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Special Media Event

Queen Underwood Visits Spokane in Preparation for U.S. Olympic Team Trials for Women's Boxing

Tuesday, January 24, 2pm, Howard Street Boxing Club

At every Olympic games, you can count on watching a multitude of familiar athletes in action. But as with every Games, new faces will emerge. This year, one of those faces may very well be Queen Underwood, one of the greatest lightweight female boxers in the world. Underwood, who will be competing in Spokane at the first-ever U.S. Olympic Team Trials for Women's Boxing in February, is making a special advance appearance in Spokane on Tuesday, January 24, at 2pm. There will be photo opportunities as well as time for short one-on-one interviews with this amazing athlete.

When: Tuesday, January 24, 2pm

Where: Howard Street Boxing Club, 165 S. Howard Street, Spokane 99201

Underwood, from Seattle, Washington, is excited to have a major event close to home as she looks to add the title of United States Olympian to an already outstanding resume. "It's wonderful to have an event so close to home. My local supporters rarely get to see me compete since the majority of my bouts are on the national and international level," Underwood said. "This will mean a showdown near the hometown for me, and I can't wait."

A five-time national champion, Underwood began her career at the light welterweight division, but made the move down to the lightweight class following the announcement of the three Olympic weights. Since moving to the lightweight division, she has won two national titles as well as claiming bronze at the 2010 World Championships.

About the 2012 U.S. Olympic Team Trials for Women's Boxing

In just a short month from now, February 13-19, Spokane will host the 2012 Olympic Team Trials for Women's Boxing at Northern Quest Resort. The top women boxers from the nation will be traveling to Spokane to earn their place on the first-ever Olympic Women's Boxing Team competing in London in 2012.

This groundbreaking event will feature eight boxers in each of the three Olympic weight classes during the seven-day competition. The tournament is a double elimination format with preliminary action beginning on February 13 and running through final round action on February 18 and 19 (if necessary). Spokane Regional Sports Commission and Northern Quest Resort are hosting this historic event in partnership with Inland Northwest Boxing Association. We hope you can join us in supporting this event in our community. [Learn more](#) about all of the athletes.

Tickets can be purchased through Northern Quest by calling 509-481-6700 (toll-free 1-877-777-5252) or order [online](#). Special room rates are available.

About Spokane Regional Sports Commission

Sports don't just entertain. They improve communities. They drive economies. And no other organization brings sports events to the Inland Northwest like the Spokane Regional Sports Commission.

Our vision is to establish the Spokane region as the premier destination for youth and amateur sports in the Western United States generating a significant economic impact, improving the quality of life, while bringing prominence and recognition to the Inland Northwest. For more information, please visit our website www.spokanesports.org.

About The Venue

Northern Quest Resort & Casino is located 10 minutes west of downtown Spokane and five minutes from Spokane International Airport. As the only tribally-owned AAA Four Diamond resort in the Inland Northwest and one of 27 lodgings in the entire state to receive this recognition, Northern Quest Resort & Casino welcomes visitors with a contemporary urban setting and 250 luxurious guest rooms and suites, the upscale Current Spa, 14 restaurants and lounges offering everything from burgers to fine dining, including the AAA Four Diamond restaurant Masselow's (one of only six restaurants to receive the prestigious award in Washington), and true Las Vegas-style gaming and world-class entertainment. You can even schedule your next event, professional or personal, with our event and banquet services. Discover more about Northern Quest Resort & Casino at www.northernquest.com