Exact time to be decided).

Practice: Reviewed at players meeting

More information to follow.

2018 WPA World “Artistic Pool “Championship Shot / Challenge Program will be available November 1, 2018. For an approved copy of the 2018 WPA World “Artistic Pool” Championship Shot / Challenge Program, please email Mark Dimick at: dimickmark.aol.com

Format:

40 shots / challenges chosen for WC from the 120 shot / challenge program

WPA / WPA APD 8 Disciplines for Artistic Pool will be used.

WC event players will shoot **5 shots / challenges** (all DOD levels) from each discipline as follows:

Shot / Challenge #1; Shot / Challenge #2; Shot / Challenge #3; Shot / Challenge #4; and Shot / Challenge #5

Each shot / challenge # will have 3 individual shots / challenges to choose from – A, B or C.

In other words:

Each discipline will have:

- Shot / challenge #1 ----- choice A, B or C.
- Shot / challenge #2 ----- choice A, B or C.
- Shot / challenge #3 ----- choice A, B or C.
- Shot / challenge #4 ----- choice A, B or C.
- Shot / challenge #5 ----- choice A, B or C.

The **40 shots / challenges** done by each WC player will determine whether they move on to the playoff rounds.

Playoff rounds: 8 to 12 players will go into playoff rounds which will be a head to head play off.

Head to Head format will be included with the shot program information.

Venue Dates: February 8, 2019 (Friday through Sunday)

February 7, 2019 (Players meeting (exact time TBD))

Venue Location: Houston, TX

Venue Contact: Bogies East

Entry Fees: \$350.00 for World Championship (Entries Fees must be sent to Artistic Pool WorldWide, payable by Money Order or PayPal account by January 25, 2019)

Prize Fund/Awards:

- Bogies East is adding \$2500 to WC
- Any Additional added money will be announced as it is confirmed

Note: Federal taxes may be withheld depending on the player's country of residence and the amount that the player may receive.

- WPA will provide medals for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place finish.
- Artistic Pool WorldWide LLC. will provide discipline awards and sportsmanship award.

Equipment:

- 9' gold crown Tables.
- Simonis 860 Cloth or similar cloth.
- Aramith Pro Cup Cue Balls or similar ball sets.

Dress Requirements:

- The recommended wear for any world championship is tuxedo pants, tuxedo shirt, dress shoes, dress socks, bow tie, and a tuxedo vest
- No caps / hats or tennis / sneaker type shoes are allowed, except for medical reasons – requests for this must be submitted / approved by APD by December 31, 2018
- Players have the option of replacing the tuxedo pants with any color dress slacks
- Players have the option of replacing the tuxedo shirt with a dress shirt. A bow tie or matching tie is optional
- Vests are required to be worn during competition and for awards ceremony.
- Any exemptions or changes to the dress requirements must be approved and confirmed by e-mail no later than December 31, 2018.
- All questions on dress requirements should be sent to WPA APD president at dimickmark@aol.com

Sponsor Logos and Patches and General League Guidelines:

- Players will be entitled to wear approved logos on his or her playing apparel at the event. Each logo must not exceed 3” x 2” or 6 square inches. The player shall submit to WPA APD / Artistic Pool WorldWide any questions concerning logo or sponsor patches before December 31, 2018 for approval. The WPA APD Will have full authority to disallow any player or player sponsor logos should they not comply with the policy or conflict with any sponsor or broadcaster of the event.

PLAYER REMINDER:

In order to play in the 2018 WPA World Artistic Pool Championship all players must review and sign, then send the signed players agreement to Mark Dimick WPA APD president.

Mark Dimick, WPA APD President
 Fax: 405.794.9575

Full WPA APD Players Agreement and entry forms are available by email – dimickmark@aol.com

*****Event Programs*****

If an event program is done, we will need player’s bio information and photo by email attachment no later than January 1, 2019. The promoter will not be responsible for late submissions.

Submission email: dimickmark@aol.com

Video and Photo Rights / Waiver of Liability:

By participating in the 2018 WPA World Artistic Pool Championship, I have read and agree to abide by the following and all rules and regulations for this tournament entry and all other regulations implemented by Artistic Pool World Wide LLC. Artistic Pool World Wide LLC has the right to determine a player's eligibility or to refuse entry.

Event completion times are approximate. Artistic Pool World Wide LLC may refuse entry if fields are full, field sizes are subject to change. Artistic Pool World Wide LLC has the right to change any / all schedules and payouts based on, but not limited to inclement weather, acts of God, or terrorism. Artistic Pool World Wide LLC , and all event representatives, agents, sponsors and affiliates are released and to be held harmless of and from any injury, illness, losses, damages, liability or expenses of any kind accrued by me, my heirs, or personal representatives either caused or alleged to be caused during or surrounding this event. Disqualification from any Artistic Pool World Wide LLC event for unsportsmanlike conduct shall result in forfeiture of any prize money or award won by that player with possible suspension from all Artistic Pool World Wide LLC produced events. Artistic Pool World Wide LLC and / or WPA APD may use my photograph, image, likeness, or name for information, reporting or promotional purposes via print, video and other media.

Championship Direction and Event Coordination provided by:

**WPA Artistic Pool Division (WPA APD)
Volunteer Staff and Players**

Thank you for your consideration on sending your players to this prestigious event.

**Mark Dimick, President
WPA Artistic Pool Division
Artistic Pool World Wide LLC**