

Disney to Serve as Official Host of 2022 Special Olympics USA Games

Organizing Committee Also Unveils New Logo for 2022 Games at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World Resort

Walt Disney World Resort will serve as the official host of the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games, which are set for June 5-11, 2022 at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex – one of the premier sports venues in the country for amateur sports.

During a ceremony which took place Thursday night at The Arena at ESPN Wide World of Sport Complex, the Special Olympics Organizing Committee unveiled its logo for the 2022 USA Games. For the first time ever, Special Olympics USA engaged nine Special Olympics athletes from across the nation to provide the vision for the USA Games logo.

The nine athletes who collaborated on the 2022 logo included: Aarushi Pratap (Fashion Design, Tampa, Fla.), Andrew Weatherly (Abstract Painting, Closter, N.J.), Caroline Shin (Web Design, Tallahassee, Fla.), Coby Fineran (Drawing, Manning, Iowa), Haley Waggoner (Cake Decorating, Lincoln, Neb.), Lee Savage (Drawing, Lake Worth, Fla.), Mariah Gilbert (Drawing, Spokane, Wash.), Marta Páramo (Painting, Miami, Fla.) and Patrice Jetter (Graphic Design, Hamilton, N.J.).

The 2022 Special Olympics USA Games will feature more than 4,000 athletes, 10,000 volunteers, 1,500 coaches, and 125,000 fans from all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

The Games will be comprised of as many as 16 Olympic-type team and individual sports, and as many as five demonstration sports.

Disney hosts several other Special Olympics events throughout the year including the State Summer Games, the State Fall Classic and the State Golf Championships.