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### **USA Gymnastics to draw more than 1,600 youth gymnasts to Cincinnati**

**Cincinnati, Ohio (March 25, 2015)** - Over 1,600 gymnasts, ages 6-18 years old, and their families will take over the Duke Energy Convention Center on March 27, 28, and 29, 2015. Gym-Nation Gymnastics and Tumbling, located in Mason, Ohio, will host this USA Gymnastics sponsored event beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, March 27th. The event will run through Sunday with session start times beginning at 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. each day.

This is the State Championships for Levels 6 thru Level 10 and all Xcel Levels. It is a qualifying meet for Regionals for Levels 8 thru Level 10. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$8 for Children (7-17 years) and Seniors. Children under 6 years old are admitted for free.

There will be plenty for the entire family with three gyms being used at all times and essentially 15 different State Championships taking place over the course of the weekend. The Session not to miss is the Level 10 competitions beginning at 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 28th. These are the athletes who will be moving on to compete at Level 10 Nationals, as part of a college gymnastics teams, or even possibly representing the United States in international competition.

Since 2002, Gym-Nation has offered a wide range of services to the gymnastics community of Cincinnati. They offer Pre-Team Levels, Recreational Teams, and Competition Teams for all age groups and skill levels.

"This will be an exciting weekend for all who attend and I am honored that the Ohio Women's Gymnastics State Board trusts me and my gymnastics club to run an event of this Magnitude," said Patrick Jordan, Gym-Nation Owner and Event Director.

"Cincinnati USA is excited to work with Gym-Nation and USA Gymnastics to host the 2015 Ohio State Gymnastics Championships and to show off our great city as one of the region's premier youth sporting destinations," said Leslie Spencer, Executive Director of the Greater Cincinnati Sports Corporation.

For more information on the 2015 Ohio State Gymnastics Championships and to find the schedule of events for this weekend, please visit <http://www.gym-nation.com/state-meet/>.

#### **About Greater Cincinnati Sports Corporation:**

The Greater Cincinnati Sports Corporation (GCSC) strives to enrich the community through the acquisition of amateur and professional sporting events, by maximizing economic impact and promoting the Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky region as a premier sports destination. We have a 25-year history of event management that brings pride, visibility and positive economic impact to this region. From World Championships and National Championships to community-based programs designed to benefit our youth, we are making a difference in the quality of life for Greater Cincinnati. GCSC is funded in part by and represents the Cincinnati USA Convention and Visitors Bureau and meetNKY. For more information on GCSC or a full calendar, visit [www.CincySports.org](http://www.CincySports.org).

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