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**50<sup>th</sup> CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN**

MEGAN KHANG  
DEFENDING CHAMPION

LILIA YU  
2<sup>nd</sup> WGR

BROOKE HENDERSON  
14<sup>th</sup> WGR

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LPGA GOLF CANADA TOURNAMENT OF THE YEAR

**JULY 23 - 28, 2024 EARL GREY GOLF CLUB | CALGARY, AB**

**STAR STUDDED FIELD SET TO  
COMPETE IN THE HISTORIC 50TH  
PLAYING OF THE  
CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN**

*Canadian superstar Brooke Henderson, Lydia Ko, Rose Zhang, Lilia Vu and defending champion Megan Khan headline early commitments to 2024 CPKC Women's Open*

**Calgary, Alta. (June 24, 2024)** – Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC), Golf Canada and the LPGA Tour today announced the early commitments scheduled to compete in the historic 50th playing of the CPKC Women's Open, July 23-28 at Earl Grey Golf Club in Calgary, Alta.

"We are thrilled to have this world-class tournament, with the world's best golfers, back in Calgary, the home of CPKC's global headquarters," said Keith Creel, CPKC President and Chief Executive Officer. "This year, our goal is to raise over \$2.75 million to support the Alberta Children's Hospital and the important work being done to help the youngest hearts across Alberta."

Since 2014, this tournament, which is the marquee event of the CPKC Has Heart community investment program, has helped raise over \$19 million to support cardiac research, equipment and care across North America.

The list of early commitments features eight of the current top-10 and 83 of the top-100 players on the 2024 Race to the CME Globe Standings.

Thirteen-time LPGA Tour winner and the winningest golfer in Canadian history Brooke Henderson of Smiths Falls, Ont. will lead a field that includes three-time CPKC Women's Open champion Lydia Ko, Minjee Lee, Jennifer Kupcho, In Gee Chun, Danielle Kang, Sei Young Kim, Linn Grant and Maja Stark. Lexi Thompson will also be competing in her final CPKC Women's Open after announcing she will be retiring from competitive golf at the end of the 2024 season.

Defending champion Megan Khang is among eight past CPKC Women's Open champions competing for Canada's National Open Championship including Paula Reto (2022), Jin Young Ko (2019), Brooke Henderson (2018), Ariya

Jutanugarn (2016), Britney Lincicome (2011), Cristie Kerr (2006) and three-time winner Lydia Ko (2015, 2013, 2012) who will be chasing a record fourth CPKC Women's Open title.

Earl Grey Golf Club will welcome nine LPGA Tour in-year winners including 2024 U.S. Women's Open champion, Yuka Saso. Joining Saso are, Lydia Ko (Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions), Patty Tavatanakit (Honda LPGA Thailand), Hannah Green (HSBC Women's World Championship and JM Eagle LA Championship), Baily Tardy (Blue Bay LPGA), Rose Zhang (Cognizant Founders Cup), Linnea Strom (ShopRite LPGA Classic), Lilia Vu (Meijer LPGA Classic) and Amy Yang (KPMG Women's PGA Championship).

Henderson, a CPKC Ambassador who made history at the Wascana Country Club in Regina in 2018 becoming the first Canadian since the late Jocelyne Bourassa, 45 years earlier to win Canada's National Women's Open, will be joined by fellow Canadians, Maude-Aimee Leblanc, Maddie Szeryk and Alena Sharp. In addition, Team Canada athletes Lauren Kim and Anna Huang earned exemptions through the Peloton Glencoe Invitational and Ellie Szeryk and Brooke Rivers through the GolfBC Group BC Women's Open, both as part of the She Plays Golf Championship Series, earlier this month.

The 156-player field will be competing at Earl Grey Golf Club for the first time in tournament history. This marks the seventh time the province of Alberta will host the CPKC Women's Open and first since 2016.

The Calgary golf community is ready for the return to the city with a full roster of over 1,300 volunteers confirmed for the event, strong advanced ticket sales and one of the largest corporate build footprints in event history with a record number of public viewing and hospitality locations built on over half of the golf course.

"We are less than a month away and are very excited to be back in Calgary and the province of Alberta for the 50th playing of the CPKC Women's Open," said Ryan Paul, CPKC Women's Open Tournament Director. "Golf fans in Calgary are in for a very memorable week at a beautiful golf course where the world's

best will compete for our National Open Championship. The CPKC Women's Open is one of the top three women's sporting events in Canada and this year is shaping up to be a special one."

One of Canada's premier annual sporting events, the 2024 CPKC Women's Open returns to Calgary riding momentum from being named the LPGA Tour's Tournament of the Year back-to-back years in 2022 and 2023. The 2023 tournament also won additional awards for Best Sponsorship Activation and Best Volunteer Appreciation at Shaughnessy Golf and Country Club in Vancouver. Golf Canada and CPKC also received Gold Driver Awards for Best Sponsor Activation in 2019, 2022 and 2023 as well as Best Community and Charity Engagement in 2017, 2019 and 2022.

