

**2006 13u D-I AAU National Tournament
Opening Ceremony
Municipal Auditorium
Downtown- Kansas City, MO
Friday, July 14, 2006- 7:00pm**



Doors Open to Public at 5:00pm

All Athletes and Coaches must report to Exhibition Hall below the Arena floor by 6:00pm - DJ Entertainment, pin trading, and snacks for Athletes and Coaches in Exhibition Hall before and after Opening Ceremony.

Family and Friends may find open seating in the Arena.

7:00pm- Ceremony Begins w/ Parade of Athletes

M.C.- Phil Witt- Fox 4 News Anchor- Kansas City

**Speaker- Bonnie Henrickson
Kansas University Head Women's Basketball Coach**

Directions to Municipal Auditorium from Overland Park, KS

**(ALLOW 45 MINUTES DRIVE TIME IN CASE OF
CONSTRUCTION OR ACCIDENTS- TO BE SAFE, LEAVE
YOUR HOTEL BY 5:00PM- CARPOOLING RECOMMENDED)**

Address: 301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105 (for those MapQuest/Expedia folks)

From: I-435 & Metcalf Avenue (or Overland Park Convention Center- site of registration):

Take I-435 West to US Hwy 69 North OR I-35 North (either will work, as they merge together as you go north)

Proceed onto I-35 North when they merge and stay on I-35 North all the way through town. You will eventually see the downtown skyline. As you make the last curve towards downtown veering left, begin to get into the lane second from the left:



This is the lane you want.

Proceed in the second lane from the left as the highway begins to straighten out into downtown. Stay in this second lane from the left as the highway forks. Stay left at the fork.

Next look for the 14th Street Exit sign, and exit on 14th Street (right turn):



Stay right after exiting the highway and proceed east on 14th Street. Stay on 14th Street and you will come to a stoplight in front of the Bartle Hall Convention Center (the big box building with the funny looking ‘sculptures’ on top).

Proceed straight through the light (underneath Bartle Hall Convention Center) one block to Central Avenue (the next stoplight). Turn left onto Central. Municipal Auditorium will be in big cement building on your right. The front of the building can be accessed from 13th Street in between Central Avenue and Wyandotte Avenue (notice- these are all one way streets).

If you miss the 14th Street Exit:

Proceed on the highway to 12th Street and exit. Turn right (east) on 12th Street. Proceed on 12th Street past Broadway two more blocks to Wyandotte. Turn right (south) onto Wyandotte and proceed one block to 13th Street.

If you miss the 12th Street Exit:

Proceed on the highway to Broadway and exit. Turn right (south) on Broadway and proceed to 12th Street. Turn left (east) on 12th Street and proceed to Wyandotte. Turn right (south) onto Wyandotte and proceed one block to 13th Street.

If you went right at the fork in the highway downtown instead of left:

Exit immediately on Broadway and turn left (north). Proceed to 14th Street and turn right (east). Proceed to Central Avenue and turn left (north). Proceed to Municipal on your right at 13th Street.

Athlete Drop-off:

We recommend dropping your athletes off on 13th Street anywhere in between Central Ave and Wyandotte. Once inside of the Municipal Auditorium building, signs and volunteers will be stationed to direct the Athletes and Parents.

Parking:

A pay parking garage is located underneath Barney Allis Plaza immediately to the north of Municipal Auditorium (recommended). It can be accessed from either Central Avenue or Wyandotte, in between 12th and 13th Streets. The 2-4 hour rate is \$6 per car.

Note- Big vans or buses may not fit into garage. SUV's should be o.k.

Street parking throughout downtown is free after either 5pm or 6pm depending on the street.

Buses: Parking for travel liners may be found on Central Avenue in between 13th Street and 14th Street. Please e-mail jerskine@kc.rr.com if you will be coming in a travel liner bus so the number of bus parking spaces can be forecasted.

Questions: If you have any other questions, please email jerskine@kc.rr.com.