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TAEKWONDO CANADA NAMES NATIONAL TEAM FOR 2023 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Ottawa, ON – Taekwondo Canada is pleased to announce the Senior National Team which will compete for Canada in the upcoming 2023 World Taekwondo Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan. The championships, being held May 29th to June 4th, features the top athletes from Canada competing amongst the best on the world stage.

The Senior National Team consists of 16 athletes (8 male and 8 female) from across the country competing for gold in the event. Seven coaches and three support staff will also attend the event on behalf of Team Canada. The full team is listed below:

Total Athletes: 16

Name	Event	Hometown	Club	Home Coach
Angelique Orozco	F-46kg	Toronto, ON	Young Choung Taekwondo	Young Choung
Viviane Tranquille	F-49kg	Champlain, QC	HLD Taekwondo	Carlos Amezcua
Megan Brewster	F-53kg	Stouffville, ON	Young Choung Taekwondo	Young Choung
Skylar Park	F-57kg	Winnipeg, MB	TRP Academy	Jae Park
Ashley Kraayeveld	F-62kg	Mississauga, ON	Black Belt World - Burlington	Carla Bacco
Nathalie Iliesco	F-67kg	Montreal, QC	WCAP Team	Terrence Jennings
Sofie Nicholson	F-73kg	Surrey, BC	Vortex Taekwondo	Dan Thornton
Rachel Fountain	F+73kg	Waterloo, ON	Five Rings Taekwondo	Greg Bauer
Nicholas Hoefling	M-54kg	Campbellville, ON	Black Belt World - Burlington	Carla Bacco
Braven Park	M-58kg	Winnipeg, MB	TRP Academy	Jae Park
Shane Britton	M-63kg	Surrey, BC	Vortex Taekwondo	Dan Thornton
Tae-Ku Park	M-68kg	Winnipeg, MB	TRP Academy	Jae Park
Charl�lie Mercier	M-74kg	L�vis, QC	Club de taekwondo Sainte-Foy	Alain Bernier
Cedric Ndzouli	M-80kg	Quebec City, QC	Club de taekwondo Sainte-Foy	Alain Bernier
Ethienne Brunet	M-87kg	Montreal, QC	HLD Taekwondo	Carlos Amezcua
Marc-Andr� Bergeron	M+87kg	Qu�bec City, QC	Club de taekwondo Sainte-Foy	Alain Bernier

Total Staff: 12

Head of Team	Allan Wrigley
Medical 1	Elwin Lau
Medical 2	Marya Phan
MNA Official	David Harris
MNA Official	Kee Ha

Coach 1	Carlos Amezcua
Coach 2	Carla Bacco
Coach 3	Greg Bauer
Coach 4	Alain Bernier
Coach 5	Young Choung
Coach 6	Jae Park
Coach 7	Dan Thornton



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Taekwondo Canada's High Performance Director Dr. Allan Wrigley said of the upcoming World Championships, "We are really excited to see our athletes perform at this year's World Championships. With a strong core of veterans, some new Senior Team members, as well as young and up-and-coming talent our expectations for each team member is different." "I think we have some younger athletes poised to surprise some opponents, but ultimately, we are looking to be better as a team than the 2022 event in Guadalajara. If we can continue to improve from event to event, we will begin to close the gap against some of the stronger countries and create a solid footing towards qualifying as many athletes as possible to the 2024 Paris Olympics."

Full results will be sent out to all media following the completion of the event on June 4th.

About Taekwondo Canada:

Taekwondo Canada is the official governing body of Taekwondo in Canada, overseeing the sport in all Provinces and Territories. Taekwondo Canada is recognized by World Taekwondo, the International Olympic Committee, PATU and Sport Canada. Taekwondo Canada will continue to be a leading nation in the sport by providing leadership and opportunities to enable its participants to achieve their goals.

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