

VANCOUVER CHESS SCHOOL

GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS ATTEMPT FOR THE MOST GAMES PLAYED IN A DAY ON JULY 20, 2024, AT VCS.

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INTRODUCING THE ULTIMATE TOURNAMENT PACKAGE FOR FALL 2024 AT VCS!

Practice is crucial for chess players to refine their skills and strategies. At VCS, we're committed to making this essential practice accessible and affordable for everyone.

Unlock incredible savings with our new feature. Purchase the Ultimate Tournament Package alongside VCS group lessons on our Registration & Schedule page and get up to 75% off all VCS tournaments this Fall! For just **\$350** (regular price **\$1395**), enjoy access to 74 tournaments, including Quads, Festivals, and Regionals.

Secure your spot now and gain access to all VCS tournaments this Fall. Don't miss out on this unbeatable offer!

Levy Rozman aka Gotham Chess, renowned for his outstanding contributions to chess, as a content creator, author and commentator was awarded the prestigious VCS signature Medal of honour at Cipriani, 25 Broadway, New York! 🏆 We're thrilled to announce that Levy has promised to visit us soon. Watch Levy's video [here](#).

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FEATURED STUDENT: AUSTIN LIAO

Austin Liao, currently in the Knight level class, exemplifies extraordinary commitment to chess. He actively participates in classes, camps, the Sunday chess club, and numerous tournaments, where he has won many medals. Austin is diligently working towards advancing to the pre-Bishop class. Recently, he celebrated his birthday with a beautiful cake at VCS with his fellow peers, showcasing his passion and dedication to the game. Austin's commitment extends beyond participation; he has started to meticulously record his moves during games. This practice has greatly helped him slow down and play more thoughtfully, resulting in improved performances. Austin's unwavering dedication and continuous efforts truly set him apart as a promising young chess player. We wish him the very best!

VCS OPENING ZONE: PERSONALIZED CHESS REPERTOIRES COMING FALL 2024

Introducing the VCS Opening Zone: your personalized tool for mastering chess openings! Designed for Pre-Knight level and up, our platform tailors two customized opening repertoires for each student, with options for both white and black pieces. This innovative feature combines our years of diligent work with top-notch resources and guidance, ensuring our students are well-prepared and confident in every game. Launching in Fall 2024, join us and elevate your opening strategies!

MAY TACTICS CHALLENGE WINNERS ANNOUNCED!

Congratulations to the winners of our June Tactics Contest! Alex Pan claimed first place with an exceptional performance. Khai Le secured second place, while Stephanie Wu, Rockwell Chan and Alexander Ward took third, fourth, and fifth places, respectively. Special recognition goes to Eason Wang, the top U6 participant, and Chelsea Tang, the top female competitor, both of whom earned additional Chess Heroes cards for their outstanding achievements.

GYAN AWATRAMANI REPRESENTS VCS AT 2024 WORLD CORPORATE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP



Gyan Awatramani, with a background in international finance and chess education, received an exclusive VIP invitation to the 2024 World Corporate Chess Championship, a 4-day event, organised by FIDE to identify the "world's smartest companies" through chess competition.

The event was kicked off at the Nasdaq closing bell ceremony, a historic tradition that marks the official end of the trading day on Wall Street, and thereafter the chess championship was held at the iconic Cunard Building in New York's financial district. During the 4 days, Awatramani had insightful conversations with Timur Turlov, CEO of Freedom Holding Corp, Emil Sutovsky, CEO of FIDE, Harvard Professor, chief economist of the International Monetary Fund Kenneth Rogoff, GM Hikaru Nakamura, and other luminaries from different fields. The VCS signature Medal of Honor was presented to GM Nona Gaprindashvili, former Women's World Chess Champion, at the Marshall Chess Club in New York. The same Medal of Honor was also presented to IM Levy Rozman, aka Gotham Chess, a renowned chess content creator and author, at Cipriani, 25 Broadway. On the final day, he was invited by Chessify CEO, Gor Vardanyan, to take a photo with the winning team, trophy in hand, celebrating their victory.

"It was an honour to represent the Vancouver Chess School at this corporate FIDE event in the financial capital of the world," said Awatramani and described it as a unique opportunity to exchange ideas and explore future collaborations. [文章](#).

SUMMER CAMPS | WEEKLY, JULY - AUGUST

VCS is thrilled to announce our weekly in-person summer camps at the Jericho main office. We offer full-day and half-day options to fit any schedule. Every participant gets a free pizza lunch daily. Campers, grouped by skill level, will explore new openings, tactics, and endgame strategies. With engaging lessons, fun tournaments, thematic games, and expert-led game analysis, these camps are a fantastic way to improve chess skills, make new friends, and enjoy the summer. [Register here](#)

Our annual potluck event was a resounding success. Held indoors at VCS Jericho for the first time, we welcomed 75 attendees. Although we regretfully had to create a waitlist due to venue capacity limitations, the enthusiasm and energy of our community shone through. The event featured an exciting range of activities, including a Blitz knockout tournament, Team BC vs ROTW, Coaches vs Students, Bughouse, a double birthday celebration, and Team BC being awarded VCS signature medals for their extraordinary performance at the Nationals. We're grateful to everyone who contributed to this joyous gathering, making it a truly special day. Thank you for your warmth, generosity, and dedication.