### **CPKC HAS HEART CAMPAIGN TO BENEFIT ALBERTA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION**

CPKC will once again leave a meaningful legacy in the host community through its CPKC Has Heart program. The official charitable partner of the 2024 CPKC Women's Open is Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation. Last year, CPKC raised nearly \$3.5 million for children's heart health with donations of \$2.9 million to the BC Children's Hospital Foundation and \$580,000 to the Royal Inland Hospital (PIH) Foundation.

### **ABOUT ALBERTA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION**

The Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation inspires our community to invest in excellence in child health, research, and family centred care. Through the generosity of donors, the Foundation provides funding for innovative programs, state-of-the-art equipment, advanced medical training and internationally recognized pediatric research. The Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation is a founding partner of the Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute, as well as the primary funder. Donations can be made at [cpkcwomensopen.com](https://cpkcwomensopen.com) with all funds raised matched by CPKC. For more information, please visit [childrenshospital.ab.ca](https://childrenshospital.ab.ca).

## **CPKC WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT RETURNS TO KICK OFF TOURNAMENT WEEK**

Golf Canada and CPKC will host the seventh annual CPKC Women's Leadership Summit on Tuesday, July 23 as part of the weeklong excitement of the 2024 CPKC Women's Open. The CPKC Women's Leadership Summit is headlined this year by Raven Jemison, President of the Kansas City Current, Mollie Marcoux Samaan, Commissioner of the LPGA and will be hosted by Lindsay Hamilton of TSN. The day will bring together like-minded businesspeople from across the country for a day of networking, empowerment, and philanthropy. For more information, click [here](#).

## **"THE RINK" FAN EXPERIENCE RETURNS**

Fans of all ages will once again be able to experience the week-long celebration of golf highlighted by The Rink on the 17th hole at Earl Grey, and a variety of food and patio experiences at The Fare Way featuring the Keg.

## **CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN BROADCAST**

The 2024 CPKC Women's Open will feature four days of domestic and international television broadcast coverage including Canadian broadcast partner TSN as well as international coverage on GOLF channel.

## **KIDS 12-AND-UNDER GET IN FREE**

As part of the championship's commitment to junior golf, admission all week is free for youth aged 12-and-under. General admission tickets provide access to the golf course and enjoy fan activations throughout the property and experience the thrill of major professional golf.

## **MOBILE APP EXPERIENCE**

Experience the CPKC Women's Open like never before by downloading the Golf Canada Mobile App on your iOS or Android device. Essential features include a live map, leaderboard & pairings, tickets, breaking news, and special events.

Plus, use the Golf Canada Mobile App to enhance your experience while playing! Find golf courses, track your game, set up matches against friends, access GPS yardages and more. Click [here](#) to download.

## **ABOUT THE CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN**

The stars of the LPGA Tour will challenge for the CPKC Women's Open from July 23-28, 2024, at Earl Grey Golf Club in Calgary, Alta. Through its CPKC Has Heart program, title sponsor CPKC will once again make a substantial donation to the host community of Canada's National Open Golf Championship by supporting the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation. The 2024 CPKC Women's Open is proudly sponsored by CPKC, BDO, Audi, RBC, theScore, Levelwear, Titleist, FootJoy, Hilton, Sleeman Clear 2.0, Think Turkey, The Keg, Johnsonville, Cayman Islands, Masi, Celebrity Cruises, STALK&BARREL, Matt & Steve's, Pepsi, Connect Hearing, Waste Management, Rolex and is supported by Calgary Tourism. For information visit [www.cpkcwomensopen.com/](http://www.cpkcwomensopen.com/).

## **ABOUT CPKC**

With its global headquarters in Calgary, Alta., Canada, CPKC is the first and only single-line transnational railway linking Canada, the United States and México, with unrivaled access to major ports from Vancouver to Atlantic Canada to the Gulf of México to Lázaro Cárdenas, México. Stretching approximately 20,000 route miles and employing 20,000 railroaders, CPKC provides North American customers unparalleled rail service and network reach to key markets across the continent. CPKC is growing with its customers, offering a suite of freight transportation services, logistics solutions and supply chain expertise. Visit [cpkcr.com](http://cpkcr.com) to learn more about the rail advantages of CPKC.

## **ABOUT GOLF CANADA**

Golf Canada is the National Sports Federation and governing body for golf in Canada representing more than 340,100 golfers and 1,505 member clubs across the country. A proud member of the Canadian Olympic Committee, Golf Canada's mission is to increase Canadian participation and excellence in golf. For more information about what Golf Canada is doing to support golf in your community, visit [www.golfcanada.ca](http://www.golfcanada.ca).

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