



2006 Mayors Cup Super Chess Tournament

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"Susan Polgar, winner of 5 Olympic gold medals and 4 Women's World Championships in chess, partners with award-winning pencil artist Justin Michael Jenkins to help promote and raise money for the Susan Polgar Foundation and an upcoming historic chess tournament in New York City!"

PR9.NET May 18, 2006 - New York, N.Y. – 5 time Olympic gold medalist and winner of 4 Women's World Chess Championships Susan Polgar is once again facing off against some of the most talented and high ranking men in chess. The 2006 Mayors Cup Super Chess Tournament, which will take place on Sunday, June 25th, and Monday, June 26th at the New York Athletic Club, will include some of the finest players in the United States including Susan Polgar, Gata Kamsky, Alex Onischuk, Boris Gulko, Alex Stripunsky, and Ildar Ibragimov.

The New York City Sports Commissioner Ken Podziba will be present. New York City Mayor Bloomberg is also expected. Susan has turned to the art world and partnered up with Imaginative Pencil and artist Justin Michael Jenkins to help raise money and awareness of the Susan Polgar Foundation and this historic chess tournament.

Artist Justin Michael Jenkins, an avid chess player and passionate about the game of chess, values the importance of chess to children and learning, and has donated his signed and framed original, "The Concealed Fate of an Imminent Surrender", from his chess drawing collection, to help raise funds for both the Mayors Cup Super Chess Tournament and the Susan Polgar Foundation. This original work (16"X20" framed) will be up for auction and the bidding will start at \$1,000.00. Proceeds will go toward the tireless and worthy cause of making young children and adults more aware of the importance of the game through events such as the Mayors Cup Super Chess Tournament and other important events that the Susan Polgar Foundation organizes throughout the year.

The artist is inspired so much by the beauty, complexity, and geometric structures the game provides on countless levels, he decided to begin a journey into extracting the underlying laws and elements of the game into visual form based on his unique style of art. He revealed in the fascinating ideas that could be generated onto paper from this magnificent game. The artist states, "Besides the fact that I play chess religiously, these underlying foundations led me naturally to study and visually represent this game in my own unique style." According to the artist, this collection of work started from a dream interpretation where the artist had a vision of an explosive and repetitive structure of form as it blossomed from the board in a fictitious chess match against Bobby Fischer. This collection of drawings are perhaps some of the most unique in the world for their deep symbolic meaning for the game and for a metaphor for life.

Thanks to Susan's vision and interest in Justin's style of art and ideas, art and chess have fused their interconnected worlds into a worthwhile endeavor that aims to promote chess as more than just a game. "I would describe the work of Justin Michael Jenkins as very bold, striking, unique, and creative!", states Susan.

More information about this 2006 Mayor's Cup Super Chess Showdown can be found at www.SusanPolgar.com.

To view this work of art from the Chess Drawing Collection click here:
<http://www.imaginativepencil.com/chessp0110.html>

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About Susan Polgar

Susan Polgar is a 5 time Olympic gold medalist and 4 time women's world champion and is the founder of the Susan Polgar Foundation. <http://www.susanpolgarfoundation.org>.

About Imaginative Pencil

Imaginative Pencil is a company founded in 2004 that specializes in the sale, distribution, and exhibition of the visionary and surreal pencil art of Justin Michael Jenkins.

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