



STREET LEAGUE SKATEBOARDING ANNOUNCES 2016 INTERNATIONAL SCHEDULE

Street League Skateboarding Expands International Event Markets;
Brings Back Women's Championship Contest; Adds New Gateway for Pros to Join SLS

LOS ANGELES, CA (March 1, 2016) — Today, Street League Skateboarding (SLS) announces this year's dates and locations of Pro contests in the SLS global qualification structure towards the SLS Nike SB Super Crown World Championship. As the official street skateboarding world championship series as sanctioned by the International Skateboarding Federation (ISF), the SLS qualifying contests and the SLS Nike SB World Tour are skateboarding's most prestigious contests in professional competitive skateboarding, bringing the sport's best to a worldwide fan base.

This weekend, March 5-6, the 22nd Annual Tampa Pro presented by Monster Energy will play host to the kick off of the SLS season for the second year in a row. As a result of the partnership between SLS and Skatepark of Tampa (SPoT) established in 2015, Tampa Pro stands as the official North American Qualifier into SLS, where two pros currently not on the SLS roster will be given an opportunity to win their way into the League. In 2015, Felipe Gustavo and Kelvin Hoefler took the top qualifying spots and will be returning this weekend with the other SLS Pros to contend for championship points. Aside from SLS spots and points, skaters from all around the world will be competing to claim part of the \$75,000 prize purse, in addition to the coveted Monster Energy Golden Ticket straight to the SLS Nike SB Super Crown World Championship. With Nike SB's Luan Oliveira coming back to defend his 2015 win, it will surely be a battle not to be missed.

Following Tampa Pro, the international SLS Nike SB Pro Open returns to Barcelona, Spain this May as the second entry event that further unlocks the professional competitive space for two more of skateboarding's rawest talent not yet in SLS. The world's best will come together to compete for a Golden Ticket at Skate Agora BDN concrete plaza built by Lateral Thinking in conjunction with Nike SB, the City of Badalona and designed by CA Skateparks. This one-of-a-kind SLS Certified plaza built along side the Mediterranean played host to the first-ever international Pro Open in 2015, where Evan Smith and Cody McEntire advanced to join the exclusive SLS line up. In typical SLS fashion, the 2015 contest came down to the last trick, with Nyjah Huston just inching out Paul Rodriguez for the win.

With a complete SLS roster, the 2016 SLS Nike SB World Tour officially gets underway in Munich, Germany this July as the headlining event of the MUNICH MASH festival at Olympic Park. The last time the SLS Nike SB World Tour made an appearance in Munich was in 2013, where Chris Cole took home his first-ever SLS win, giving him momentum towards taking the SLS Super Crown World Championship win in the same year. "I am very eager to head back to Munich," says Cole. "The fans showed so much support and it really fired me up [in 2013]." This year's Munich stop of the World Tour also marks the first time Euro fans will see Nike SB's Nyjah Huston compete in SLS at Olympic Park, having missed the contest in 2013.

When SLS lands in the United States, the Pros will come to an arena that will feel like home for most, as Prudential Center in New York City's neighbor Newark, NJ has held the most SLS contests since the beginning of the League. Newark will solidify the Top 8 pros advancing to the SLS Nike SB Super Crown World Championship being held in skateboarding's hometown of Los Angeles at the Galen Center at USC for the first time ever.

For the second year in a row, SLS will include a Women's Division as part of the SLS Nike SB Super Crown World Championship, allowing the world's best female street skateboarders to compete for the title of World Champ. 2015 was a historical year as eight of the best skaters competed for the highest first-place prize in women's street skateboarding with Brazilian Leticia Bufoni taking the first-ever female Championship.

While last year's history-making Tour saw Luan Oliveira take two arena wins and SLS Rookie Kelvin Hoefler take the Championship crown for the Men – this year's title of Champ could be anyone's, especially with the influx of new talent. The biggest wildcards will be the four pros that have entered the contest line-ups thru the newest gateway into SLS called the SLS Picks. Just announced last week, Kyle Walker, Kevin Bradley, Miles Silvas, and Chris Joslin have the chance to compete in all 2016 SLS contests preceding the SLS Nike SB Super Crown World Championship.

With the continued addition of new blood, SLS ensures the competition line-up pushes skateboarding forward, giving the most progressive and innovative skateboarders in the world the chance to shine and be crowned World Champion.

SLS offers options for fans across the world to tune in and watch skateboarding's most prestigious competition series. International fans can watch each event webcasted live exclusively on StreetLeague.com. Fans in the United States can watch SLS on FS1 and customers of participating cable and satellite TV providers may access the live stream through the FOX Sports GO app for iOS, Android, Windows and Kindle devices, as well as on desktops through FOXSportsGO.com.

SLS SEASON DATES AND VENUES:

- March 5–6 Tampa Pro | Skatepark of Tampa | Tampa, Florida, USA
- May 21–22 SLS Nike SB Pro Open | Skate Agora BDN | Barcelona, Spain
- July 2 SLS Nike SB World Tour: Munich | Olympic Park | Munich, Germany
- August 28 SLS Nike SB World Tour: New Jersey | Prudential Center | Newark, NJ, USA
- October 2 SLS Nike SB Super Crown World Championship | Galen Center at USC | Los Angeles, CA, USA

FS1 TELECAST SCHEDULE:

SLS Nike SB Pro Open - Sunday, May 22 (9:30 PM – 11:00 PM ET)

SLS Nike SB World Tour: Munich - Saturday, July 2 (1:30 PM – 3:00 PM ET)

SLS Nike SB World Tour: New Jersey - Sunday, August 28 (5:00 PM – 6:30 PM ET)

SLS Nike SB Super Crown World Championship – Sunday, October 2 (10:30 PM – 12:00 AM ET)

Check out [video](#) and [images](#)

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About Street League Skateboarding

Street League Skateboarding (SLS) is the first-ever professional league for street skateboarding. SLS features 29 of the world's most exciting skateboarders competing in an easy-to-follow, ISX™ instant scoring format on one-of-a-kind concrete skate plazas around the world, all for the largest prize purse in skateboarding history. Each Season, the elite SLS Pros compete for valuable points to advance to the Top Eight that will compete for title of Champion in the official street skateboarding world championship as sanctioned by the International Skateboarding Federation, the SLS Super Crown World Championship. SLS airs live on FS1 and FOX Sports GO with a live international webcast on Streetleague.com. For more information, visit www.streetleague.com and follow [@streetleague](https://twitter.com/streetleague).

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About Skatepark of Tampa

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