

# 2015 Taos Fall Arts Festival Masters Swimming Classic

Hosted by Taos Masters Swimming  
September 26, 2015  
Pool Elevation 7027 ft

- Sanction:** This meet is being held under the sanction of New Mexico Masters Swimming for USMS Inc. Sanction Number: 425-S003
- Facility:** Taos Youth and Family Center, 407 Paseo Del Canon East, Taos New Mexico, 87571. There are eight competitive lanes in a 25 yard heated pool with both male and female locker rooms. A Colorado Timing System and Scoreboard will be used.
- Eligibility:** The meet is open to all 2015 US Masters Swimming registered athletes. All participating athletes must submit proof of Masters Swimming registration signed with their entries. **There will not be an opportunity to obtain a valid US Masters Swimming number or registration at the competition.**
- Liability:** New Mexico Masters Swimming, Taos Masters Swimming, Taos Youth and Family Center, all meet sponsors, and all meet officials shall be held free from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of this meet. Damage to the facility, when proved, will cause the offending swimmer if unattached or the offending swimmer's club if attached to be held accountable for repairs.
- Format:** This is a timed final, short course yards meet. All events will be mixed gender and pre-seeded from slowest to fastest, with the exception of the 500 freestyle. There will not be any scoring or awards for the meet. Fly-over starts may be used to control the timeline if it is deemed necessary to complete the session within a reasonable time period. There will be positive check-in for the 500 freestyle.
- Rules:** 2015 US Masters Swimming Rules and Regulations govern this meet, except as noted in this meet information. See attached order of events for the list of events and their schedule.
- Coaches:** If needed, there will be a coaches meeting approximately 10 minutes prior to the start of each session.
- Meet Directors:**  
Alfredo Aleman: [taostigersharks@hotmail.com](mailto:taostigersharks@hotmail.com)  
Nancy Call: [swcall12@gmail.com](mailto:swcall12@gmail.com)
- Swimwear:** All swimsuits shall be made from textile materials. For men, the swimsuit shall not extend above the navel nor below the knees, and for women, shall not cover the neck, extend past the shoulder, nor extend below the knee. No fasteners, other than draw stings, are allowed. Only one suit can be worn during competition, unless the referee is notified before the event that a swimmer is wearing two suits for modesty.
- Locker Rooms:**  
"Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone camera is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms or locker rooms."
- Entries:** All swimmers may swim a maximum of 5 individual events per day. **All registrations will be verified.** No on deck USMS registrations will be accepted. The swimmers age as of September 26, 2015 shall determine their age for the meet.
- Entry Fees:** Entry fees are \$3.50 per event. There is a \$10.00 surcharge per swimmer.

**Entry Deadline:**

**All entries must be received by Friday, September 18, 2015.** Please send entries with payment to:

Taos Swim Club  
c/o Alfredo Aleman  
Taos Youth and Family Center  
407 Paseo Del Canon  
Taos, NM 87571

**Entry Process:** Participants may send entries to the address listed above, including entry form, proof of USMS membership, and payment.

**Deck Entries:** Deck entries will be accepted up to 30 minutes prior to the start of the meet and charged at \$6.00 per event – plus a \$10.00 surcharge. Late entries will be placed into available lanes without regard to seed times. No new heats will be created. **Swimmers entering late will be required to present their current USMS registration card.**

**Warm-Up Procedures:**

Warm-up times are listed on the schedule of events page.

**Should the number of swimmers in the meet warrant an additional warm-up session, one will be created and the teams notified of their specific warm-up time.**

The following rules apply:

*General warm-up (35 minutes):*

- *No diving from the blocks or pool edge; swimmers must enter the water feet first in a cautious manner*
- *No sprinting or pace work permitted*
- *All lanes to be used for general warm-up*

*Specific warm-up (15 minutes)*

- *Push/pace – lanes 3 and 6. Push off from starting end. Circle swimming only. NO DIVING*
- *Racing starts – lanes 1, 2, 7 and 8. Sprint lanes are for race starts and backstroke starts, swimming in one direction only.*
- *General warm-up – lanes 4 and 5. Circle swimming only, no diving.*

**Meet Referee:** To be announced

**Scoring/Awards:**

There will not be any scoring or awards for this meet.

**Hospitality:**

A potluck for all participants will immediately follow the competition.

**Officials and Timers:**

Volunteer timers and officials are always welcome and encouraged.

**Safety Guidelines:**

Safety Marshals shall be on deck to enforce the safety guidelines. The marshals, under the direction of the Meet Referee, shall have the authority to remove any swimmer or coach found to be in violation of unsportsmanlike conduct, swimming ethics, or procedures outlined in the meet information.

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## Order of Events

<b>Session I – Saturday Morning</b>	<b>Warm-ups 11:00am – 11:50am Meet starts 12:00pm</b>
<b>EVENT #</b>	<b>EVENT DESCRIPTION</b>
1	Mixed 200 FREE
2	Mixed 50 BACK
3	Mixed 100 BREAST
4	Mixed 100 FLY
5	Mixed 100 FREE
6	Mixed 200 IM
7	Mixed 50 FLY
8	Mixed 100 BACK
9	Mixed 50 FREE
10	Mixed 50 BREAST
11	Mixed 500 FREE

Taos Fall Arts Festival – <http://www.taosfallarts.com>

2015 is the 41<sup>st</sup> year of the Festival, Taos' premier art event. Opening night is Friday, September 25 and the show runs through October 4<sup>th</sup> in venues throughout the downtown area. There are 2 shows, Taos Select which is juried and the Taos Open which anyone can submit. Most of the artists in town will be showing their work. In addition all of the galleries will be open during this festival.

The Paseo – <http://www.paesotaos.org>

The Paseo is a festival dedicated to bringing the art of installation, performance and projection to the streets of Taos. In conjunction with the Taos Fall Arts Festival, The Paseo unites the 2015 fall arts venues, creating a platform for the public display of art within the Taos Historic District. This year The Paseo will take place on Friday evening September 25<sup>th</sup> and all day Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. The streets of downtown will be alive with people enjoying the installations as well as the art shows.

Recreational opportunities – [taos.org/](http://taos.org/)

The fall colors will be beautiful and can be explored by car, hiking, or biking in the Enchanted Circle area.

Hotels, Bed & Breakfast Inns and Restaurants

There are multiple accommodations in Taos in a variety of price ranges. In addition there is a large selection of award winning restaurants as well as some fast food options.

